

O-hanami Picnic under the Flowering Crabapple Trees

**Sunday, May 20, 2012, starting at 11:30 a.m.
Japanese Garden of the Montréal Botanical Garden**

During the Heian period in Japan (794-1185), aristocrats organized celebrations under the flowering cherry trees. This led to the tradition of *o-hanami*: contemplating (*mi*) the blossoms (*hana*). The custom spread over the centuries, becoming popular with people from all walks of life.



Japanese cherry trees are not very hardy and seldom bloom in our climate, but our many flowering crabapples will create a similarly peaceful and romantic atmosphere.

Various activities are planned for your enjoyment, as well.

**Japanese lunchboxes (including a non-alcoholic beverage)
will be handed out on-site to those who have paid in advance.**

Cost: \$24 – regular price, not including Botanical Garden admission
\$20 – special price for members of the Japanese Garden and Pavilion Foundation

The price includes a small contribution to the Montréal Japanese Garden and Pavilion Foundation.

Because eating is normally not allowed in the garden, only those visitors with reservations will be allowed to attend the picnic. Reserve today! Numbers are limited.

Information and reservations: 514 872-0607

Deadline: May 10 (payment by cheque)
May 16 (payment in cash or by Visa)

Please make your cheque payable to the **Montréal Japanese Garden and Pavilion Foundation** and mail it to: Japanese Garden and Pavilion, Montréal Botanical Garden, 4101 Sherbrooke Street East, Montréal, Quebec, H1X 2B2

Don't forget a picnic blanket. Please leave your chairs at home – they are hard on the lawn.

Family name:	First name:	
Address:		Apt.:
City/Town:	Postal code:	Telephone:
Number of lunchboxes:	x \$24 (\$20 for members) =	\$
Visa card number:		Expiry date: