

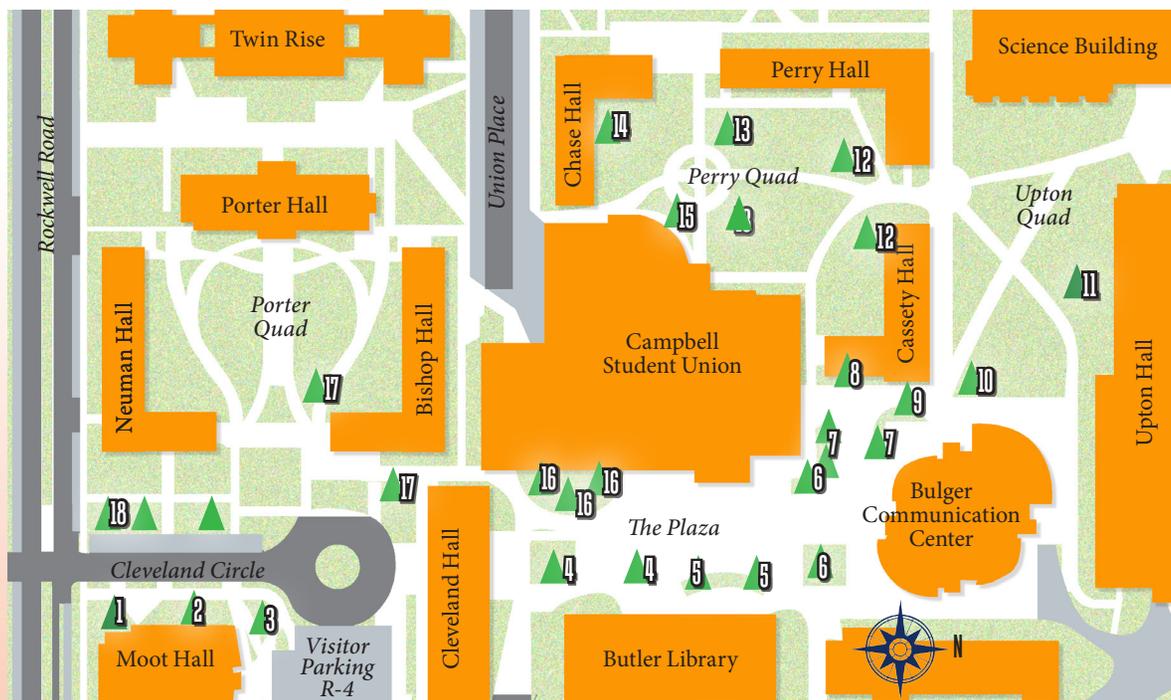
## Short Tour of the MGH Arboretum #2

# CENTRAL CAMPUS

The Buffalo State campus occupies 115 acres near the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, the Buffalo History Museum, and Delaware Park. The campus is also home to the Burchfield Penney Art Center. You can see many trees in the short tour outlined here, but you are invited to enjoy the entire arboretum any time.

Begin your tour on Cleveland Circle at the southwest corner of Moot Hall, near Rockwell Road.

1. A beautiful **Horsechestnut** graces the corner of Moot, along with a plaque dedicating this tree to the Anne Frank Project in 2010. This tree likely dates to 1959, when Moot Hall was built.
2. Turn north to walk past **Crabapples** that have red leaves in spring and beautiful flowers around Mother's Day each year. A striking mature **Japanese Zelkova** stands at the northwest corner of Moot. Older trees of this species, like this one, have dramatic peeling multicolored bark.
3. Two young **Red Oaks** can be seen on your right as you near the parking lot, as well as a lovely **Harvest Gold Crabapple** dedicated to Dr. Richard Lee, associate dean emeritus. Continue across the parking lot and under the Cleveland Hall breezeway.
4. As you enter the Plaza, immediately ahead are **River Birches** growing in raised planting beds; they were selected because they provide a woody look in full leaf. Walk past the library across the Plaza, where you will see the sculpture of the Bengal tiger, Buffalo State's mascot. This sculpture is one of two Bengal statues on campus and is a favorite spot for photos.
5. In a planting bed near the tiger, there is a **White Pine** and a **Flowering Dogwood** that is native to Western New York.
6. Turn left past another stand of **River Birch** gracing a planter near Bulger Communication Center and head toward the Campbell Student Union at whose corner is a **Kousa Dogwood**.
7. Walk down the broad ramp between the Union and Bulger toward Cassety Hall. On the right side of the ramp there are **Alaska Weeping Cedars**, and on the left side are three native **American Hornbeams**.
8. Ahead near Cassety to the left is a **Weeping Mulberry** and a small **Gray Birch**.



9. Near Cassety on the right is a memorial **Katsuratree**, as well as a **White Pine** that is dedicated as the White Tree of Peace. Nearby is a **Thornless Honeylocust** and an **American Sweetgum**.
10. Continue to your right past Bulger toward Upton Hall. Here on your right is a shady row of **Locusts**, and to your left is the Billie Lawless sculpture Cock a Doodle Doo. From some angles the sculpture looks like the head of a rooster.
11. As you turn left at Upton, you will see a row of **Kentucky Coffeetrees** all along this wing of Upton. These trees are so named because early Kentucky settlers roasted the hard, bitter seeds as a (poor) substitute for coffee. Please note that the unroasted seeds are toxic, although it is said they have been used as counters for game play.
12. Swing southwest across Upton Quad and pass between Perry and Cassety Halls to Perry Quad. Looking right toward Perry, you'll see a large **Austrian Pine** *Pinus nigra*. To the left is a beautiful **Northern Red Oak** *Quercus rubra*.
13. The **Swamp White Oaks** along the walkway were selected because they tolerate poorly-drained soil and feature interesting bicolor leaves (dark green on one side, pale green on the other).
14. The large **Pin Oak** located in the elbow of Chase Hall deserves special attention because it is the oldest tree on campus. This tree and the quiet corner it shelters bear witness to enduring values.
15. Turn toward the Campbell Student Union and you will see a memorial **Redspire Pear** on your right. Enter the Student Union. If you need a short break, restrooms are nearby, and the Barnes & Noble bookstore is to your right.
16. Go straight ahead through the union and turn sharply right as you re-enter the Plaza. You will pass a good-sized **Honeylocust** to the right. A notable tree in the center of the planting bed is the **Tricolor Beech** *Fagus sylvatica*, so named because of its variegated leaves of green, pink or purple, and white. The leaves turn copper in fall.
17. Continue straight to pass between Cleveland and Bishop Hall. There are three **Crimson King Maples** to the left. Just past Bishop, you will see a large **Corkscrew Willow** to your right in Porter Quad.
18. As you continue past Neumann Hall, there are three **Turkish Filbert** trees planted along the road in front of Neumann. It's likely that you will see small squirrel-eaten filbert (hazelnut) shells underneath these trees.



The forests of our world have been part of human culture, science, economy, and art since the dawn of history. Trees have always evoked wonder, provided peace, and stirred appreciation of the natural world around us.

The arboretum at Buffalo State was formally dedicated in 1962 with the ceremonial planting of a scotch elm in honor of Maud Gordon Holmes, founder of the Garden Center Institute of Buffalo. Since then, the arboretum has grown from approximately 300 trees to more than 1,400 trees today.

Because the objective of an arboretum is to grow trees and shrubs for scientific and educational purposes, the Maud Gordon Holmes Arboretum contains more than 100 needle- and leaf-bearing varieties of woody plants including many ornamentals. The campus displays greenery year-round while marking the seasons with fragrant blossoms, shade-giving trees and luminous autumn colors.

The *Friends of the Maud Gordon Holmes Arboretum* is a group of concerned individuals who advocate for support to help maintain and restore this urban treasure. To join the **Friends** or to make a tax-deductible donation, please contact Dr. Susan McCartney [MCCARTSA@buffalostate.edu](mailto:MCCARTSA@buffalostate.edu), (716) 878-4030.

#### FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Parking meters are available in Lots R-3, R-4, G-25, and I-30 and are enforced until 7:00 p.m.

Visitors also may obtain free temporary parking permits from the Parking Services Office or University Police in Chase Hall for use in student lots.

**REST ROOMS** Public rest rooms are located in most buildings, including E. H. Butler Library and Campbell Student Union.

**REFRESHMENTS** Visit Argo Tea (Butler Library), Barnes and Noble Starbucks Café, or the Retail Food Court in Campbell Student Union.



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