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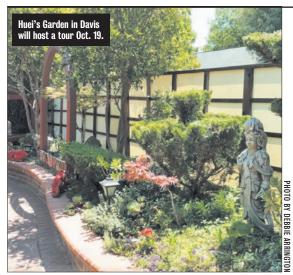


GARDEN

A beautiful garden, a big sale

Davis recognizes an asset, Sacramento garden clubs join forces

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Huei's Garden now has new status along the city

bike path in Davis. It's officially a beautiful asset to its community—something Huei Young has been working toward for decades.

"The City of Davis realizes how pretty the garden is and they want to keep it that way, so they made a special fund to maintain this garden," Young said. "It has been hard work for almost 40 years. My wish has come true."

Donations are now being accepted for the upkeep of "Huei's City Garden"—the landscaping strip along the bike path—via the city of Davis webpage (cityofdavis.org). Contributors can also go to the Sacramento Region Community Foundation (ssl. charityweb.net/sacregcf), look for the link for donations to "YCF Davis Recreation & Community Services (RCS) Program Fund," then make a notation that the gift is for "Huei's City Garden." Checks also are accepted.

The extra funding will help keep the many flowering shrubs and perennials under the massive redwoods mulched, pruned and fertilized.

To help kick off the new fund, Young is hosting a tour of her private garden as well as the adjoining city garden at 10 a.m. Oct. 19, Young's birthday. The two-hour tour (\$25) includes light refreshments as well as her enthusiastic advice. To reserve a spot, email her at hueis.garden@yahoo.com.

A longtime Davis resident, Young planted and cared for the strip garden by herself in addition to

her own property. An expert in feng shui, she has earned an international reputation while raising funds for several local charities. Her zen-inspired garden features waterfalls, fountains and pools as well as timeless beauty.

BIG SALE THIS WEEKEND

Twice a year, Sacramento's garden and crafts clubs come together for a big sale and showcase at their official home, the Shepard Garden and Arts Center in McKinley Park. The proceeds not only benefit the individual clubs, but help keep the center's doors open.

The annual fall sale and celebration on Saturday and Sunday will feature plants from dozens of clubs, including California natives, cymbidium orchids, bearded irises,

African violets and bamboo, according to center director Kathy Norton. This inventory was all nurtured by clubs that regularly use the center for their meetings and other activities. Members of the Sacramento Floral Design Guild will create flower arrangements for sale.

Get a jump on holiday shopping, too. Local artisans will offer handmade jewelry, clothing, crafts, garden art and more. Also, find photos, antiques, used books and other interesting items while also meeting club members. Looking for a hobby? This is a great place to start.



EVENT DETAILS

Fall garden sale

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Shepard Garden and Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd. Admission and parking are free. Details: sgaac.org

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