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# Sensory Guide



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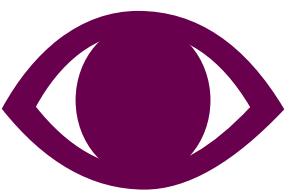
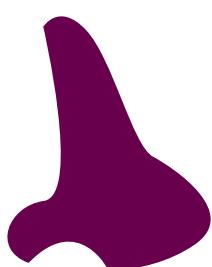
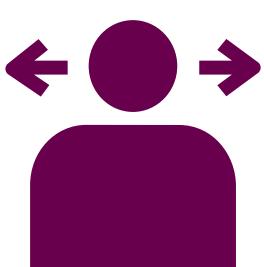
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This guide describes the sensory experiences you will find at Sensory-Friendly Night at Blossoms of Light®. Please contact staff or a volunteer for assistance, and enjoy your night!

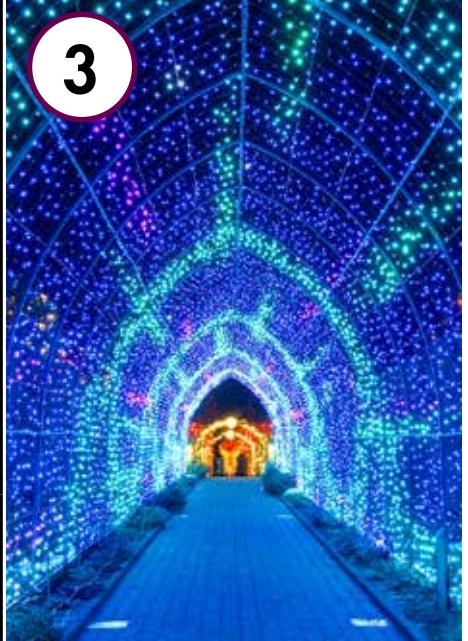
## LEVEL KEY

 <b>Sound</b>	Low	Quiet office
	Medium	Casual conversation
	High	Busy restaurant
 <b>Sight</b>	Low	Low contrast, static motion
	Medium	Flickering lights, varying color
	High	Bright, high contrast/colors/movement
 <b>Smell</b>	Low	Little to no fragrance in area
	Medium	Some fragrance in area
	High	Unavoidable fragrance in area
 <b>Movement</b>	Low	Little movement
	Medium	Upper or lower body only
	High	Entire body; running, spinning, etc.
 <b>Interaction</b>	Low	Low contact with staff, volunteers, guests
	Medium	Contact with staff, volunteers, guests
	High	High contact with staff, volunteers, guests

# LOCATION MAP



# LOCATIONS

 1	<p><b>Welcome Garden</b> – This is the Gardens entrance, where your ticket will be redeemed. You may experience longer lines and wait times in this area.</p>		Medium
 2	<p><b>Crossroads</b> – Volunteers here can answer any questions you may have during your visit. Boettcher Memorial Center has accessible restrooms, food at Offshoots Café and the Info Desk where guests can borrow <b>SPARK backpacks</b>.</p>		Medium
 3	<p><b>O'Fallon Perennial Walk – Light Tunnel</b> – Viewer discretion is advised. This area has overhead lights and music playing throughout. Follow up with our volunteers at Crossroads if alternative paths are needed.</p>		High
 4	<p><b>El Pomar Waterway and Ellipse Garden</b> – Water features may be on in this area. Benches are available in this area.</p>		Low
 5	<p><b>Romantic Gardens</b> – View <i>Colorado</i> by Dale Chihuly from this vantage point. There are covered benches in this area under gazebos.</p>		Medium

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 <b>6</b>	<p><b>Reflective Ribbons –</b> Water features may be on in this area.</p>	 Medium  Medium  Low  Low
 <b>7</b>	<p><b>Woodland Mosaic – Aspen Trees</b> – This area includes a brief stop in a small indoor space, if you choose. The indoor space may be closed if there are icy conditions.</p>	 Low  Medium  Medium  Low
 <b>8</b>	<p><b>The Signature Tree –</b> A calm area for a photo opportunity. You may experience interactions with other guests in this area.</p>	 Low  High  Low  Medium
 <b>9</b>	<p><b>Garland Tunnel</b> – A calm area for a photo opportunity. You may experience interactions with guests here. The garland in the tunnel is fake and does not smell.</p>	 High  Medium  Medium  Medium
 <b>10</b>	<p><b>Knitted Balls</b> – There are benches in this area.</p>	 Low  Medium  Low  Low
 <b>11</b>	<p><b>Dryland Mesa East</b> – This narrow path will lead you to the Hive, our largest outdoor restaurant and seating area.</p>	 Medium  Low  Medium  Low

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**The Hive Garden Bistro –**  
Food and drinks are available here along with lots of outdoor seating options. Family/gender neutral restrooms are also available here. This is a loud, high-traffic area, but can also be bypassed if you prefer.



Medium



Low



High



Low



High



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**Dryland Mesa West –**  
This narrow path has some music that will lead you along the rest of the one-way path. Remaining paths can be narrow.



Medium



Low



Low



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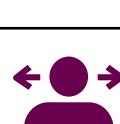
**Willow Glade in Celebration of Brandon Mandelbaum –**  
There are benches in this area.



Low



Low



Low



Low



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**Rock Alpine –**  
This is a narrow path area.



Low



Low



Medium



Low



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**Gates Montane Garden – Winter Woodland –**  
There are benches in this area.



Medium



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**Plains Aglow –**  
This is a narrow path area.



Low



Medium



Low



Medium



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**Shofu-En Japanese Garden –**  
This is a narrow path area.



Low



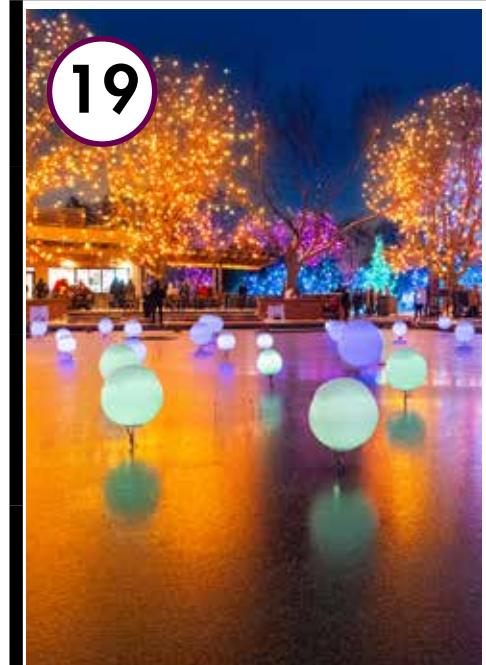
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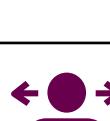
**Monet Pool – Holiday Orbs –**  
Use caution close to the water's edge. There are opportunities to interact with volunteers and Garden Guides in this area.



Low



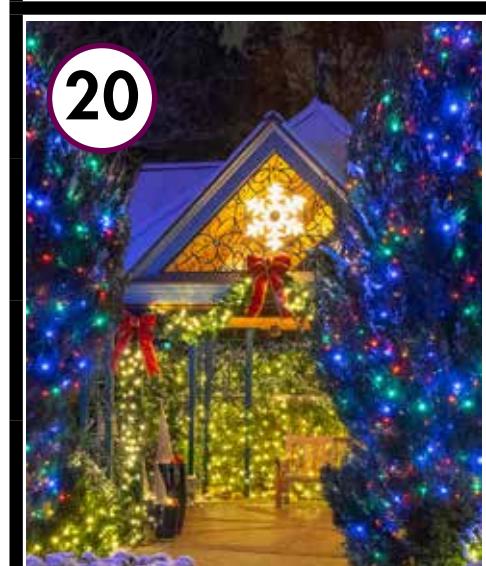
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**Victorian Secret Garden –**  
This is a calmer area that includes benches. The garland is fake and does not smell.



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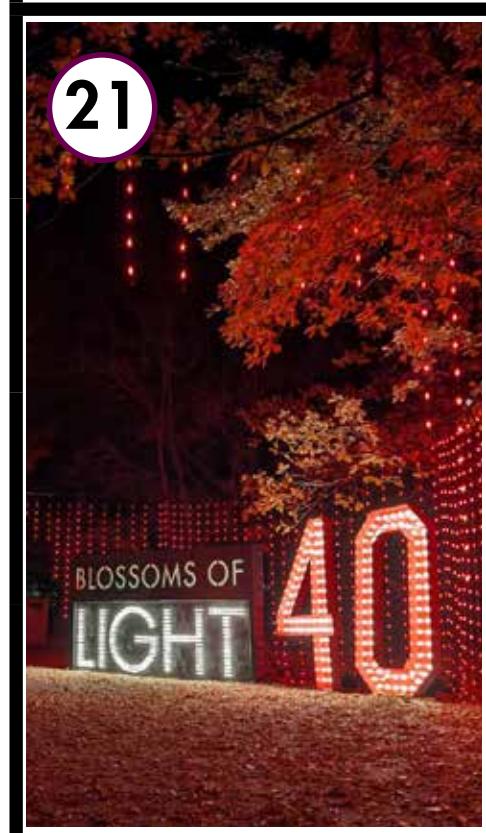
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**Oak Grove – 40th Anniversary Feature –**  
Viewer discretion is advised. This section includes large signage and lights dedicated to Blossoms of Light's 40th anniversary. This section can be bypassed on Sensory-Friendly Night only.



High



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Medium



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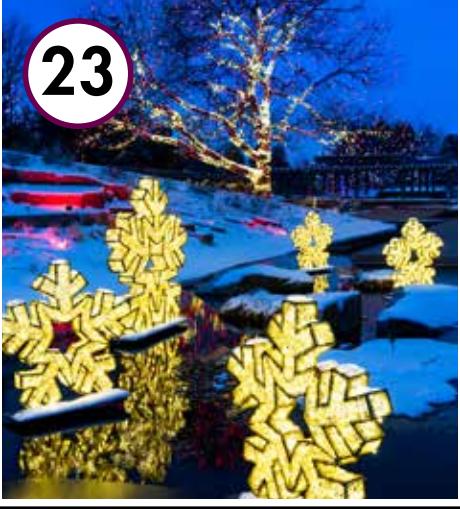
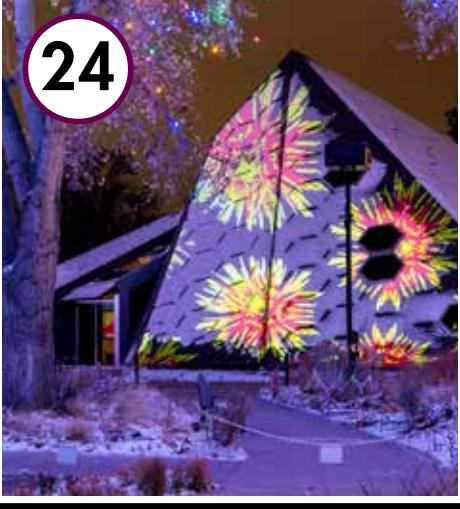
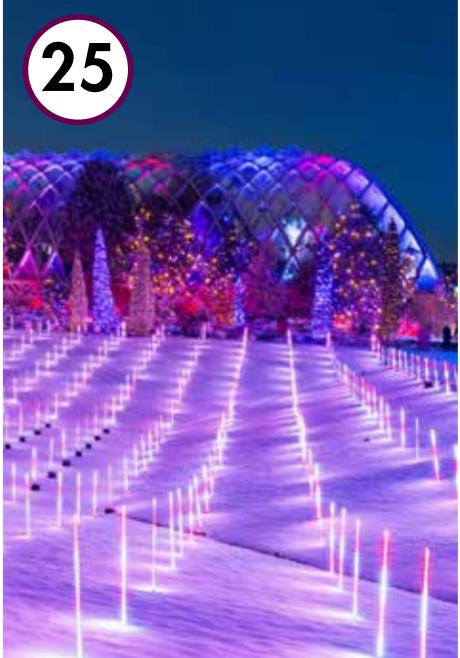
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	<p><b>Shady Lane and Marnie's Pavillion</b> – Wider path area with lit trees overhead. Marnie's Pavillion has accessible restrooms and an opportunity to be indoors and warm up. There is a water feature inside that may be loud for some.</p>		High
			Medium
			Low
			Medium
	<p><b>Steppe Garden – Snowflakes &amp; Decor</b> – Use caution close to the water's edge. This is an area for a photo opportunity.</p>		Medium
			Medium
			Low
			Low
	<p><b>Science Pyramid Projections</b> – Viewer discretion is advised. This area has moving projections that vary in image, speed and duration.</p>		Low
			Low
			Low
			Low
	<p><b>UMB Bank Amphitheater Finale</b> – Viewer discretion is advised. This is one of the highest lighting contrast and viewing sections and may be extra sensitive to some.</p>		High
			High
			Low
			High

Thank you for joining us!

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