



A Community Benefit

Gardens are more than plants, paths and trees. Gardens are places where strangers and friends come together to celebrate, laugh, rest, learn, explore and grow together.

As phases of the Monk Botanical Gardens are completed, they provide an ideal venue for educating students, youth, and adults alike about plants, nature and the environment. The Gardens are a great place for family visits, picnics, corporate events and gatherings.

Grow with us as the Gardens continue to evolve, inspiring people of all ages to connect with plants and nature.



Please visit:

www.monkgardens.org
1800 N. 1st Avenue, Wausau, WI
Let us know what you think!
Email: info@monkgardens.org

Grow With Us

What better way to support and grow with us than to stay informed of Monk Botanical Garden updates, new and popular events and a variety of volunteer opportunities? Here are a few ways to get started:

- **Subscribe** to our monthly eNewsletter: Go to www.monkgardens.org, click “Receive our newsletter”
- **Follow Us!** Search “Monk Gardens” on social media:



- **Join** as a Monk Botanical Gardens member: Go to www.monkgardens.org/membership

Volunteer

We have many opportunities—*big and small*—to help enhance the progress and the beauty of the Gardens with your sweat or mind equity! Annual events, onsite educational programs, land improvement work sessions...just to name a few. We welcome volunteers from all walks of life, abilities and through every season.

To stay informed—request to join our ‘volunteer email group’ and bookmark the volunteer page at our website:

www.monkgardens.org/volunteer.

Email: volunteer@monkgardens.org.



Thank you to Roger Zimmermann for providing the beautiful photographs taken at the Monk Botanical Gardens.



Central Wisconsin’s First Public Botanical Garden

Attend our events. Experience the setting.
Share the vision. Help us grow.



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What Is the Monk Botanical Gardens?

Described by many as an “urban sanctuary”, the Monk Botanical Gardens occupy more than 20 acres at the end of N. First Ave. on Wausau’s west side and is central Wisconsin’s only botanical garden designed to connect people with the natural environment. The site is named after the family of Robert and Carole Monk who donated the land in early 2000 for the development of an outstanding public garden. Since then, many improvements have been made to the property through generous donations of time, talent, and funds.

What’s In the Gardens?

Along with our new Kitchen and Meditation Gardens, the Monk Botanical Gardens includes an accessible Treehouse, Memory Plaza, Wildflower Woods, Pond, and Event Lawn...with many more developments in the planning stages. The site has sewer, water, and electricity.

The Garden also **bustles with activities** all year long including:

- Luminary Snowshoe Walks in winter;
- An Egg Hunt, Plant Sale, Bird Walks and Garden Flea Market in spring;
- Garden Tours and educational programs for adults as well as area school districts in summer;
- AutumnFest in fall;

Plus, classes in gardening and cooking, clubs for young and old, letterboxing, geocaching and more!

The Monk Botanical Gardens is OPEN DAILY with no entry fee. Guests are welcome to enjoy the grounds from dawn until dusk. The gate is latched simply to keep out the deer!

Reserve the Garden For your Upcoming Event!

The Monk Botanical Gardens is happy to talk with you about using the Gardens as the site for your event—be it a wedding, a reception, a corporate or small family gathering. Host a party in our Kitchen Potager using our pizza oven and fireplace.

Email info@monkgardens.org for more information, including rates and dates.

Donation Opportunities

In-kind and monetary donations are invaluable to the Gardens’ growth and success. **For more information, please contact us at info@monkgardens.org or call 715-261-6309.**

Memorial or Named Contribution

The Monk Botanical Gardens offer a variety of ways to have your name or the name of a loved one associated with your gift. Some donors may wish to give in support of various major projects in the Gardens. Consider donating to create a new garden area, and naming it. All donations of \$1,000 or more are recognized in our media or recognition signage.

Planned Giving

Planned giving allows several options that help the Gardens continue to grow, while providing you with tax advantages. Options could include Bequests, Charitable Remainder Trusts, Charitable Lead Trusts, and Life Insurance. *Consult your financial advisor.*

The Monk Botanical Gardens is a 501 C3 organization; contributions and donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Visit www.monkgardens.org to see current progress and view the Gardens’ Master Plan.