

LOS ANGELES STATE AND COUNTY ARBORETUM (CONTINUED)

1875 - 1913 - ELIAS J. ("LUCKY") BALDWIN

1913 - 1936 - ANITA BALDWIN MCCLAUGHRY ET AL.

1936 - HARRY CHANDLER

1936 - 1947 - RANCHO SANTA ANITA, INC.

1947 - - STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PRESENT TITLE: STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PURCHASED JOINTLY BY STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, LEASED TO COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR 50 YEARS FOR ARBORETUM PURPOSES.

ARBORETUM OPERATED BY: COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF ARBORETA AND BOTANIC GARDENS.

LOS ANGELES STATE AND COUNTY ARBORETUM OBJECTIVES:

1. THE HORTICULTURAL CENTER FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FACILITIES FOR THE PROMOTION OF HORTICULTURE AND FLORICULTURE, FOSTERING MORE EXTENSIVE AND INTELLIGENT USE OF ORNAMENTAL PLANTS AND TREES TO ENHANCE THE BEAUTY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S GARDENS, PARKS AND PARKWAYS.
2. A CENTER FOR THE INTRODUCTION, TESTING AND IMPROVEMENT OF PLANTS ADAPTABLE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
3. A GARDENING SCHOOL FOR TRAINING GARDENERS, GARDEN SUPERINTENDENTS, PROPAGATORS AND OTHER SKILLED PERSONNEL REQUIRED BY COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE NURSERIES AND GARDENS; WITH SPECIAL EVENTS AND A PORTION OF THE CURRICULUM OF INTEREST TO AMATEURS.
4. A CENTER OF RESEARCH AND SCIENTIFIC STUDY, WORKING IN COLLABORATION WITH EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE. AN INFORMATION CENTER, MAINTAINING A CATALOGUE OF PLANTS CULTIVATED IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HERE SPECIMENS CAN BE READILY IDENTIFIED, AND PRACTICAL ADVICE GIVEN ON PLANTING, PROPAGATION AND CULTIVATION.
5. A LIBRARY AND HERBARIUM.

LOS ANGELES STATE AND COUNTY ARBORETUM OBJECTIVES (CONTINUED)

6. A PUBLICATION CENTER FOR BULLETINS, BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS OF HORTICULTURAL, BOTANICAL AND HISTORICAL INTEREST.

7. A PRESERVE OF EARLY CALIFORNIA BUILDINGS AND AUTHENTIC HISTORICAL GARDENS.

8. A BIRD SANCTUARY, 163 SPECIES RECORDED.

ACCESSIBILITY

LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ARCADIA, THE LOS ANGELES STATE AND COUNTY ARBORETUM LIES SOUTH OF COLORADO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF THE NEW EXTENSION OF BALDWIN AVENUE. IT IS LESS THAN 40 MINUTES' RIDE BY AUTOMOBILE FROM THE LOS ANGELES CIVIC CENTER AND ONLY 20 MINUTES FROM PASADENA'S CITY HALL. MAIN PUBLIC ENTRANCE WILL BE AT 301 N. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA. THOUGH NOT YET OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONDUCTING SPONSORED GROUP TOURS THROUGH THE GROUNDS MAY BE MADE BY CALLING DOUGLAS 7-3444.

SITE

THE SITE INCLUDES A FIVE-ACRE LAGOON, SURROUNDED BY FLAT AND SLIGHTLY ROLLING LAND, INCLUDING SOME SEMI-MARSH TERRAIN, AND A LARGE KNOLL, WHICH RISES APPROXIMATELY FIFTY FEET ABOVE THE SURROUNDING AREA. THE TOTAL PROPERTY NOW COMPRISES ABOUT 127 ACRES. THE ORIGINAL 111 ACRES WERE PURCHASED JOINTLY BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SUBSEQUENT PARCELS FOR PARKING AND MAIN ENTRANCE WERE PURCHASED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.



The Lagoon



1954. "Los Angeles State and County Arboretum objectives." *LASCA miscellanea* 2, 5–6.

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