May in the Garden

May brings a huge variety of plants into flower in the Botanical Garden. In the David C. Lam Asian Garden, primulas, Rodgersias, shrubby peonies, Meconopsis (blue poppies), Clematis species and lingering, late rhododendrons are some of the stars. Chinese evergreen magnolias are also in bloom at this time. One of the tallest magnolias in the garden, M. ernestii, produces its yellowish banana-scented flowers high in its crown in May. Although the flowers are mostly unseen, the fragrance wafts lazily through the area between the Moon Gate and Wilson Glade.

Upcoming events

Garden of Secrets Panel Discussion
Monday, May 7 at 7 pm
Developer, designer, innovator, or just plain interested? Look to nature for your next solution. A garden isn't just a garden of plants--it's a garden of ideas. Join us for this collaborative event hosted by TEALEAVES and UBC Botanical Garden.

May Garden Tours & Sedum Workshop
Saturday, May 12
Tours: Enjoy a guided walk through our Asian Garden, Food Garden, Physic Garden and Gary Oak.
Workshop: Bring the garden indoors with your own spring-inspired succulent wreath.

Courtyard Sale: Peonies, Poppies & Pelargoniums
Saturday, May 12 at 11 am
Spice up your garden this spring with peonies, poppies and pelargoniums propagated by FOGs.

News highlights

Trekking in the Mountains of Northern Vietnam
Douglas Justice, Associate Director and Andy Hill, Curator ventured to Vietnam on their latest collecting trip. Douglas walks us through the trip in a day by day log.

Ryo Sugiyama Joins TomoeArts Board of Directors
Congratulations to Ryo Sugiyama, Curator of Nitobe Memorial Garden, on this appointment to the TomoeArts Board of Directors!

Construction Update

UBC Botanical Garden is replacing a decades old irrigation system and upgrading the major pathways in the Asian Garden, providing better access to the collections and the Greenheart TreeWalk. We are working hard to keep the disruption to our visitors to a minimum, and thank you in advance for your patience.

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