











## A Few Fun Facts!

- We are a Biodiversity Hotspot!
- 25% of all the wild plant species in Canada grow here
- 40% of all the wild plant species in Ontario
- More plant species here than any other protected area in the country
- Part of the Niagara Escarpment World Biosphere Reserve, & the Niagara Escarpment Parks System
- Part of the Ontario Greenbelt
- Part of the Cootes to Escarpment Park
  System
- A national Important Bird Area
- A national Important Area for Reptiles and Amphibians
- RBG enjoys approximately 700,000 visitors annually







### **Our 4 Pillars**

#### Conservation

- Protecting land, water, species @ risk forever
- Inventory species of plants, trees, birds, bugs, reptiles, amphibians, mammals
- Report to government officials and the public annually

### Education

- Host school, youth, corporate groups
- Hold exhibits, events, programs, camps, clubs
- Provide expertise on various components of science

### Horticulture

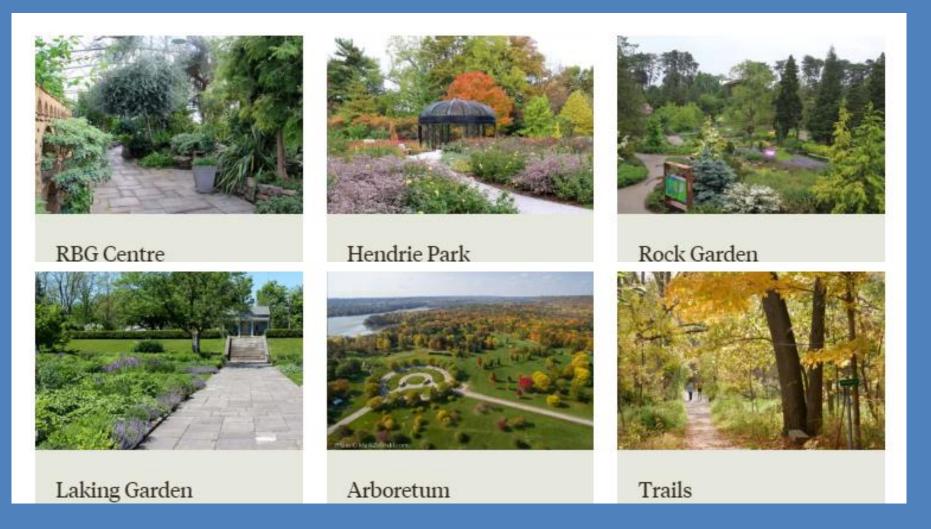
- Grow and maintain plant collections:
  - Crabapples, Magnolias, Lilacs, Peonies, Iris, Roses etc.
- Curate collections and propagate plants in-house

#### Science

- Regularly observe and study land, water, plants, species at risk etc.
- Maintain local and global plant specimens through a herbarium



## Cultivated Gardens and so much more!



#### www.rbg.ca/by-attraction









## Hendrie Park





## Mediterranean Garden











## Rock Garden











# Laking Garden











## Arboretum: Tree Museum





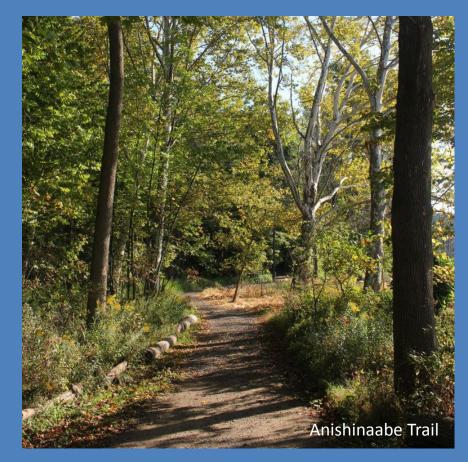






## Trails at RBG

RBG's nature sanctuaries stretch across Hamilton and Burlington and feature more than 27 km of nature trails with four main trailheads and two canoe launch sites.







Virtual Trivia Nights Aug 26, Sept 23, Oct 28, 7 to 8 p.m.



The Great Pumpkin Trail October 23 & 24

#### www.rbg.ca/publicprograms

# Fall 2020 Experiences





COURSE CALENDAR — August to December 2020



GARDENING Health & Wellness Green Living BOTANICAL ARTS & CRAFTS Nature Lovers HIKING Canoeing Family SPECIAL EVENTS Learn by Doing! Sustainable Living Environmental Education Sense-ational

### Let your mind grow



"Royal Botanical Gardens puts nature's beauty on display, but it isn't a park system. It teaches but it isn't a school. It protects and preserves forest and marsh, but it isn't a conservation authority. It collects and propagates botanical knowledge and plant life, but it is not a library, museum, or laboratory. It is all those things and more than their sum".

Dr. Leslie Laking, RBG Director Emeritus







# Thank You!

If you are interested in visiting, joining a club or workshop, working at or volunteering with Royal Botanical Gardens check out WWW.rbg.ca



