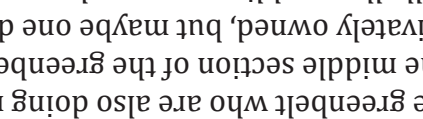
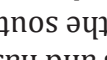


Greenbelt restoration

Seattle Parks Department is $\frac{3}{4}$ through an ambitious 20 year plan to restore urban forests. Volunteers now do much of the restoration through the Green Seattle Partnership. We're pleased that most of the southern two lots of the gardens are now established as native plantings. Ben oversees restoration in the gardens and has been loosely working with the folks at the southern end of the greenbelt who are also doing restoration. The middle section of the greenbelt is still privately owned, but maybe one day easements will allow public access and restoration.



View along Woodland path in winter of 1994



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Plant Collections

- Stachyurus
- Crocus
- tomasinianus
- Wintersweet
- Witchhazel
- Winter aconite

Rhododendron

(species and cultivars)

- Hybrid tea roses
- Stewartias
- Iris
- Winter bloom bulbs
- Small trees with fall color



Winter
Crocus
(Tomasinianus in phlox bed)

When Dan and Ann purchased the two lots in 1972 they had been neglected for many years and were full of invasive plants and garbage. Over the years the garden has grown without a master plan. The first trail was the Woodland Path, connecting the east end of the long landing on Blaine with the southwest corner of the garages.

As paths were installed, access into the garden became easier, facilitating planting, maintenance, and clearing. The ivy has been a mixed blessing over the years, providing ground cover, and year round green, but also much new growth that needs to be removed every year. Eventually we hope to be ivy free.

- 1 acre
- 50 feet of vertical change
- Over 1/3 of a mile of trails
- Over 1,200 plants listed in the database
- Flowers in bloom year round, with changes every couple of weeks
- About 30 hours a week is devoted to maintaining the garden

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View along Woodland path in winter of 1994

Development of the gardens

A detailed map of the area around Streissguth Public Gardens. The map shows a grid of streets including Harvard E, E Roanoke, E Miller, E Lynn, E Boston, E Newton, E Howe, and E Blaine. A north arrow points towards the top right. Key landmarks include Exit 168A, Light, 520, I-5, Boylston Ave E, Lakeview E, Broadway E, and St Mark's. A green square with a cross indicates the location of Streissguth Public Gardens. A green arrow points to a designated parking area labeled 'PARK HERE' near E Blaine and 10th Ave East. A bus icon is labeled 'Bus #49'.

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- Spring • Iris

- Rhododendron
- Species tulip

- Shooting star
- Trillium

- Summer*
- Eucryphia

- Kousa dogwood
- Phlox

- Rose
- Stewartia

- Fall*

- Beautyberry

- European spruce berry

- Autumn joy sedum

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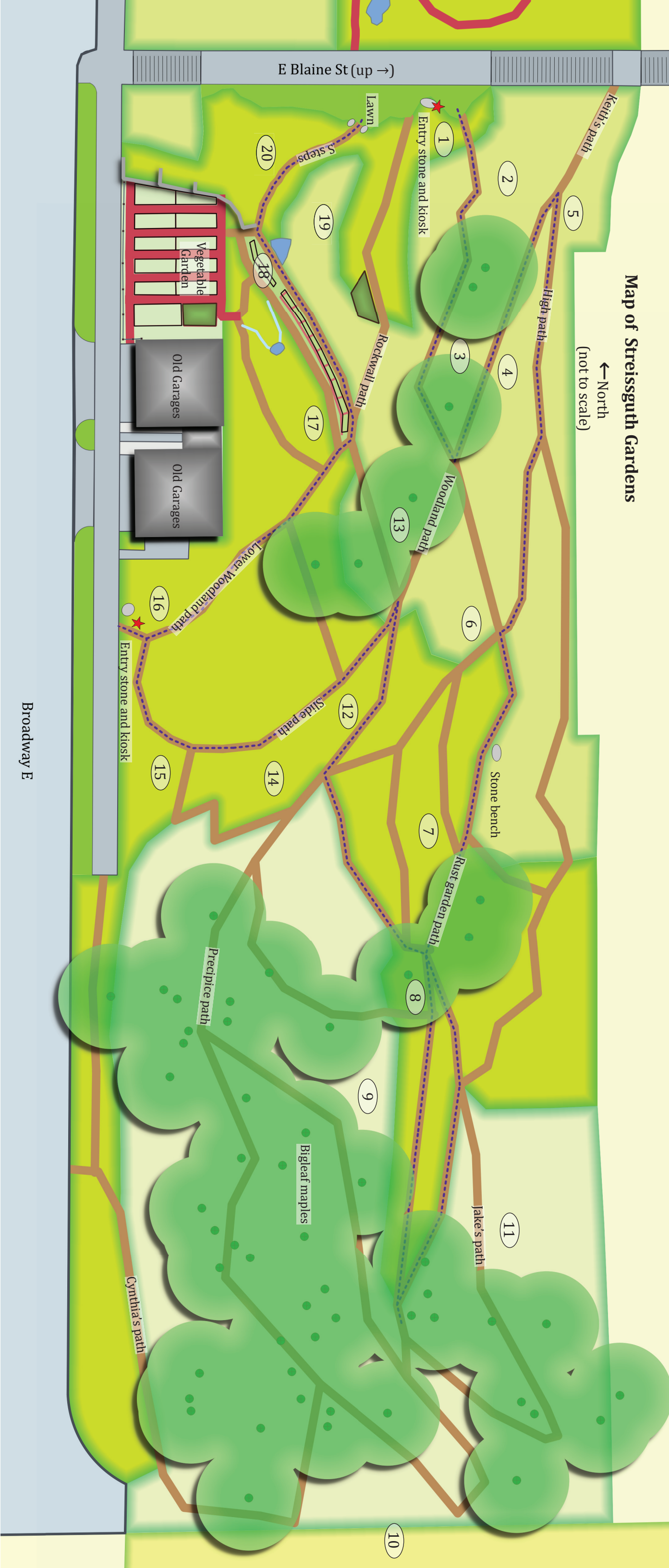
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Map of Streissguth Gardens

← North
(not to scale)



Suggested quick tour (- - - - - dotted path line)

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|--------------------------|--|
| 1. Phlox bed | 8. Pacific Coast irises |
| 2. Scented rhododendrons | 9. The Bowl (forest restoration) |
| 3. PJM rhododendrons | 10. Unrestored greenbelt (owned by others) |
| 4. Shrub roses | 11. Jake's Hillside (forest restoration) |
| 5. Kalmias | 12. Gabions |
| 6. Exbury Azaleas | 13. Stewartia grove |
| 7. Ephemerals | |

Panorama of gardens, March 2016



Some notes on naming:

- **Keith's Path** is named for an early garden helper, who built this part in the early 1980's.
- **The Rust Garden** is named in commemoration of the multiple loads of rusty debris that were removed from this section of the garden. We are still finding random bits of metal in this area.

- **Jake's Hillside** was started by our first serious volunteer who hand dug out a lot of Japanese knotweed (*Fallopia japonica*), an invasive species which was invading from up above. After clearing this area

he planted and tended it for several years as it took off. Jake's work in this area helped spur the rest of the restoration and enabled us to form a tight bond with the Forest Stewards program.

- **Cynthia's Path** was originally constructed by neighbors Phil and Cynthia to enable access up to the garden from the turn around. Cynthia now tends the parking strip on Broadway in this end of the garden.

occasionally unstable. Every few years there would be a small slide here until Ben built a series of gabion walls in 2012.

- **The Leaf Pile Garden** is a former compost pile where we dumped hundreds of loads of fall leaves for a few years. It's likely the richest soil in the garden now.

- **The Raccoon Pool** was originally a clay lined pool. Many mornings we would come into the garden and find scraping marks and paw prints from the local raccoon population that would use this pond for washing, eating, and drinking.