

Behind the Shoji

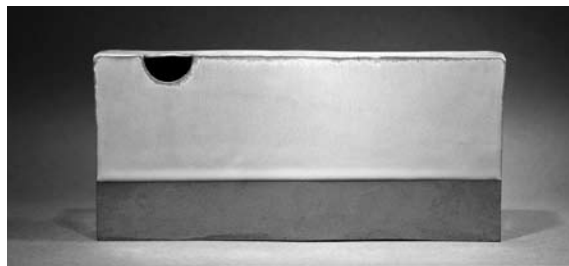
Art Show & Sale

July 25–August 30, 2009

Garden Pavilion

Free with Garden Admission

Clockwise from top: Jason Russell,
Jan Rentenaar, Colleen Gallagher,
Aki Sogabe, Keith S. Bramer



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This year's *Behind the Shoji*, the Garden's biggest art show and sale, features handmade pottery, glass art, paintings, photography, jewelry, and more. We're very proud to have the Japanese antique furnishings, *obi*, and *kimono* of Nishiura Ryokusuido on exhibit as well. Many of these hand-picked treasures date back to the late Edo period and are available for purchase.

Several of the artists exhibiting this year will be taking part in weekend demonstrations on the Pavilion's east veranda. Stop by and talk to the artists about their craft while they work. Demonstrations will take place Saturdays and Sundays starting at 11am through the run of the show.

July 24, 7-9pm

Free Member Event

Reservations Requested

RSVP to events@japanesegarden.com or (503) 542-0280

The show opens with a members' reception on Friday, July 24 from 7-9pm. Join us for wine and light desserts, and be the first to see the fantastic array of art. Meet over 30 talented artists and be the first to preview and purchase their work before the show opens to the general public.

www.japanesegarden.com/events/behind-the-shoji

Tanabata

Sunday, July 5
1-4pm
Garden Pavilion
Free with
Garden
Admission

The 2009
Tanabata
Festival will
be held at the

Garden on Sunday, July 5, from 1-4pm in the Garden Pavilion. Children will write their wishes on *tanzaku* (paper strips), and make *origami* ornaments to hang on bamboo branches that they may take with them to hang in their doorways at home. Music will also be part of the day, provided by guitarist Toshi Onizuka.

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Photo: Jonathan Ley

Photography Workshop

Tuesday, July 7, 6-9pm
Garden Pavilion and Grounds
\$35 Members/\$45 Non-members
Reservations Required and Space is Limited
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Join Photographer Stewart Harvey with Pro Photo Supply in an evening garden shoot. Stewart will help you evoke your individual perspective while capturing the beauty of the Portland Japanese Garden. (www.stewartharveyphoto.com)

O-Bon, The Spirit Festival

Sunday, August 16
8-9:30pm
Free Member Event
Reservations Required
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Respect and gratitude toward those who have gone before us is an important part of Japanese tradition. O-Bon is an annual Buddhist memorial festival to honor the dead, a

custom that dates back more than a thousand years. In Japan, families gather to pray for the spirits of their ancestors over a three-day period in mid-August. It is believed that their spirits return home for a visit during this important time. It is also a reminder of the importance of family ties, of the brevity and preciousness of our lives together, and of respect for those whose lives have paved our way.

Join the Portland Japanese Garden family once again this year to celebrate O-Bon with a *Bon Odori* Dance and *Toro Nagashi* Lantern Festival on Sunday, August 16, from 8-9:30pm.

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Photo: Bob Schlesinger

Integrated Pest Management Workshop

Saturday, July 11, 9am-3pm
Pavilion and Garden Grounds
\$65 Members/\$85 Non-members
Reservations Required
www.japanesegarden.com/events/gardening or (503) 542-0280

The Garden's Director of Grounds Maintenance Virginia Harmon leads this class on Integrated Pest Management and control. Learn how to scout, monitor, identify, and treat common garden pests.

General care information and printed materials regarding Integrated Pest Management and Nutrient Management will also be provided. Participants must provide their own lunch.

www.japanesegarden.com/events/gardening



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In the Garden Gift Store

There's no better place to enjoy summer evenings than the Pacific Northwest and the Garden Gift Store has items for your outdoor space that will enhance your experience AND do it in an environmentally friendly way!



East meets West in our solar powered Soji Lanterns! Designed from weather-resistant nylon, these beautiful festival lanterns will brighten your outdoor space all year round. Place these 10" solar

lanterns in direct sunlight, then enjoy their ambient glow after the sun sets. (Equipped with two high-powered LED lights, solar panel, AAA rechargeable battery, and stainless steel hardware. Available in white, red, blue, orange, and lime.)

\$24.50 • Member Price: \$22.05

Another green idea for your patio or backyard is our new Moon Drops votive set. Moon Drops outdoor tea-lights are unlike any other votive available. Built entirely for outdoor use year-round, Moon Drops can also be used indoors. No need to switch them on and off. Equipped with a photo light sensor, Moon Drops will turn themselves on at dusk and off again at dawn.

Powered by renewable, rechargeable, AAA batteries, Moon Drops cast a stunning, flickering glow for over 150 hours without needing to be recharged. No maintenance, no wires required! Two pack sets available with either a vine or sprig motif.

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If you prefer real candle light, one of our new *furoshiki*-wrapped candles might be for you. Each box is wrapped in the traditional Japanese style of textile-wrapping with a colorful, floral printed cloth. The candles inside are hand poured, soy-based candles in your choice of *Jyuzu* (Citrus), *Hinoki* (Cypress), or *Shobu* (Iris) scents.

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Furoshiki, the elegant cloth traditionally used for wrapping and carrying bundles, can be used over and over and not just for wrapping presents but as a tablecloth, napkin, scarf, or lunch sack. Discover the beautiful textiles we have recently received from Hamamonyo. Hamamonyo designs and manufactures cloth goods of varying patterns and styles to fit neo-traditional Japanese tastes. This company is well respected in Japan for harmonizing traditional Japanese culture with modern tastes. Prices range from \$10 to \$21 and supplies are limited.

Learn how to wrap anything with cloth from CDs to bottles of wine with our hands-on book, *Gift Wrapping with Textiles: Stylish Ideas from Japan* by Chizuko Morita. This instructional book features step by step instructions and lots of full-color pictures to inspire you.

\$19.95 • Member Price: \$17.95

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Generous Donation is Highlight of Golden Crane Society Reception

On May 21, the Garden held its annual Golden Crane Society Reception. Sponsored by Susan and Dean Alterman and Folawn Alterman and Richardson LLP, this wonderful event was attended by 80 people who enjoyed Japanese cuisine catered by Chef Naoko and wine provided by Torii Mor, the Garden's official winery.

Party guests mingled with Mr. Kazuo Mitsuhashi, one of Japan's leading Japanese garden designers and scholars, and Executive Director Steve Bloom, who recently returned from a six-month Council on Foreign Relations Fellowship in Japan. Mr. Mitsuhashi, representing The Garden Society of Japan, and Mr. Bloom exchanged organization memberships. The Portland Japanese Garden is the first non-Japanese garden to be granted membership in The Garden Society of Japan and The Garden Society of Japan is the first international affiliate member of the Garden.

The evening's highlight came when Mr. Bloom announced that Mr. Mitsuhashi will be donating his entire personal library (pertaining to Japanese gardens) to the Portland Japanese Garden. His library collection includes more than 1,000 volumes as well as historical photographic slides of gardens from Japan and around the world. In the future, this gift will become the "Mitsuhashi Collection" of the Portland Japanese Garden Library.



Mr. Mitsuhashi, his wife, and our gardeners. Photo: Sadajumi Uchiyama

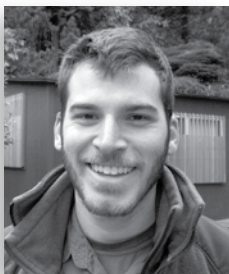
Gardeners' Corner

Reflections

by Adam Hart

Zone III Gardener/Technician

I'm the new guy in the Garden, having started in October. I knew the prestige of the Portland Japanese Garden before moving here. After securing a job at this most beautiful Garden through a stroke of good fortune, I subsequently moved across the country to begin a new life—and I haven't looked back since. Each day I arrive to see new leaves unfolding, flowers opening, and weeds sprouting. It's easy to get wrapped up in the day-to-day, but I must remind myself to take a step back and truly feel the Garden around me. Each passing week brings a new personality to



the Garden, and there are always new discoveries to be made. It is a privilege to work in a garden filled with such life and, at the same time, such peace. We are lucky to have this Garden in our own backyard.

Adam came to the Portland Japanese Garden from the Chicago Botanic Garden where he trained as Groundskeeper in Sansho-en.

Haiku

by Genevieve Babcock

Ms. Babcock is 13 and an eighth grade student at Corbett Middle School. She and her family have been members of the Garden since 2006. Genevieve submitted these lovely haiku and has given the Garden permission to share them with our membership.

Haiku One

Grass bristles with glee
Birds chirping excitedly
Come to the gardens

Haiku Two

Marshy rainy fields
I'm getting soaked to the skin
Refuge in tea house

The Golden Crane Society

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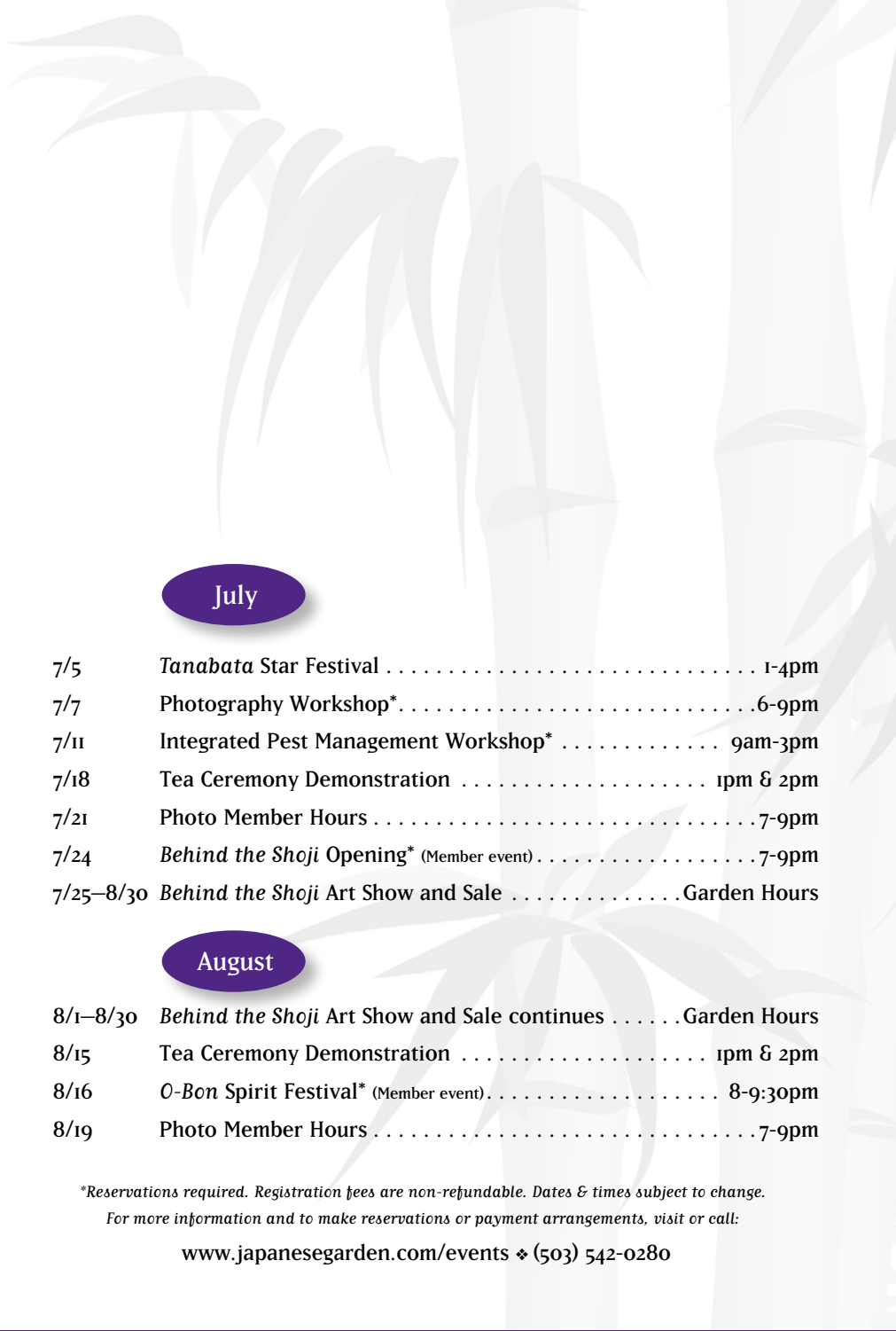
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July

- 7/5 *Tanabata* Star Festival 1-4pm
- 7/7 Photography Workshop* 6-9pm
- 7/11 Integrated Pest Management Workshop* 9am-3pm
- 7/18 Tea Ceremony Demonstration 1pm & 2pm
- 7/21 Photo Member Hours 7-9pm
- 7/24 *Behind the Shoji* Opening* (Member event) 7-9pm
- 7/25–8/30 *Behind the Shoji* Art Show and Sale Garden Hours

August

- 8/1–8/30 *Behind the Shoji* Art Show and Sale continues Garden Hours
- 8/15 Tea Ceremony Demonstration 1pm & 2pm
- 8/16 *O-Bon* Spirit Festival* (Member event) 8-9:30pm
- 8/19 Photo Member Hours 7-9pm

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