

TEAR-OFF SECTION AND RETURN



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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How would you like to receive Newsletter:
Via e-mail advice: Regular Post:

Annual Membership Subscription Rates:

- \$15.00 Student
- \$20.00 Individual
- \$25.00 Family/Couple
- \$25.00 School & Community Groups

Donations are always welcome.

Please make your cheque payable to:
Friends of the Wellington Botanic Garden Inc
and post to:

Membership Secretary
P O Box 28-065
Wellington

GUIDES

An annual programme of walks is provided by trained voluntary guides who are part of the Friends.

Log onto www.friendswbg.org.nz for details.

Special tours can be arranged on request to the Treehouse (04) 499 1400.

Hosts are also provided during peak visitor periods to welcome visitors and introduce them to the Garden.

People interested in training as a guide or host are invited to contact the

Treehouse (04) 499 1400.

FUTURE

The Garden today has a deserved reputation. It is an environmental haven minutes from the centre of the city. It holds an active programme of botanic and other activities. It is a top attraction for visitors and regular guided tours are held.

Competition for community resources, and the increasing costs of maintenance and upgrading, requires continuing vigilance by residents and citizens to ensure high standards of care and presentation can be maintained. The Garden and its staff deserve your support.

You can play a part as a Friend of the Garden.

Join as a Friend of the most renowned and treasured asset of our city. Membership subscriptions and contributions help the funding of new and ongoing projects



Become a Friend

INFORMATION

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MEMBERSHIP

THE WELLINGTON BOTANIC GARDEN

The Garden was established in 1868 and managed by the New Zealand Institute which planted the major conifer species that can be seen today. This planting was part of a programme to import plant species and assess their economic potential in the new colony.

The Wellington City Council has managed the Garden since 1891. Significant developments include:

- ❖ Lady Norwood Rose Garden (1950)
- ❖ Begonia House (1960)
- ❖ Treehouse Visitor Centre (1991)
- ❖ The Pinetum (2004)
- ❖ Hector Memorial (2005)

The Friends have provided financial and advisory support to a number of these.

Located close to the centre of the city it is best approached by Cable Car through the spectacular Cable Car entrance.

FRIENDS' AIM

The Friends of the Wellington Botanic Garden is a voluntary organisation comprising a diverse group of people who share a love and interest in one of Wellington's most valuable assets. The main objective of the Friends is to provide support and advice on the management and development of the Botanic Garden.

- ❖ The Friends seek to add value to the work of the professional staff.
- ❖ Operate a guiding service.
- ❖ Run seminars and workshops.
- ❖ Fund research and develop proposals that will enhance the visitor appeal of the Garden.

❖ Support financially, and in other ways, specific projects for the restoration or preservation of heritage features in the Garden.

Projects in which the Friends are involved on a continuing basis include:

- ❖ Short and long-term management needs of the heritage native bush remnants
- ❖ Enhancing the visitor experience through new interpretative walks and improved signage and brochures
- ❖ Restoration and continuing care of heritage buildings and other facilities
- ❖ Contributing to planning for appropriate development of the Garden

Further information on Friends activities can be found on the Friends website

www.friendswbq.org.nz

BOUQUETS

In 2004 Wellington's Botanic Garden was registered by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust as a

"Historic Area" of "aesthetic, architectural, cultural, scientific and social significance or value".

In 2005, it was recognized by the New Zealand Gardens Trust as a Garden of National Significance.

Today the Garden covers 25 hectares and is a unique mixture of protected native forest, exotic tree and plant collections with major seasonal floral displays.

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KEY ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- ❖ Recreational, social and education activities for members (walks, social events, lectures)
- ❖ Encouraging widespread public use and enjoyment of the Gardens.
- ❖ Fundraising and special projects.
- ❖ Ensuring the City Council maintains the recreational and botanic assets, now and in the future.

Friend's benefits include:

- ❖ Quarterly newsletter
- ❖ Regular social activities
- ❖ Workshops and talks
- ❖ Bulb Sales
- ❖ Meeting others with like interests

WHAT ARE YOUR INTERESTS & SUGGESTIONS?
