

Hoyt Arboretum Friends Winter Newsletter



Notes from the Executive Director

2013 has been another very productive year at Hoyt Arboretum, and we would like to share our accomplishments with our friends. Thanks to supporters like you, we have:

- installed *18 interpretive panels* and *8 map panels* in the collection thanks to a gift from the Joyce M. Furman Memorial Trust
- began planning the new *Bamboo Forest* with a donation from Janice Stewart and Gordy Allen through the Allen Family Foundation
- produced the inaugural *Forage in the Forest* fundraising event that raised over \$56,000 for Hoyt Arboretum programs and tree maintenance
- collaborated with Treecology to create *Hug-A-Tree* – an event for the Guinness Book of World Records with 951 participants unofficially breaking the world tree-hugging record
- planted 107 new trees and plants and acquired two endangered Wollemi Pine (*Wollemia nobilis*) trees of which there are less than 100 in the wild

Thank you for all you have done to support the Arboretum in 2013. We should all be very proud of the progress we have made together, and I know that you share in our excitement as we continue to strengthen and improve the Arboretum.

All of us at Hoyt Arboretum Friends wish you a Happy New Year and hope that 2014 includes many visits to your *Museum of Living Trees*.

Peggie Schwarz

Executive Director, Hoyt Arboretum Friends

Outdoor Education in the Arboretum

This has been a year of exciting changes to HAF's outdoor education program. Thanks to our knowledgeable tour guides we have started to offer **themed tours** and introduced the new **Tree Encounters**, where volunteers are stationed throughout the Arboretum to teach visitors about a specific collection.

Through these programs, visitors have learned about trees as medicine, tree folklore, the history of the Dawn Redwood, how to make Birch bark cups, where to find the lightning tree and so much more! More than 300 people have participated in a tour or Tree Encounter between May and November!

Special thanks to the dedicated, experienced, exceptional volunteers that make our outdoor education programs possible. Interested in volunteering for outdoor education in 2014? Please email Heather at volunteer@hoytarboretum.org.

Heather Wilkinson

Volunteer Coordinator, Hoyt Arboretum Friends

Upcoming Events at Hoyt Arboretum

Interested in expanding your knowledge of native conifers? This winter HAF is offering two classes by instructor Ken Denniston (author of nwconifers.com) to help you identify the local conifers of the Pacific Northwest.

Classes will include classroom instruction and, weather permitting, a tour of native conifers in Hoyt Arboretum. Learn easy ways to distinguish each conifer species using both photos and specimens. Class attendees will receive a handy cheat sheet to identify native conifers with 99% accuracy.

Native Conifers 201 - Conifers of Northwest Oregon: Learn to identify all 18 conifers native to northwest Oregon

Wednesday, January 22, 10am-12:30pm or
Saturday, January 25, 1pm-3:30pm

Native Conifers 202 - Conifers of the Pacific Northwest: Learn to identify all 30 conifers native to the Pacific Northwest

Saturday, February 15, 1pm-3:30pm or
Wednesday, February 19, 10am-12:30pm

*Limited to 15 people per class. \$15/members, \$20/non-members. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to sign up, please visit www.hoytarboretum.org and click **Upcoming Events & Classes**.*

Trips and Trees Presentation: The Misty Fjords of the Tongass National Forest

Thursday, January 23, 7pm, *Free!*

Join HAF volunteer Megen Van Cleave for the next presentation in our 'Trips and Trees' series. She will share stories from her time as a wilderness ranger with the US Forest Service in the Tongass National Forest.

Curator's Corner

Martin Nicholson recently visited New Zealand and shared this dispatch from the road:

Southern beech occur throughout New Zealand, with five species recognized. The most common in the South Island is *Nothofagus fusca*, the red beech, named for the red foliage that occurs on juvenile trees during the winter.

It is early summer now, though, and the light colored new growth really makes these trees look amazing. The river in the background is the Makarora, which flows from Haast Pass into Lake Wanaka

Martin Nicholson

Curator, Hoyt Arboretum
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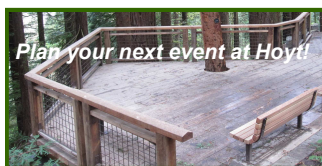
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Include Hoyt Arboretum Friends in your **estate planning** and be recognized as a member of the **Sequoia Legacy Collection**.

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Plan your next event at Hoyt!

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