

Northwest Flower & Garden Show

Highlights of New Show Features for 2006

Added a wealth of exciting features this year will make the show even more fun and festive – attracting the whole family as well as those who have not yet experienced the thrill of this annual horticultural extravaganza. New among the ever-expanding array of offerings and benefits are:

- **New Ticket Price Structure** – Changes have been made to the ticket price structure in order to bring in a broader audience to the flower show. To make it easier for families the children’s ticket price has been lowered from \$7 to \$3 and the age limit raised from 11 to 17. Other additions include an **\$8 Student Pass**, for students ages 25 years and younger (must present valid student ID at door), a **Two-Day Pass** for \$28 and online ticket ordering and print out capabilities via the Show’s website, www.gardenshownw.com.
- **Premium Ticket** – Visitors can avoid parking hassles and busy crowds with the new limited edition Premium Ticket that includes exclusive viewing of the display gardens from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m., valet parking, and a tote bag. The pass is available to the first 1000 buyers and costs \$48.
- **Sproutopia: A Place for Kids!** – An entire area devoted to kids, including hands-on demonstrations and plenty of activities to excite blossoming gardeners. The **Sprouts Stage** will feature performances by the Seattle Children’s Theatre and special presentations on subjects such as gardening, bugs, bats, and worms, and The Seattle Library will provide a daily story time.
- **Destination Living by Windermere Real Estate** – Experience second-home living in this new feature located in the North Hall. Designed for anyone who has ever dreamed of a place to get away from it all, the exhibit will transport visitors to the most desirable second-home hot spots, from the coast line to the mountains and everywhere in between. It will be an inviting walk-through display of five rooms decorated in destination home and garden themes including a seaside escape, sunny golf getaway, lakeside retreat, rustic mountain lodge, and urban rooftop oasis.
- **Ask the Experts:** – Certified Master Gardeners from the WSU program will be available all day to answer questions and give free advice on a broad range of gardening topics. Everyone from expert gardeners to those just getting started are encouraged to bring in their plants and questions to this new resource located on the 6th floor.
- **“A Place to Take Root”** – The Northwest Horticultural Society is presenting a unique historical exhibit of the common flower pot curated by noted garden historian Susan Tamulevich and Connecticut potter Guy Wolff. The first exhibit of its kind, this traveling museum piece will feature over 40 historical American pots. Renowned potters Guy Wolff from Connecticut and John Weber of Seattle will be demonstrating their art live during selected show hours. AW Pottery, Molbak’s, and Ravenna Gardens are the generous sponsors of this exceptional exhibition that will be on display in the South Lobby.

- **Flower Market** – Delightful fresh cut flowers will be available at the new flower market located in the North Hall across from the plant market. Visitors can purchase hand tied bouquets crafted from a variety of local and exotic stems, as well as create their own custom bouquets to take home from the show.
- **Flower Show Metro Ticket** – Metro Transit is offering a special \$2 round-trip ticket for the Show, valid for use on any regularly scheduled route from anywhere in the Metro Transit system. These special tickets are available via the Show website at www.gardenshownw.com.
- **IMPORTANT CHANGE! New Locations and New Procedures for Getting to the Show** – **On Saturday and Sunday only**, park and ride on the Flower Show’s designated shuttle, offered from either the Northgate Park & Ride in Seattle or the Eastgate Park & Ride in Bellevue. To ride the shuttle, showgoers must purchase the \$2 round-trip **Flower Show Metro Ticket** in advance from the Show website, www.gardenshownw.com.

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