

Sustainable NE Seattle

2022 GARDEN TOUR

Saturday, JUNE 11, 10 AM – 2 PM

1 16201 37th Ave NE
Our vegetable garden is made up of raised beds contained by basalt stones. We've designed and built our own automatic watering system and DIY trellises. Our woodchip paths are inoculated with mushroom spawn and have other mushroom cultivation techniques in use. We also have a chicken coop adjacent to the garden and a beehive as well.

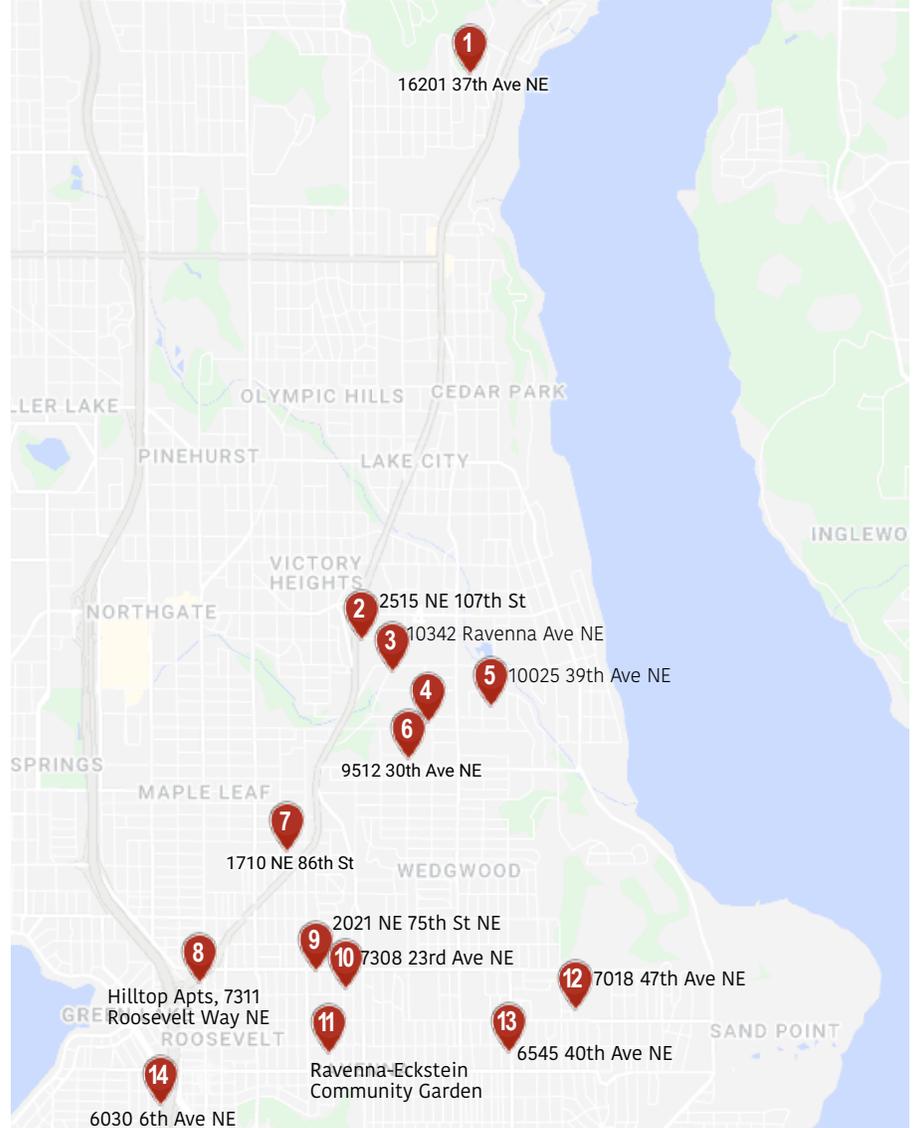
2 2515 NE 107th St
Coming into its 10th year, the focus of this garden is on medicinal plants. It is certified by United Plant Savers as a Botanical Sanctuary for medicinal plants that are at risk in the wild. UPS an international organization working to save plant medicines and forests and reviving cultural traditions of plant medicine. With high hopes that this will be the year we start winning in the competition with rabbits, the gardens also include fruit, vegetables and some ornamentals.

3 10342 Ravenna Ave NE
Sue and John have a large vegetable garden, fruit trees, berries, grapes, herb spiral, greenhouse, water catchment and more. Park on-street and walk up the driveway past the green house to the blue studio in the back. Please do not park in the driveway.

4 9815 32nd Ave NE
Established 35-year old garden features espalier apples, raised beds, unheated greenhouse, and small fruit crops. Our primary focus is year-round food production and experimenting with different varieties and growing techniques.

5 10025 39th Ave NE
PLEASE wear a mask when visiting our garden. Our front garden is about 1/3 food production and 2/3 ornamentals. We bury all our kitchen scraps and grow winter cover crop to improve soil health. Because of our cold spring, the veggie garden is not very far along this year. Our herb garden is flourishing, and a couple of crops are moving in the right direction. We love moss, and so we have no grass lawn, but rather a field of moss-like plants. And raspberries. And figs. And grapes.

6 9512 30th Ave NE
Kim's garden is in three parts: (1) Front garden is sunny with perennials & shrubs; (2) back garden is shady with NW natives; (3) the farm next door is where I took over my neighbor's front garden and planted it with edibles.



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7 1710 NE 86th St
 The focus of this 9-year old garden is soil building to produce perennial edibles, fruit trees, raised beds for annual veggies, lots of diverse types of berries and a grape vine, plus perennial and annual ornamentals chosen for big fragrance. We have a hügelkultur and a greywater garden (required to recycle shower and laundry water) in addition to a rain garden. We are all organic and sustainable and have about 1,300 gallons of cistern storage.

8 The Hilltop Apartments
7311 Roosevelt Way NE
 Once you find the building, follow NE 74th Street west to the parking lot on the west side of the building. Cross the parking lot to the west end and enter the garden.
 About 10 years ago I built a 'Pea-Patch' out of a neglected patch of land, adjacent to the property. I manage this 21-unit apartment building and we have over half of the apartments represented in our garden growing community. We also have a unique composting system. I ask the tenants for their 'gourmet' veggie waste, and when the first of our four compartments are full, I seed it with red wiggly worms, to make fertilizer for us.

9 2021 NE 75th St
 My garden is on a split-level lot and is watered in part by a cistern on the upper level. The garden has high beds constructed using a hügelkultur methods and is quite shady due to large firs to the south. Grapes, strawberries, herbs, and a couple of lucky tomato plants occupy the sunniest spot on the upper level, and a small portable greenhouse provides an early start for bedding plants.

10 7308 23rd Ave NE
 Susan and Joel's 30 year old garden has mature fruit trees, soft fruits, chicken, and veggie gardens, in addition to ornamental and wildlife friendly plants, and several composting systems. Rainwater catchment and solar panels round out this urban farm!

11 On the corner of NE 68th St. & 21st Ave. behind the Ravenna-Eckstein Community Center and at the north end of the Playfield.
 This garden, located in a Seattle Park, has been a vibrant vegetable, fruit, herb and native plant garden for more than 10 years. But it faces a major challenge: the invasion of the garden beds by the roots of four 50-foot tall poplar trees adjacent to the garden. The poplars commandeer the water and nutrients in most of the garden beds. It leaves us with low germination rates and

stunted growth. We've had some successes and some failures in mitigating the effects of the tree roots in the garden. We represent one effort to live with tall trees as garden neighbors. As well as sharing the frustrations of our journey, we can also share the many community benefits of mature trees. We'd love to hear your ideas - we are open to suggestions!

12 7018 47th Ave NE
 This 6800 SF garden (with patios) began in 2002 with lawn removal and thinning of overgrown shrubs. Soil building efforts included leaves and loads of wood chips. More recently we have incorporated hügelkultur in some of our landscape. We have a combination of raised beds and traditional vegetable beds along with fruit and landscaped areas. We are catching some water from our roof with help from the Rainwise program. Our garden shows how a remarkable transformation can occur with a little help, hard work, and vision.

13 6545 40th Ave NE
 In 2014 this yard was mainly concrete and grass. Changes include removing grass, breaking up much of the concrete and re-using it for a large, raised garden plot, installing two rain gardens with cisterns. Permaculture and hugul concepts are incorporated. Lots of fruit shrubs, trees, and vines and 3 chickens. Includes drip irrigation system and 2 worm composting bins.

14 6030 6th Ave NE, on the west side of I-5, just south of NE 65th St.
 FECO is a 12,000 square foot orchard and garden, located on WSDOT right-of-way, next to Interstate 5 in the Green Lake neighborhood. In 2010, a group of neighbors planted the first fruit trees and began transitioning the grass and invasive plants to planting beds. Today, FECO is a hub where neighbors and volunteers connect. Features gravity-fed drip irrigation system, thermal composting, extensive use of recycled materials for trellising and infrastructure, and several types of water conservation techniques. More than half of our garden areas dedicated for the Food Bank use.