



POPULAR LOCAL GARDEN TOUR INSPIRES COMMUNITY AND SUPPORTS VICTORIA HOSPICE

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(VICTORIA – June 7, 2016) The 11th Annual Victoria Hospice Teeny Tiny Garden Tour will take place on Sunday, June 12th. This popular community event sells out every year and tickets are limited. Visitors will have a chance to tour some of Victoria's most delightful and inspiring backyard gardens. All proceeds support Victoria Hospice.

This year's tour showcases eleven gardens clustered in four neighbourhoods: Fernwood, Maplewood, Cedar Hill and Broadmead. They range from the truly tiny to urban-farms; rocky landscapes featuring mature rhododendrons and Garry Oaks to Asian-inspired water oases; even a hosta garden with more than 200 varieties. A bonus stop features a mythical piece of BC history, one of the few remaining cuttings from the infamous Sitka Golden Spruce from Haida Gwaii.

The event runs from 9:30 am – 5:00 pm and tours are self-guided. Ticket holders receive a map, brochure and enter to win wonderful draw prizes, including a one-night stay at the Oswego Hotel. Tickets are only \$25 and can be purchased in locations throughout the city.

Did you know? Donations fund almost half of Victoria Hospice's annual operating costs and are critical for the ongoing operation of programs for patients and families and for education and research. Over the past year, Victoria Hospice has raised over \$3 million dollars. This remarkable accomplishment was made possible by generous donors and community events. To learn more about any of these events or how you can support end-of-life care in our community visit www.victoriahospice.org.

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FEATURED ON THE TEENY TINY GARDEN TOUR

Ron & Mike's Garden

These ambitious Toronto retirees designed and built this Fernwood garden from scratch just last Spring. Their truly tiny garden features creative use of pots and containers, an inviting patio, a walking path, bog and water gardens, beautiful dwarf fruit trees and a wee greenhouse for cacti. It's no wonder their previous small city garden was featured in Ontario Gardener Living Magazine.



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