THE SUPPLEMENTAL KITCHEN GARDEN:
Examining Historic Medicinal Gardens and Envisioning their Framework within Dumbarton Oaks

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OUTLINE

Purpose & Goals

Historical Analysis of Frameyard Area
  Historical Photos
  Spatial Diagrams

Proposed Medicinal Garden Structure
  Permanent Framework
  Grading

Medicinal Planting Diagrams
  St. Gall
  English
  Byzantine
  Pre-Columbian
LATE 1940'S - EARLY 1950'S

early 50's
1960's
In 1970, the original oak fence along the Vegetable Garden border was replaced with a hedge of Osmanthus heterophyllus/osmanthus. Plans show that privet originally defined the northern end of the Frame yard, but by the early 1960s a redwood fence was in place. Today there is a stepped stone retaining wall that may have been designed by Garden Advisory Committee member Perry Wheeler in the mid-1970s with an iron pole and wire system above it that hosts assorted climbing roses.
PROPOSED PERMANENT

- Brick Path
- Existing Osmanthus Shrub
- Grass Pathways
- Restoration of Stairs
- Peony and Iris Bed
- Restored Retaining Wall
- Small Shade Tree
- Small Planting Bed
- Chamomile Bench
- Exit to End of Grape Arbor
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- Shrub Border
- Grass Pathways
- Restoration of Stairs
GRADING

Maryland State Plane Projection. Contour Interval 1 Foot
Herbs at St Gall:
Mentha piperita (Peppermint)
Rosmarinus officinalis (Rosemary)
Lilium longiflorum (White Lily)
Salvia officinalis (Sage)
Ruta graveolens (Rue)
Gladiolus communis (Cornflag)
Mentha pulegium (European Pennyroyal)
Trigonella foenum-graecum (Fenugreek)
Rosa spp. (Rose)
Nasturtium officinale (Watercress)
Cuminum cyminum (Cumin)
Levisticum officinale (Lovage)
Foeniculum vulgare (Fennel)
Tanacetum vulgare (Tansy)
Phaseolus vulgaris (Kidney Beans)
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Medicinals of 16th-17th C England:
- Hellebore sp. (Hellebore)
- Hyoscyamus niger (Henbane)
- Atropa belladonna (Belladonna)
- Digitalis purpurea (Foxglove)
- Daphne laureola (Spurge Laurel)
- Centaurium spp. (Centaury)
- Colchicum autumnale (Autumn Crocus)
- Anemone pulsatilla (Anemone)
- Gallium verum (Bedstraw)
- Arctium lappa (Burdock)
- Gnaphalium spp. (Cottonweed)
- Origanum dictamnus (Dittany)
- Erigeron spp. (Fleabane)
- Artemisia vulgaris (Mugwort)
- Mentha pulegium (European Pennyroyal)
- Satureja montana (Savory)
Medicinals from the Early Byzantine:

- **Asparagus racemusa** (Asparagus)
- **Daucus carota** (Wild Carrot)
- **Lepidium latifolium** (Pepperwort)
- **Nepeta cataria** (Catmint)
- **Plantago major** (Wild Plantain)
- **Asphodelus ramosus** (St. Bernard’s lily)
- **Asphodelus albus** (White Asphodel)
- **Aristolochia clematitis** (Birthwort)
- **Cyperus rotundus or C. longus** (Nut Grass)
- **Dracunculus vulgaris** (Dragon Arum)
- **Muscari comosum** (Tassel Hyacinth)
- **Onopordon acanthium** (Scotch Thistle)
- **Isatis tinctoria** (Wild Woad)
- **Vaccaria pyramidata** (Cow Basil)
- **Dipsacus sylvestris** (Teasel)
- **Papaver somniferum** (Poppy)
- **Mandragora officinarum** (Mandrake)
- **Crocus sativus** (Saffron Crocus)
- **Glycyrrhiza glabra** (Licorice)
- **Pimpinella anisum** (Anise)
- **Ricinus communis** (Castor Bean)
- **Hyoscyamus niger** (Henbane)
- **Conium maculatum** (Hemlock)
- **Mentha pulegium** (European Pennyroyal)
- **Hellebore spp.** (Hellebore)
- **Ruta graveolens** (Rue)
in a **PRE-COLUMBIAN** style

Pre-Columbian Medicinals:
- *Lantana camara* (Wild Sage)
- *Stachytarpheta cayennensis* (Vervain)
- *Mimosa pudica* (Twelve O'Clock)
- *Momordica charantia* (Sorosi)
- *Ruta graveolens* (Rue)
- *Portulaca oleracea* (Purslane)
- *Senna alta* (Shrimp Flower)
- *Lippia graveolens* (Oregano)
- *Tagetes erecta* (Marigold)
- *Adiantum tenerum* (Maidenhair Fern)
- *Kalanchoe pinnata* (Life Everlasting)
- *Cymbopogon citratus* (Lemon Grass)
- *Hibiscus rosa-sinensis* (Hibiscus)
- *Eupatorium morifolium* (Green Stick)
- *Zingiber officinale* (Ginger)
- *Eryngium foetidum* (Culantro)
- *Lagerstroemia indica* (Crepe Myrtle)
- *Rincinus communis* (Castor Bean)
- *Acalypha arvensis* (Cancer Herb)
- *Phlebodium decumanum* (Bear Paw Fern)
- *Ocimum basilicum* (Basil)
- *Amaranthus dubius* (Amaranth)
- *Pimenta dioica* (Allspice)


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