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# FRIENDS of KENILWORTH AQUATIC GARDENS

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Friends of Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens respectfully acknowledges the rich culture and contributions of all indigenous communities— past, present and future and commits to a land acknowledgment that formally recognizes the historical and continuing connection between the waters, animals and indigenous peoples – the original stewards of these lands.

# Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens

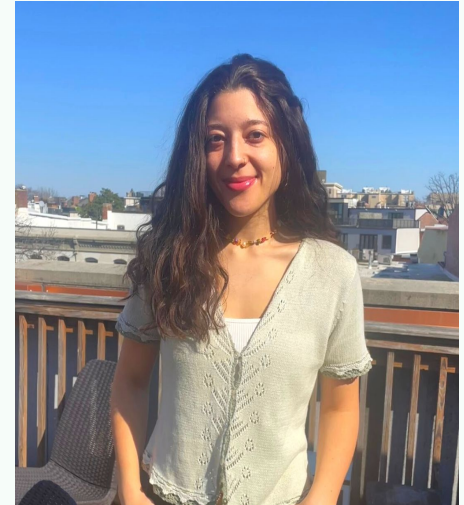
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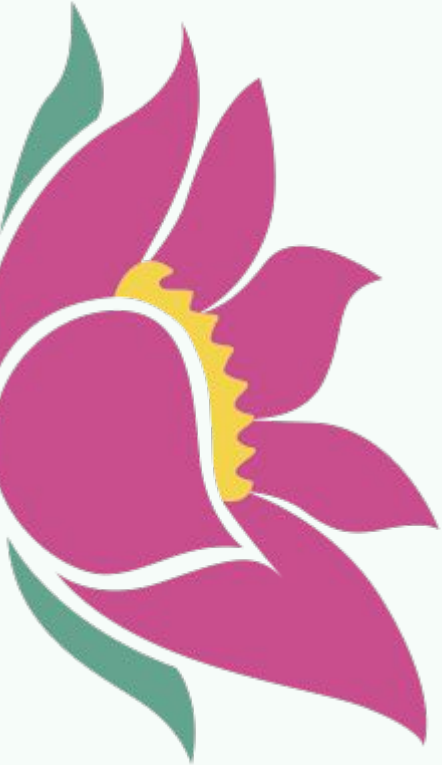
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Friends of Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens (FoKAG) was founded in 2007 by a small group of volunteers enthralled by the park's unique beauty and place in DC history. Keenly aware of the enormous task of maintaining the park, FoKAG works in cooperation with the National Park Service to ensure the park is well-maintained, well-enjoyed and welcoming for neighbors and visitors.

**Mission:** To connect people to the Gardens through stewardship, public engagement, and educational programs in cooperation with the National Park Service (NPS).

**Vision:** A thriving aquatic gardens that inspires

**Goals:** Ensure the park is well-maintained, well-enjoyed and welcoming.

**Core Values:**

- Stewardship
- Belonging
- Diversity
- Collaboration
- Anti-Racism
- Trust



Credit: Erna Marcus

**The Friends of Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens celebrates and protects this special place by:**

Engaging volunteers

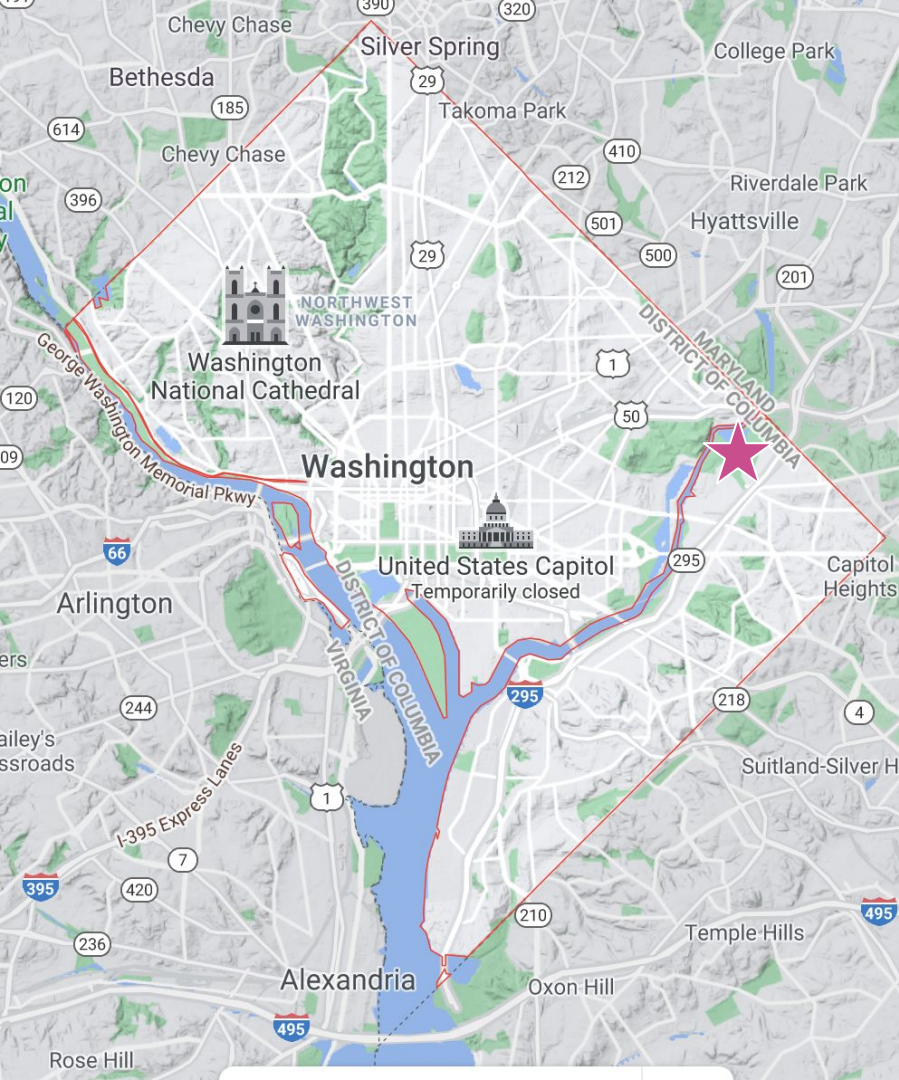
Enhancing park infrastructure

Supporting educational and interpretive programs

Building community partnerships

Fundraising for special park initiatives

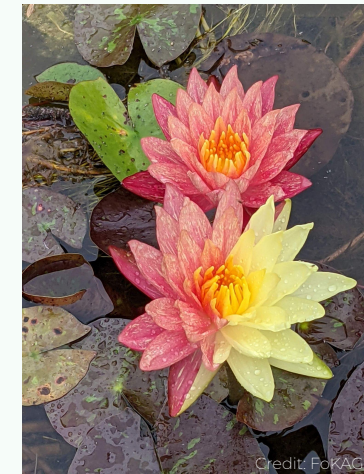




- Only national park dedicated specifically to aquatic plants.
- Located in Ward 7, Washington DC
- Became a national park in 1938.
- Originally a commercial water garden called Shaw Gardens, run by Walter Shaw & his daughter Helen Fowler.
- Sits on the ancient grounds of the Nacotchtank, an Algonquin-speaking Native American tribe.



Credit: Tim Ervin



Credit: ForAG

# What Do We Do?



**Stewardship**



**Engagement**



**Education**



# Stewardship



# Engagement

**WELLDERNESS**  
AN OUTDOOR  
WELLNESS SERIES  
REDISCOVER YOUR BACKYARD OASIS





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## Education

- ❖ Spring Break Camp
- ❖ Summer Camp
- ❖ Table Activities
- ❖ Jr Ranger Program
- ❖ Park Greeter

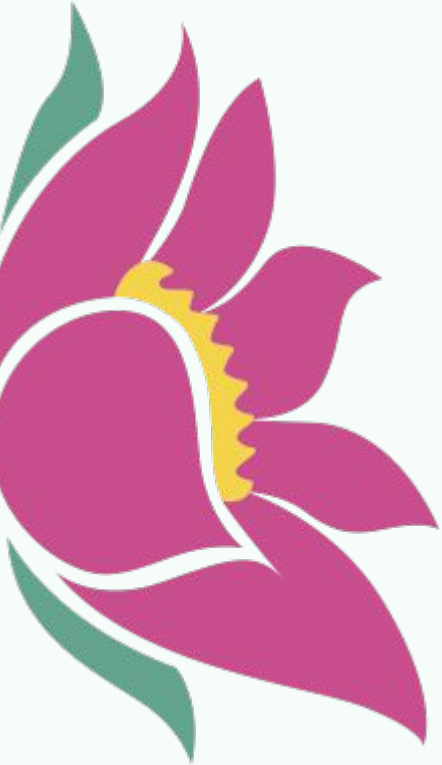


# Upcoming Events

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- ❖ Volunteer with FoKAG
  - Sat, Oct 28 (9a-12p)
  - Sat, Nov 4 (9a-11:30a), NPLD Rescheduled from Sept 23
- ❖ WELLderness
  - Sun, Oct 22 - Journaling (11a), Wellness workshop (1:30p)
  - Sun, Oct 29 - Forest Bathing (10a)





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