Beginning in 2006, HPU First Lady Mariana Qubein formed an Arboretum Committee to develop an Arboretum and Botanical Gardens on campus. With the help of numerous committee members, the landscape team at HPU and a team of students, the Arboretum and Botanical Gardens have developed dramatically. The goal of the Arboretum and Botanical Gardens is to beautify the HPU campus and preserve the environmental surroundings using what God has provided. All this is done with the goal of also providing unique educational opportunities for students and visitors alike.

In recognition for her tireless efforts and vision to bring to fruition the Arboretum and Botanical Gardens, the High Point University Board announced the naming of the Mariana H. Qubein Arboretum & Botanical Gardens in late 2009. The First Lady has worked with faculty, staff, students, landscape designers, local garden clubs, donors and other institutions to seize the opportunity to create and establish a campus-wide arboretum that houses various themed gardens.

The colorful guide map shows the layout of the Botanical Gardens on the High Point University campus and serves as a guide for a walking tour commencing from The Rankin Welcome Garden. Located at each individual garden is an information box containing a brochure featuring a map of that garden, as well as a list of included plants. Currently, the Botanical Gardens are comprised of 28 gardens and are continuously being enhanced.

The Arboretum is spread throughout the campus and is constantly being expanded with an overall goal of expanding the diversity throughout.

Steel Magnolia Tree Collection
With the support of the Steel Magnolias, an alumni group, and with the leadership of Mrs. Anne Walker, High Point University’s Magnolia Collection is rapidly expanding to become one of the largest Magnolia collections in North Carolina. Currently, 148 Magnolia trees have been planted on HPU’s campus with a goal of over 200 different magnolias in the collection within five years.

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100 different azaleas, deciduous and evergreen, erupt in spring with some collection. Hues ranging from ruby reds to pinks and purples from well over 50 Encore® Azaleas from Pender Nursery. Steel blue, lavender, and pink blooms. The diverse buds throughout this garden provide interest year round.

Phyllis Collection Sculpture Garden
This garden, given by Mark and Julie Phillips, was created to expand with added sculptures. Both Rodin and Henry Moore, known as major garden sculptures will continue the patriotic garden started by SGA in November 2001. Hosta and other companion plants will continue the patriotic theme. A selection of hosta flowers are as follows: Hayes Peak, Stained Glass, and Blue Mouse Ears are some of the many plants that are used either directly or indirectly for medicinal use. Interpretative material can be found guiding visitors through this garden.

Waterfall Garden
An expansive garden located behind Cottrell Hall centered around a recontouring waterfall, one of over three thousand gallons of water from either of two patios and tanks in the plantings of numerous mixed bulbs, perennials, grasses, shrubs and trees as well as the filigree hedges on either side.

Markham Family Medicinal Garden
This garden offers a colorful contrast to the neighboring ponds and splashing fountains. In 2006, a generous donation of 50 Saucon® Azaleas from Pender Nurseries (Garner, NC) was a welcome expansion to the collection. Hues ranging from ruby reds to pinks and purples to over 180 different azaleas, deciduous and evergreen, erupt in spring with some reblooming occurring in fall, truly a magnificent sight to behold.

The Rankin Welcome Garden
Located behind Blessing Residence Hall, this garden takes advantage of the existing tree layer and slope to provide a blend of texture, colors, and forms to create a relaxing environment. This unique four season garden transitions into an array of textures and colors as the seasons change.

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9/11 Memorial Bulb Garden
Located across the road behind Blessing Residence Hall, this garden expands on the original 9/11 memorial daffodil garden started by SGA in November 2001. Hyacinths and other companion plants will continue the patriotic theme. Some flowers, foliage color or name. In the fall, the naturalized bulbs overtake the spring-flowering saugezissanse (Resurrection Lily) and other fall blooming bulbs. The diverse bulbs throughout this garden provide interest year round.

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Wandering Dogwood Grove
The Dogwood Grove started with planting of various Kousa dogwoods, a relative of our native dogwood, and continues to expand with added cultivars. Bed of bulbs and spring and summer colors throughout the grove.

Lakeside Gardens
The aesthetically pleasing yet functional Lakeside Gardens serve as a buffer to reduce pollutants from surrounding areas. The selection of plants within this garden adapt and thrive in the nutrient deprived conditions, whether receiving occasional precipitation or planted in standing water.

Faculty and Staff Perennial Garden
Originally planted with 222 bulbs, this garden was built by HPU faculty and staff volunteers with donations from their own gardens. It is an attractive addition to the HPU and impact on campus is echoed through the many selections from his personal garden that fill this space.

Dr. E. Reg Epperson Garden
Nested between the Heyworth Fine Arts Center and Carver Hall, this garden is a place of repose and reflection. Visitors can pause under the beautiful tree overlooking a serene fountain. Dedicated in honor of Dr. E. Reg Epperson, the garden provides a sense of peace and quiet and serves as a place of meditation.

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Robert’s Reflecting Pool
The reflecting pool is a favorite gathering space on campus. Koi and water lilies bring to life the reflecting pool while the beautifully landscaped patio areas provide a calm place for studying or relaxing.

Culinary Herb Garden
This garden yields both fresh herbs for the campus chef and an area where students can sit and enjoy the fragrance and textures of these herbs. Dr. Thomas Meyn (High Point, NC) donated an Arbouria, a type of arbor, in the garden in honor of his wife and university trustee, Kay Meyn.

Ascleia Path
Winding its way around the Slane Center, this garden is a reflection of the ancient practice of Labyrinth walking. This garden provides the campus an outdoor space for prayer and reflection, centered on the aesthetic of a labyrinth designed to challenge visitors through the many selections from his personal garden that fill this space.

The Spirit Garden
Serving as encouragement for our athletes and students, this garden features shrubs and flowers shaped to spell out “Go HPU” throughout the campus. It was given by George and Kelley Hollowick, and David and Amy Smith in appreciation of Scott and Courtney Cherry.

The Overlook Garden
An amazing blend of azaleas, hydrangeas, and rhodedendrons, this garden features shrubs and perennials in this new garden located in front of Miller Gym. It is designed to catch runoff water. The garden showcases plants which can handle a range of situations, from roots which are flooded shortly after heavy rainfall periods from precipitation, to meno dry situations which may occur between runoff events.

The Bio-Retention Cell Rain Garden
Bordering the satellite parking area, Aldridge Village, these gardens are designed to catch runoff water. The garden showcases plants which can handle a range of situations, from roots which are flooded shortly after heavy rainfall periods from precipitation, to meno dry situations which may occur between runoff events.

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