

OHIO HERITAGE GARDEN AT THE GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE

Bexley, Franklin County

Date Completed: 2007

Description: Ohio's Heritage Gardens at the Governor's Residence in Bexley feature a collection of re-creations of Ohio's natural ecosystems and highlights the five physiographic regions of the state. The garden also complements the residence which was designed in a Jacobean revival style of architecture. In addition, the garden highlights Ohio botanists and hybridizers.



Project Size: 3 acres

*Below: Ohio's Heritage Gardens at the Governor's Residence
(Photo: ThinkTV)*



THE GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE GARDEN MASTER PLAN

Client: The Governor of Ohio
Location: Bexley, Ohio
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Ohio's diverse landscapes and First Families provide the design framework for the Governor's Residence Gardens Master Plan. From the Lake Erie Dune Garden to the Prairie, Woodland and Appalachian Gardens, the site will tell a unique story of Ohio's ecology and natural history. Each of Ohio's First Families have made an imprint upon our cultural history. Those stories will be interpreted hand-in-hand with the stories of ecology, native plants and agriculture within this new learning garden.



Developer:

Ohio First Lady Hope Taft

www.governorsresidence.ohio.gov

Designer/Consultants:

Meisner and Associates / Land Vision

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Key Features:

- Example Gardens featuring Ohio's diverse natural ecosystems including:
 - Appalachian garden
 - Dune garden
 - Woodland, bog
 - Pioneer Garden
 - Home for wildflowers rescued from developments
 - Ponds with Ohio wildlife
 - Examples of Ohio's native geology
 - Clone of an actual Johnny Appleseed tree
- Vegetable and cutflower garden
- A Formal Prairie Garden that features native prairie species of plants used in a formal garden design aesthetic.
- Rose Garden

Project Cost: Not available

Funding Sources & Incentives: donated services of a landscape architect and garden designer

Maintenance Cost: Not available

Applicable Zoning Regulations: Not applicable

*Below: Ohio Governor's Residence
(Photo: beesfirstappearance)*

