

Local Treasure Celebrates Nature & Well-being

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If you've never enjoyed the beauty and serenity of the [Bloedel Reserve](#) on Bainbridge Island, take the short ferry ride across Elliott Bay and visit this June.



This lovely local treasure has put together a month-long celebration of *Nature & Well-Being* that reads as if it is arranged for the Maya community alone!

"The Bloedel Reserve is a place where people find refreshment and tranquility in the presence of natural beauty, a place to experience the bond between people and nature."

-Prentice Bloedel

This internationally renowned public garden spreads out over 150 acres and includes a Japanese Garden, a Moss Garden, a Reflection Pool and the Bloedel's former estate home. Not to mention beautiful vistas of the Puget Sound.

What's to love best about this beautiful place though, is the Reserve's attention to the relationship between plants and people. The values of harmony, respect for life and tranquility are felt deeply, in every nook and cranny, as far as the eye can see.

This June, experts from many disciplines will explore this evocative relationship, and the healing qualities of landscapes and gardens. From lectures to guided tours, walking meditations to photography classes, a visit to the Bloedel Reserve is a feast for the senses -and an inspired getaway in our own backyard for the entire family.

Learn about *Healing Garden Designs*, *The Restorative Power of Plants*, *Leave No Child Inside: Reconnecting Children with Nature ...* and on June 29, screen the film, [Echoes of Creation](#) with director and cinematographer [Jan Nickman](#). Check the Summer 2012 [bulletin](#) for details.



I hope to see you there. Reservations are no longer required to visit. Click on [Visit](#) for more information about open days and hours, admission fees and location.

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