

Parker Education Center

Visitors' center dedicated in 2003; gift shop, restrooms inside.

Rath Environmental Center

Administrative offices

Horticulture Center

Grounds staff offices and maintenance facility. Season vegetable display.

Dialogue:

"World Peace through Friendship" by O.V. Shaffer. Reaching a height of over twenty feet, and weighing one ton, it is the largest sculpture in Janesville.

Kiosk

Centrally located station providing information on the Garden's upcoming events.

Terrace

Outdoor patio with tables, chairs and showy flower border.

Japanese Zig Zag Bridge

Traditional element of Japanese Gardens.

Japanese Arched Bridge

Connecting the Japanese Garden to the North Woodland path; inspired by and constructed primarily from materials found on site.

Gazebo

Ornate seating structure on east end of the pond in a cool, shaded garden. Popular for weddings.

Observation Pier

Extended pier along pond. Provides beautiful views.

Entrance Garden

Thematic seasonal color augmented by dwarf conifers and perennials.

English Cottage Garden

Diverse garden with a combination of bulbs, perennials, annuals and vegetables.

Italian Garden

Formal garden area with mirror-imaged plantings defined by boxwood hedges flanking centrally located water feature.

French Garden

New shrub rose collection from Bailey Nursery; hanging baskets off the pergola frame the fountain in the distance.

Herb Garden

Maintained by Janesville Area Herb Society, divided into culinary, medicinal, and ornamental sections.

Seasonal Display Area

A variety of unusual seasonal plants and bold tropicals.

Azalea and Rhododendron Collection

Trialing and display of rhododendrons and azaleas for our area. Perennials, bulbs and seasonal plants also adorn this shoreline garden.

Japanese Garden

Traditional Japanese garden with statuary, dry sea, and water features. The first garden area constructed at Rotary Botanical Gardens.

Fern and Moss Garden

Collection of native WI mosses and 250 varieties of ferns from around the world. Fern trialing done in conjunction with the Hardy Fern Foundation.

Hosta Hollow

Collection of classic hosta varieties including the Eunice Fisher Hosta Collection.

Alpine Garden

Rock garden transitioning to dwarf and miniature conifer collection.

Reception Garden

Formal Garden defined by a low lannon stone wall. Plantings follow a silver and blue theme. Note historic druid sculpture from Mercy Hospital World Headquarters and archway originally from Parker Pen.

Sunken Garden

Designed in a formal English perennial garden style with central lawn and peripheral beds of flowering plant materials.

Shade Garden

Collection of plant materials tolerant of partly shaded conditions.

Larch Area

Deciduous conifers accenting a space with lots of variable, seasonal color.

Scottish Garden

Developed in partnership with the Royal Botanic Garden in Edinburgh, Scotland, this garden displays plant species native to Scotland with a focus on upland and lowland plants.

Color Rooms

A garden area sequentially displays the colors of maroon, yellow, white and blue thru both flowers and foliage.

Woodland Walk

This shaded garden demonstrates the variety of plantings that will thrive in woodland conditions. A wonderful combination of native and non-native plantings accent this space.

Gazebo Garden

The beds surrounding the gazebo structure demonstrate hardy, part-shade perennials for textural impact with a focus on Asiatic wildflowers.

North Woodland Path

This functional path connects the Gazebo Garden from the Japanese Garden. Colorful spring bulbs and showy woody plants accent this area. This path is not wheelchair accessible.

Triangle Prairie

This space demonstrates the plants that make up our historic tallgrass prairie community.

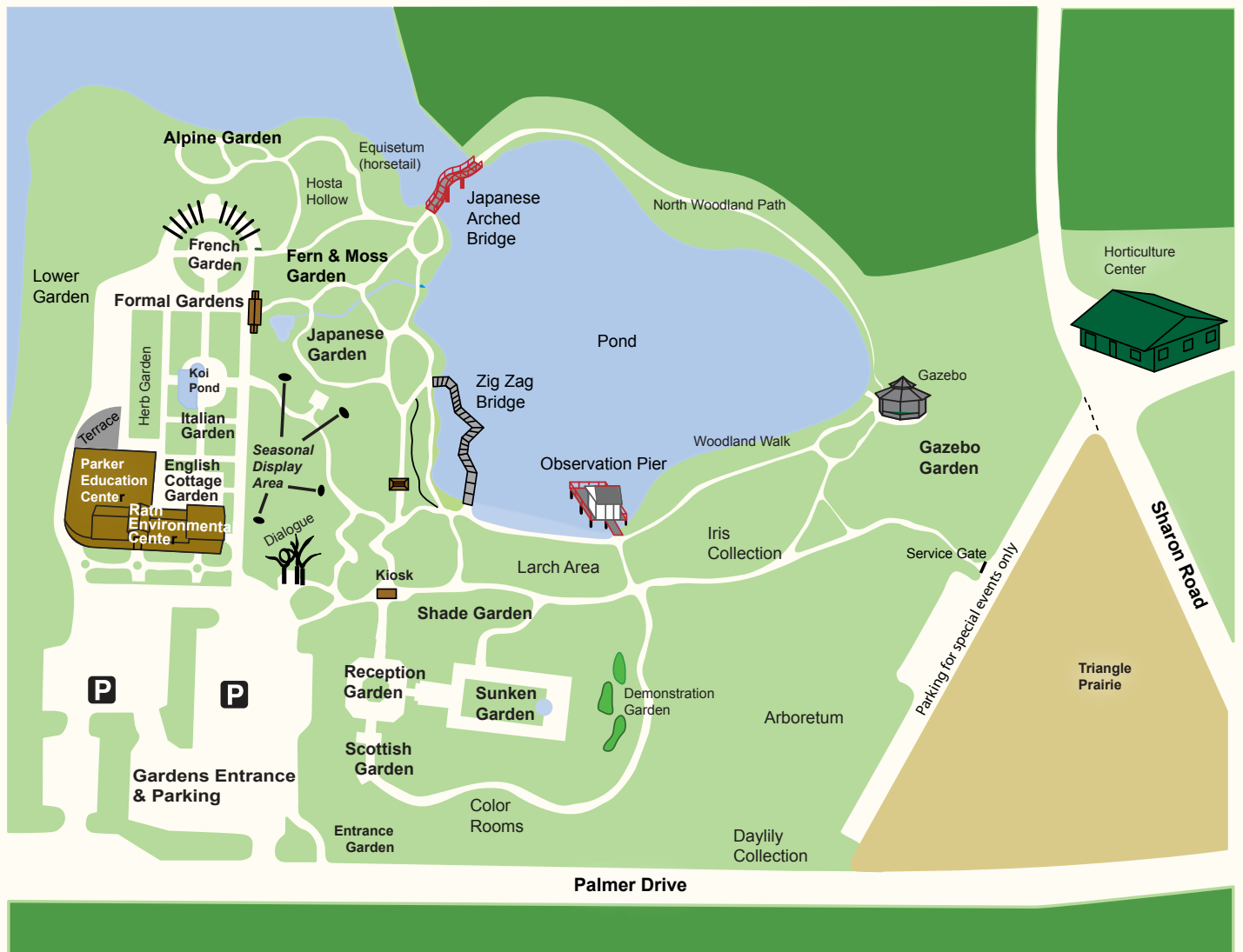
Arboretum

This space is filled with over 60 trees that represent the diversity of hardy plant material for our climate.

Iris Garden: 500 varieties planted for display and will be featured in 2010 for the American Iris Society national meeting.

Demonstration Garden: This area features over 170 varieties of annual vinca in 2008. Annual displays are variable.





A Visit to Rotary Botanical Gardens

6,824 perennials
 3,121 trees, shrubs and vines
 100,000 annuals
 380,000 spring blooming bulbs

Mission: Rotary Botanical Gardens is an internationally themed botanical showcase which provides for the education and appreciation of horticulture for the benefit of all people.

The numbers are pretty impressive. But Rotary Botanical Gardens is more than just numbers. It's about stunning views, internationally themed gardens, eclectic and original mixes of plant materials and collections ranging from the traditional to the unusual. Horticultural education and appreciation are emphasized and special events such as weddings, receptions, garden symposia and other gatherings all find a home here.

Rotary Botanical Gardens boasts a nationally acclaimed fern & moss garden and has national display gardens for the American Hosta Society, American Hemerocallis (daylily) Society, All-America Selections, Fleuroselect (Europe), Ball Seed Introductions and is a Bailey Nursery test site for roses.

Visitors can linger in the herb garden, watch Japanese koi cavort in the formal pond, find a quiet moment of contemplation in the Japanese Garden, enjoy a shaded woodland grove or wander along garden walls spilling over with flowers. Home gardeners, nature lovers, green industry professionals and those that just enjoy nature's beauty and fresh air have all found inspirations within the borders of Rotary Botanical Gardens. We're sure you will, too.