



## News Release

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# FREE TOUR OF ROSE HILL GARDEN

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The Friends of Manito invite you to a free tour of the award-winning Rose Hill garden in Manito Park:

**Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**

**2:00 p.m.**

**Meet in the Garden**

**This tour is FREE and open to the public**

### **About Rose Hill**

Manito Park's Rose Hill is a favorite location for weddings, picnics and photography. In 2007 Rose Hill was named number one in the nation by All-America Rose Selections. Each year one of the AARS' 125 gardens is selected as the Outstanding Display Garden, and for 2007 the winner was Manito Park's own Rose Hill. All-America Rose Selections is a non-profit association of rose growers and introducers dedicated to the introduction and promotion of exceptional roses. Since 1938 the AARS seal of approval has graced outstanding new rose varieties that have withstood the test of time—and Mother Nature. Rose Hill now is home to over 150 varieties of hybrid tea, grandiflora, floribunda climbers and miniature roses along with a collection of old-fashioned roses. Along with the 2007 award, Rose Hill has received for the past 20-years an Outstanding Maintenance Award, also from AARS.

### **About the Friends of Manito**

Founded in 1990, The Friends of Manito is a non-profit group that supports Manito Park by providing funds for improvements and general enhancements of the Park. This year the group celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Work is accomplished through two major fundraising projects each year - two plant sales, one in the spring and one in the fall. Approximately 100 volunteers work from April to mid-September to prepare and host these events. For more information please visit the Web site at [www.thefriendsofmanito.org](http://www.thefriendsofmanito.org)

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