Nature as Art: Take a Flower Walk in WAM’s Art Garden

Did you ever think of the landscape around you as artful? Landscape architects—the people who plan and create large outdoor spaces such as gardens and parks—are artists too! In Wichita Art Museum’s Art Garden, flowers, shrubs, and trees have been carefully chosen to combine with sculpture to create a visually pleasing landscape environment. The museum’s landscape is ever-changing; the spring and summer months make the garden grow and produce many blooms.

Print out this sheet, take a pencil, and stroll through the Art Garden. Check off the boxes for the blooms you find in the different areas of the garden. As you find each flower, write down some observations—the color, size, shape, and smell (if you can sense the smell from the walkways). Consider its placement in the garden. Take note of the plants’ names—can you think of a better name to give each flower? You might want to revisit the garden another time to discover what you did not see before.

**AROUND THE JAYNE MILBURN SCULPTURE PLAZA**

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**Terracotta Yarrow**

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**AROUND THE TOM AND MYRA DEVLIN DESERT GARDEN**

**FOUND IT**

**Adam’s Needle Yucca**

Observations

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**AROUND THE NORTHEAST CORNER, BY YANTRA SCULPTURE**

**FOUND IT**

**Alice Oakleaf Hydrangea**

Observations

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**FOUND IT**

**Summer Beauty Allium**

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**AROUND THE SLAWSON FAMILY NORTH GARDEN**

**FOUND IT**

**Purple Coneflower**

Observations

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THROUGHOUT THE WAM ART GARDEN

PowWow White Coneflower

Observations ____________________________

My name for this plant would be ____________________________

Butterfly Weed

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Helen von Stein Lamb’s Ear

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Rocketman Russian Sage

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Rattlesnake Master

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Royal Candles Speedwell

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Walkers Low Faassen’s Catmint

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Prairie Blazing Star

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FLOWERS FOR COLORING

GOLDSTURM BLACK-EYED SUSAN

BUTTERFLY WEED

PURPLE CONEFLOWER