

The Garden Path

A Monthly Publication of the Portland Japanese Garden



Holiday Show & Sale

December 5-24

Garden Hours

Garden Pavilion

Free with Admission

Save the dates! The Portland Japanese Garden's exciting Holiday Show and Sale will be held in the Garden Pavilion from December 5-24 during Garden hours. You'll find exquisite handmade art by local artists, vintage *obi*, *kimono*, and *haori* jackets imported from Japan, lovely Asian-themed gifts like beautifully pre-wrapped tea sets, gorgeous wrapping materials, and much more—including gift-wrapping demonstrations on the weekends. The Holiday Show and Sale is free with Garden admission.

So leave the hustle and bustle of the city behind and do all of your holiday shopping with us here at the Garden. It is lovely and quiet during the winter and a quick stroll around the grounds is a wonderful way to experience the holiday season with family and friends—or enjoy some peaceful moments on your own. Then get all your shopping items purchased and wrapped at our Pavilion and you'll be ready to enjoy the holidays knowing you've found the perfect gift for everyone on your list.

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Holiday Show and Sale

December 4, 5-7pm

Free to Members

Reservations Requested at events@japanesegarden.com

or (503) 542-0280

Join us for a special Member Preview evening and get a head start on your holiday shopping. Enjoy tea and cookies, see a gift-wrapping demonstration, and find the perfect gift for everyone on your list.



Art from top to bottom: Helen Strange, Collin Prasech, Janice Mercure, Jim Johnstone, Jan Rentenaar

Holiday Show & Sale (continued)

We'll be featuring an array of handmade and one-of-a-kind gifts from some of the area's best artists:

- Saskia Thomson—photography
- Jim Johnstone—pottery
- Susan Taylor—glassware
- Jason Russell—ceramic tableware
- Karen Fullerton—*sumi-e* and calligraphy
- Collin Prasch—paper arts
- Janice Mercure—jewelry and paper arts
- Helen Strange—handmade purses and cards
- Yvonne Mestre—photography
- Jan Rentenaar—ceramic ornaments/figurines

We're proud to be presenting a hand-picked assortment of vintage kimono, obi, and haori imported from Japan by Nishiura Ryokusuido. These pieces can be worn traditionally or be used as dramatic table settings or wall art.

The Pavilion will have many other gifts available including books, bath products, jewelry, boxed tea sets, logo-wear, and of course, holiday ornaments, cards, and gift wrap.

We're delighted to have Faith Nagasawa here on the weekends to demonstrate practical and easy gift-wrapping with both paper and *furoshiki*, the Japanese art of wrapping with textiles. We'll have some of our bestselling items pre-wrapped for your convenience and gift-wrappers ready to wrap your purchases, both for a minimal additional charge.

We look forward to seeing you during the holiday season, offering you a taste of tea while you shop, and helping you pick out superb gifts for everyone on your list.

shop.japanesegarden.com

Too busy to visit? Do all your shopping online with us and still get your membership discount. We'll even wrap your gifts for you for a small charge.



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Gardeners' Corner

Koi Pond Restoration Project by Virginia Harmon

During the most critical period of the December 2008 storm, electrical power was lost in the Garden which caused the recirculation pumps to shut down. The power outage lasted long enough for the pond to freeze over, reducing the availability of oxygen in the water. As a direct result of prolonged oxygen deprivation, 34 of 42 *koi* were lost. Since that time, three more have succumbed to injuries incurred during the storm. We have nine *koi* remaining at this time.

This event has prompted us to renew our priorities regarding pond construction and maintenance and to consider necessary improvements. We are evaluating and designing appropriate pump and filter housing with an uninterrupted power supply. This will require new plumbing and pumps.



David M. Cobb

Construction is scheduled to begin as early as January 2010 and will continue as an on-going project off and on throughout the year. During this time the pond will be drained and access limited. The existing *koi* have been moved to a temporary location off-site because of construction. They will not be able to return to the Lower Pond for a short period after construction in order to allow for water testing and acclimation of the fish.

We are working on a plan to repopulate the *koi* pond after the successful reintroduction of our existing *koi*. If all goes well, we may be able to introduce new fish later in the spring of 2010.

Haiku by Peter Kendall

From one fall moment
to another, in the space
of a sideward glance

With the fullest breath
—taking in fall—in concert
with the moss-covered stone

The sun breaking through
shadows, at once imagined,
real yet again

Give the Gift of Membership

Winter in the Garden means the splendor of crisp, misty mornings, rainy days, and peaceful afternoons. It's also the season for giving, and a time to share with those you love.

A gift of membership to the Portland Japanese Garden allows you to share this place of peace and tranquility with others. In times of stress, the Garden can provide relief. In times of joy, the Garden becomes a place to celebrate.

Membership Benefits:

- Unlimited access to the Garden for an entire year (including our Members-only hours)
- One free guest admission per visit, per membership card
- Free or discounted admission to special events and workshops
- A 10% discount to the Garden Gift Store and online store
- Subscription to our newsletter, *The Garden Path*
- New members-only hours for 2010: Every Friday night (7-9pm) during the month of July

Share your love of the Garden with your friends and family, while supporting this place of beauty and serenity, by giving the gift of Garden membership. For a complete list of membership levels, benefits, and prices, visit www.japanesegarden.com/membership or call our membership department at (503) 796-9180.

You and the Garden

As members of the Garden, you are an important part of our family and are the people who experience most frequently what we have to offer. We greatly appreciate all the ways that you support us—with your membership dues, attending events, volunteering your time, and providing important feedback on the programs and experiences we offer. Thank you so much!

As we approach the end of our fiscal year, we reflect upon what we've accomplished and what we hope to offer in the coming year. We are proud of the work and money we've put into maintaining the physical garden, the quality cultural festivals and art exhibitions we've been able to offer, and the many other lectures, workshops, events, and educational programs we provide for our community. In 2010, we intend to continue to offer the high-quality programs you've come to expect.

You may be surprised to know that visitor admissions and memberships cover about 65% of the Garden's operating budget. The other 35% comes from contributions from members, individuals in the community, corporations, and foundations. We hope that you will consider making a gift, in any amount, to support the work of the Garden. Your additional support will help us to continue as a strong cultural resource for our community.

You may make a contribution via phone by calling Sue Dixon at (503) 542-0281 or online at www.japanesegarden.com/donations

Thank you for all the ways you support the Garden!



Exciting New Benefits in 2010 for Garden Members

Member-only hours

- every Friday night during the month of July (7-9pm)
- and continued members-only hours — Tuesday-Sunday (8-10am)

Supporting & Sponsor Member-only event

- every 2nd Thursday during the summer months

Enjoying the Garden in Winter

The summer visitors have gone, the leaves have fallen, and the exquisite essence of the Garden is revealed in the beauty of winter. Grab an umbrella and a warm coat and come experience the lush greens and deep browns of the Garden in the winter time. Dwell for a moment under the canopy of trees and listen to the rain on the leaves; pause on the Moon Bridge and survey the landscape as it prepares itself for the season; bring your favorite book of *haiku* and read under the eaves of the Pavilion while you contemplate the delicate branches of the winter maple. We look forward to your visit.

In the Garden Gift Store

We know you'll love shopping our Holiday Show & Sale in the Pavilion, but don't forget about our Garden Gift Store and our online store! The Garden Gift Store will be open during regular Garden hours and the online store is open 24/7 for your shopping convenience at shop.japanesegarden.com

Whether you're filling stockings or looking for the perfect host/hostess gift, we've got great gift ideas for any budget. Let us help you find something special for everyone on your list. Here's just a sampling of what we have in store and online now.

2010 Garden Wall Calendar

Enjoy the Garden even when you can't visit! Each month of our signature calendar showcases a full-color, dramatic photograph of the changes in our Garden through the seasons. The perfect gift for everyone on your list. Dimensions: 12" x 12" \$15.95, Member price: \$14.35

New Logo Knit Beanie

Keep warm in style! Our 100% Acrylic 8" knit beanie is the newest addition to our logowear lineup. Available in Cardinal or Pine. One size fits all. \$17.50, Member price: \$15.75

Ten Thousand Waves Bath Essentials

Pamper yourself or someone you love with one of three signature fragrances: Yuzu, Hinoki, or Shobu. Each healing scent is available in the following products:

Shower Gel—\$16.00 for the 12oz bottle

Lotion—\$18.75 for the 12oz bottle

Bath Salts—\$6.50 for the 8oz package

Handmade Soap—\$8.25

Or indulge in a gift set of all four products for just \$45!



The Tale of Genji

by Murasaki Shikibu, translated by Royall Tyler

Written in the eleventh century, this exquisite portrait of court life in Japan's classical period is widely celebrated as the world's first novel and is certainly one of the finest. Tyler's translation is detailed, poetic, and true to the Japanese original while allowing the English reader to appreciate its timeless beauty. \$28.00, Member price: \$25.20



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Kids like the feel of this pullover sweatshirt made with the industry's only patented, high-stitch-density fleece. Pre-shrunk, 50/50 blend of cotton and polyester fleece. Printed with our special Fu Dog logo. Available in sizes XS-L. \$24.50, Member price: \$22.05



The Japanese Tea Garden

by Marc Peter Keane

This much-talked-about book describes the history, design, and aesthetics of tea gardens from T'ang China to present day. We were fortunate to have

Mr. Keane sign a limited number of these books when he was here for his *Bontei Tray Gardens* exhibition in November. One of these signed editions will make a perfect gift for the garden lover, landscape enthusiast, or Japanese aesthetic admirer on your holiday list. List price: \$59.95, Member price: \$53.95.

O-Shogatsu

January 10, 2010

Noon-3pm

Free with
Garden Admission

This year the Portland Japanese Garden will celebrate *O-Shogatsu* (New Year's) with a special Family Day on Sunday, January 10 from Noon-3pm. The event will be held in the Garden's Pavilion and include tea, sweets, traditional New Year's activities for kids, and calligraphy writing.



Jonathan Ley

Horticulturist and Author Sean Hogan Speaks on Japanese and Asian Plants

January 28, 2010

4:30pm

Garden Pavilion

Reservations required

Please visit www.japanesegarden.com/events for updated information

The Garden is pleased to welcome Sean Hogan, author of *Trees for All Seasons: Broadleaved Evergreens for Temperate Climates*. Sean is the co-founder of Cistus Design in Portland, Oregon, a nursery world-famous for its collection of rare plants and display gardens. More than half the entries in Sean's book are of Japanese or Asian origin, the topic he will address in his January lecture. Sean was formerly a horticulturist at the University of California, Berkeley Botanic Garden, where he managed the New World Desert, as well as Australia/New Zealand, Africa, and California-cultivar gardens.

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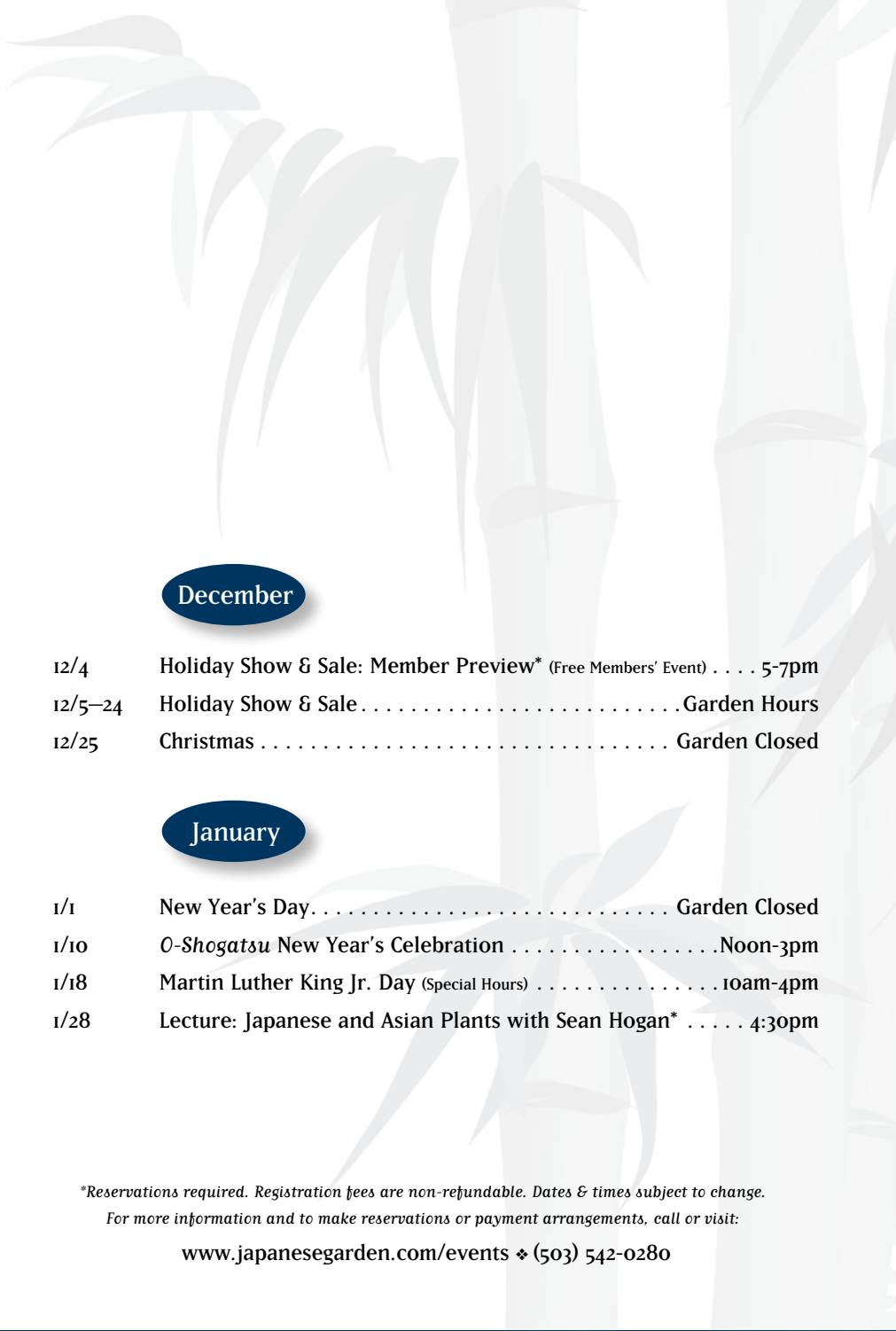
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December

- 12/4 Holiday Show & Sale: Member Preview* (Free Members' Event) 5-7pm
- 12/5–24 Holiday Show & Sale Garden Hours
- 12/25 Christmas Garden Closed

January

- 1/1 New Year's Day. Garden Closed
- 1/10 O-Shogatsu New Year's Celebration Noon-3pm
- 1/18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Special Hours) 10am-4pm
- 1/28 Lecture: Japanese and Asian Plants with Sean Hogan* 4:30pm

**Reservations required. Registration fees are non-refundable. Dates & times subject to change.
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