Welcome to Lendonwood!
We’re glad you’re here and want you to get the most out of your visit.
In this beautiful eight-acre botanical garden, be sure to look for:

- Extensive collections of azaleas, rhododendrons, daylilies, Japanese maples, hostas, dogwoods, peonies and more
- Quiet streams and waterfalls
- Open-air Japanese Pavilion
- Scenic pond filled with koi
- Gazebo just right for outdoor weddings
- “Oklahoma Garden” featuring plants that thrive in this area
- Angel of Hope Statue and Garden
- Wooden crane carved by chainsaw artist
Highlights of Lendonwood Gardens

1. **Gatehouse**: Visit the Gatehouse for maps and informational materials and to sign the guest book.
2. **Japanese Maples**: Lendonwood has about 75 different varieties in many colors and sizes, especially from the two species *Acer palmatum* and *Acer japonicus*.
3. **Daylily Display**: At their peak in June and July, our extensive collection of *Hemerocallis* (daylilies) produces many flowers, each blooming for a single day.
4. **Alaska Yellow Cedar Tree**: This “weeping” *Chamaecyparis nootkatensis* is one of our most spectacular trees, typically found along the Alaskan coast.
5. **Oklahoma Garden**: This garden features plantings that thrive in Oklahoma’s diverse climate, as designated by Oklahoma State University’s horticulture program.
6. **Plant Sales**: Various plants started in Lendonwood and elsewhere are on sale here, with proceeds going to support the Gardens’ operation and maintenance.
7. **Crane Sculpture**: A local chainsaw artist carved this beautiful sculpture from the remains of a fallen oak. Nearby is a bench also carved from the huge tree.
8. **John Thornton Rhododendron Display**: Many examples of the *Rhododendron* genus, being tested for suitability to eastern Oklahoma, line the pathway. They bloom in April and May.
9. **Oriental Garden**: A wide variety of Japanese maples, dogwoods and rhododendrons are found in this area.
10. **Dogwoods**: Lendonwood has about 25 varieties of dogwoods, including many colors of flowering *Cornus florida* and *Cornus kousa*.
11. **Rose Garden and Wedding Gazebo**: This area serves as a colorful focal point for weddings held at Lendonwood.
12. **American Backyard Garden**: Featuring plants found in many backyards, this garden provides a beautiful backdrop for weddings and other special events.
13. **Zen Garden**: This Japanese rock garden is one of several Zen gardens sprinkled throughout Lendonwood, inviting visitors to pause for a moment of reflection.

14. **Himalayan Cedar**: This *Cedrus deodara*, valued for its timber as well as appearance, is native to the Himalayas.
15. **Japanese Pavilion**: Built by Lendonwood’s founder, Dr. Leonard Miller, in 1999, this pavilion is modeled after a Japanese home, but with open sides for viewing the pond and gardens.
16. **Bald Cypress Tree**: This specimen of *Taxodium distichum* is the classic tree of southern swamps, but can thrive in the right soil in yards or along streets as far north as Milwaukee.
17. **Island**: The island in the Koi Pond serves as a beautiful focal point of the Gardens, whether for photography or just enjoying the view.
18. **Dawn Redwood Tree**: Known from fossils and once thought extinct, the *Metasequoia glyptostroboides* was rediscovered in China in 1945. This deciduous tree loses its needles every year.
19. **Thuja “Green Giant”**: This hybrid *Thuja* (or arborvitae) has become a landscaping favorite, known for fast growth and never needing pruning.
20. **English Terrace Garden**: This colorful corner of the Gardens features numerous rhododendrons, a weeping katsura tree and beautiful magnolia tree.
21. **Restrooms**: Time for a break? Women on the left and men on the right.
22. **Picnic Pavilion**: Come here to enjoy your sack lunch surrounded by beautiful trees and shrubs.
23. **Angel of Hope Statue**: This statue, part of a national movement, serves as a memorial to lost loved ones, especially children.
24. **Children’s Earth Day Garden**: Every year, Grove’s third-graders celebrate Earth Day in Lendonwood by planting colorful flowers in raised beds.
25. **Hummingbird Garden**: Named for Grove’s own “Hummingbird Lady,” Ellie Womack, this garden features flowers known to attract hummingbirds and butterflies.
26. **Azalea Garden**: In springtime, this large wooded area offers spectacular views of azaleas, a beautiful flowering shrub in the *Rhododendron* genus.

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