

A Photographic Examination of a Hydrangea's Growing Season



July 9



Aug 6



Aug 13

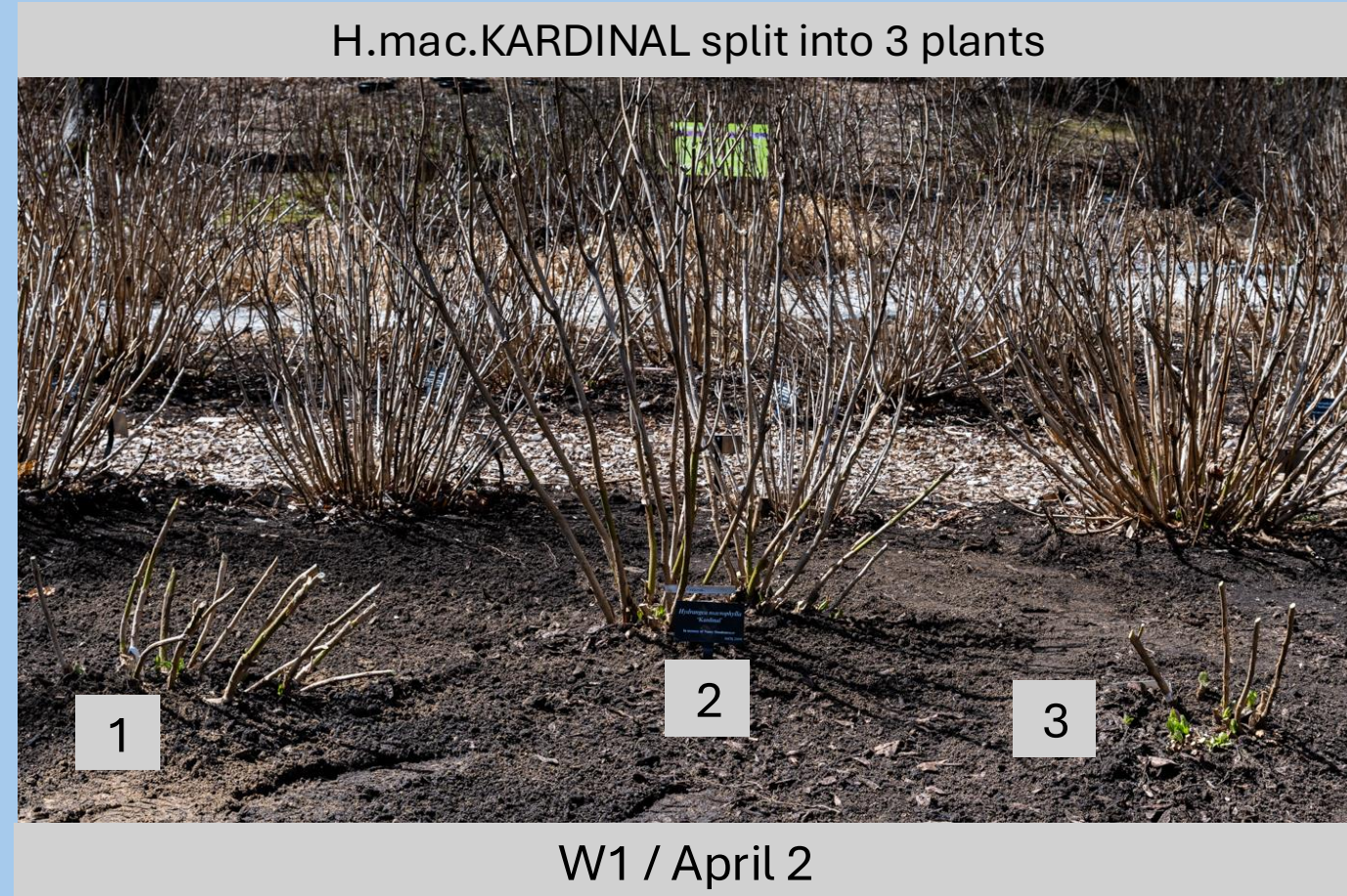
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March 28, 2026

Location of Plants in Time Study

- Display Garden (start W1/April 2)
 - East Entrance
 - Main Entrance
 - Row B
- Test Garden (start W6/May 6)
 - Fountain
 - Entrance
 - Serpentine
- Time span of the Photographs
 - Start: April 2 (Week 1)
 - Final: October 1 (Week 27)
 - Approximately 1000 photos



Display Garden East Entrance



W5 / April 30



W12 / June 18



W14 / July 2

- H.pan.BOBO
- H.mac.RED SENSATION
- H.pan.PINKY WINKY

Display Garden East Entrance

W5 / April 30

H.pan.PINKY WINKY

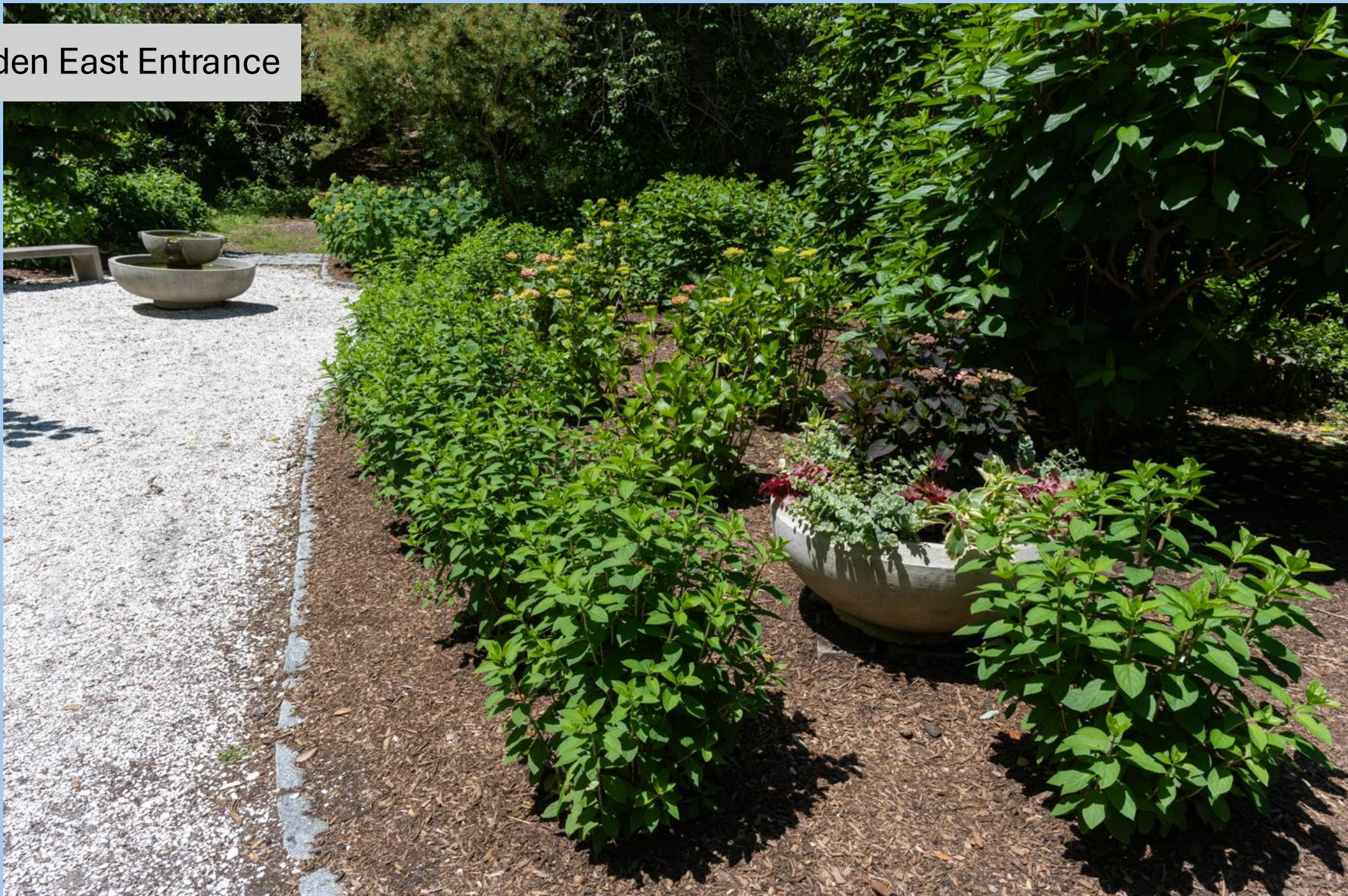
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Display Garden East Entrance

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Pinky Winky

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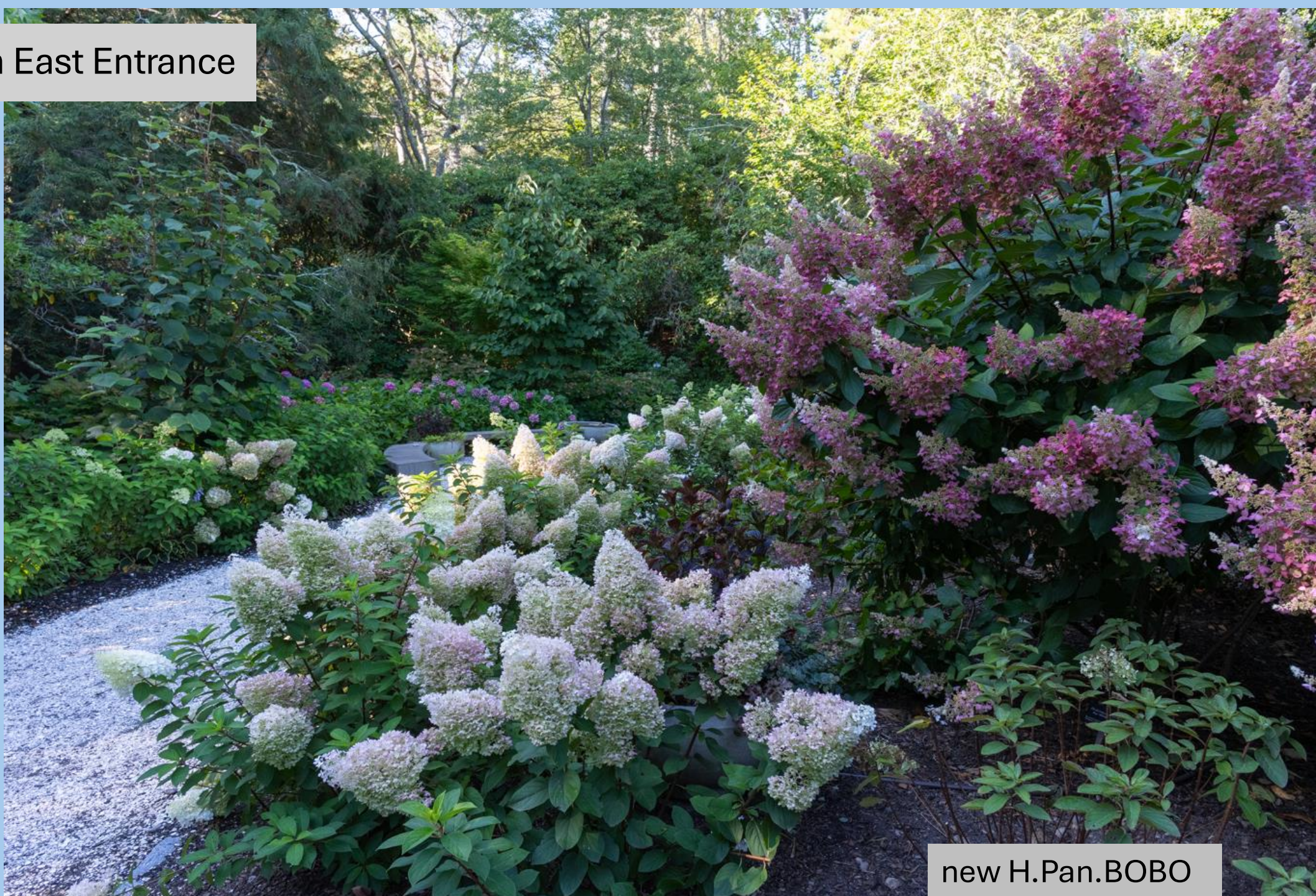
Display Garden East Entrance

W19 / Aug 6



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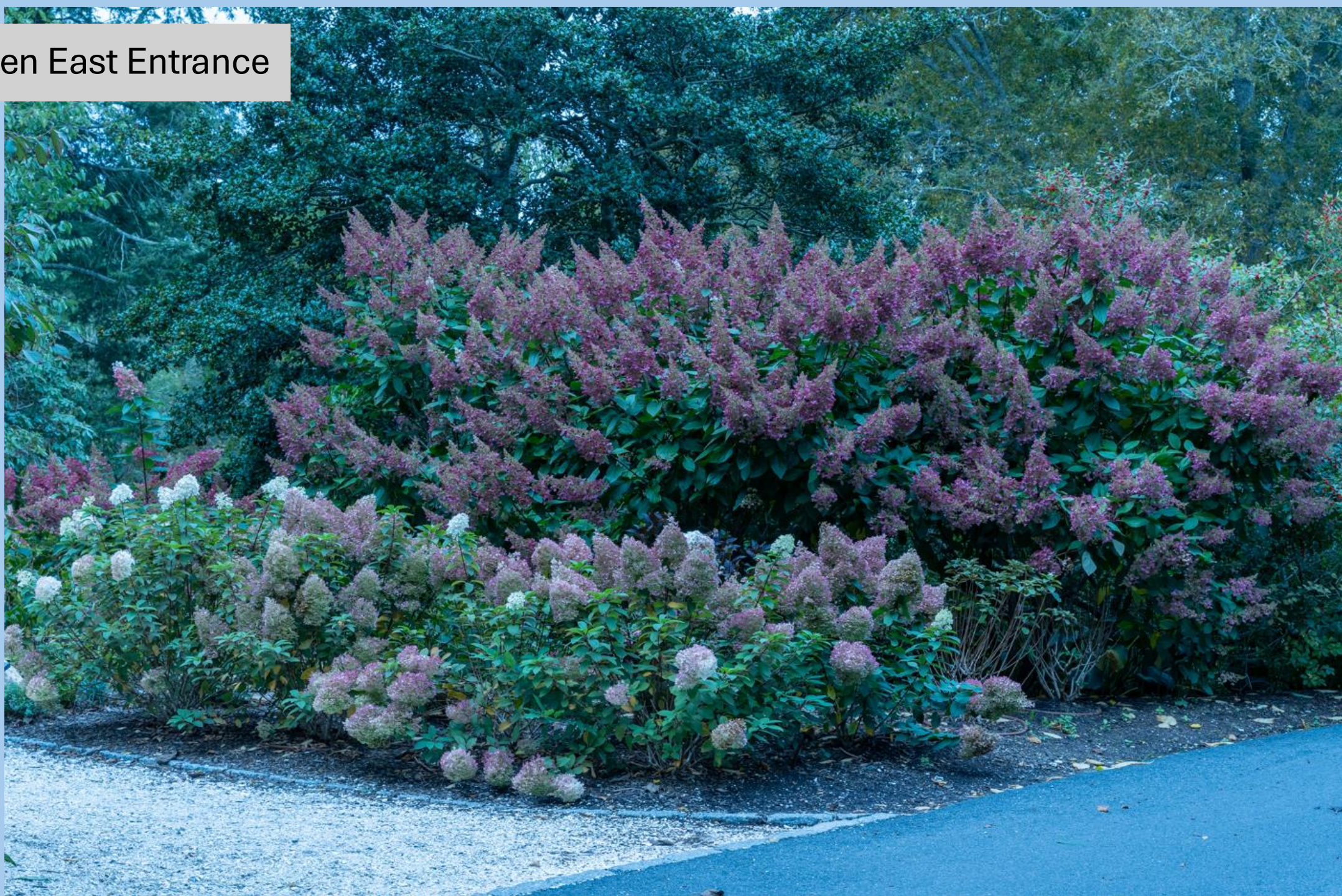
W23 / Sept 3



new H.Pan.BOBO

Display Garden East Entrance

W27 / Oct 1



Display Garden Main Pathway

W14 / July 2

Summer Crush

Main Pathway



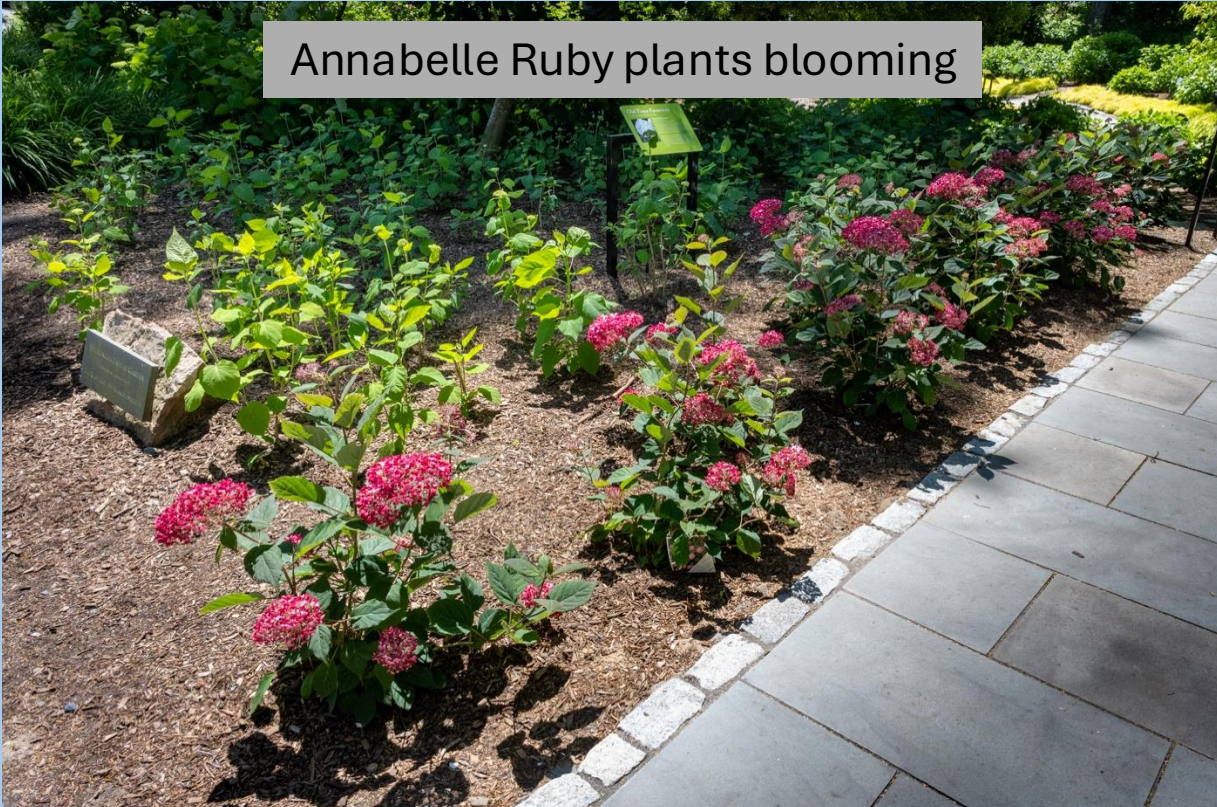
Display Garden Main Entrance

In late April/early May the original H. arborescence Annebelle bed was dug up, pruned roots and foliage, and replanted in a “new” pattern with a walkway border of H. arborescence Ruby

A wide-angle photograph of a garden bed three weeks after planting. The bed is filled with numerous small, young plants, likely Hydrangea arborescens, spaced out in rows. The ground is covered with dark brown mulch. In the background, there are mature trees and a white arched trellis structure. A paved walkway is visible on the right side of the bed.

3 weeks after planting

W9 / May 28

A close-up photograph of the garden bed showing the plants in bloom. The plants are Hydrangea arborescens, with some displaying bright pink flowers (Ruby) and others showing lighter, possibly white or pale pink, flowers (Annebelle). The plants are arranged in rows along a paved walkway. The ground is covered with dark brown mulch. A small green informational sign is visible in the background.

Annabelle Ruby plants blooming

W12 / June 18

Display Garden Main Entrance

W14 / July 2



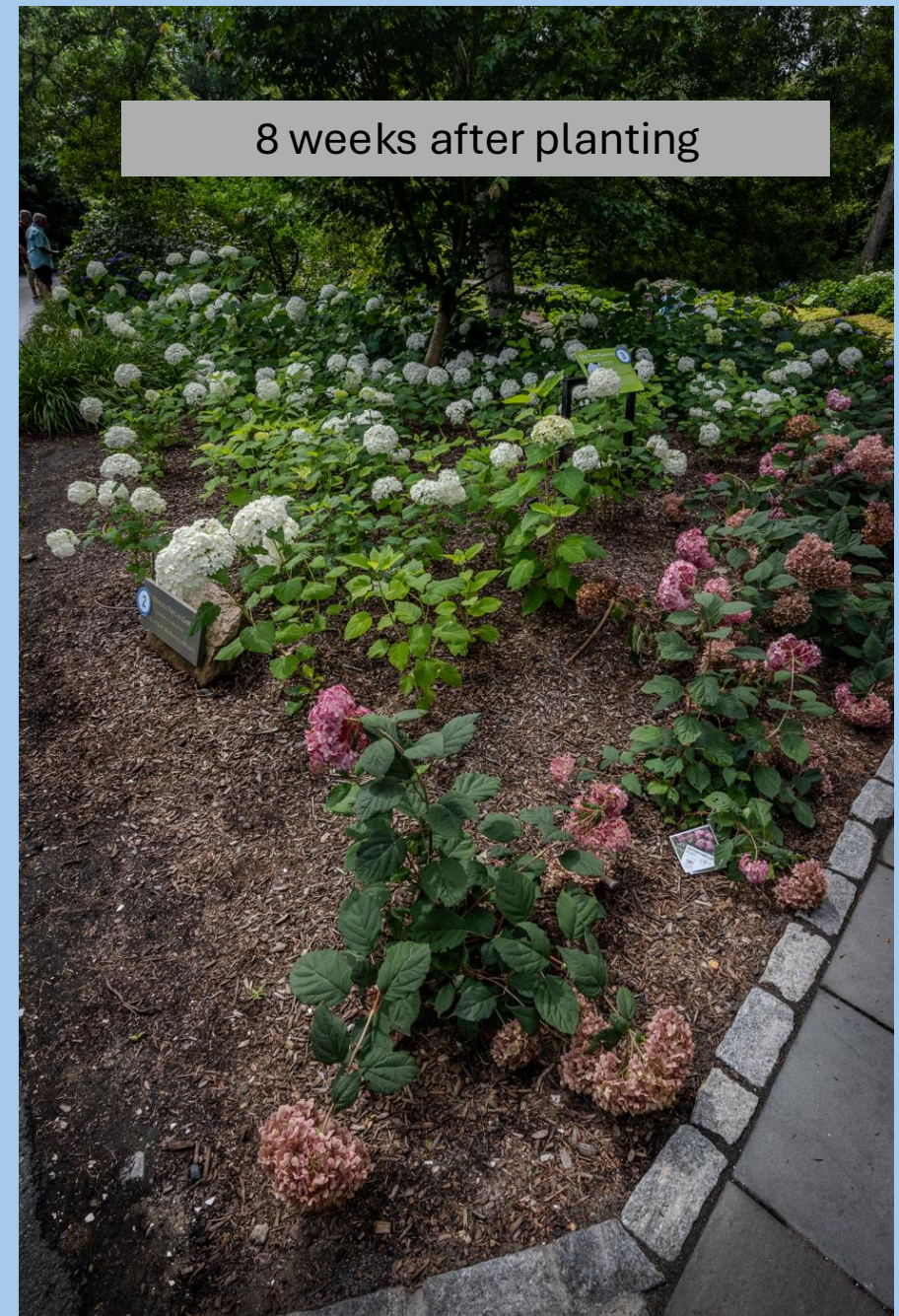
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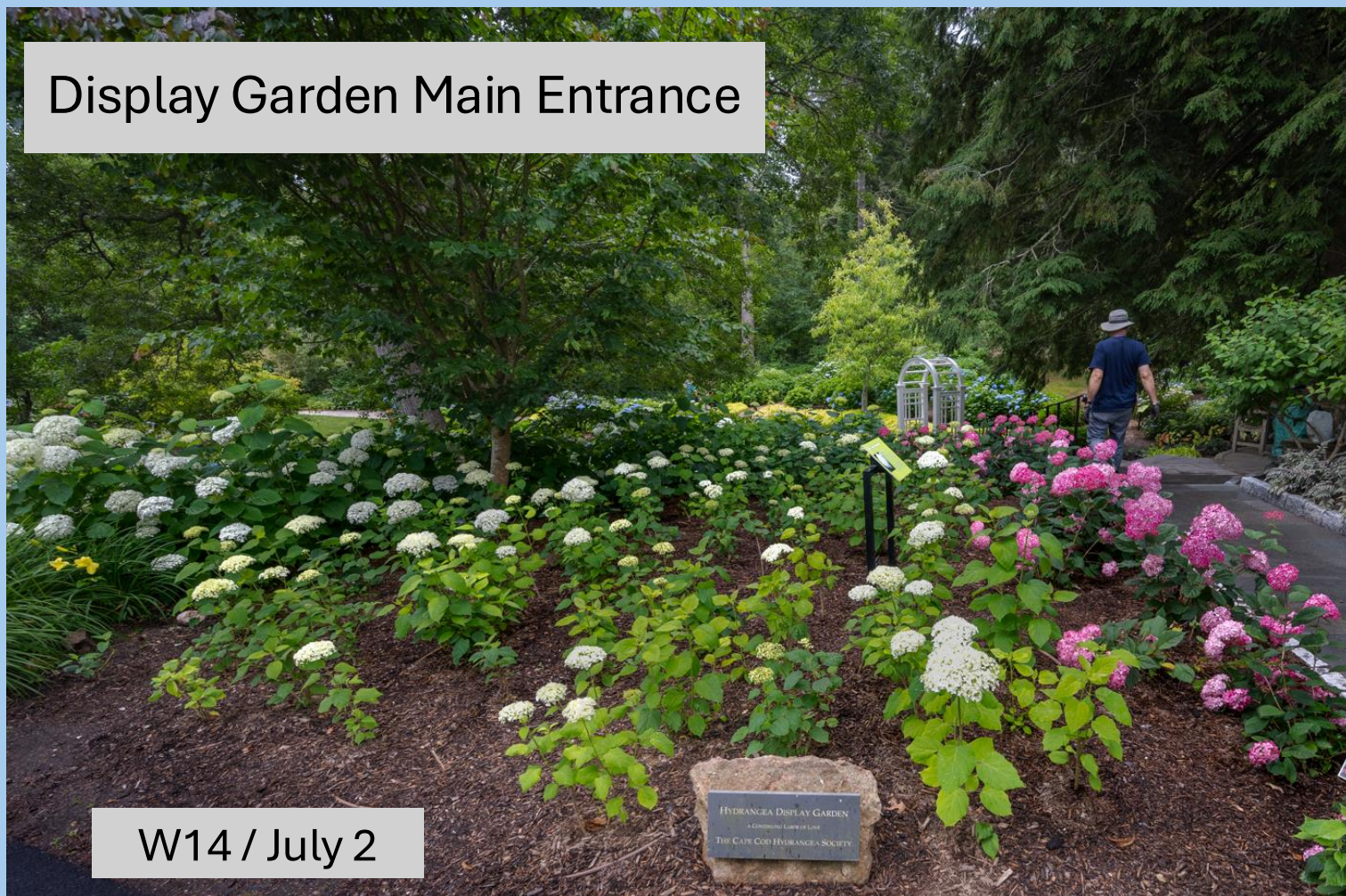
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8 weeks after planting



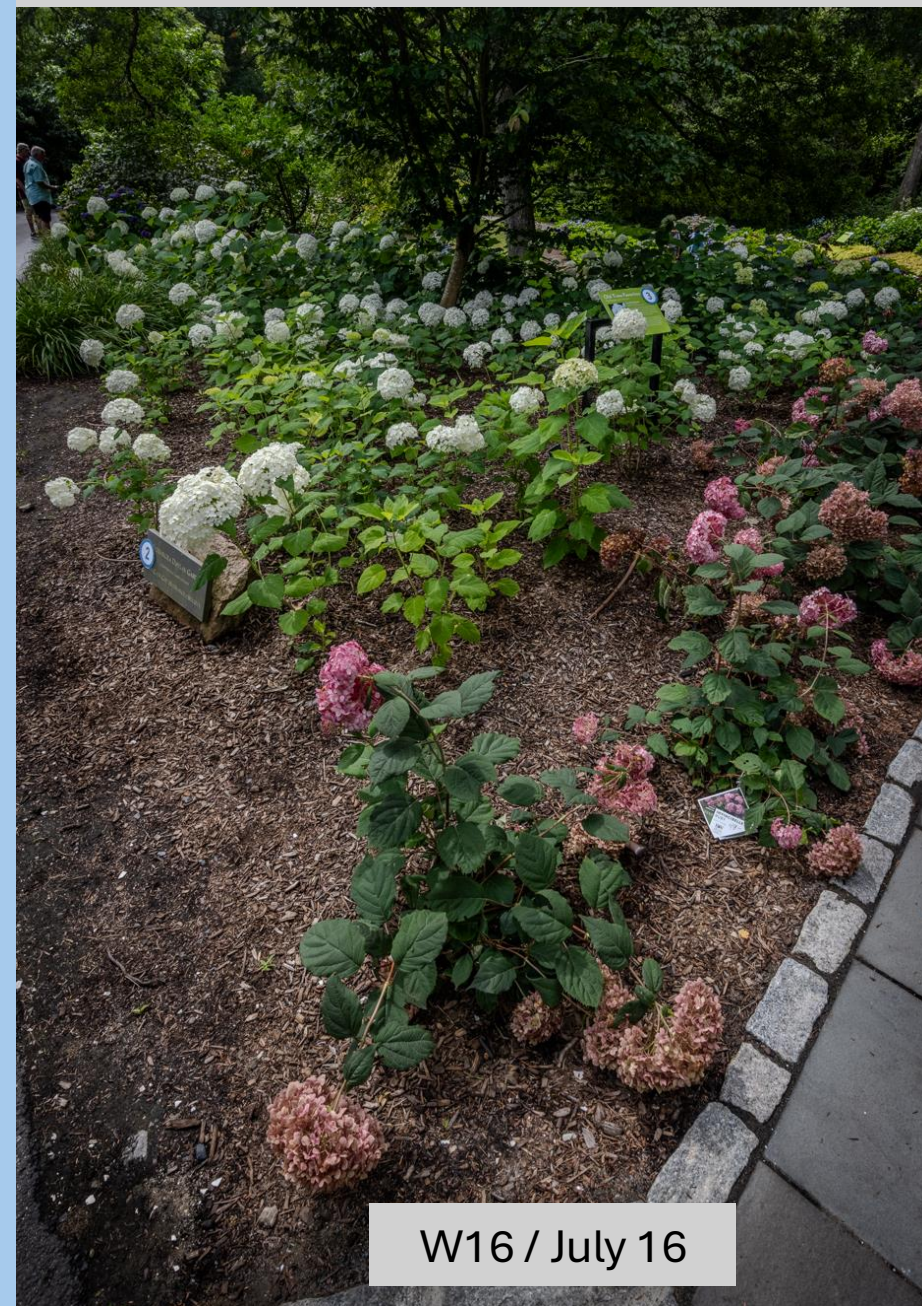
W16 / July 16

Display Garden Main Entrance



W14 / July 2

Annabelle's heat stressed



W16 / July 16

Display Garden Main Entrance Paniculatta's

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W23 / Sept 3

“End of the Season”

W27 / Oct 1

Display Garden Row B near Trellis

H.mac.Goliath Timeline



W5 / April 30



W10 / June 4



W14 / July 2



W15 / July 9



W18 / July 30



W20 / Aug 13

Display Garden Row B

H.mac.Kardinal Bud Evolution



W2 / April 9



W3 / April 16



W3 / April 16



W4 / April 23



W4 / April 23



W5 / April 30

Test Garden Areas Photographed

Section	Location	Comments
Entrance	Along Main Pathway	Plants were dug up to allow access for a crane to remove the trees by the fountain. Replanted and irrigation installed
Fountain	Top of stairs leading to Admin Building	New macs planted on both sides. Four plants repositioned on corner adjacent to the serpentine
Serpentine	Path from the fountain	Flowers of note
Other	Test Garden	Flowers of note

Test Garden Fountain Left Side

Planted in-ground in pots for this season (2025 3 gal Summer Crush plants)



W6 / May 7



W11 / June 11



W15 / July 9

Test Garden Fountain Left Side

W11 / June 11



Test Garden Fountain Left Side

W15 / July 9



Test Garden Fountain Left Side



W19 / Aug 6



W21 / Aug 20



W27 / Oct 1

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Test Garden Main Entrance



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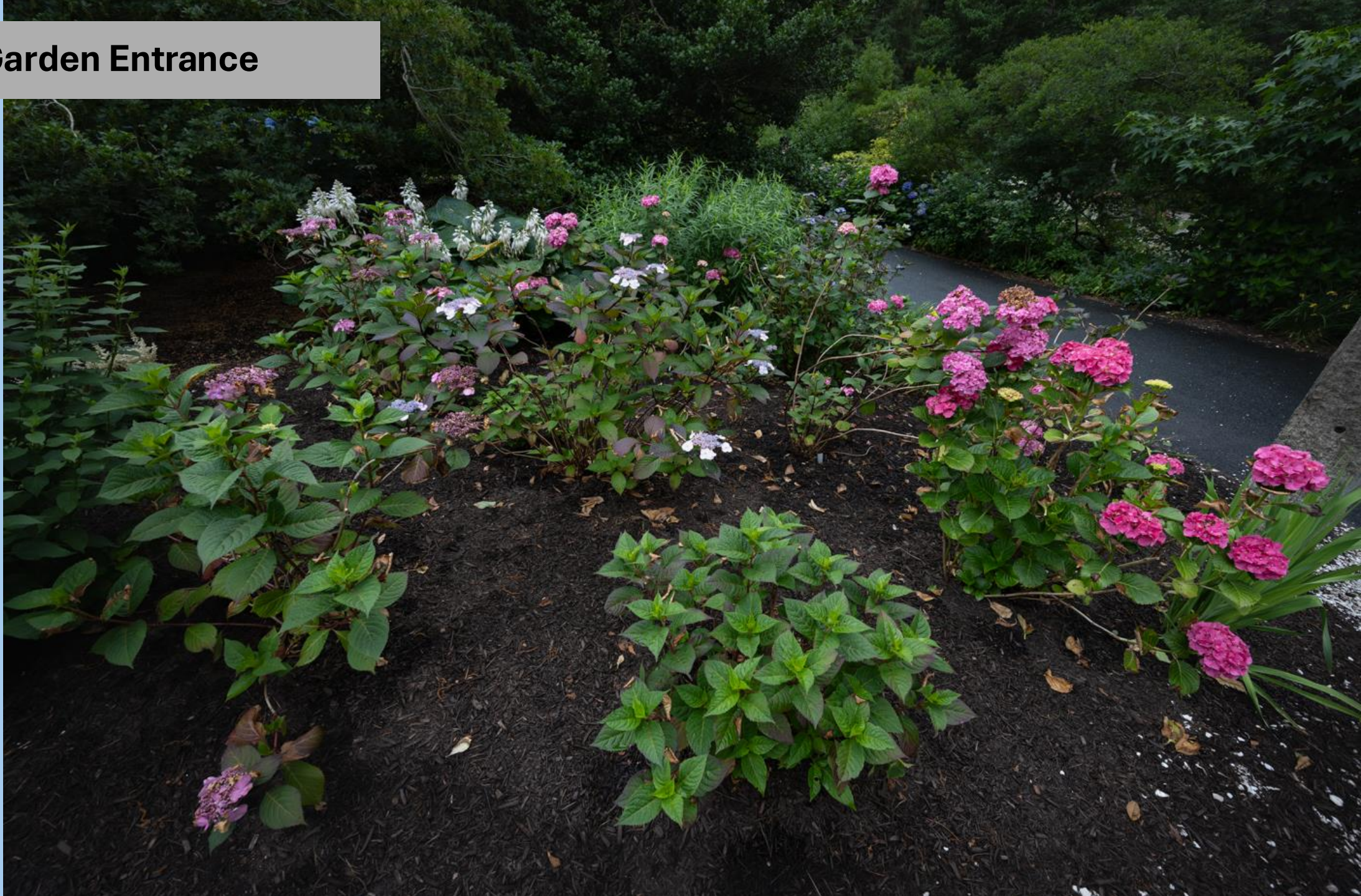
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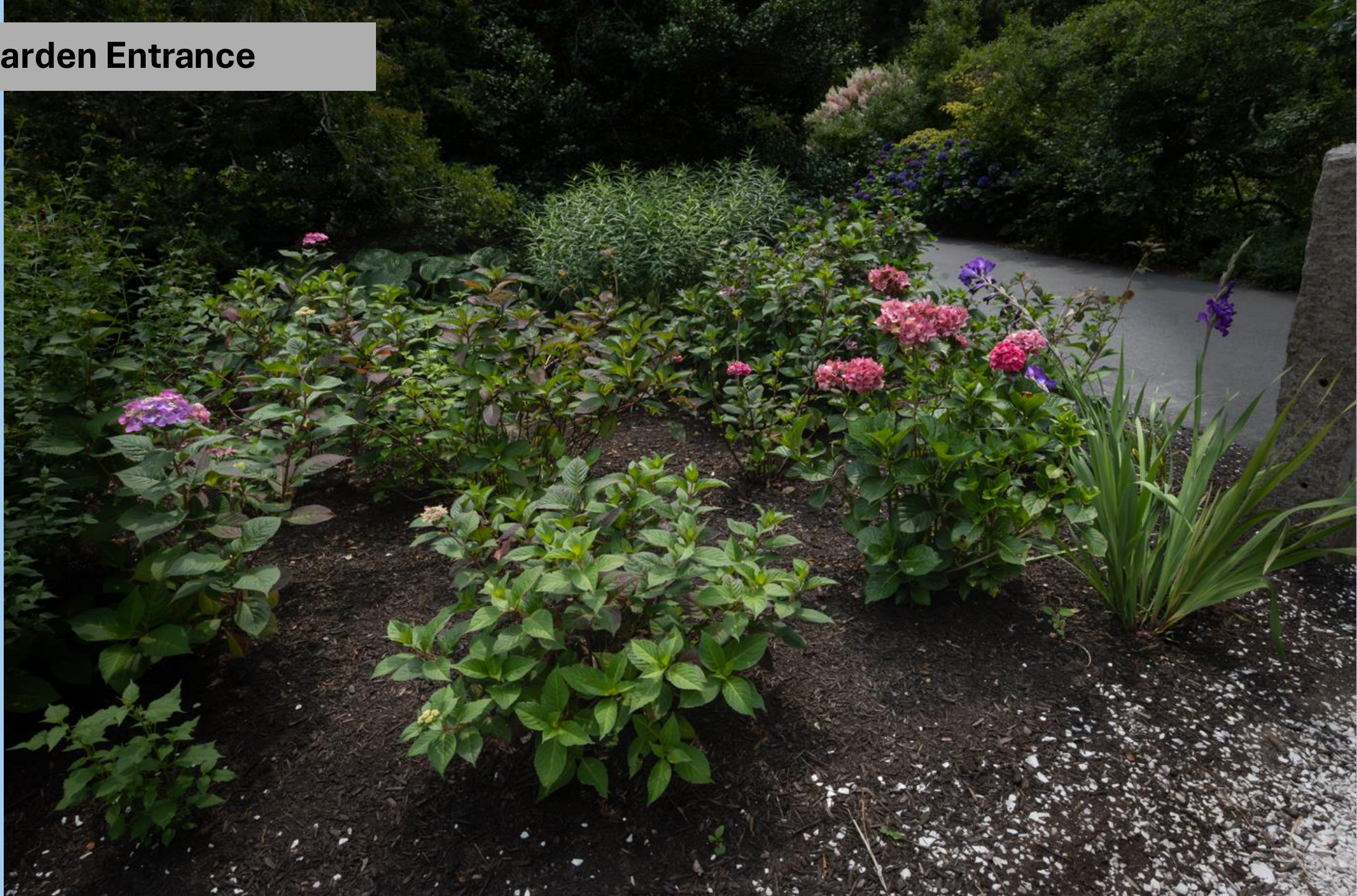
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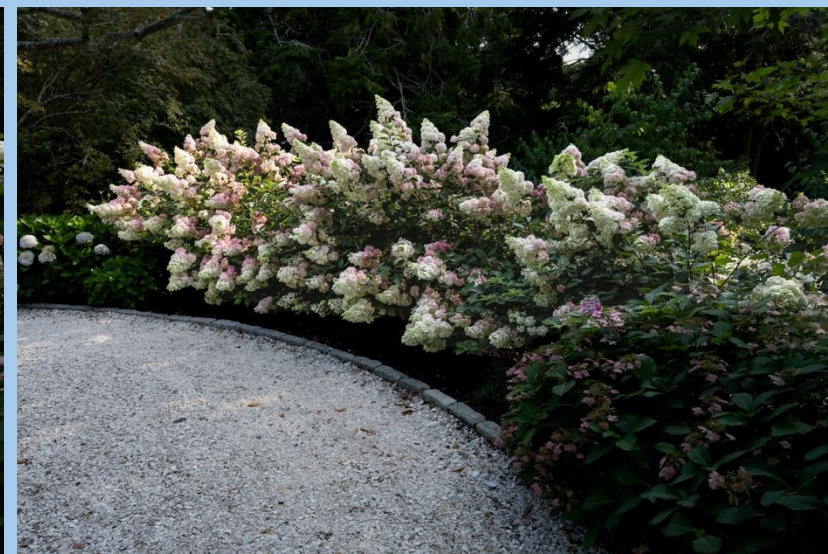
Test Garden Serpentine



W18 / July 30



W19 / Aug 6



W20 / Aug 13



W21 / Aug 20



W27 / Oct 1

Test Garden



W20 / Aug 13
Lower Path



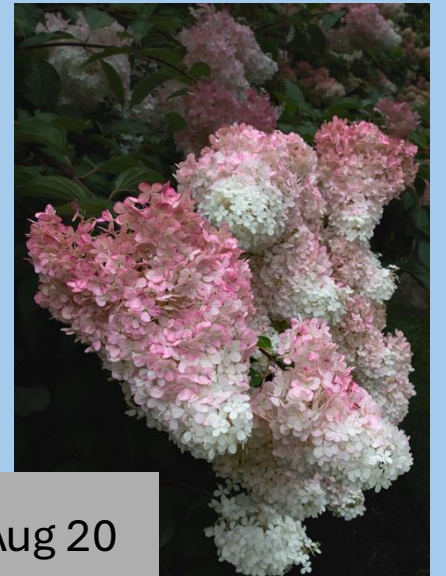
W21 / Aug 20
Lower Path



W20 / Aug 13



W21 / Aug 20



Test Garden Open Space

W19 / Aug 6

