

Join local ASDP Portland Community College Faculty

For a visit on Thursday afternoon, March 2nd, to

Lan Su Yuan, Garden of the Awakening Orchid

Portland's Suzhou Style Classical Chinese Garden



"All nature's splendors captured in this gourd-heaven."

Lets meet at 2:00 in the lobby of the Hilton Portland - 921 SW 6th Avenue.

Locals will meet you there and guide you to the garden using mass transit.

We have arranged for docents to guide us at the garden.

Take some time for refreshment in the teahouse.

Or you may choose to wander to and around the grounds on your own.

(See map and directions on reverse.)

General Information:

Tri Met Day Pass: \$5:00 – Purchase from Guide. Good for all mass transit modes.

Garden Admission: \$7.00 – for our group's visit. Other entry fees vary.

Address: 239 NW Everett St, Portland, OR 97209

Winter Hours: 10:00 am-4:00 pm Phone: (503) 228-8131

Website: <http://www.lansugarden.org/visit/>

Garden Highlights:

Whether your interests include the domestic life of Ming Scholar Officials, Suzhou style classical garden design, plants, poetry, calligraphy, tea culture, koi, fine arts, photography, literary references, finding an urban sanctuary, or doing a bit of souvenir shopping, join us for an afternoon in this "gourd-heaven".

Most of the plants featured in the garden are indigenous to China. However, no plants were brought from China due to import bans. Instead, many plants were found in gardens and nurseries in Oregon, having grown from plants brought over before the import ban. Some plants in the garden are as old as 100 years. In total there are more than 400 species. The dominant feature is the artificial Lake Zither at the center of the garden. The garden includes examples of a number of structures common to [Chinese gardens](#), including covered walkways (*lang*), bridges (*qiáo*), and structures such as:

- Celestial Hall of Permeating Fragrance (a *xuan*, a scholar's studio for practicing the [Four Arts of the Chinese Scholar](#))
- Flowers Bathing in Spring Rain (a *shuixie*, or water-side pavilion)
- Painted Boat in Misty Rain (a *fáng*, or boat-shaped pavilion)
- Moon Locking Pavilion (a *tíng*, or stopping place); and
- Tower of Cosmic Reflection (a *lóu*, or two-storied building).

Excerpted from Wikipedia; https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lan_Su_Chinese_Garden

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Map and Directions to and from Hotel

Visiting by Public Transit

Lan Su Yuan is easily accessible by buses and by MAX, Portland's light rail train service. The garden is located at the Old Town Chinatown stop on the Blue and Red MAX lines and accessible by buses 1, 4, 5, 8, 10, 16, 33, 40, and 77. To reach the garden from locations throughout the city, visit [TRIMET TRIP PLANNER](#), which can provide door-to-door directions using public transit.

Visiting by Foot

The garden is also located centrally and within easy walking distance of many landmarks and hotels in Portland. The garden is half-a-mile northeast of Portland's Pioneer Courthouse Square and near many major hotels. If you are visiting Portland, please ask your concierge or front desk for walking directions. The longer scenic route via the Water Front Park, along the Willamette River is highly recommended.

