

Volunteer Park Conservatory Photo Outing

The Volunteer Park Conservatory is one of only three public Victorian-style conservatories on the West Coast; the other two are the W. W. Seymour Botanical Conservatory in Tacoma's Wright Park and the Conservatory of Flowers in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park.

Your Assignments:



Designed in the Victorian style made popular by glass buildings like the Crystal Palace in London, [the conservatory was built from a pre-fabricated kit](#) purchased from the Hitchings Company of New York, and erected by Parks staff for a total cost of less than \$20,000. The building opened in 1912.

Create a photo or photos including one of the architectural features of the building, such as the roof, entrance or patterned window frames.



The conservatory is a great place to explore symmetry. As you walk around the building, look for different types of symmetry.

Create a photo which showcases symmetry in your composition or design.



radial



bilateral

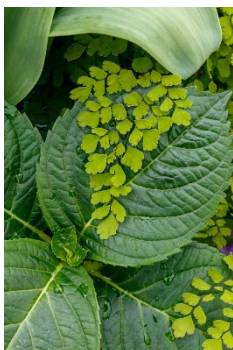
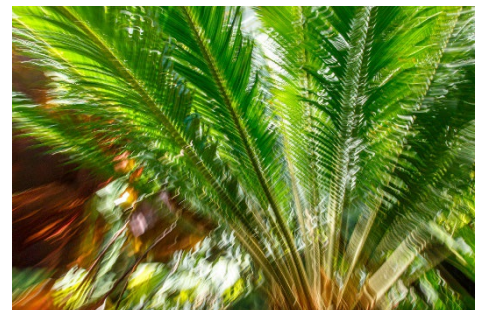


opposite leaf patterns



With its glass exterior and long, south-facing orientation, the conservatory gets excellent light throughout the day and the seasons.

Create a photo which captures an interesting interpretation of light.



One of the most exciting parts about visiting the conservatory is seeing all the patterns.

Photograph a plant or plants, showing an usual pattern or texture.

