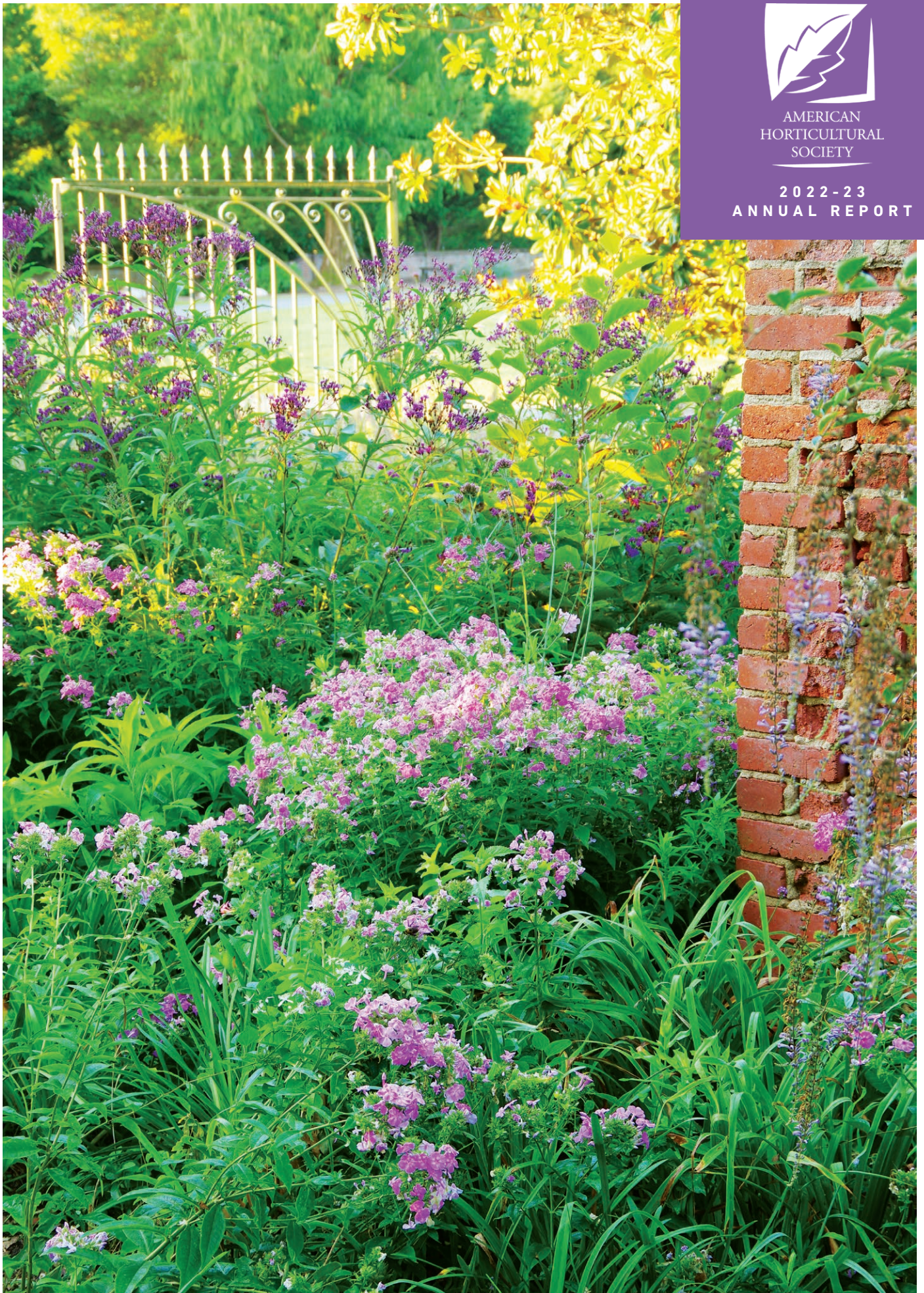




AMERICAN  
HORTICULTURAL  
SOCIETY

2022-23  
ANNUAL REPORT



# STRONG ROOTS. BRIGHT FUTURE.

**Our vision is a land of sustainable gardens, cultivated by a diverse population with a common passion for plants.**

**Our mission is to share with all Americans the critical role of plants, gardens, and green spaces in creating healthy, livable communities and a sustainable planet.**

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## Letter from the CEO and Board Chair

Dear AHS Members, Supporters, and Neighbors,

Welcome to an overview of AHS's 2022-23 fiscal and program year. We hope you'll enjoy looking back with us at all that AHS accomplished in our centennial year. We started by rethinking what impact means for AHS. In the process, we considered the organization's structure and staffing model, which resulted in new roles and new talent at AHS. Between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023, we attracted new directors in Development, Marketing & Communications, National Programs, and Travel Study. Hopefully, you met these new team members on our Virtual Gardenside Chat in June – one of many firsts!

The year started with the tremendous news that the Virginia State Legislature had allocated \$2 million in the state budget for River Farm, the historic headquarters of AHS. The legislature designated the funding for the purpose of increasing public accessibility at River Farm. We are grateful to Virginia State Senators Scott Surovell and David Marsden and State Delegates Paul Krizek and David Bulova for helping to usher along and secure this funding. We are currently finalizing our memorandum of understanding with the state agency and will be receiving our full funding in the near future. Preliminarily, we plan to use these monies for improved parking areas, accessible restrooms, accessible trails and more. We look forward to keeping you updated on our progress in the months ahead.

One highlight of the year was our 100th anniversary gala, themed "A Great American Garden Party," on September 17, 2022. AHS honored Bart O'Brien with AHS's Liberty Hyde Bailey Award and Honorary Chair Carolyne Roehm with AHS's National Achievement Award. The gala featured a similarly aged 1921 Lincoln. The sold-out crowd contributed to funding to add a greenhouse at River Farm (permit pending). River Farm sparkled and gleamed during this festive centennial celebration, the first AHS gala since the pandemic.

You'll read more about all the AHS programs and activities in the pages ahead, but here's a quick summary. At River Farm, we oversaw a significant clean-up (thanks to our volunteers and donors), added weekend hours, created a local monthly newsletter, enjoyed music and decorations at our Holiday Open House, and invited the public to meet staff at two "Coffees with the CEO." On a national level, we revamped our monthly member newsletter, held our annual symposium for children and youth educators, launched exciting travel programs, recognized excellence in horticulture, increased the Reciprocal Admissions Program to 361 gardens, published our beloved magazine, *The American Gardener*, and much more.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without your generous support. Our members and donors helped us achieve the successes that the year brought. Thanks to you, we moved AHS forward and impacted the world of gardening and the field of horticulture. We are poised now for even greater impact going forward. Thank you for all that you do to support the AHS!

When the 2022-23 year ended on June 30, 2023, each of us on both staff and Board had been at AHS for less than two years. Looking back, our paths were helped greatly by the other AHS Board members, to whom we owe great thanks: Marcia Zech, Jane Diamantis, Tim Conlon, Holly Shimizu, Laura Dowling, Skipp Calvert, and Amy Golden. The local community near River Farm welcomed us, and local officials supported us. We look forward to continuing to work with all of our supporters going forward. Together, we'll create many more wonderful moments for gardeners!

Thank you for a great year. Enjoy our Annual Report!

Warm regards,

Suzanne B. Laporte  
President & CEO

Scott C. Plein  
Board Chair

1922  
American Horticultural Society (AHS) and National Horticultural Society (NHS) founded.

1922  
First edition of *The National Horticultural Magazine*.



1958  
The first Liberty Hyde Bailey Medal awarded.

1960  
AHS and AHC develop the USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map.



1981  
River Farm opens a children's garden.

1991  
Reciprocal Admissions Program launched with public gardens.

1993  
First Children's Gardening Symposium.

2004  
The restoration, conservation and installation of a set of former White House Gates (1812-1932).



# KEY EVENTS IN AHS HISTORY (1922-2022)

1926  
AHS and NHS merge as American Horticultural Society.

1953  
First Great American Gardeners Awards.

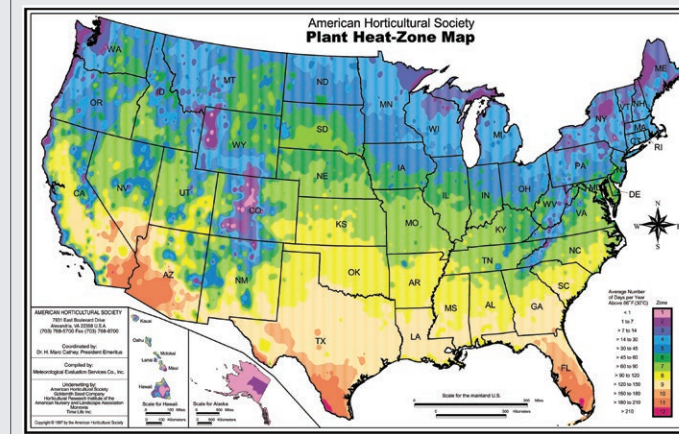
1973  
AHS purchases River Farm through the generosity of a \$1 million gift from Enid Annenberg Haupt.

1974  
First Lady Patricia Nixon and Enid Haupt attend Opening Ceremony.



1996  
AHS's magazine changes name to *The American Gardener*.

1997  
Introduction of the AHS Plant Heat Zone Map.



2021  
AHS board members and community win fight to prevent sale of River Farm to developers.

2022  
AHS celebrates 100 years and looks forward to more years of impact.

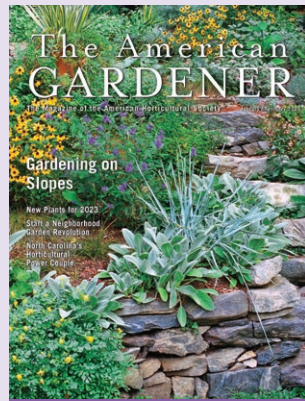
# The American Gardener

*The American Gardener*, the award-winning magazine published exclusively for AHS members, showcases plants, tips, events, gardening attractions, and more.

Over the 2022-23 year, the magazine published gardening features written by horticultural experts around the nation with stories that included “Gardening for Native Bees” by Jessie Keith, “Outwitting Weed Laws” by Nancy Lawson, and “Flavorful Homegrown Grapes” by Charlie Nardozzi. With over 23,000 copies printed bi-monthly and a digital archive of 100 years of back issues, AHS members are kept up-to-date with relevant gardening and horticultural news.

**2022-23 Editorial Advisory Committee:** Julie Chai (Chair), Linda Askey, Lorene Edwards Forkner, Panayoti Kelaidis, Charlie Nardozzi, Kelly D. Norris, Jessica Walliser

## 2022-23 ISSUES

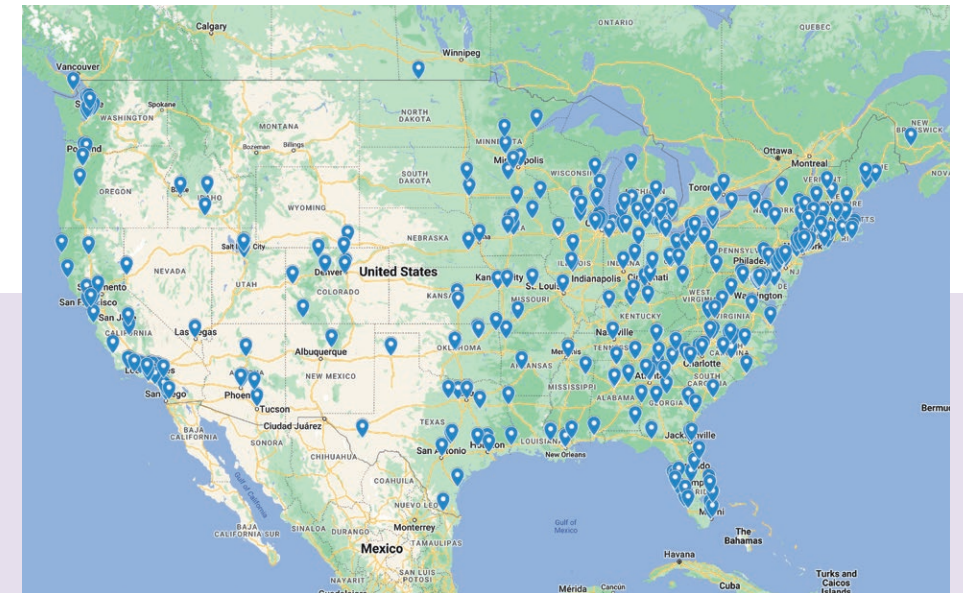


# Reciprocal Admissions Program

In 2022-23, the Reciprocal Admissions Program (“RAP”) included 361 gardens throughout the United States and North America.

Since 1990, RAP has granted hundreds of thousands of AHS and RAP garden members free or discounted access to cultivated green spaces. This popular program increases the visibility of and number of visitors at participating gardens.

Our growing RAP program of more than 360 participating gardens continues to delight members across North America.



Wilbur D. May Arboretum

RAP Gardens in North America



Fredericton Botanic Garden



Boyce Thompson Arboretum Cactus & Succulent Garden

“RAP is always rated as a top member benefit in our member surveys.”  
Holden Forests & Gardens (OH)

# Travel Study

The AHS offers a truly extraordinary and unparalleled experience through its Travel Study program, allowing garden enthusiasts to embark on journeys to explore the most captivating horticultural wonders around the world with other gardeners..

Travelers not only visit breathtaking gardens, but also contribute to the AHS's nonprofit work to increase knowledge among gardeners, ignite a deep passion for plants and the natural world, and foster responsible stewardship of the earth. The 2022-23 fiscal year saw excursions to seven awe-inspiring destinations ... the first since the COVID pandemic.



August 6 – 15, 2022  
Iceland with AHS Host Holly Shimizu

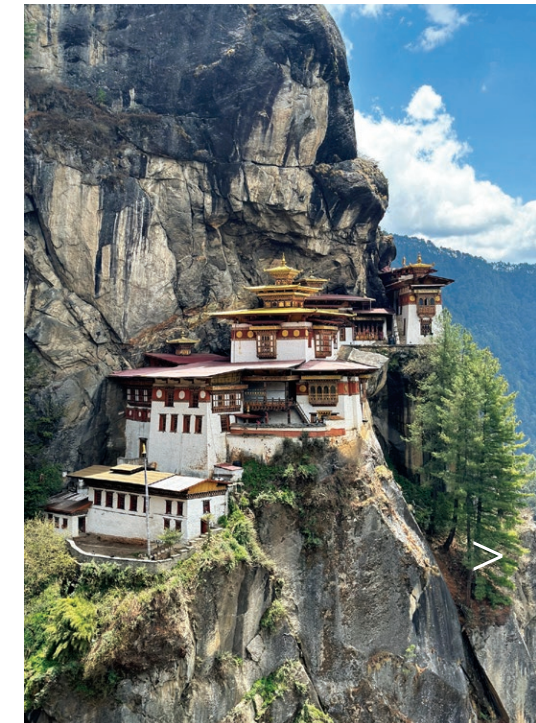


August 25 – September 4, 2022  
The Netherlands with Floriade Expo with AHS Hosts Jane & George Diamantis

January 7 – 29, 2023  
New Zealand with  
AHS Host Rachel Muir



March 8 – 17, 2023  
Morocco with AHS Host  
Keith Tomlinson



April 15 – 26, 2023  
Bhutan with AHS Hosts Christine and  
Tim Conlon



May 16 – 25, 2023  
Greece with AHS Hosts Jane and George Diamantis



June 26 – July 5, 2023  
England with AHS Host Tracy Ward La Violette

# National Awards

Each year, the AHS recognizes horticultural excellence through the contributions of individuals, organizations, authors, and flower and garden show displays.

## The Great American Gardeners Awards

Each year, the AHS recognizes the nation's top individuals and organizations in gardening and horticulture with the Great American Gardeners Awards.

These awards are considered among the most prestigious in the American horticulture field, reviewed by a panel of industry leaders chaired by Holly H. Shimizu, Executive Director Emerita, United States Botanic Garden and AHS Board member. Awardees have contributed significantly to fields such as plant research, garden stewardship, horticultural outreach, and teaching.

**2023 Great American Gardeners Awards Committee:** Thank you to Committee Chair Holly Shimizu, former executive director of the U.S. Botanic Garden, and Committee members Kaifa Anderson-Hall (Washington, D.C.); Panayoti Kelaidis (Denver, CO); Ryan McEnaney (St. Paul, MN); Kelly D. Norris (Des Moines, IA); Nan Sterman (Encinitas, CA); and Steven Still (Hilliard, OH).

In 2023, we were proud to honor these Great American Gardeners:

- Claire E. Sawyers:** Liberty Hyde Bailey Award (*pictured at right*)
- Marcus Garner:** Emerging Horticultural Professional Award
- Santa Barbara Botanic Garden:** Garden Stewardship Award
- Enid A. Haupt:** Meritorious Service Award (in memoriam)
- Jennifer Jewell:** B.Y. Morrison Communication Award
- Michael Craig:** Jane L. Taylor Award



## Conversations with Great American Gardeners

The AHS's popular national speaker series, Conversations with Great American Gardeners, features current and past winners of the Great American Gardeners Awards and Book Awards.

Hosted in a lively and engaging conversational format, speakers shared their knowledge and experience with event host, AHS Board member, and horticultural expert Holly Shimizu.

The 2022-23 webinar series brought insights from the University of Delaware's Dr. Doug Tallamy (2018 winner of the B.Y. Morrison Communication Award) in May and Southern Seed Exposure Exchange's Ira Wallace (2019 winner of the Paul Ecke Jr. Commercial Award) in June.

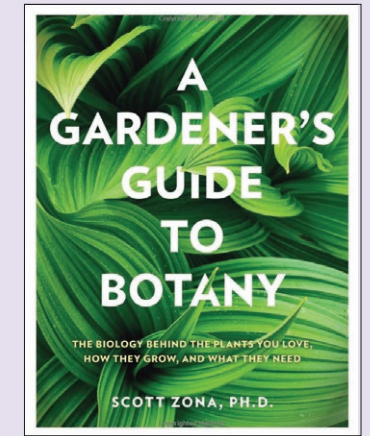
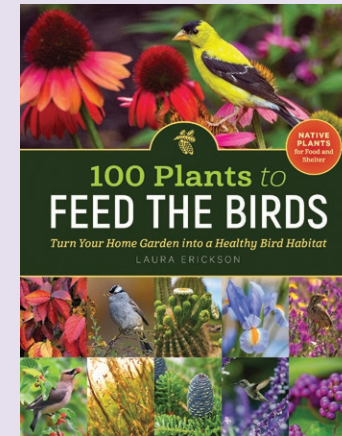


## Book Awards

The annual AHS Book Awards honor outstanding gardening books published in North America. Nominated books are judged on writing style, authority, scientific accuracy, design, and illustrations.

**2023 Book Award Committee:** Thank you to Kimberly Toscano Holmes (Chair) (Stillwater, Oklahoma); Amy Champion (Portland, Oregon); Perla Sofia Curbelo-Santiago (San Juan, Puerto Rico); Viveka Neveln (Des Moines, Iowa); Caleb Melchior (Fort Myers, Florida); and Doug Oster (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania)

Of the more than 60 nominees, three books were selected to receive the 2023 AHS Book Award in 2023.



## Growing Good Kids Book Awards

The Junior Master Gardener Program and the AHS honor engaging, inspiring works of plant, garden and ecology-themed children's literature through the "Growing Good Kids – Excellence in Children's Literature Awards" Program. The 2022 Award winners were announced at AHS's National Children & Youth Garden Symposium in Richmond, Virginia in July 2022.



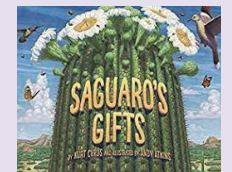
*Little Dandelion Seeds the World* by Julia Richardson  
Illustrated by Kristen & Kevin Howdeshell  
(Sleeping Bear Press)



*Let's Pop, Pop, Popcorn!* by Cynthia Schumeth  
Illustrated by Mary Reaves Uhles  
(Sleeping Bear Press)



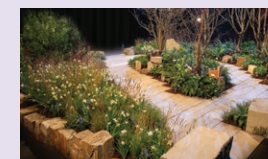
*The Wall and the Wild* by Christina Dendy  
Illustrated by Katie Rewse  
(Lantana)



*Saguaro's Gifts* by Kurt Cyrus  
Illustrated by Andy Atkins  
(Sleeping Bear Press)

## Environmental Awards

The AHS Environmental Awards, presented at three flower and garden shows around the country, were especially meaningful during our Centennial year celebration as they exemplify AHS' commitment to protecting the environment. The Environmental Awards recognize exhibits of horticultural excellence that best demonstrate the bond between horticulture and the environment. In 2022-23, we were honored to award three exhibits with this distinction.



Northwest Flower and Garden Show: Livingroom Landscape



Maryland Home and Garden Show: Urban Designs, Inc.



Philadelphia Flower Show: Treeline Designz

# National Children & Youth Garden Symposium

Celebrating its 30th anniversary, the AHS's annual National Children & Youth Garden Symposium (NCYGS) is one of the country's longest-running, most prestigious gardening conferences for youth educators.

The 2022 Symposium, co-hosted by Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, was held in Richmond, Virginia, July 13 – 15. Gathering in-person for the first time since the COVID pandemic began in 2020, the 2022 Symposium, themed “Nature as Healer, Teacher, and Mentor,” explored nature as a solution to major societal challenges including a growing mental health crisis and climate change.

In July 2022, 164 educators at NCYGS heard from inspiring keynote speakers: Lily Urmann with Rosanna Ayers, both leaders in biomimicry and education; Carolyn Schuyler, a psychotherapist and environmental educator; and Meredith Henne Baker, a Virginia Humanities Fellow at the Library of Virginia.

With over 40 peer-led educational sessions, plus field trips, receptions and networking opportunities, AHS sponsored another successful year of cultivating tomorrow's gardeners by energizing, inspiring, and training today's educators.



**Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden**, the local host of the 2022 NCYGS, astounded attendees during a field trip with its 82 acres of more than a dozen themed garden areas.



At the WOW Children's Garden at **Norfolk Botanical Garden**, educators trekked across the globe in the world-themed splash fountains and Passport Gardens, climbed Discovery Peak to see, smell, and touch edible plants, and took a nature walk through the Plant Safari habitat garden.



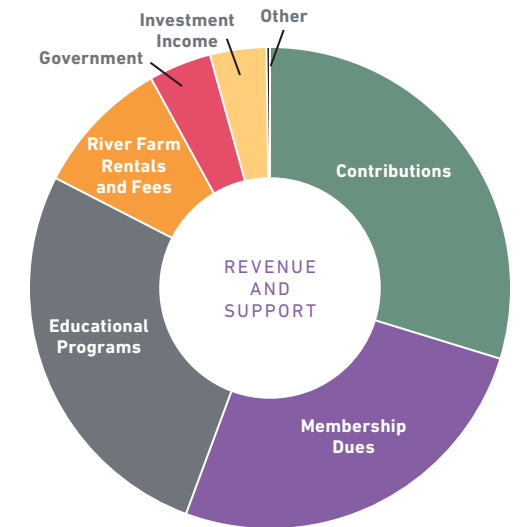
NCYGS attendees were mesmerized by **Maymont's** 100 acres of magnificent gardens and landscapes, including the spectacular Italian Garden and Japanese Garden and Aboretum.

Thank you to our NCYGS Corporate Sponsors:

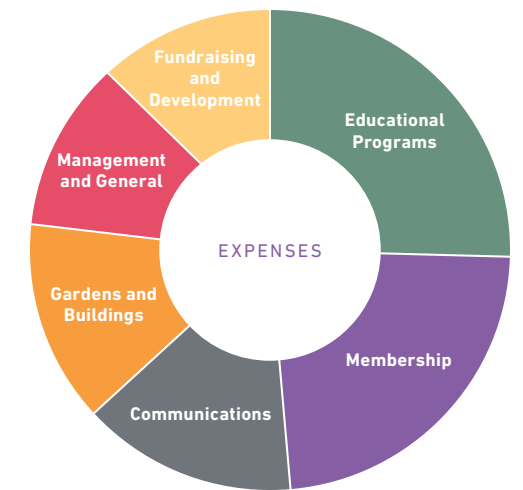


# Financials & Membership

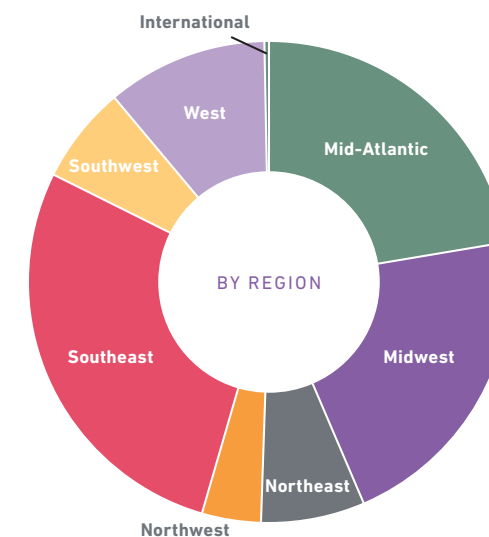
REVENUE AND SUPPORT	Revenues	%
Contributions	\$ 1,294,638	29.3%
Membership Dues	1,161,092	26.2%
Educational Programs	1,089,224	24.6%
River Farm Rentals and Fees	361,050	8.2%
Government	255,508	5.8%
Investment Income	251,736	5.7%
Other	12,051	0.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,425,299</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



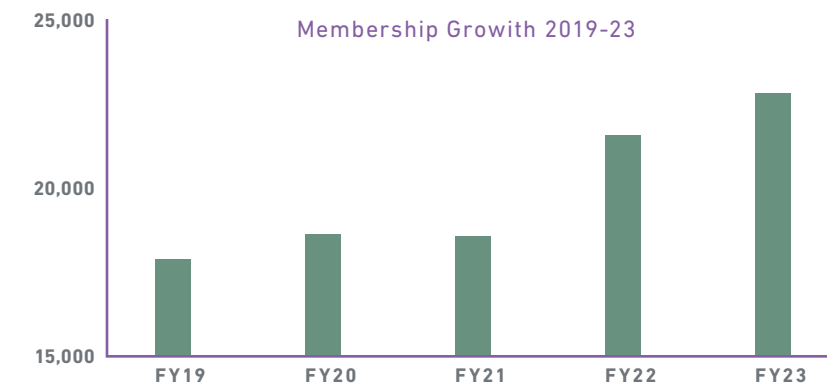
EXPENSES	Expenses	%
<b>Program Services</b>		
Educational Programs	\$ 1,081,708	25.6%
Membership	847,586	20.1%
Communications	717,940	17.0%
Gardens and Buildings	654,354	15.5%
<b>Supporting Services</b>		
Management and General	420,213	10.0%
Fundraising and Development	497,101	11.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,218,902</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



## MEMBERSHIP



- AHS enjoys strong representation across all regions of the US, including increasing interest in international memberships



- Memberships reached 22,229 by the end of FY23, signaling modest year/year growth, but a 25% increase from pre-Covid levels.
- More than 6,000 new members joined AHS in FY23
- Overall retention rates of 75% reflect a loyal and growing base of members that value AHS's programs and support our mission

# River Farm

River Farm, located in Alexandria, Virginia, is a cherished local and national treasure, boasting a rich history as part of George Washington's original five farms. Since 1973, it has served as the beloved headquarters of the AHS and a cornerstone of the community.

The natural beauty of River Farm's 25-acre historic site is enhanced by a blend of formal and naturalistic gardens and breathtaking views of the Potomac River. Visitors have complimentary access Monday through Saturday and certain holidays to enjoy the gardens and Manor House. River Farm also serves as a popular event venue.

A new management team was hired in the spring of 2022 to manage River Farm, dedicated to restoring it to its former beauty, increasing accessibility, and preserving it for future generations to enjoy.



The annual Spring Garden Market, held April 14 & 15, 2023 featured over 40 exhibitors and attracted almost 3,000 attendees, making it one of the largest Markets in the AHS's history. The event relied on the time and dedication of 50 volunteers, including 30 from the Planet Protectors Employee Network Group at MGM Resorts at National Harbor in Maryland.



Coffee with the CEO events in November and March, brought together friends of River Farm for casual conversation and an opportunity to meet new staff members.

## NEWS FROM RIVER FARM

*Gardens on the Potomac*

November 2022

The AHS team improved River Farm's accessibility and communications by extending open hours on Saturdays and select holidays, by launching a monthly River Farm newsletter distributed to 7,500 neighbors, and elevating River Farm's social media presence.



Beautiful holiday décor using elements of nature—handcrafted by AHS Horticulturist Tammy Burke and a team of volunteers—was in the spotlight at the Holiday Open House on December 8. The musical talent of Mary Casey Bowers and Lynne Valli White along with delicious desserts from Heirloom Catering, Tasteful Affairs, and Well Dunn Catering heightened the festive spirit.



16,000 tulips were planted to beautify the property, in addition to extensive gardening, weeding and invasives removal.

WEDDINGS

38

WEDDINGS

\$273,380

OTHER

47

OTHER

\$82,485

# EVENT RENTALS

86

TOTAL REVENUE

\$355,865

### INVASIVE REMOVAL VOLUNTEERS

- Lousie Avila
- Darren Bhie\*
- Jennie Briggs\*
- Bryant Carter\*
- Brandon Dethloff\*
- Danielle Gorski\*
- Apollo Gutierrez
- Barbara Hayes
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- Declan Higgins
- Masad Hossaun\*
- Peter Jaffe
- Estelle Joubert
- Pinkaki Kundu
- Sean Lindell
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- Ellis Marks
- Andrew McMahon
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- Michael Palad\*
- John Quilty
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- Kermit Renwick\*
- Michael Rooney
- Stewart Schofield
- Michael Shunfenthal
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- Emma Smith Lacey
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- Alice Taylor
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- Owen Thomas
- Robert Thompson
- Hayley Tozeski
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- Tracy Vivlemore
- George Warhenhoven
- Isaiah Wright\*
- Kathryn Wulfig

### GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

- Anne Augusterfer
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- Deborah Beck
- Mary Boden
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- Susan Clarke
- Theresa Defluri
- Anne Fafara
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- Diann Frantz
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- Cliff Routh
- Mary Scanary
- Nancy Schuetz
- Sharon Steeg
- Bob Thomson
- Lisa Twedt

### OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

- Mahrou Akhundzadeh
- Soraya Bambha

\* Volunteers from the Planet Protectors Employee Network Group at MGM Resorts at National Harbor



# 2022 Centennial Gala

September 17th was a legendary evening as the AHS celebrated its centennial anniversary with a sold-out gala at its national headquarters at historic River Farm.

Living up to its theme, the “Great American Garden Party” brought together over 240 members, neighbors, elected officials, horticultural experts, and gardening enthusiasts from across the nation to support and raise funds for AHS to continue its work to educate and advocate for earth-friendly and sustainable gardening practices and to beautify and preserve River Farm. The 100th Anniversary Gala was a wonderful evening of celebration.



The sold-out evening was elevated by a floral-bedecked 1921 Lincoln.



Led by Gala Co-Chairs Jane Diamantis and Laura Dowling, the 100th anniversary Gala featured breathtaking floral table décor, delectable cuisine by Susan Gage Catering, and a Flower Bouquet Bar. The Gala’s paddle raise brought in \$70,000 to build a greenhouse at River Farm and a live auction raised funds to support the AHS’s mission.



Horticultural champions were honored including: Bart O’Brien, recipient of the AHS’s Liberty Hyde Bailey Award; Carolyn Roehm, recipient of the AHS National Achievement Award; and the AHS Immediate Past Board Chair Marcia Zech (center in photo) philanthropist, lifelong gardening enthusiast, and longtime AHS board member.



Gala Co-Chair Laura Dowling (pictured in center) welcomes guests.



The evening ended with champagne toasts and dancing under the stars to the tunes of the band Keynote.

## GALA LEADERSHIP

**Gala Co-Chairs – Jane Diamantis and Laura Dowling**  
 Honorary Chair – Carolyn Roehm  
 AHS Liberty Hyde Bailey Award – Bart O’Brien  
 AHS National Achievement Award – Carolyn Roehm  
 Distinguished Guest Remarks – Katy Moss Warner  
 Emcee – Jody McLeod

**Gala Host Committee Chair – Skipp Calvert**  
 Gala Host Committee – Leslie Ariail, Babs Beckwith, Brian Branton, Henrietta Burke, Tim Conlon, Jane Diamantis, Laura Dowling, Lee Guerry, Cherie Lejeune, Scott Plein, Ruth Ryder, Mary Sterling, Katherine Ward, Tracy Ward La Violette, Corinne Birdsong Winburn, Marcia Zech

**Creative Committee Chair – Laura Dowling**  
 Creative Committee – Anna Weatherley, Brian Huffman, Thomas Lloyd, Andrew Coon, Maggie Austin, Jill Brook, The Vanishing Virginian, Keith White (AIFD), Jacob McCall (AIFD), Jody McLeod (AIFD), Marna Ringel, Cameron Hardesty, Ashley Greer, Gina Salter, Adam Howley, Andrea Gagnon, Herb Pettaway

## GALA ENTERTAINMENT

Band – Keynote  
 Vintage Lincoln – Robert Latane Montague III (owner) / J. Keith White (designer)  
 Garden Boutique – Anna Weatherley, Manse, Thomas Lloyd, and Maggie Austin Cake  
 Flower Bouquet Bar – Lynnvale Studios LLC, Atelier Flowers, and Jill Brook

## FLORAL SPONSORS

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# Thanking Our Leadership Donors

## ENDOWMENTS

The **Trish Gibson Memorial Internship at River Farm**, established by Campbell Gibson in honor of his late wife and long-time AHS staff member Trish Gibson, will provide hands-on experience in horticulture to young adults.

Through the generosity of the **Wilma L. Pickard Trust**, which in 2013 established an endowment for AHS interns, the editorial department of *The American Gardener* hired Emily Ambery for a three-month Editorial Internship, which started in June 2023.

## PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

### FOUNDER'S CIRCLE (\$25,000+)

Dr. Sherran Blair  
Timothy and Christine Conlon  
Katharine and Richard Davison  
Jane and George Diamantis  
Campbell Gibson  
Rosalie and Neil Morris  
Scott C. Plein  
Marcia and Klaus Zech

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