



NORTH BAY HERITAGE GARDENERS

Community Spirit in Full Bloom



OUR NEW YEAR IN REVIEW

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FALL!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

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February

● **Aging with Confidence Seniors' Information and Volunteer Opportunities Fair** - Friday, February 28th, from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM at The Village

March

● **Invitations sent out to Volunteers for our Annual Volunteer Symposium and Luncheon** - Monday, March 3rd

● **March Educational Talk** - Saturday, March 29th at 11:00am at the North Bay Museum

● **Invitation Responses Due** - Monday, March 31st by 11:45pm

April

● **Annual Volunteer Symposium and Luncheon** - Sunday, April 13th

May

● **Team Leaders Meeting** - Wednesday, May 7th, from 10:00am to 11:00am at the Museum

● **Season Opening Week** - Date to be confirmed in early May

Save the Date

To our volunteers, the **2025 Volunteer Appreciation Symposium** is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 13th 2025!** Invitations will be sent out shortly!

IMPORTANT NOTICES

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NEW REGISTRATION FORMS

As we approach another exciting gardening season, we've given our Volunteer Registration Forms a fresh new look! To help us get ready for the season, we'll be sending out the updated forms directly to volunteers, and we kindly ask that everyone **re-register** if they are able. To sweeten the deal, anyone who re-registers using the new form before our annual symposium in April will be entered into a draw to win a gift card to a local North Bay business! By signing up early, you'll help us ensure we have the most accurate information heading into the season, and it also gives us the opportunity to properly acknowledge those of you reaching milestone volunteer years at this year's event. Even if you can't attend the symposium, we truly appreciate everyone who takes the time to complete the form.



**WANT TO
TRY OUT THE
NEW FORM
NOW?
CLICK THE
IMAGE
ABOVE!**

TEAM LEADERS MEETING

Beginning this year, we **require** that all Team Leaders attend our Team Leaders Meeting on May 7th. If you are a Team Leader and know you will be unable to attend, you **must** send someone from your team to the meeting in your place. These meetings are vital for relaying important information to our teams, and with many changes to our safety guidelines and protocols, it is vital this year that all teams have a representative present.

NEWSLETTERS AND MAILING LIST

We are currently using MailChimp to send out our newsletters. To ensure they receive updates, all current volunteers are automatically added to our mailing list. For others in the community who may be interested in volunteering or learning more about our work and culture, we invite them to [visit our website](#) to join our mailing list. If you no longer wish to receive updates, you can easily unsubscribe at the bottom of emails you receive from us.

**Stories from this
past season you
would like to
share?**

Please email them to
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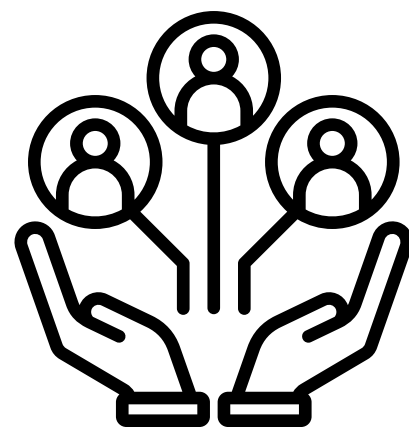


INSIDE THE ORGANIZATION

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As we approach our Annual Volunteer Symposium and Luncheon, it is the perfect time to shine a spotlight on our **Executive Committee!** This team is the driving force behind our organization, taking charge of everything from event planning and budget reviews, to designing our beautiful gardens—and so much more! While serving on the Committee requires a time commitment and responsibility, it's also an exciting and fulfilling opportunity to make a real impact. If you are interested in joining the Executive Committee or one of our sub-committees—such as Design, Education, or Sponsorship—we would love to hear from you! We are always looking to have more passionate people on board to help shape our future.



**INTERESTED?
EMAIL US
FOR MORE
INFO!**

POETRY CORNER

Retired Heritage Gardener Lorna Jackson has been kindly sending in some of her poetry to be included in our newsletters! The following is her latest creation, dedicated to all of our wonderful gardens!

The Four Seasons

In spring, the Waterfront Gardens start to grow
The Heritage Gardeners start cultivating their beds
In summer, the Gardens are in full bloom
In various shades of blues, pinks and reds
In autumn, the Gardeners crop their plants low
Getting ready for the snow that's ahead
So in winter, the plants are protected by the snow
Keeping the beds protected for the spring that's ahead.

Lorna Jackson, 2025

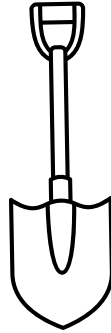
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HIGHLIGHTS FROM OUR BEDS LAST SEASON



Bed 22
Island Clippers



Bed U2
Dirty Dozen



Bed 4
Flower Power

Bed 5
Forget-Me-Nots



HIVE OF MEMORIES

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A Collection of Past Gardening Moments



Hive of Memories is a spot in the newsletter to celebrate the history of the North Bay Heritage Gardeners! Please enjoy these glimpses into our past.

Top Left - Photo of Harriett Madigan, former Chair and current gardener, and Wanda Wallace, current co-Chair, at our Volunteer Symposium in 2001.

Top Right - Photo of a group of our dedicated volunteers during our annual spring clean-up in 2007.

Bottom Left - Photo of the beautiful display of pink lilies in Bed 40 in 2005.

Bottom Right - Photo taken during our Gardens of Living Art Exhibit of 2000.