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Looking for new design ideas and inspiration? Join your colleagues to tour eight design sites in the southeast metro area. The stops are sure to inspire and the event will provide great networking opportunities. Bring back ideas to implement in your own designs and share your ideas with your peers!

## **Schedule**

8:00am-8:30am - Register and meet at Linder's in St. Paul.

8:30am - Buses load to tour sites.

5:00pm - Return to Linder's in St. Paul.

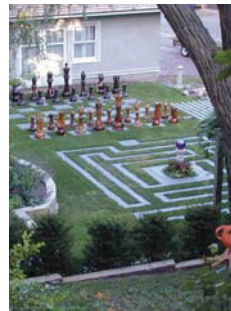
## **Bailey Display Gardens, Cottage Grove**



### **Designed by: Bailey Nurseries, Inc.**

This garden was initially designed to highlight our Easy Elegance® rose collection and was formerly called the 'Gardener's Palette' garden as it was designed in the shape of our old palette tag that was used on plant material sold from the nursery. The garden is a mix of many of the plant materials sold here at Bailey Nursery, including trees, shrubs, evergreens, perennials, roses and annuals. Next to the main display garden is a relatively new garden, called the 'Collections' garden. Our intent in this garden space was to grow as many cultivars from a given genus, in order to show our staff and customers the differences between cultivars. We also hope this will help us select future introductions and make sure they are different from existing cultivars already on the market. Next to the collection garden is our rose test area. Although we are not actively breeding roses any longer, we still have germplasm that we are testing for zone 4 hardiness, as well as disease resistance, and are still adding new rose cultivars to our Easy Elegance rose program through this testing program. The gardens are maintained by Gail Soens who will be in the gardens to answer any questions you might have.

## **Thomas/Call Residence, St. Anthony Park**



### **Designed by: Thomas Landscape of Minnesota Limited**

This garden surrounds you as you stroll up the curving brick walkway. A number of key plants (a Burr Oak, Feather Reed Grass, a twin Swiss Stone Pine and three Serviceberries), as well as brick walks, low stone walls, pots of annuals and garden art provide interest and structure to the front garden. Perennials, shrubs and trees fill the entire front and side yards, including the boulevard. The private back garden is enclosed by evergreens, fencing and a garage. It is home to generous patios made of bluestone, brick, marble and limestone, a rain garden, chessboard and labyrinth. The design and construction of these gardens have been ongoing for almost 20 years and serve as a display garden for the owner's landscape design/build business.

## **Olson Residence, Hudson, Wisconsin**



### **Designed by: Village Green Landscapes, Inc.**

Located along the beautiful scenic bluffs of the St. Croix River this home was scheduled to be a feature of the Luxury Home Tour. Village Green Landscapes was asked to help the homeowners transform this almost 3 acre property into a scenic retreat that seamlessly merged with the surrounding views. **CASE:** Design and install a new landscape for a luxury new home which would integrate the built environment with the natural setting of the residence. **SOLUTION:** We utilized the rolling topography of the site to create new grading and drainage paths which could be allowed to safely exit the site. Stone boulders inherent to the project area were utilized to soften grades of the steeper slopes by being placed in a loose, asymmetric pattern. We wanted to keep the integrity of the site and

attempt to blend the uniqueness of the home's architecture by merging it with its natural surroundings. The natural stone was also utilized in a memorial water feature and backyard fire area. Plantings near the immediate foundation of the home were a blend of natives and carefully selected ornate showpieces. Privacy was paramount to the customer so we introduced strong vertical elements along the site's periphery with truck-spaded evergreens and maples. RESULT: The final product integrated and meshed the semi-formal nature of the home with the ruggedness of the surrounding environment. The homeowners have a showpiece for entertaining along with added functionality of usable vistas for playing and enhanced sight-lines with compartmentalized sensory areas.

**Simons Residence, South St. Paul**



**Designed by: Simons Landscaping**

The goal for this property was to gain ample outdoor living space for entertaining family and friends. The homeowner desired to achieve a sophisticated timeless look with minimal maintenance. Plant material and colors were chosen to complement the 1940's brick home. With homeowner participation, long working hours and

limited annual budgets it has taken several years of project phases, but the results of a sustainable landscape will be enjoyed for decades.

**Berg Residence, Mendota Heights**



**Designed by: Landscape Renovations**

This Mendota Heights landscape was tailored to the personalities of the owners. Bold features including a spa, sport court, and outdoor fireplace are softened by simple, no nonsense plantings. The site conditions- a healthy population of deer and rabbits, heavy clay soils, and excessive soil moisture- create a challenging

environment to successfully grow plants. Many different sizes and species of roses are featured everywhere on the property, along with a large palette of spring flowering bulbs.

**Swanson Residence, Inver Grove Heights**



**Designed by: Landscape Renovations**

This prairie-style house located in Inver Grove Heights was built on an old tree plantation. The landscape has developed as shared vision between the homeowner, the building architect, and the landscape designer. It features a swimming pool, a fire pit with a natural gas log starter, superior trap

retaining walls, a dry stacked bluestone staircase with granite treads, rolling turf areas, and beautiful perennial gardens. We

are currently working on the fifth phase and already have plans for phase number six.

**Bohannon Residence, Inver Grove Heights**

**Designed by: Landscape Design Studios**



This home can be describe as a grand "English Tudor in the Woods" as it is a large home resembling an old Saint Paul Tudor-style home and is set back far into the woods and a challenging location between two wetland areas. The prominent natural stone on the house is accentuated by the aggressive use of natural stone in the landscape, going from raw boulders to the cut and split masonry stone that

also matches the stone found on the interior of the home. The stone was used in the implementation of retaining walls, stairs, a fire pit and setting grades for a putting green. Also featured is an in-ground mosquito misting system that enables the landscape to be used and enjoyed in the evenings. The challenges faced with this project were in dealing with the aftermath of the home construction, the limited accessibility, the declining health of the surrounding trees, and the location of a septic mound system with the tricky drainage patterns it created. In addressing these challenges and implementing all of the landscape features that the client desired, there were some careful design considerations put in place. Ultimately, the landscape helps the home to adapt to a very challenging location, and provides them with a charming environment to enjoy in seclusion, tucked back into the woods.

**Bailey's Arbor, Woodbury**



**Designed by: Savanna Designs, Inc.**

Bailey's Arbor is located in Woodbury and is a 235 acre planned community development. The area was owned by Bailey's Nursery and in the planning of the development Bailey's desired that the new community have an arboretum theme based on the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Jim Hagstrom from Savanna Design was one of the principal landscape

architects along with others to help design the new development. Even though each neighborhood has a different garden theme with walking paths, the development also includes an oak savanna, tall and short grass prairies and a council ring. We will visit the areas around the recreational centers where we will see seasonal gardens, a butterfly garden, a rain garden, as well as a formal garden. This is a unique opportunity to see a large expansive area so well thought out that the community and public can experience an arboretum-like development.

*\*Note that the sites here may not be toured in the order listed. Coffee in the morning and lunch will be provided.*