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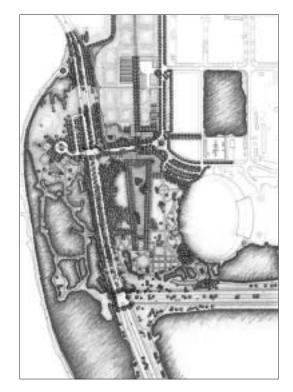
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## **UBC** Botanical Garden

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The UBC Botanical Garden & Centre for Horticulture Master Plan has generated a high level of excitement among those involved in the planning process as well as everyone on campus. The dramatic setting of a forest at the edge of the Pacific Ocean makes it unique in the world of botanical gardens. The Master Plan has capitalized on this magnificent setting with the intention of creating an outstanding showcase of scientific research and academic programming on a site that captures the public imagination.



CSLA Award winning Master Plan by Catherine Berris & Associates & Durante Kreuk Limited.

The intent of the Botanical Garden and Centre for Horticulture is to expand the scope of the existing Botanical Garden through stronger links with the research and learning activities of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and the University as a whole, and to serve as a focus for horticulture and plant biology research at the University of British Columbia.

The master planning process was a cooperative endeavour of Catherine Berris & Associates with Durante Kreuk Limited, and was guided at its inception by an imperative to "be bold". The ensuing Master Plan incorporates a re-thinking of the way the Botanical Garden presents itself to the public; while incorporating new functions of the Centre for Horticulture in an environmentally sensitive setting.

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