



2026 Richmond Beach Garden Tour
 A free event by the Richmond Beach
 Community Association
 Sat. June 20th, 11:00am to 4pm

1. The McCauley Garden 2108 NW 190th St, Richmond Beach

The owners moved in 23 years ago and inherited a large side yard with big rocks and trees and a view of the sound. Two of the trees are unusual for this area and were planted by a previous owner who was a locally known expert in horticulture. A Camperdown elm, a weeping elm with gorgeous twisted branches, and a Coulter pine native of the coastal mountains of Southern California. It is known for its huge pine cones that are used as decorations. The garden has evolved around the trees and the rocks with selected plantings and sculptures.

2. Heinemann & Phisuthikul Garden 2618 NW 198th Street, Richmond Beach

Marilyn Heinemann & Chakorn Phisuthikul have lived at this property since 1989. Originally a small 50 plus year old home with two totally overgrown lots was where they began the projects of building a new home, renovating the garden and raising two young children.

Our original inspiration was East meets West. The garden at the entry has Asian elements and the front garden is more western inspired. In 2022 we undertook an update to each garden refreshing the look. The entry garden was redesigned by Nakano Associates, a Seattle landscape architecture firm. Then in 2024-2025 we did a major renovation to our home which necessitated the fencing of trees and the digging up of plants in the entry garden ahead of the construction process. Construction was completed in December 2025 and the garden was restored to its original state. In the front garden we have added landscape lighting, a water feature and some new shrubs. During the past nearly 40 years our garden has changed, grown and evolved with new ideas and plant materials to become a source of joy and a place of refuge for wildlife.

3. The Haase Garden - 19827 19th Ave NW, Richmond Beach

Rick bought the property in 1997 and immediately began renovating. Nothing remains of the original landscape. After planting several large tree varieties he had reached a roadblock, how to satisfy his passion for trees? He joined the American Conifer Society and the Maple Society and when he learned about dwarf conifers and Japanese maples the problem was solved. The collection now includes over 275 trees, the majority in containers. The front yard is a natural area with a dry stream path. The pool deck in the rear turned out to be a great place for the containers.

4. The Richard Garden - 20219 21st Pl NW, Richmond Beach

Christian and Linda moved here in 2006. The yard was full of overgrown brush, blackberries, and unused spaces. They've built out a variety of places and zones, taking advantage of the unique geography of the land. Christian terraced a lumpy hill and turned it into a "mountain" area with two seating areas. A dangerously leaning pine tree became a serene slate patio surrounded by bamboo, Japanese maples, and rhodies. A hollow overgrown with laurel transformed into a studio and outdoor workshop. Throughout, Christian's playful wood and metal sculptures move with the wind and invite interaction. Christian keeps claiming the big renovation projects are "done," but every time he goes to Sky Nursery, plants somehow just leap into his cart! Currently seeking ideas for planting a true four-season garden.

5. The Syre Elementary School Garden 19545 12th Ave NW, Richmond Beach

This garden is a vibrant outdoor classroom and school community hub where students gather to explore ecology, environmental stewardship, gardening practices, nutrition, and communal responsibility with meaningful, hands-on learning. The garden was designed and is managed by three Syre parents, Kim Bishop, Joy Pruitt, and Summer Howe, plus a collective of volunteers. Thanks to the financial support of grants from Les Dames d'Escoffier – Green Tables and the Syre PTA, as well as generous donations of supplies, plants, and labor from community members, the garden serves Syre students through after school garden and cooking programs and classroom lessons. The garden has 1,152 square feet of growing space containing raised beds and in-ground plantings of annual vegetables and flowers and perennial fruit trees, shrubs, and herbs that are tended by the students and their broader community.

6. Cougan/Templeton Garden – 1128 NW 201 st Street, Shoreline

Nestled on a private dead-end road and surrounded by a lush, undeveloped greenbelt, this garden feels worlds away from the city. The half-acre property, first landscaped in the 1980s, features native plants, including second-growth Douglas fir, big leaf maple, sword fern, and salal. The original design incorporated a system of ponds to manage winter rainfall. Today, the garden showcases more than 20 rhododendrons, a variety of specimen trees, flowering shrubs, and shade-loving groundcover. Allison and Ian became the latest custodians in 2022 and have since added over 500 perennials, emphasizing ferns (more than 15 varieties), hellebores (over 20 varieties), and other forest understory plants, which provide color and texture year-round. A network of trails and elevated decks links the garden's various zones, creating both intimate and expansive viewing areas.

ACCESS- Many areas of the garden are generally accessible, including the paved driveway and elevated decks (some steps required). However, some forest trails are steep or slippery and may not be suitable for all visitors. King County Master Gardeners will be onsite to answer questions throughout the tour. Additionally, There will be a portable toilet on site.

7. The Hanson Garden 1133 NW 201 st Street Richmond Beach

Arlene and Don moved to Richmond Beach in 1987. While busy raising our sons and working full time, we did our best to maintain our huge yard. Now retired we both enjoy time spent in our yard. Don manages the veggies and berries, while Arlene has expanded the shrubs and flowers. Cedar, hemlock, fir, maple and dogwood in addition to rhododendrons and other shrubs, keep us in varied shades of green year-round. Our garden favorites include spring flowers, artichokes for dinner, blueberries all summer, dinner on the patio and sharing our pool with friends and neighbors. We feel fortunate to live in such a nice, quiet, and accepting community as Richmond Beach.

8. The Kruckeberg Botanic Garden - 20312 15th Ave W, Shoreline

This is the hidden jewel of Richmond Beach. Once the home of Dr. Art Kruckeberg, professor of botany at the University of Washington, and his wife Mareen, the Garden is now included in the City of Shoreline Park System. The plant collection, educational programs, and the MsK Rare and Native Plant Nursery are operated by the Kruckeberg Botanic Garden Foundation, where volunteers are welcome! From the Nursery in the upper garden, follow the new accessible boardwalk amongst the beautiful tree canopy down to the paths through the Children's Discovery Garden, and the Pacific Northwest Native Plant Demonstration Garden. Be sure to check out 'Wood Wave,' a four-ton sculpture by artist Bruce Johnson, made from a 1,000 year old redwood tree. Climbing on the sculpture is encouraged.