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Objective: Identify and list 6 plants each week that are in bloom between July 2 and August 10, give several horticultural facts for each plant, and include their location at the Arboretum.
• Target general public

• Give a few fun facts

• Past project was similar, but not as convenient

• Areas of concentration

If I were to redo this project, I would included the time frames in which people could see the popular collections bloom.
Ex: Rose full-bloom time: July 13-August 3.

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Bloom Report (July 31) - The gardens are gorgeous! Visitors will enjoy the roses, daylilies, lilies, prairie wildflowers and dahlias, all blooming nicely. Of particular interest, check out the perennial gardens - including the Spiegel Entry Garden in front of the Snyder Building, the MacMillan Terrace Garden, Sensory Garden and Slade Perennial Garden. The annual garden is bursting with color! The shrub rose garden, shrub rose walk and rose garden are all lovely. And the prairie garden on Three-Mile Drive is looking great as well.

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- Campanula/Harebell
- Astilbe
- Dianthus
- Daylilies (Hemerocallis) require little to no care, adaptable to most soils, many varieties and flower colors to choose from. (University of Minnesota Extension) “Most beautiful in the early morning, before the heat of the day”
- Asiatic Lily (Lilium candidum) easy to grow perennial, very hardy, require no staking, thrive in many types of soil. (University of Minnesota Extension)
- Hydrangea Tree (Hydrangea paniculata) easy to grow, grows well in well-drained areas, many varieties and colors available. (hydrangeatree.net)

• Dave Poplau (volunteer photographer)
**Clematis (Clematis)**

- needs well drained/moist soil
- mostly shade/some sun
- easy-to-train vine

Location at Arboretum: Blue Garden at West Entrance of the Visitor Center, Wilson Rose Garden

**Rose (Rosa)**

- most are scented
- minimum of four-to-six hours of direct sunlight daily
- there are many different hybrids are MN winter hardy.

Location at Arboretum: Visitor Center Parking Lot, West Entrance of the Visitor Center, Rosewalk, Shrub Rose Garden, Wilson Rose Garden

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Location at Arboretum: Daylily Collection, Home Demonstration Gardens, Sensory Gardens

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**Garden Phlox** (*Phlox paniculata*)

- blooms for 6+ weeks
- often used as background plants
- pinch back before bloom to get fuller plants with more flowers

Location at Arboretum: Spiegel Garden, Visitor Center Terrace, Terrace Garden, Slade Perennial Garden, Cloistered Herb Garden, Fragrant Herb Garden, Naturalistic Garden, Sensory Garden

Pictures: MN Landscape Arb Website
**Annuals**

- attracts butterflies and hummingbirds
- fragrant
- self-seeding

Location at Arboretum: Front and back terraces of Snyder Building, Oswald Visitor Center Terrace, Annual Garden, Home Demo Garden (Vegetables in particular), Sensory Garden

**Waterlily (Nymphaea)**

*young leaves and unopened flowers can be boiled and eaten as vegetables*
*seeds can be ground into flour*
*flowers are entomophilous – pollinated by insects, usually beetles*

Location at Arboretum: Slade Perennial Garden Fountain

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