

DIVISION IV – BOTANICAL ARTS

Section A: Photography = Travel Memories

Class 1. Limahuli Gardens & Preserve,

National Tropical Botanical Garden

Kaua'i, Hawai'i



Built on the footprint of Hawaiian ancestors, Limahuli Garden and Preserve is located on the north shore of the island of Kaua'i in one of the most biodiverse valleys in the Hawaiian Islands. Home to dozens of endangered plants and birds found nowhere else on earth, Limahuli Garden and Preserve highlights native and culturally-significant species in an authentic Hawaiian

landscape. Limahuli Garden is a pu'uhonua (place of refuge) for an ecological system that honors the connection between nature and humanity, where indigenous traditions live in the 21st Century. At Limahuli NTBG adapts ancestral resource management practices to address contemporary conservation challenges and restore health, function, and resilience to the valley. This approach is known as biocultural conservation.



[Limahuli Gardens](#)

Class 2. Shevchenko City Garden, Kharkiv, Ukraine



The garden was founded in 1804-1805 by Vasily Karazin (the founder of the Kharkiv University). The Shevchenko Gardens is the oldest green area in the city center. The garden's central path is a beautiful chestnut-tree alley and also includes beautiful oak trees. The distinctive Shevchenko botanical gardens are managed by the Luhansk Taras Shevchenko National University. There are water fountains, colorful flowerbeds, walking and running paths and benches, and a group of cafes that receive visitors in the open air. It is also home to the Kharkiv Dolphinarium Nemo and the Taras Shevchenko Monument.



[Shevchenko City Garden](#)

**Class 3. Dumbarton Oaks Gardens,
Washington, DC**



Beginning in 1921, two women--Mildred Bliss and landscape gardener Beatrix Jones Farrand (1872–1959)--began to work together to design the garden at Dumbarton Oaks. The two women worked in close collaboration for almost thirty years to achieve their vision of terraced gardens and vistas, orchards and kitchen gardens, and a vast wilderness of meadows and wooded pathways. They also worked together on the design and choice of garden ornaments—benches, gates, finials, and sculptures.

The transfer of Dumbarton Oaks to Harvard University in 1940 included approximately sixteen acres of land, including the upper, more formal gardens. Twenty-seven acres, including the more naturalistic wilderness, were gifted to the United States government to create Dumbarton Oaks Park. An additional ten acres were sold to build the Danish Embassy. The Garden and Landscape Studies program was established in 1972 to support advanced scholarship in garden history and landscape architecture, encompassing the study of

culturally and artistically significant landscapes around the world from ancient times to the present.



[Dumbarton Oaks Gardens](#)

Class 4. Sanssouci Park, Potsdam, Germany

A UNESCO World Heritage Site



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Sanssouci Park is a large park surrounding Sanssouci Palace in Potsdam, Germany, built under Frederick the Great in the mid-1700s. Following the terracing of the vineyard and the completion of the palace, the surroundings were included in the structure. A baroque flower garden with lawns, flower beds, hedges and trees was created. In the hedge quarter 3,000 fruit trees were planted. The greenhouses of the numerous nurseries contained oranges, melons, peaches, and bananas.

The goddesses Flora and Pomona, who decorate the entrance obelisk at the eastern park exit, were placed there to highlight the connection of a flower, fruit and vegetable garden. Along with the Sanssouci Palace and other nearby palaces and parks, Sanssouci Park was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1990 for its unique architectural unity and testimony to 18th and 19th century landscaping in Europe. Nearly 60 gardeners lovingly maintain the park's flowerbeds, hedges, trees, and expansive lawns and meadows. The splendor of the parterre at the foot of

Sanssouci Palace is composed of more than 230,000 plants.



[Sanssouci Park](#)

Gardens Around The World

A Standard Flower Show

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