



## URBAN FORESTRY

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## See Who Popped Into a Pop-Up Arboretum



*You are never too young, or old, to love trees!*

Some of Portland's youngest tree-lovers have been exploring their parks this summer through the Pop-Up Arboreta program.

Using volunteer-created scavenger hunts, visitors completed short challenges, activities, and trivia to interact with our park trees. Check out [photos](#) from some of these adventuring young arborists online!

If you haven't taken a trip to visit a park arboretum yet this year, don't worry! In August, you can visit one of four installations at:

- Albert Kelly Park
- Brentwood Park
- Knott Park
- Woodlawn Park

Four new parks are scheduled for Pop-Up Arboreta in September. Visit the [webpage](#) to learn more about Pop-Up Arboreta and find one near you.

## Upcoming Events

Opportunities to learn and volunteer!

[www.portland.gov/trees/workshops](http://www.portland.gov/trees/workshops)



**Keeping Cool Under the Canopy**  
Wednesday, August 25, 2021, 2 pm – 3 pm  
Columbia Park (7701 N Chautauqua Blvd.)

Temperatures in cities are often higher than in rural area. Roads, sidewalks, and buildings can contribute to the increased air temperature.

If you take a walk beneath the tall trees in a park or tree-lined street, you can feel the relief the trees provide as they cool the surrounding area.

Learn more about the trees of Columbia Park and how hard urban trees work every day to make our community a more comfortable place to live.

Register [here](#).



**Seedling Weeding at Irving Park Nature Patch**  
Thursday, August 26, 2021, 9 am - 12 pm  
Irving Park, NE Fremont and NE 7th Ave

Have you been to Portland's largest Nature Patch? The installation at Irving Park is a growing treasure for the community – including some tree seedlings that need to go!

Join PP&R to learn to identify unwanted plants and help remove them from taking over the native plantings.

Register [here](#).

## More Upcoming Events

**9/18/21, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, Find Your Flare!** Help the Fifth Annual Yard Tree Giveaway prepare trees to find their forever homes this fall! Knowing where the root flare is on your tree is one of the best ways to give a new tree its best chance to thrive. Learn more about root flares and [register online](#).

## Event Highlights

See photos from recent events

[www.flickr.com/photos/urbanforestry](http://www.flickr.com/photos/urbanforestry)



### Fruit Tree Orchard Care

The learning orchard at Delta Park is looking amazing and healthy! Thanks to the many incredible volunteers that spent two Saturdays this summer helping to get it into shape.

Home to more than 50 fruiting tree species, participants learned about different methods of training and pruning orchard trees – and took a taste of some of the ripe fruit.

Check out photos from both workdays [here!](#)

## In Other News

**Save the Date - Arbor Day 2021:** Did you know Portland celebrates Arbor Day in the fall? Each year in October, Urban Forestry kicks off the beginning of tree planting season by planting trees with the community. We also share current opportunities for Portlanders to plant trees at home. Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 30, 2021 and join us to plant new trees at Lents Park for **Arbor Day 2021**.

**Video: Where Are Portland's Heat Islands?** Get an inside view into where Portland's heat islands are with Dr. Vivek Shandas, with a walk through the Lents neighborhood. Watch the video [here](#). Urban Forestry is excited to plant hundreds of free street trees in Lents this fall to combat heat and bring more trees to neighborhoods in need of cooling and greenery. Learn more about free street trees [here](#).

**Update to Street Tree Ornamental Lighting Permit:** The **Street Tree Ornamental Lighting Permit** timeline and application process was updated on August 1, 2021. Non-Seasonal lighting permits are now valid for 3 years. Existing permits will be extended to the new 3-year timeline from time of permit issuance. New permits and permit renewals should be applied for in September. What is the difference between Non-Seasonal and Seasonal Ornamental Lighting? What is the application fee for a Street Tree Ornamental Lighting Permit? For answers to these questions and more, please visit the **Ornamental Lights for Street Trees – FAQ**.

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