

# OLBRICH BOTANICAL SOCIETY



ANNUAL REPORT

2016



Dear Friends of Olbrich Botanical Gardens,

Here is the report of Olbrich Botanical Society (OBS), specifically, and Olbrich Botanical Gardens in general for the year that ended December 31, 2016. We are happy to report that OBS exceeded its financial goals in 2016. Our members and donors made that possible through direct financial support, in-kind support, partnerships and by attending exhibitions, programs, and classes.

The Rooted & Growing Capital Campaign, launched in 2015, moved forward considerably in 2016. If interested, more details are available in the audited financial statements on page 3. We look forward to a new Learning Center and a new production greenhouse facility that will help us grow our mission well into the future.

OBS' partnership with the City of Madison (which is sharing funding of the new facilities) has also grown. In 2016, we signed our first formal agreement for the operation of Olbrich Botanical Gardens – documenting the operations that have evolved since 1979. The 15 page Cooperation and Coordination Agreement Between Olbrich Botanical Society and the City of Madison was approved in November of 2016 by the OBS Board of Directors and the Madison Common Council.

Thanks for your continued support. Hope to see you in the Gardens!



Kevin Hess  
Olbrich Botanical Society Board President



Roberta Sladky  
Executive Director



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**Olbrich Botanical Society Foundation** serves as the steward and investment manager of Olbrich's endowment. In 2016, the Foundation contributed \$216,040 to Olbrich Botanical Society's annual operating budget. This is equivalent to 4.5% of the average balance of the fund in the previous 12 quarters.

**Olbrich Botanical Society & Olbrich Botanical Society Foundation**  
**Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**  
**From Audited Financial Statement, December 31, 2016**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,029,429
Unconditional promises to give	1,550,908
Due from City of Madison	17,825
Inventories	86,280
Prepaid expenses	10,082
Beneficial interest in assets held by Madison Community Foundation	66,616
Investments	5,699,474
Cash restricted for capital campaign	691,324
Unconditional promises to give for capital campaign, net of discount	1,319,720
<b>Total assets</b>	<b><u>\$11,471,658</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable & Accrued Expenses	\$82,757
Deferred revenue	<u>3,424</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b><u>86,181</u></b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Unrestricted	5,833,640
Temporarily restricted	5,289,032
Permanently restricted	<u>262,805</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b><u>11,385,477</u></b>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b><u>\$11,471,658</u></b>

<b>UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	
<b>Support &amp; Revenue</b>	
Net Gift Shop Sales (net)	\$57,680
Contributions	1,042,234
Membership Dues	335,570
Education	77,713
Annual Events	483,847
Investment Income (loss)	415,848
Miscellaneous	<u>12,287</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted Support &amp; Revenue</b>	<b><u>2,425,179</u></b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Program Services	
Education	281,513
Garden & Conservatory	316,976
Annual Events	399,235
Public Relations	295,691
Volunteer Program	<u>4,937</u>
<b>Total Program Services Expenses</b>	<b><u>1,298,352</u></b>
Supporting Activities	
General Administrative	100,104
Fundraising & Development	244,104
Membership	<u>107,527</u>
<b>Total Supporting Activity Expenses</b>	<b><u>451,635</u></b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>1,749,987</u></b>
<b>Net Assets Released from Restrictions</b>	<b><u>20,193</u></b>
<b>Change in Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 695,385</u></b>

<b>TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	
Contributions	\$4,044,473
Satisfaction of Restrictions	<u>(20,193)</u>
<b>Change in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets</b>	<b><u>4,024,280</u></b>
Contributions	<u>0</u>
<b>Change in permanently restricted net assets</b>	<b><u>0</u></b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b><u>4,719,665</u></b>



# Strengthened by our Partnerships

Olbrich Botanical Society and the City of Madison Parks Division partner in the operation of Olbrich Botanical Gardens. In 2016, The City of Madison spent \$1,476,690 in operating expenses for the Gardens which was offset by \$313,180 in city revenues (taken in on-site at the Gardens) which resulted in a net expenditure of \$1,163,510. In addition, the City of Madison funds capital maintenance for Olbrich Botanical Gardens. In 2016, the City funded \$48,036 of capital maintenance largely for HVAC, automatic door opener replacement, and preparations for Olbrich’s expansion project.



## Madison Public Library Summer Reading Program

Olbrich donated complementary admission passes for Blooming Butterflies to the Madison Public Library to be used as reading incentives for kids. In addition, the reading program’s Family Picnic and Concert was held at Olbrich Botanical Gardens. With kid friendly performances and activities by both organizations, it was a fun evening for the readers and their families.

## Greater Madison Writing Project Collaboration

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Young Writers Summer Camps and the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual High School Writers Camp were hosted in 2016. 150 students grades 3 – 8 and 24 high school aged writers were inspired by Olbrich Botanical Gardens.



“This is without a doubt the most beautiful botanical garden I’ve ever been in. We stayed for many hours – could have stayed all day. Spiritual, refreshing, contemplative.”

*Golata, CA*

# 2016 Highlights

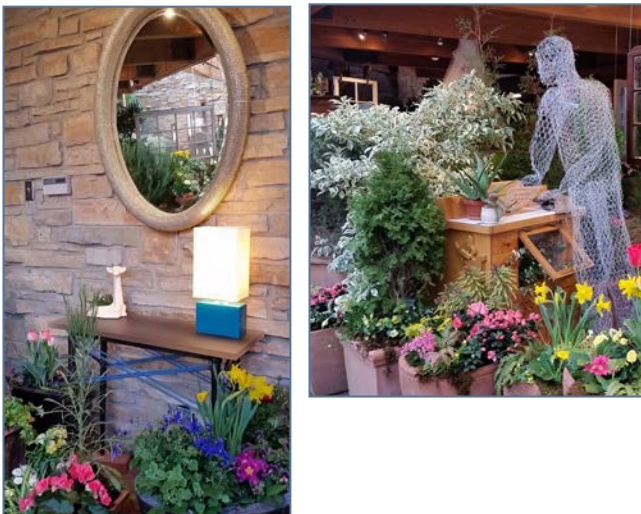
**Maria Sibylla Merian: The Suriname Expedition 1699-1701 Exhibit** opened November 2016 in the Bolz Conservatory. A woman ahead of her time, Merian's observational skills and drawings revolutionized both botany and zoology. She traveled to Suriname from the Netherlands in 1699 and studied natural history, particularly metamorphosis.



The Spring Flower Show, **'Furnished with Flowers,'** featured locally crafted wood furniture displayed in a series of garden rooms with lush foliage and colorful flowers.

“Perhaps the best spring show yet. Plants beautiful and wood furniture spectacular.”

“Spring Flower Show – I love it!! Also where can I find the planters that are shaped like a tooth?”  
email response from library: [hellohopscotch.etsy.com](mailto:hellohopscotch.etsy.com)



Olbrich staff were shocked by a **Christmas morning fire** in which a maintenance shed burned to the ground. Critical equipment and supplies were replaced quickly thanks to the City of Madison and Olbrich Botanical Society's insurance companies.



## Kudos to Marty Petillo, Olbrich's Volunteer Services Manager!



Kim Verstegen, Marty Petillo, Anne Van Ess

Marty Petillo received the Professional Achievement award from the Wisconsin Volunteer Coordinators Association on May 5. This award

is given to a professional who is an outstanding manager of volunteer services, is a leader among peers, is involved in the community, and who serves as a resource to other volunteer managers. Examples of Marty's work include a workshop she presented to the DVACS Annual Conference on the topic of *Growing Volunteers: Attracting and Keeping Talent That Will Own Your Mission*. She presented a 'flash session' on supervision at Madison NonProfit Day. She also presented "Instagram for Dinosaurs" for Olbrich's staff and volunteers.

**Jumping worms**, an invasive species, were confirmed at Olbrich Botanical Gardens in 2016. As a consequence, the sale of Olbrich's Leaf Mulch was suspended indefinitely to limit the spread of jumping worms.

## GLEAM, Art in a New Light

In its second year, GLEAM attendance increased by nearly 1,000 people, with almost 7,000 visitors enjoying the show. The art was amazing and 443 of those attendees were completely new to Olbrich Botanical Gardens. GLEAM is fulfilling a goal of reaching out to a new audience!



Portal by Victoria Reed and Keenan Lampe



Fire Monkeys by Laurie Rossbach and Jennika Bastian

Photos by Justin Woodward Photography

## Pollinators

The plight of honey bees, native bees, and monarch butterflies are all over the news. In 2016, Olbrich Botanical Gardens obtained the certification as a **Colossal Monarch**



Photo by Ann Thering

**Waystation.** *Bombus affinis*, Rusty-Patched Bumblebee, was once widespread in eastern North America and is now endangered. Specimens have been sighted in Madison at Olbrich Botanical Gardens and the UW Arboretum. Olbrich staff are committed to maintaining quality gardens, largely pesticide free, to support all pollinators who live and visit the Gardens.

## Gravel Gardens

Olbrich's gravel gardens continue to flourish and provide great habitat for pollinators and garden visitors. Director of Horticulture, Jeff Epping, was invited to present on the topic at the 2016 National Perennial Plant Association meeting held in Minneapolis.



## New Partner – Reach Dane

Olbrich's Education Department partnered with Reach Dane's Head Start classrooms in 2016 in the Children's Kitchen Garden. Special Funding from the Bolz Family Fund for Olbrich Botanical Gardens (held at the Madison Community Foundation) provides funding for transportation and program fees.

## Maintenance Staff Continue to Invest in Sustainability

Olbrich's maintenance staff upgraded the Bolz Conservatory waterfall pump system to reduce energy consumption. A variable frequency drive pump is expected to dramatically reduce energy use for this pump which runs 24/7 to keep the stream water fresh and clean for the fish population.



## 2016 Rhapsody in Bloom 'Wisconsin Polka Dot'



Hundreds of guests had fun with the Wisconsin Polka-dot theme at Olbrich's annual summer garden party, including the Squeezettes, a polka band that played top 40 hits, the Milwaukee Brewers sausage racers and Hammerschlagen, the German nail game.

## Monarch Meet-Up



The 2016 Blooming Butterflies exhibition included a new program - Monarch Meet-Up. Visitors were able to learn more about these amazing insects and their incredible migration by following three simple calls to action: Plant Milkweed, Support Conservation, and Create Habitats!



Omar Wilson, City of Madison Wanda Fullmore Intern



“This is a Madison treasure! As such we must protect it accordingly and preserve its value for future Madisonians & visitors. Thank you for the experience today.”

*Washington, D.C.*

“We love Toddler Story & Stroll! Great teachers and volunteers!”

*Madison, WI*



## Children of the Rainforest

Children of the Rainforest features performance from areas around the world with tropical forests. In 2016, DanzTrad and the Zhong Yi Kung Fu Association introduced Olbrich audiences to their cultures.



DanzTrad



Zhong Yi Kung Fu  
Association

Photos by Justin Woodward Photography



*A Memorial for Thailand's Beloved King  
King Bhumibol the Great  
Rama IX of the Chakri Dynasty  
Reigned 9 June, 1946 – 13 October, 2016*



*Prunus 'Dream Catcher'*

“On a tour here last year, I heard that there is a form of flowering cherry tree – hardy in Wisconsin. Would you have the name of that tree?”

The Horticultural Librarian responded that “Prunus ‘Accolade’ and Prunus ‘Dream Catcher’ are two cultivars we grow at Olbrich.”

# 2016 Statistics



**300,396 visitors in 2016!** (A new record!)



**TRAM**  
9,703 riders



## Schumacher Library

Celebrated 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016  
5,880 library users  
2,324 plant and gardening questions answered



## Volunteers

590 individuals and 9 groups provided 27,907 hours in 2016.  
78 volunteers exceeded 1,000+ career hours.



## Explorer School Programs

14<sup>th</sup> year of Explorer School Program  
41 schools from 7 counties (Dane, Columbia, Sauk, Dodge, Jefferson, Rock, Green)  
3,951 students and teachers  
423 students and teachers from scholarship schools (Olbrich funds program fees and transportation)



## Children's Kitchen Garden

597 pounds of produce donated to Second Harvest Food Bank of Southern Wisconsin  
340 pounds of produce donated to Fritz Food Pantry at the Goodman Community Center



“Wonderful space. Not sure how you do it. I especially love the ‘room’ design and the abundance of seating. I am a member of the Missouri Botanical Gardens and am extremely impressed.”

*St. Charles, MO*

“Literally the coolest conservatory I’ve ever been to in my life. Just got back from New Zealand and this was better!”

# Gifts to the Gardens

## **OLBRICH FOREVER**

*Bequests and gifts received from these supporters are placed into endowment to support Olbrich Gardens in perpetuity.*

### **Bequests**

Estate of Jean W Anderson  
Estate of Sue A Dauberman  
Raymond H. Lang Jr., Trust  
Estate of Vera Lizbeth Lee

## **IN MEMORY**

*Gifts were received in memory of the following individuals.*

Marian Abrams  
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## **IN TRIBUTE**

*Gifts were received in honor of the following individuals.*

The 7 who turned 70: Happy Birthday to  
Bonnie, Char, Jan, Jory, Marsha, Libby and Su  
Gwendolyn Cooley  
Helen Dyer  
Jeff Epping  
Kari Grasee  
Christian J. Harper  
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## **MICHAEL B. OLBRICH LEGACY SOCIETY**

*The following have made planned gifts to support Olbrich Gardens and are members of the Michael B. Olbrich Legacy Society as of 12/31/16.*

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Phyllis Lovrien

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Oakwood Lutheran Homes Association

### **Tram**

Oakwood Lutheran Homes Association

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David Swain	Donna Vandrell	Wisconsin - Illinois Chapter Rock Garden Society
Carla & Doug Swenson	David & Sharon Vasknetz	Wisconsin Association for Prenatal Care
Virginia Swingen	Velvet Waxing Studio	Wisconsin Cutlery & Kitchen Supply
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Kathi & Peter Zarwell  
Gary Zeasman  
Debbie & Dennis Zeier  
Zhong Yi Kung Fu Association  
Joan Zieger  
Joan & Steve Ziegler  
Jean M. Ziemann  
Carol Ziesemer & Dianne Greenley  
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Klein's Floral & Greenhouses Inc  
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Madison Metro Transit  
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Nature Conservancy of Wisconsin  
NBC 15-WMTV  
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Old Sugar Distillery  
Paddleboard Specialists  
Papa Murphy's  
Prairie Nursery  
Reinders Inc  
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Rokker Vodka  
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Schönheit Gardens  
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The Edgewater  
The Flower Factory  
The Knick Restaurant  
The Knickerbocker on the Lake  
The Little Gym Fitchburg  
The Shoe Box  
The Wise  
Townes & Associates, Inc.  
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Vermont View Greenhouse  
von Briesen & Roper S.C.  
Willy Street Co-op  
Winterland Nursery  
Wisconsin - Illinois Chapter Rock  
Garden Society  
Wisconsin Cutlery & Kitchen Supply  
Wollersheim Winery  
Woodman's Food Market, Inc.  
Yahara Bay Distillers  
Zhong Yi Kung Fu Association

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Rosa Garner  
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Mary & Charles Howting  
Will Hsu  
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“An exquisitely beautiful garden – one of the most beautiful we’ve seen. The design & execution are extraordinary.”

*Gainesville, FL*



“Beautiful gardens, no weeds LOL. About the twelfth place we visited. This is the (best). Volunteers are very helpful.”

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# OLBRICH BOTANICAL GARDENS STAFF\*

## ADMINISTRATION

Roberta Sladky, Director  
Angela Donahue, Financial Coordinator  
Rachel Gabriel, Visitor Services  
Patti Jorenby, Rental Coordinator  
Kai Skadahl, Education Registrar/Customer Service

## CONSERVATORY & GREENHOUSE

John Wirth, Conservatory Curator  
Cindy Cary, Tropical Plant & Wildlife Specialist  
Amanda Dix, Assistant Curator  
Intern: Lorelei D'Huyvetter

## DEVELOPMENT

Jake Immel, Membership & Development Associate  
Melissa Jeanne, Special Events Manager  
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Membership Weekend Supervisor: Claire Wilson  
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Special Events Intern: Kara Rheingans  
Spring Show: JoAnn Affolter, Christine Fleming, Sharon Larson, Hywania Thompson

## EDUCATION

Jane Nicholson, Director of Education  
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Kimberly North, Youth & Family Programs Coordinator  
Kai Skadahl, Education Registrar/Customer Service  
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Interns: Cree Kapinus, Mary Van Dyke

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Samara Eisner, Horticulturist  
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Katey Pratt, Horticulturist  
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Dan Schuknecht, Horticulturist  
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Phillip Stutz, Horticulturist  
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Interns: Paul Hale, Quincy Kolp, Avery Marcott, Emma Yahn, Alix Young

## MAINTENANCE

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Building Attendants: David Anotonacci, Sam Lechnir, Greg Monson, Kelly Moore, Nika Taylor, Bryant Ward

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Marty Petillo, Volunteer Services Manager  
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