

## Tribute Gift Program

Thank you for inquiring about commemorative gift opportunities at the Chicago Botanic Garden. There are a variety of unique ways to honor family and friends at special times – birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, personal accomplishments, as well as expressions of sympathy. In addition, your contribution provides important financial support to the Garden.

When you make a tax-deductible gift to the Garden, a personalized acknowledgment of your donation is sent to the individual or family being honored, without reference to the size of the gift. Your contribution will be recognized in the Chicago Botanic Garden's Annual Report.

Special items at the Garden are available for dedication at various contribution levels, including:

- ◆ Special area dedications are available within select gardens of the Main Island, for donations of \$25,000 and up.
- ◆ Benches located in two iconic locations in the Garden may be dedicated for fifteen years with a contribution of \$5,000. A bench in the English Walled Garden may be endowed for \$25,000. A plaque inscribed with a personal dedication of the donor's choice will be placed on the lower right corner of the bench.
- ◆ There are several varieties of trees available for dedication, ranging from \$2,000 to \$3,000. A tree tag marking the dedication will be inscribed with the words of the donor's choice, and the tree will remain tagged for the life of the plant. If, within a fifteen year period, the tree fails to thrive or is otherwise compromised, a tree of the same or new variety will be offered as a replacement. *A limited number of specimen trees are available for contributions beginning at \$5,000. For this list please call (847) 835-8333.*
- ◆ Commemorative Bricks are available for a contribution of \$500 along the Gateway Visitor Center and \$1,000 along the Rose Garden walkway. Bricks may be engraved with the name of the individual(s) being honored or remembered and pertinent date(s).
- ◆ During the summer, a selected Carillon Concert program may be sponsored for a donation of \$500. The sponsorship and individual(s) being honored or remembered will be indicated in the program for that evening.
- ◆ A changing, seasonally inspired, floral display in the Krehbiel Gallery art space of the Regenstein Center may be dedicated for \$250 for the day of a special occasion or event. The recipient(s) and date of dedication will be displayed in a beautiful frame and placed on the Information Desk, well situated for all to see. This is a perfect surprise for a wedding, anniversary, or other meaningful event.
- ◆ For a contribution of \$100, a donor may "adopt" a bonsai from the Garden's premier Bonsai Collection. The recipient will receive a beautiful note card indicating the dedication along with an informational photograph card relevant to the chosen "adopted" bonsai specimen. Contact the Tribute Program for a list of available bonsai (changes annually).
- ◆ Lenhardt Library bookplate dedications are available for contributions ranging from \$50 to \$250. The chosen title will have a bookplate placed on the inside front cover reflecting the dedication and will be located in the Library. In addition, selections from the Lenhardt Library's Rare Book Collection are also available for dedication as well as the opportunity to conserve a title from our rare book collection. Acid free, archival bookplates will be placed on the inside front cover.

If you have questions or would like further information on any of the above opportunities, please call (847) 835-8333 or e-mail [tributes@chicagobotanic.org](mailto:tributes@chicagobotanic.org). If you are interested in making a tribute gift, please visit [www.chicagobotanic.org/tribute](http://www.chicagobotanic.org/tribute) or send your check, payable to the Chicago Botanic Garden, to: Chicago Botanic Garden, attn: Tribute Program, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, IL 60022. Gifts of appreciated securities are welcome.