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Summer Flowering Shrubs. After the middle of June the number of trees and shrubs that bloom in the Arboretum rapidly decreases, but there are still the Lindens to flower, and the flowers of several shrubs make the Arboretum interesting in the last days of this month. The following are a few of the conspicuous plants at this season of the year:

Rhododendron maximum, the only evergreen Rhododendron which grows in the northeastern states, with an extensive Appalachian range southward to Georgia, is one of the handsomest of the broad-leaved evergreen plants which can be grown in this climate. The flowers are pink and white or nearly white and, like those of some other late-flowering Rhododendrons, are more or less hidden by the branches of the year which usually make a considerable part of their growth before the flowers open. *R. maximum* grows well in any soil not impregnated with lime and flourishes in shade and when fully exposed to the sun, but when growing in open positions it is often seriously injured by the lace-wing fly which was first brought to New England on plants of this Rhododendron collected in the south. Hybrids of *R. maximum* and *R. catawbiense* hybrids have been raised. One of the earliest and best known of these hybrids, *R. delicatissimum*, has lustrous foliage and white flowers tinged with pink which open two or three weeks before those of *R. maximum* and are not hidden by young branches. This hybrid is one of the hardiest, handsomest and most desirable of the large growing Rhododendron which can be planted in Massachusetts.

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