



2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Generations in Bloom

FREDERIK
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GARDENS
& SCULPTURE
FOUNDATION

BEHIND THE SEEDS

This year we celebrate ‘Generations in Bloom’ by showcasing a unique horticulture installation that debuted in 2025 and is the largest installation of its kind to date at Meijer Gardens.

Hovering just outside the Lena Meijer Children’s Garden, these colorful sculptural installations look like they’re made for a storybook. These larger-than-life hibiscus flowers are in fact living topiary where art, engineering and horticulture meet. Featuring five colossal flowers, this sculpture is designed to evolve each year.

- The topiary’s steel frames were created by artists in Canada, then finished and planted by a local grower in the off-season until the time it is installed for the public.
- In early winter, the steel frames are wrapped, filled with soil, fit for internal irrigation, and planted with thousands of small plants.
- At closer look, the stems are designed with steel, while the floral details are blown glass.
- This topiary is installed as part of the campus-wide seasonal changeover in late May and is on display through September.
- Never the same, as each year features a completely new planting palette.
- This combination of sculpture and horticulture is maintained by the horticulture team.
- The Gardens thrives in part thanks to the 16,000+ horticulture volunteer hours in 2025.

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A Letter from the Foundation President



Dear Friends of the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation,

A thoughtful gardener plans not just for what will bloom this season, but for what will take root, mature, and endure. In much the same way, the Gardens Foundation exists to cultivate the long-term vitality of the Gardens, carefully stewarding resources today so that beauty, learning and inspiration continue to flourish for generations to come.

This year marks the Foundation’s 34th anniversary, offering a moment for both pride and perspective. From its earliest days, the Gardens has grown into a place where horticulture and sculpture meet in deliberate harmony. Living landscapes and works of art shape one another, inviting visitors into moments of reflection, discovery and joy. None of this happens by accident. It happens because of thoughtful planning, sustained commitment, and the generosity of those who believe deeply in this institution.

Thanks to your generosity as well as prudent management and strong investment performance, the Foundation’s endowment reached a new all-time high of over \$200 million this year. That growth is not simply a financial milestone; it directly strengthens the Gardens’ ability to fulfill its mission. The endowment now provides more than 20% of the Gardens’ annual operating budget, and in the past year alone, the Foundation distributed over \$7.5 million directly in support of the Gardens’ mission and programs. These resources help ensure that exhibitions, educational offerings, horticultural excellence and community access remain strong and resilient.

The Foundation’s Board is deeply focused on investing for long-term growth, guided by the belief that permanence and purpose go hand in hand. We are proud to offer donors meaningful opportunities to align their generosity with their passions, whether through support for specific areas of interest, memorial gifts honoring loved ones, or estate gifts that extend one’s values well into the future.

Your support makes a real difference. If you are considering renewing or expanding your commitment, there are several ways to do so. Donors may join the Perennial Society with a gift of \$10,000, or the Bonsai Society with a gift of \$100,000. These commitments can be fulfilled annually, through multi-year pledges, or as part of an estate plan. Each option helps strengthen the roots that sustain the Gardens’ future. To learn more about how you can give most meaningfully, contact Susanne Veeneman, the Foundation’s Executive Director.

It is also impossible to reflect on the Gardens’ success without acknowledging how fortunate our community is to have benefited from the extraordinary generosity of the Meijer family. Their founding vision and continued, multi-generational support made this institution possible, and their legacy continues to enrich the lives of all who visit.

Finally, I am honored to serve as President of the Foundation and to work alongside directors and staff who share such deep commitment to the Gardens’ future. Together, we are not simply preserving something beautiful, we are cultivating something enduring.

Thank you for your continued support. Your generosity sustains this extraordinary place and ensures that it will continue to inspire, educate and bring beauty to our community for many years to come.

With gratitude,

Amy L. Keare

Our Foundation's Purpose

Becoming a donor to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation is believing in an institution that lives well beyond a season. It's about securing a legacy for you, and for a community that values art, beauty and gathering spaces for all.

Giving to our single-purpose endowment sustains the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, and it is an investment in its permanence in a future that lives beyond any of us.

A future where world-class gardens continue to flourish, season after season.

Sculpture that provokes conversation and inspiration.

Music that fills our sky.

And children playing in wonderment.

The Foundation's endowment does more than sustain a single year of programming. It strengthens an institution that defines our community and signals to the region and world that the vision of Fred and Lena Meijer lives and endures right here, in this place, forever.

To learn more about the many ways you can become a member of our growing donor community at the Foundation, contact Executive Director Susanne Veeneman at susanne.veeneman@meijer.com.



FOUNDATION RECOGNITION	PERMANENT RECOGNITION	PERENNIAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP	BONSAI SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP
\$200-999	\$1,000-9,999	\$10,000-99,999	\$100,000+

The Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation is a licensed, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization established in 1992 as a single-purpose foundation, providing an endowment fund to support the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park. Each year, the strength of our endowment grows through contributions made by our donor community, a community built by those who believe in the everlasting legacy of Meijer Gardens as West Michigan's cultural institution rooted in the arts and nature.

The Foundation recognizes contributions beginning at \$200 annually. Donations aggregating over \$1,000 qualify donors for permanent recognition at Meijer Gardens, and gifts over \$10,000 join us as a Foundation Society with honored recognition and exclusive events.



Lynn Martin and Tom Dandridge

When Tom Dandridge and his late wife Lynn moved to Grand Rapids in 1997, the move was supposed to be temporary. But a passion for gardening, a commitment to community, and a circle of friends-turned-family would plant Tom and Lynn’s roots firmly in West Michigan.

Tom was a professor at the University at Albany when he met Lynn while hiking in the Adirondacks. “We met on a mountain and went on several hikes together. She was always faster than me, so we’d see each other at a rest stop or at the top,” says Tom.

The couple wed in 1996 and a year later, a career move took them to Grand Rapids. For Tom, who’d lived all over the world, this was just another move. But it was Lynn’s first time moving out of New York, and for her it was emotional.

As they settled into their new city, Lynn began volunteering at several local organizations, including North Country Trail, where she earned her chainsaw certification, as well as Blandford Nature Center, and Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park.

“By 2000, she was fully involved in these organizations, and busy getting her Michigan Naturalist certification from Michigan State University, so we decided to stay,” says Tom.

Inspired by her passion, Tom began volunteering at Meijer Gardens in 2001 by driving the tram. “I really enjoyed when I could drive and narrate at the same time. I tried to give an entertaining and safe experience. It was a pleasure serving the public.”

Eventually, Tom moved indoors, apprenticing with a group known as “Paul’s Sprouts” – the first group of volunteers working for

Paul Gilmet, the original developer of the orchid collection. Meanwhile, Lynn took her love of gardening to the Japanese Gardens, where she could often be found working beside her close friend, Tina Cronkite. The inseparable pair even won two gardening awards. “Lynn’s entire life revolved around gardening,” says Tom. “We had a lovely home south of Rockford, and garden clubs would come tour. It was her pride and joy.”

In 2020, Lynn became a member of the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation Perennial Society with her generous gift establishing The Seasonal Planting Fund. “Lynn was a person unto herself. She said she wanted to donate to the outdoor horticulture area, so I told her I’d find out how. By the time I’d even gathered the information, she’d already sent her donation in,” Tom laughs.



When Lynn passed in 2024, fittingly, her life was honored in a green burial ceremony at Ridgeview Memorial Gardens. Later, friends and family gathered to celebrate her life in the gardens she had so lovingly curated at home. Later, a plaque honoring Lynn was placed at Meijer Gardens, near the entry to the Japanese Garden as a lasting mark of her devotion to the outdoors.

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After 25 years of volunteering, Tom still loves to see the excitement and awe of visitors as they experience Meijer Gardens’ many exhibits and annual events.

He’s also found a tight group of friends among the volunteers he and Lynn have worked closely with. “You give your time here, and you make close friends. The friends become a family.” In 2025, Tom established his own generous gift to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation to become a member of the Perennial Society, preserving the legacy of Lynn’s fund. He’ll be honored at the Society Donor Recognition event in 2026.

“I really believe in the mission and the joy Meijer Gardens brings to people,” says Tom. “This place is invaluable. It is rich in experience. And you don’t have to be of wealth to be able to be part of this wonderful place. Whether it’s your time in volunteering or it’s money, the opportunity to contribute to the community and to make this place as rich as it can be is what makes your gifts worth giving.”





Delores Horn

For Delores Horn, preserving a legacy stems from a life of love, fierce determination, a fond connection to the Meijer family and Meijer Gardens, and now the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation.

Delores devoted her entire professional career to Meijer, taking her first job on the third shift in the warehouse. There, she worked full-time while studying for her degree in advertising and marketing. Her dream? “To own my own home.”

Within a few years, she took a merchandising assistant position in the Meijer corporate office, where she grew into her role while creating a sense of community with the folks around her, including Fred Meijer and Earl Holton.

“Meijer is such a good place filled with good people. They were very supportive.”

While in her role at Meijer, Delores bravely battled cancer. Though she beat it, she found herself out of shape and knew that she needed to turn her life around.

So, she started running with her late husband, Reg—a longtime employee of Meijer himself. Mile by mile, she grew stronger, got healthier, and found a love for long-distance running. “Reg and I ran a marathon in every U.S. state, including Washington, D.C., and along the way, we took the opportunity to sightsee in every city we ran.”

On her last day of work upon retirement in 1997, Fred Meijer personally thanked her and said goodbye.

She and Reg moved to South Carolina to enjoy their retirement and her husband’s love of golf. But after Reg’s unexpected passing in 2014, Delores returned to Michigan, where her children still lived. “For me, Michigan is my home.”

Within Meijer Gardens, Delores found a place filled with beauty, wonder, and the devotion and generosity she’d always admired from the Meijer family. Her family has created many special memories there, including celebrating her granddaughter’s wedding in the Lena Meijer Tropical Conservatory. “I love all of it—the butterflies, the concerts, the trees. They do such a wonderful job with all the events, too.” Just as Delores had felt supported by the Meijer company and family during her working years, she decided to give a lasting legacy gift by donating to the Foundation’s Perennial Society in 2024. She also established a named, unrestricted fund free to use as the cultural institution grows and evolves.

A couple years ago, her cancer came back—but Delores was ready to fight. While she was jogging on the White Pine Trail one day, she met Jack, a man who was battling pancreatic cancer. “We said, ‘If we make it through this, we’ll go skydiving.’ Although it seemed silly, it gave us something to work towards. A way to celebrate life.”

As it turns out, no less than a week before she was interviewed for this article, at age 86, Delores, Jack, her daughter, and two grandsons jumped out of a plane 14,000 feet above Grand Haven. Two cancer survivors, one promise, and a whole lot more life to live.

Today, Delores is still running between three and five miles three days a week, and wholeheartedly supporting Meijer Gardens and the Foundation. When asked why she gives to the Foundation, she says, “Anyone can do it. I’m not anybody important or special, but I care about this place, and the Foundation cares a lot. They appreciate the donors and treat them so well. I’m happy to give what I can to ensure it will be here for my family long into the future. It’s such a wonderful place.”

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A Letter from the Gardens' President



Dear Friends,

The dedication and generosity of the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation continue to shape every corner of this institution. On behalf of Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, I extend my deepest gratitude for your steadfast support, stewardship, and consideration for our legacy.

Your partnership strengthens our

Board of Directors, professional team, volunteers, members, and broader communities.

Your care and constancy reflect the commitment and values of Fred and Lena Meijer, helping us polish the gems of joy, world-class endeavors, and flourishing as a welcoming destination for all. They elevate our efforts in an environment where inspiration and wonder are found in the beauty of gardens, sculpture, art, culture, and nature.

Together, we celebrated 30 years of Meijer Gardens—reflecting on the values, support, and people that planted our roots and looking ahead to all that continues to blossom. It was a dynamic and remarkable year.

In 2025, we welcomed our 16 millionth visitor amid a record 881,625 guests. We were lauded a third consecutive time as Best Sculpture Park in the United States, affirming the excellence you help make possible. We began phase 1 renovations in our beloved Lena Meijer Children's Garden, advancing a multiphase

commitment to amplify its impact for families. Plans include the interactive Big Girl Playground by Mad Mom sculptor Tom Otterness, a year-round ice cream parlor designed as a beacon of joy and respite, enhanced picnic spaces, expanded comfort amenities, and other thoughtful improvements—investments ensuring the Children's Garden remains a place where imagination and discovery thrive for decades to come.

Innovative programming defined 2025. Our Jazz Brunches and Winter Nights series energized our Garden Pavilion with vibrant artistic events. Jaume Plensa: A New Humanism marked the internationally acclaimed artist's first United States retrospective, exploring his career-long engagement with dreams, desire, justice, morality, and other themes of shared humanity. ENLIGHTEN exceeded expectations, drawing 95,000 visitors and earning No. 3 Best Botanical Garden Holiday Lights honors nationwide in only its second year. Together with University of Michigan Health—West: Christmas & Holiday Traditions, these experiences broadened our winter footprint.



Our commitment to excellence received further acclaim when we were again named among West Michigan's Best and Brightest Companies to Work For. Membership continued its steady growth, accompanied by enhancements to benefits and opportunities. Volunteer program updates strengthened both service and the overall guest experiences. Intentional January hours provided dedicated time for campus maintenance, seasonal horticultural care, and professional development. Under steady, disciplined board leadership, our financial position remains strong—ensuring we continue operating with resilience, innovation and a sharp focus on the future.

As we conclude our 30th anniversary year, we look toward a horizon rife with possibility: Continued enhancements, intensified accessibility initiatives, bold artistic endeavors. We are truly grateful for the Foundation's leadership—President Amy Keane, Vice President Mike Gaudino, Treasurer Brad Freiburger, Secretary Tamara Bailey, Executive Director Susanne Veeneman—and the entire Board of Directors. Our gratitude extends to the generous Bonsai Society and Perennial Society members. Your contributions sustain a flourishing Meijer Gardens, designed to endure for generations.

Thanks to you, Meijer Gardens continues to thrive as a place where we all grow.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles Burke". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Charles Burke
President & CEO

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Foundation Society Members Come Home to Lena's, Where a Legacy Began

Burros strolled among flowers and greenery. A windmill creaked above heirloom gardens. The aroma of grilling vegetables filled the air, accompanied by gentle breezes and laughter.

Welcome home to Lena's, where the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation's Society members enjoyed a farm-to-table experience in the Michigan Farm Garden.

"Tonight, we gather in a truly special setting," Foundation President Amy Keane noted of the replica family farmstead of Lena Meijer's childhood. "This Depression-era re-creation isn't just a backdrop—it's a journey back to where the legacy began. What a fitting place to honor the roots of the Foundation, and to celebrate those of you helping ensure its future through your support of the Foundation."

It was fitting, too, that Keane recalled how the enthusiasm and support of her father, Ray Loeschner, a founder of the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, sparked her own interest during Meijer Gardens' earliest days.

On this night, the Foundation recognized 51 Bonsai Society members, 141 Perennial Society members, and 1,179 donor households in its records. The Foundation raised over \$10 million in 2024, and in 2025 distributed over \$7.5 million to support Meijer Gardens.

"Your gifts are the Foundation's lifelines," Keane stated. "Thank you for your vision, your generosity, your belief. Thank you for helping keep Fred and Lena's dream alive."

Meijer Gardens Board of Directors Chair Candace Matthews expressed her gratitude in return. "This is a place of love and joy. Thank you for everything you do—and everything you will do in the future."

Asked what the Foundation means to them, many Society members mentioned wanting to give back to the community that is Meijer Gardens—and how the Foundation helps that community flourish.

"It's more what Meijer Gardens means to us and how they invest money from the Foundation to continue the legacy," said Bonsai Society and 30-year Meijer Gardens members Susan Wright-Miller and Dan Miller. "It's about sustainability and how this is such a treasure for the community. The funds help in so many ways."

"I give to a lot of charities," Perennial Society member Arlene Obetts said. "The Foundation and Meijer Gardens are close by, and I can actually see what they do."



Others appreciate the Foundation's role in helping Meijer Gardens thrive. "It's a place for contemplation, beauty, enjoyment—so many adjectives to describe the Gardens!" said new Bonsai Society members Michael and Lora DeVries. "Meijer Gardens is important to people for so many reasons, among them the diversity of membership."

It's a special place thousands can enjoy, noted Bonsai Society members John and Marian Bouwer. "The Foundation's logical pace to giving ensures the future—the perpetuity. The Foundation is a great asset to the Gardens."

Meijer Gardens President & CEO Charles Burke, lauded Meijer Garden's 30th anniversary, record attendance and growth, and offered "very precious" words from Fred Meijer:

"We all breathe the same air We love and we hurt together A little better because of this park ..."

After thanking Foundation leadership, Burke continued, "Our community has grown. Our board of directors has grown. Our staff has continued to grow, attracting the best and brightest from the region. Programming has grown." Meijer Gardens has become an example for other institutions. "We're all here together because we truly love this special place."

Meijer Gardens is dear to Bonsai Society member Dirk Hoffius, whose family were pioneering supporters. "Foundation revenue is a wonderful thing, especially when situations like Covid stop your gate revenue. The phenomenal thing is continuity. So many organizations don't have it—and if you don't have it from the beginning, you struggle."

Continuity is also noteworthy for board member and new Bonsai Society member Kathleen Maine. "It's important to me to continue to serve our community—for children to learn, for adults to experiences new things."

I'm grateful for the support from the community to keep us on this path, for the things we can help with as a Foundation to achieve Meijer Gardens' goals."



DONOR DINNER





Ways to Give to Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation

There are a number of ways to give to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation; below is a summary to consider. Counsel with personal advisors is recommended to understand the impact of each within the context of a donor's individual tax situation and estate plan.

GIFT OF CASH – A lifetime gift of cash is the most immediate and simple way to give to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation. This donation may be claimed as a charitable deduction by those taxpayers who itemize their deductions. Beginning in 2026, up to \$1,000 (or \$2,000 for married taxpayers who file a joint return) of this donation may be claimed as a charitable deduction by those taxpayers who do not itemize their deductions.

GIFT OF APPRECIATED SECURITIES – A lifetime gift of an appreciated security, which has been owned for more than one year, gives the donor a charitable deduction for the full market value of the security by those taxpayers who itemize their deductions. This strategy also avoids capital gain taxes on the growth of the security.

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GIFT OF RETIREMENT ASSETS – An Individual Retirement Account contribution may be made payable to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park with a designation to the Meijer Gardens endowment. To obtain an Individual Retirement Account form, please visit fmgfsf.org/giving

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS – If you have created a Donor Advised Fund with a public charity and wish to use the fund to make a contribution to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation, the contribution may be made to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park with a designation to the Meijer Gardens endowment. To obtain a Donor Advised Fund form, please visit fmgfsf.org/giving

CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY – A charitable gift annuity is part gift and part purchase of an annuity and results in an income tax charitable deduction in the amount of the gift portion. Contributions are generally made with cash or appreciated securities. With this option, a donor can transfer cash or an asset to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation and, in return, the Foundation will make regular fixed payments to the donor for life.

CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST – A charitable remainder trust provides the donor with annual income over the term of the Trust, while receiving a charitable deduction in the year it is established. Any capital gains tax due on contributed appreciated securities are stretched out over the term of the trust, as well. The underlying remaining assets go to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation at Trust's termination. A charitable remainder trust can also be funded at a donor's death to provide income to one or more persons during their lifetime(s).

Cumulative gifts to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation of \$1,000 or more qualify donors for permanent recognition at Meijer Gardens.

The Foundation also offers an opportunity to join the Perennial Society with cumulative lifetime gifts and/or pledges, including pledges in estate plans, of \$10,000 or more, and the Bonsai Society at the \$100,000 level. Both the Perennial and Bonsai Society membership includes a members-only annual event held at Meijer Gardens.



To learn more about gifts to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation, please visit fmgfsf.org or call Susanne Veeneman at (616) 791-3901.

The following donors have made cumulative contributions to the Foundation and qualify for permanent recognition:

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Support of the Christmas & Holiday Traditions exhibition and sponsor in perpetuity in the exhibition the German Christmas Tree in Lena Meijer's name

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Statement of Financial Position

AS OF DECEMBER 31	2025	2024	2023
Investments at Market Value	\$201,653,152	\$188,065,826	\$177,366,120
Pledges, Gifts, Other Receivables	\$132,414	\$191,397	\$248,911
Total Assets	\$201,785,566	\$188,257,223	\$177,615,031
Less: Liabilities	(\$459,686)	(\$610,288)	(\$726,994)
Total Net Assets	\$201,325,880	\$187,646,935	\$176,888,037
Restricted Funds	\$98,795,607	\$92,211,188	\$86,617,667
Unrestricted Funds	\$102,530,273	\$95,435,747	\$90,270,370
Total Net Assets	\$201,325,880	\$187,646,935	\$176,888,037

Statement of Activities

AS OF DECEMBER 31	2025	2024	2023
Contributions Income	\$372,416	\$1,511,189	\$3,425,771
Investment Income or (Loss)	\$21,022,858	\$16,264,316	(\$22,744,378)
Total Revenues and Gains/(Loss)	\$21,395,274	\$17,775,505	(\$26,170,149)
Distributions to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park	\$7,504,102	\$6,823,032	\$6,767,404
Other Expenses	\$212,228	\$193,577	\$162,997
Total Distributions and Expenses	\$7,716,330	\$7,016,609	\$6,930,401
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$13,678,944	\$10,758,896	(\$19,239,748)



Introducing Your Incoming Foundation Board Members

The Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation is pleased to announce the appointment of Andrew Sherriff and Sean Welsh to the Board of Directors, elected to begin in 2026 and each serving on the Investment Committee.



ABOUT ANDREW SHERRIFF

Andrew is a seasoned private markets investor and family office leader with nearly two decades of experience across private equity, co-investments, and alternative asset strategies. He currently serves as Managing Director at OAPC in Grand Rapids, where he sits on both the Management and Investment Committees. In this role, Andrew helps shape portfolio construction strategy, focuses on private equity manager selection efforts, and manages senior private equity firm relationships. Outside of work, Andrew and his wife Katrina try to keep up with their two children, Marty (8) and Alina (5), and the whole family is quite excited for warmer weather!

Andrew earned his MBA from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and holds a Bachelor of Business Administration with honors from the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business, along with a minor in Classical Archaeology. He also serves on the board of Sherriff Goslin Roofing Company, a family business founded in 1906. Outside of work, Andrew is a dedicated father of two, an avid skier and open water swimmer, a reader of mystery novels, and an Eagle Scout.

"I'm humbled to join the [Meijer Gardens Foundation] Board. As a relative newcomer to the Grand Rapids community, the Gardens are a wonderful find for our family. I welcome the opportunity to support any institution that keeps the kids happy!"

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ABOUT SEAN WELSH

Sean works as Executive Vice President and Regional President for PNC in Western Michigan, where he oversees the bank's business strategy and community investment initiatives across the region. He leads teams spanning asset management, retail banking, and corporate and institutional banking, guiding integrated financial solutions that support businesses and communities alike. With more than 35 years of experience, Sean has built and led high-performing teams in commercial real estate, corporate finance, and commercial banking, bringing deep expertise and strategic insight to PNC's clients.

Sean earned his Bachelor of Arts from Michigan State University and received an honorary doctorate from Grand Valley State University. He is committed to bettering the West Michigan community and serves on several local boards, including Corewell Health, The Right Place, Southwest Michigan First, TalentFirst, the Economic Club of Grand Rapids, First Steps Kent, and the Grand Valley State University Foundation.

"PNC has been proud to partner with Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park for many years, and I'm honored to deepen that relationship by joining the Foundation Board. The Gardens play a vital role in enriching our region by connecting people through art, nature, and shared experiences that strengthen our community, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to support its continued impact."



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Retiring Board Members in 2025

With deep gratitude and heartfelt appreciation, the Board of the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation thanks John Baab and Randy Damstra for years of service to our organization, retiring from their positions at the end of 2025.



JOHN BAAB

John has a celebrated history in service to Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, serving the Foundation's Board for 13 years from 2012-2025; on the Investment Committee from 2012-2025; on the Nominating Committee 2016-2025 and chairing the Nominating Committee from 2018-2025. In 2017 and 2018, John served as Board President. Ever generous with his time, John served on over ten boards and committees across the West Michigan region.

When asked about his time at the Meijer Gardens Foundation, John said, "What an honor it has been to serve on the Foundation Board to support the future growth and maintenance of the Meijer Gardens—a crown jewel in West Michigan!"



RANDY DAMSTRA

Randy has a longstanding history in service to the Foundation, serving on the Board and investment committee for eight years from 2017-2025. Randy's extensive investment background was instrumental in helping grow the endowment during this period. From 2019-2025, Randy also chaired the Investment Committee.

Asked to reflect on his service, Randy offered, "My time on the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park Board has been a chapter filled with meaningful work, thoughtful leadership, collaboration, and problem-solving. I am grateful for the opportunity and honored to have contributed to such an impactful mission."

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