



VAN DER BROHE
A R B O R E T U M

*“Trees have always been
the most penetrating preachers.*

*I revere them when they live in tribes
and families, in forests and groves...*

Trees are sanctuaries.

*Whoever knows how to speak to them,
whoever knows how to listen to them,
can learn the truth.”*

HERMAN HESSE

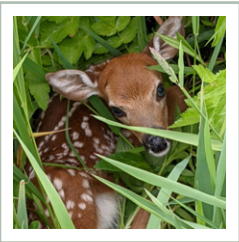
Van der Brohe Arboretum and Bird Sanctuary

inculcates a vibrant bond between trees, nature, art, and people, linking visitors with the natural environment through the grounds, exhibitions, and programming.



The Arboretum is a place where plants and trees can be protected and propagated to preserve the biological diversity of our planet. The inclusion of cultivars of trees previously lost to our native forest, and those common to a more southern range will investigate evolutionary changes to the Coastal Mesic Forest.

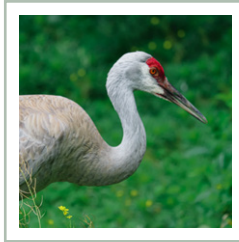
The Arboretum will be maintained as a migrating stop-over site to promote the avian population. As VDBA is located in the Lake Michigan Flyway, the intensive plantings of supportive forage and habitat will help compensate for the migratory support lost to urban, residential, and agricultural development. Trees, berry-producing shrubs, and vines will be planted within meadow settings to provide food and cover and maintain a healthy insect population for songbirds.



The Arboretum provides an aesthetically pleasing place for people to engage the attributes of natural ecologies. Integration of community members as volunteer stewards, and of local students in this outdoor laboratory, will allow the project to better promote and improve the natural and cultural resources of the community.

Meadows provide shelter for small animals and ground-dwelling birds. For many decades, the Arboretum will be characterized more by prairie

and meadows than by tree canopy. Bunch grasses allow for shelter, nests and habitat. Prairie plants produce seeds and host insects—a prime food source for native birds and animals. Drifts of native flowers and thickets of fruiting shrubs will bring both seasonal beauty and promote birds and pollinators.



Birds are central to the mission of Van der Brohe Arboretum. VDBA will provide an abundance and a variety of habitat, food, and nesting sites. Van der Brohe Arboretum is a designated eBird hot spot.

Participants in the eBird monitoring program are important contributors to the documentation of the value of the Arboretum as a Bird Sanctuary. Visit ebird.org for more information.

Trees are the essence of an Arboretum, and Van der Brohe Arboretum will display virtually every tree


that will tolerate the local climate. A panoply of different trees will be displayed in loose groupings by species. Parterres will feature twelve major families of trees planted in forests and groves. Visitors will be able to experience the qualities of various forest types as well as identify individual species and cultivars.



Environmental Art nodes have been located along the trails at the Arboretum, taking advantage of former tee boxes. The lessons to be learned from the natural ecologies in an arboretum setting will be reinforced and elucidated through both long-term and temporary installations of large-scale public environmental art. A juried selection will present pieces which address the themes underlying the motive of the Arboretum.



Lincoln Avenue (Highway 42)



Whether a visitor or a contributor, your involvement with the Van der Brohe Arboretum will be a groundbreaking experience. We are actively transitioning from an ecologically sterile golf course to a treed and bird-friendly habitat. It is disruptive, messy... and very exciting. Witness, and be part of, the transformation!

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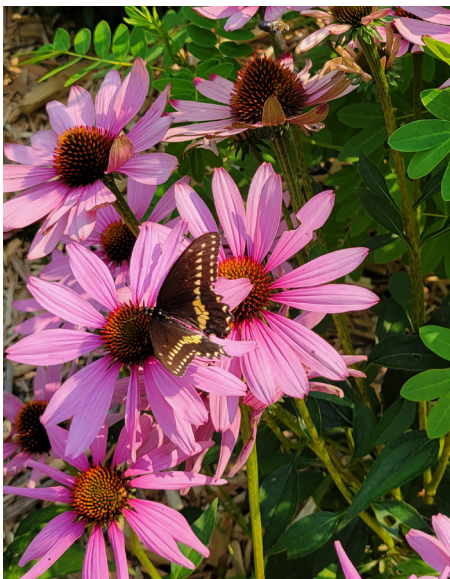
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Hanna Edelglass

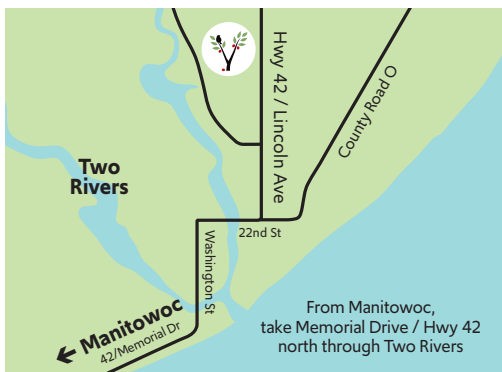
*Van der Brohe Arboretum
will instigate, enhance and display
sylvan collections and natural areas
as avian sustenance and shelter,
for the education and pleasure
of the public, and as a setting for the
installation of environmental art.*

Enthusiasm following the inauguration of VDBA has been exhilarating.

Opportunities for the public to establish Franciscan Gardens and tree plantings have created a true legacy environment, as participants celebrate multi-generational changes to the grounds.

Sponsorship and volunteer involvement will ultimately drive the quality of the Arboretum experience.

VISITING THE ARBORETUM



Walkers are welcome from dawn to dusk.

The unpaved pathways of VDBA are designated as a quiet trail system, intended for reflection and connection with the environment. Bicycles and motor vehicles are not permitted on the trails. Leashed pets are welcome.

Please control pets and clean up after them.

There is no charge for admission.



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