

WSU Department of Horticulture Display Garden

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The Display Garden located on the WSU Pullman campus is home to many plant species. It is constructed from recycled materials and was first designed and installed by Landscape Architecture students. The garden continues to provide opportunities for students to learn about plant identification and landscape design, as well as garden upkeep and maintenance techniques. The garden is currently divided into multiple phases including the sun, shade, and waterwise gardens.



Here I am seen trimming back the *Vinca minor* in the shade garden.

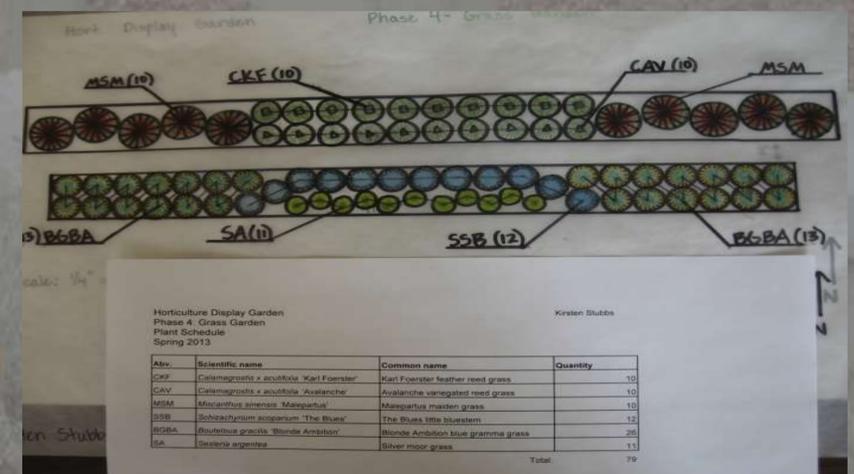
Since I began my internship in February, there was not much that I could do outside at the time. Instead, I researched many grasses that would grow well in this area, and comprised a list of them to determine which ones to use in the plan for the fourth phase of the garden. After designing a layout resembling the two plant beds outside, I chose six grasses that would grow well together and look great throughout the year. Then I drew these grasses into the plan pictured below, referred to as phase 4 or the grass garden. Having the opportunity to design as well as maintain certain aspects of the Display Garden will translate to future classes and career paths, and this experience has furthered my interest in landscape and horticulture management.



This is some *Miscanthus*, before and after being trimmed back.



These are some of the lavender I trimmed back, before and after.



This is the fourth phase of the garden I designed, the grass garden.



Here I am separating a section of coreopsis to be transplanted in another bed.

Once the weather was nice enough to work outside, I began to clean up leaves and trim back some of the ground covers in the shade garden. While working outside I also:

- Worked on trimming back various plants in the sun garden such as the feather reed grass, cone flowers, and chrysanthemums
- Trimmed back the Russian sage and lavender featured throughout the entire garden
- Participated in transplanting of irises, coreopsis, and feather reed grass
- Watered these plants after transplanting
- Assisted with pruning the roses and grape vines
- Raked, swept, and picked up litter throughout the entire garden on various occasions



Background picture is a portion of the waterwise garden