

## Thank You 2023 Sponsors!

### ORCHID LEVEL



### ROSE LEVEL

Mary & Bill Staton  
Ellen & Jim Wade

### DOGWOOD LEVEL

Ambiance Garden Design  
Linda Carroll  
Freeman Landscape Architecture  
Valaida Fullwood  
Greenline Design  
MAC Landscape  
Morgan Stanley  
Janet & Lowell Nelson  
Schneider Tree Care  
Simply Move Chiropractic  
Tim Johnson Landscaping  
The Yard Doctor

### TULIP LEVEL

Kathy Blake The Blossom Shop  
Jon Driggers & Ben Wilkerson  
D. Ann & Allen Fullwood Sandra Gray  
Kings Greenhouse Mozelle DePass Griffith  
Kathy & Harold Howe The Hrycelak Family  
Laurie Durden Garden Design  
Nancy Lopez-Ibanez & Michele Allison  
Tom & Mary Pat Otte Paul Simon Women  
Patrick & Patsy Reames C. & K. Tate  
Nancy Whelchel – Travel Experts

**And our 62 Daisy patrons!**



On our tour, you'll find gorgeous outdoor décor from Stewart's Village Gallery in Waxhaw. Meet plein-air painters Carol Pighin and Martha Manco, Seagrove potter Crystal King, and Charlotte's own Clay Sisters Pottery. Bonus: tour the drawing studio of large-scale charcoal artist Virginia Fifield.

Here's how to find our delightful artisans:

Eastover - [StewartsVillageGallery.com](http://StewartsVillageGallery.com)

First Ward - [@theClaySisters221](https://www.instagram.com/theClaySisters221)

Montclair - [CarolPighin.com](http://CarolPighin.com)

Montclair - [MarthaManco.com](http://MarthaManco.com)

Montclair - [CrystalKingPottery.studio](http://CrystalKingPottery.studio)

Montclair - [VirginiaFifield.com](http://VirginiaFifield.com)



## Tips for AIGT Tourgoers

- Check in with your ticket confirmation (printed or on your phone) and receive a wristband for entry to all other gardens.
- Complete your tour in one day or split up over the weekend.
- We tour RAIN OR SHINE.
- Casual attire and flat shoes are suggested for optimal exploring.
- Children are welcome; up to age 17 are free.
- Strollers are not allowed in the gardens.
- No pets, please.
- Photos are permitted in all of the gardens.

THE CHARLOTTE GARDEN CLUB AND  
THE MINT MUSEUM PRESENT



Explore six gardens with artists and vendors

SATURDAY, 10 AM - 4 PM SUNDAY, 1 - 5 PM

TICKETS IN ADVANCE: \$20 Mint Museum and  
Charlotte Garden Club members/\$30 non-members  
ON TOUR DAYS: \$25 members/\$35 non-members  
Children under 17 free. We tour rain or shine.

We want your AIGT photos to share  
on our social media: tag us with  
**@CLTGardenClub**



[www.CharlotteGardenClub.com](http://www.CharlotteGardenClub.com)

A proud affiliate of the Mint Museum

Visit our gardens in ANY order.

**A1 VIRGINIA FIFIELD AND ROBERT PERROTTI**  
**2301 SHADYVIEW DRIVE, 28210**

**MONTCLAIRE** This small suburban lot is hardly typical, thanks to the delightful talents of this uber-artistic couple. Since 2019 they transformed a grass and mulch back yard to high whimsy, adding perennials, paths, trellises, sculpture, bird features, benches and an Asian-inspired toolshed, all made by Robert. Don't miss the lookout hole in the garden gate for Willow the dog. We say gardening lightens the heart; this tour stop is sure to grow smiles. Kid alert: find the 9 spaceships hidden in this fairy garden's nooks and crannies.

**LOOK FOR** Virginia's art studio in a converted garage.

**A2 KARYN STALEY**  
**2309 SHADYVIEW DRIVE, 28210**

**MONTCLAIRE** Find two triskelion-shaped beds in this plant collector's garden, packed with personality and Celtic flair. Karyn - who studied landscape design - built many structures herself. She designed her pergola and its pavers to echo the mid-century modern lines of her home; it surrounds the visitor above and below with greenery. Plant highlights include moonlight hydrangea, star jasmine vine, bronze fennel, cardoon, red dragon knotweed, ascot rainbow euphorbia plus small hardwoods such as Japanese maples, Harry Lauder's walking stick, and a kousa dogwood.

**LOOK FOR** Botanical-inspired ceramics by Seagrove potter Crystal King.

**B KELLY AND RICHARD STEVENS**  
**1750 EMERYWOOD DRIVE, 28210**

**MONTCLAIRE** Featured in Timber Press' *Beautiful No-Mow Yards: 50 Amazing Lawn Alternatives*, this lush garden explodes with joy. "I never met a plant I didn't like" winks self-taught gardenista Kelly, a talented DIYer whose heartfelt style literally surrounds you: a she-shed, upcycled décor, stenciled concrete, and a mosaic honoring those we lost on 9-11. It's no mystery why passersby stop their cars, drawn to this garden's enticing paths and cozy seating areas. Bring your lunch and stay awhile - Richard and Kelly insist.

**LOOK FOR** Plein-air painters Carol Pighin and Martha Manco.

**C PATTI AND MIKE WEISS**  
**201 HUNTLEY PLACE, 28207**

**EASTOVER** This striking design by Jay Sifford blends a front stylized meadow with a one-of-a-kind blue slag glass rill in the back yard. Experience this serene oasis, featuring masses of ferns and grasses; several seating areas beckon you to pause. Since its installation last year, this garden's underlit "river" has been a showstopper - especially at night when Patti & Mike relax to the gentle gurgle of their glowing aquamarine stream. It's fooled Mother Nature, too: herons have tried to fish in this mesmerizing faux brook. You'll be swept up by its magic, too.

**LOOK FOR** Garden décor from Stewart's Village Gallery.

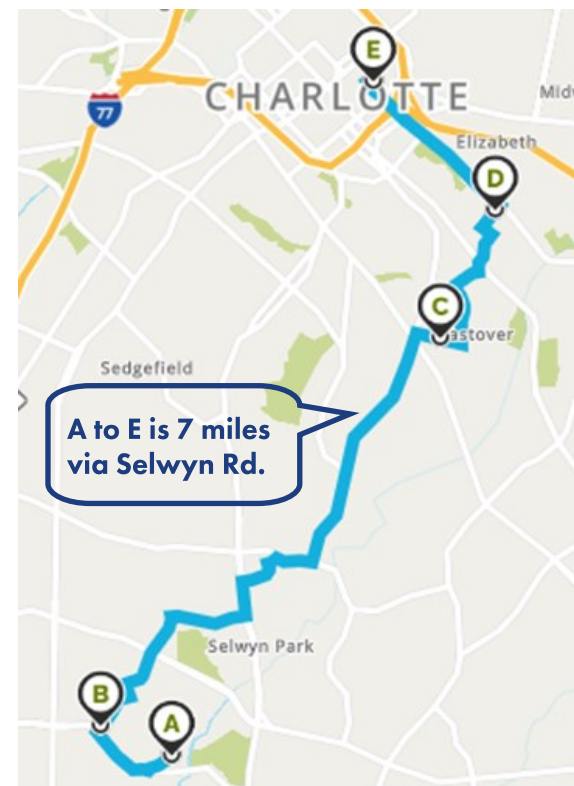
**D BETH AND SCOTT HAENNI**  
**2133 GREENWAY AVENUE, 28204**

**ELIZABETH (ENTER AT DRIVEWAY ON RIDGEWAY)** Charleston's iconic evergreen courtyards inspired this active family's vision of an easy care, always-verdant oasis in which to play and entertain. Beth and Scott's graceful additions to their circa 1922 home showcase landscape designer Paul Freeman's exercise in restraint and rectilinear pattern. Tour the carriage house with historic wooden finishes from LaTeaDa's, swing on the porch, or dip your toes in the pool. The owners love how their mature river birch, kwanzan cherry and ferns create an inviting, kid-friendly retreat in the bustle of Elizabeth. **LOOK FOR** Flower arrangements by The Blossom Shop and an interactive garden graffiti station.

**E DIATRA FULLWOOD**  
**715 PARKSIDE TERRACE LANE, 28202**

**FIRST WARD (PARK FREE AT LITTLE ROCK AME ZION CHURCH)** Ancestral inspiration feeds Diatra's passion for gardening. Among the first homeowners in the redeveloped First Ward, her 25 years of uptown living, experimentation and cultivation created a flourishing landscape in a compact urban setting. A stroll reveals sunny pollinators, shade-loving plants, raised beds of herbs and vegetables, a terraced backyard with fragrant trees and bright blooms, and a secluded green haven. An 8th-generation North Carolinian, Diatra favors native plants, while exotics add year-round beauty and character. **LOOK FOR** Ceramics by Charlotte's Clay Sisters Pottery.

Visit our gardens in ANY order.



**About the Charlotte Garden Club**

We're warm and welcoming, open to all. We're new gardeners, seasoned green thumbs and horticulture industry pros. We are 96 years



young; at more than 450 members we're the largest and fastest-growing garden club in the state. Our members enjoy lectures by nationally-known authors and horticultural experts at our monthly meetings, Sep - Apr at Mint Museum Randolph. In 2023, we launched a horticultural scholarship at CPCC and we also volunteer at McGill Rose Garden in NoDa. [CharlotteGardenClub.com](http://CharlotteGardenClub.com)