

# Your Garden



Sat, Sun 15 & 16 November 10.00am-4.30pm

Enjoy a rare opportunity to visit over 20 privately owned Melbourne gardens over the weekend of November 15 and 16, 2008, all professionally designed by leading landscape designers. Meet the designers at their gardens, ask questions and be inspired, whilst contributing to the support of the selected charities.

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# GARDEN DesignFest 2008



**Designer:** Philip Johnson,  
Greenmark Landscapes  
**Contact:** 9752 1541  
**Garden No:** 13 **Melway Ref:** 52 A5  
**Location:** Res. 2 / 232 Cambridge Road, Kilsyth

This one-acre garden is a place for relaxation with low maintenance and areas for organic, home grown vegetables and herbs, and importantly areas for entertaining. The existing landscape was flat, lacking interest. Working with the existing views and the surrounding landscape, Phil sculpted the land and introduced water as a relaxing and revitalising feature that could be viewed both from within and outside the house. The garden features two sustainable billabongs fed with storm water from the roof. There is a dry creek bed, featuring stepping-stones and paving, remnant indigenous grasslands, glass sculpture, a raised vegetable patch and a range of wonderful Australian native plants throughout the garden.

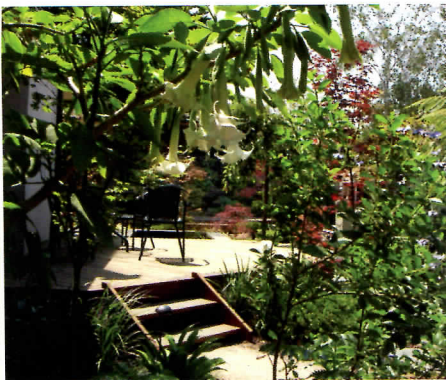
**Designer:** Georgina Martyn, BoldSimplicity Pty Ltd  
**Contact:** 9877 3007  
**Garden No:** 14 **Melway Ref:** 45 G5  
**Location:** 115 Argyle Rd., Kew



Designed for imaginative play opportunities, as well as adult needs, this front garden is definitely different. It includes striking metal sculptures and explorative paths through foliage plants for childhood joy. The plantings combine a mix of drought tolerant natives and exotics that provide leaf contrast and seasonal interest year round. A circular retaining wall houses sand for the children to play and feel ownership of the space. A shallow stainless steel water dish brings gentle movement to the garden. A small area of lawn is perfect for kicking a ball or relaxing on a soft surface. Stepping-stones link different areas of the garden allowing for continuity and flow. The garden exudes a magical quality.



**Designer:** Sandra McMahon, Gardenscape Design  
**Contact:** 9725 3286  
**Garden No:** 15 **Melway Ref:** 28 G7  
**Location:** 18 Milverton St., Moonee Ponds



The brief for this garden was to create an exciting, plant driven space to enhance the beautifully restored and extended Victorian Hawthorn brick home. The garden also had to appeal to children, as well as providing opportunities for outdoor entertaining. Now a garden of rooms, its features include an exquisite hand-pebbled path, rose and perennial plantings, an informal lawn garden with shrub borders, a 'Jungle Garden', cantilevered timber deck over a reflective pool and a Japanese inspired teahouse and garden. Garden shed, clothesline and herb garden and utility area are also cleverly incorporated into the design. High quality hard landscaping is evident throughout.