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## **ALBERTINA KERR ANNOUNCES AUGUST GREEN ON GREEN GARDEN TOUR**

PORTLAND, Ore. (June 21, 2016) – Albertina Kerr will be hosting its annual Green on Green Garden Tour on August 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. across five gardens and one plant nursery in Southwest Portland. Mark Leichty of the Little Prince of Oregon Nursery will lead a pre-event demonstration that morning on planting sedums and succulents. One hundred percent of the event proceeds benefit Albertina Kerr’s programs and services.

Attendees will have the opportunity to take self-guided tours at five private gardens and a plant nursery. Garden one is owned by Craig Quirk and Larry Neill and displays a variety of plants that reflect Asian and Mediterranean themes. Owned by Eloise Carson, garden two meanders on a quarter acre of garden and patio space, perfect for both sun and shade lovers. Overlooking the Stephen’s Creek natural area, garden three is owned by Stephen Morgan and Marilyn Laufenberg. This 5,200 square foot garden features winter flowering shrubs, subtropical plants and a variety of New Zealand, Australian and California species.

Located in the historic John’s Landing neighborhood, garden four is owned and designed by Anne Marsh and Gary Fear. It features large stands of bamboo, ornamental shrubs and perennials, and hand-built stream and pond to give it a Japanese feel. Garden five, owned by Peter Goldblatt and Lendon Porter, is designed to allow for diverse habitats with an emphasis in small shrubs, bulbs, alpines and trailing plants and is decorated alongside paintings of Marion and Sylvan berries. Finally, family-owned Cornell Farm is one of the finest nurseries in the Portland area and offers a variety of plants for gardeners of any sort.

“Attending the Green on Green Garden Tour is a fun way to daydream and to be inspired to keep on trying new and beautiful things in your garden,” said Kathy Jaffe, volunteer garden tour coordinator. “This year’s gardens range in size allowing guests to find ways to adapt creative garden design ideas to fit their own garden.”

Tickets for the Garden Tour are \$20, pre-event demonstration tickets are \$20 and combo tickets are \$40. To purchase tickets visit [AlbertinasPlace.org](http://AlbertinasPlace.org). To learn more about the Green on Green Garden Tour, contact Steve Zeiden at 503.408.4721 or SteveZ@AlbertinaKerr.org

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