



# MCINTIRE BOTANICAL GARDEN

## VISION STATEMENT

## AND PLANNING OBJECTIVES

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To enhance the existing parkland with plantings of trees, shrubs and perennials to create a sustainable landscape garden that is inviting, educational, and reflects the unique character of the Charlottesville community.

### MISSION STATEMENT

“To create a public garden in McIntire Park that inspires and educates visitors through exploration and enjoyment of plants and nature”

### GOALS OF MCINTIRE BOTANICAL GARDEN

The goal of the McIntire Botanical Garden is to provide enjoyment and education for visitors about plants, gardening, horticulture and ecology through display, active and passive education, and conservation

**Display** – To design a landscaped garden of trees, shrubs and perennials that complements the existing parkland and enhances the sites topography to create a setting that is beautiful and attractive to all the senses

**Education/Teaching** – To create a garden that is a place of discovery for all visitors through active and passive programs of interpretation and education

**Conservation/Stewardship** – To preserve and enhance the existing features of the site while designing and planting gardens that complement the natural character of the park

### SUMMARY

In presenting our vision and objectives, the Board of Directors and supporters of McIntire Botanical Garden propose a unique garden that takes its place among the premier contemporary and historic gardens of the region. We are excited about the prospects of offering this extraordinary amenity to the Charlottesville community.