The U.S. National Arboretum

446-acre urban oasis in Washington, D.C.
MISSION:

The U.S. National Arboretum enhances the economic, environmental, and aesthetic value of ornamental and landscape plants through long-term, multi-disciplinary research, conservation of genetic resources, and interpretative gardens and exhibits.
Arboretum Internship Program

- History of success
- Intern coordinator
- Experienced mentors
- Field trips, training
Plant Collections

Aquatic and container garden

Bonsai and Penjing Museum
National Herb Garden
Azalea Collection

Fern Valley
Native Plant Collection
Gotelli Conifer Collection

Asian Collection
Research at the National Arboretum:

Conducting broad-based, multi-disciplinary research for the floral and nursery industries.
Taxonomy of Ornamental Plants
Improvement of field and container nursery crop production
Molecular Biology and Genetic Engineering
Detection, characterization, and control of plant pathogens
Turf research
“Grass Roots”
Exhibit –
Opening
Summer 2014
Development of superior floral and nursery plants
Powdery mildew in crapemyrtle
Dutch elm disease
Ulmus americana ‘Valley Forge’, ‘New Harmony’ and ‘Jefferson’
Resistance to hemlock woolly adelgid
Red maple

‘Sun Valley’  ‘Brandywine’  ‘Somerset’
Oakleaf hydrangea

‘Munchkin’

‘Ruby Slippers’
Flowering cherries

‘Dream Catcher’

‘First Lady’

‘Helen Taft’
Lilacs
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