

DACO Gardens Scavenger Hunt

The Decorative Arts Center of Ohio is home to various species of plants. Put your knowledge to the test and see if you can locate these different plants throughout the DACO Gardens.

If you find yourself needing some extra assistance or want to learn more, download the app "picture this". Just snap a photo of the plant!



Rudbeckia Hirta or "Black-eyed Susan"

- This plant is a member of the sunflower family. Look for bright flowers!
- Was often used in Native American medicine
- They are "pioneer plants" meaning they are typically one of the first plants to grow in areas harmed by fires of natural disasters



llex Opaca or "American Holly"

- Immigrants began using this plant as holiday decor many years ago, and this plant is still used for that purpose today
- The red berries are poisonous to humans, but a food source for many different bird species.
- In older cultures, many believed that holly's specific leaf shape drew in lightning strikes, keeping them away from houses and barns.



Yucca Filamentosa or "Adam's Needle"

- The roots of this plant were sometimes pounded out and used for soap!
- Has tall, sword like leaves. Be careful!
- Will produce a long white blossom sometimes every season, but even only every few years



Carriage Step

- A carriage step is a block of stone or wood that is used to assist passengers in and out of a horsedrawn carriage.
- This particular carriage step used to be located on Main St and is believed to date 1835, the year the Reese Peters House was built.



Wooden Bench

- This large wooden bench was made from a fallen tree on the property
- There are several benches located throughout the DACO gardens, can you locate them all?
- Hint: There are 5!



Hosta Sieboldiana or "Plantain Lily"

- This plant is kind of hidden on the backside of the property, near the Sherman House.
- Its leaves are much bigger than our hands!
- These plants can thrive in shaded areas, but do well under many different growing conditions



English Sycamore Tree

- This tree is one of the largest trees on the property, planted in 2001
- Its lush foliage provides much shade and would be a great place for a nap!
- These trees can reach up to 75-100 feet tall!

Additional Items to Locate:

| An insect | Cast Iron fountain |
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| Red, old piano! | The "Rising Rock" |
| The Veranda | The Saylor House |
| The Carriage house | A mail slot |

Thank you for participating! We would love to see photos of your DACO adventure!

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