



THE DIRT FROM DAHLIA HILL

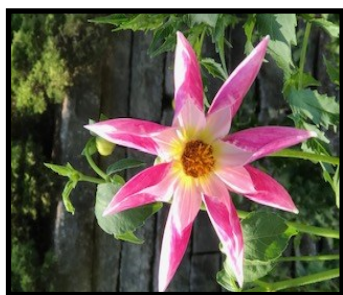
Fall, 2020



The Dahlia Hill mission :

* to maintain the Dahlia Hill garden for perpetuity;

- to encourage and promote public interest in Dahlias;
- to educate and disseminate information to the general public on methods of growing, displaying and showing dahlias.



'Mingus Art' is one of the 300 varieties you will see during the September Equinox Celebration.

All of September is The Dahlia Hill Equinox

Instead of one day, the Dahlia Hill Equinox Celebration will continue for the entire month of September. You won't want to miss any of the activities scheduled for the month. Mini tours will be held on Mon. Wed. and Fri.

@10:30 am., Tues. and Thurs. @ 1:30 pm, Sat @ 10:30 am and 1:30 pm. and Sun @ 1:30 pm. There will be demonstrations to show you



how to care for your Dahlias at home and sessions about finding wellness through nature to relieve stress and enhance your overall wellness. You can also fill the hill with music at the outdoor prize-winning piano waiting for anyone to play.

Also to be announced is a new photography contest for photographers to show their skills among the Dahlias.

By the way, Dahlia Hill is all outside and a great way to socially distance while enjoying yourself. Don't forget your mask for extra safety. For details about Equinox activities go to: [https:// www.dahliahill.org/](https://www.dahliahill.org/).

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John Holmes photograph called, 'Labor of Love', took second place in the American Dahlia Societies 2019 photo contest.

Labor of Love Takes Second Place

We at Dahlia Hill are proud to announce that our own John Holmes won second place in the 2019 American Dahlia Society photo contest in Class 9 called Personalities. His photo entitled, "Labor of Love". illustrates the work involved in dividing and storing Dahlia tubers in the fall.

Here is what the American Dahlia Society says about the 2019 photo contest winners.

"Photographs are visual images that express the author's imagination, ideas, and technical skills. The camera lens is used to focus wavelengths of light into an image of what the artist's eye is viewing. The photos entered in the 2019 are more than images. The photos portray the beauty of the dahlia, historical events related to dahlia culture, the dahlia community, personal histories, and emotions. Dahlias are art".

Other winning photos are located at: The American Dahlia Society.

New Dahlia Varieties

Want to add some particularly fabulous purples to your garden palette? Check out these two new varieties for 2020, 'Aluana Clair-



Dahlia 'Aluana Clair-Obscur'

Obscur' and 'Boogie Nights'. Each year new varieties are added to Dahlia Hill.

The September Equinox event is the perfect time to see the blossoms in all of their glory. Remember, Dahlia tubers go on sale each spring so mark down your favorites and put it on your calendar for next spring.



Dahlia 'Boogie Nights'

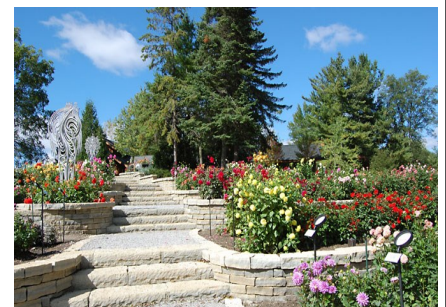
What makes Dahlia Hill Explode with Blossoms Every Year?

Dahlia Hill volunteers make the hill go from bare earth...



...to beautiful!

Thank you to all who make Dahlia Hill and the Equinox Celebration an asset for our community.



At Dahlia Hill, we do not use insecticides. That is why, when you visit you will also see butterflies, bees, dragonflies, and predator wasps among other pollinators.