

Designed by world-renowned architect Kengo Kuma, the Garden's new Cultural Village not only provides additional space to accommodate more visitors, but also to enhance its ability to immerse visitors in traditional Japanese arts and culture.

Kuma's appreciation for Japanese design principles and how they remain relevant in the modern world make him an ideal match for the Garden's aim. Together with the Portland Japanese Garden's Curator, third-generation master garden craftsman Sadafumi Uchiyama, Kuma designed the new Cultural Village to honor the singular experience of each visitor and ensure the serenity is protected for future generations.

"Given its proximity to nature, Portland is unlike any place in the world. This new Cultural Village serves as a connector of the stunning Oregon landscape, Japanese arts and a subtle

gradation to architecture," said Kuma. "Working with the Garden has influenced my approach to future projects, especially integrating green and wood."

With this expansion, Kuma and Uchiyama reused and optimized existing land to create an immersive, fluid journey from beginning to end. To better welcome visitors, the entrance to the Garden at Washington Park features a water garden with cascading ponds, introducing the transition from city to tranquility. To protect the peaceful environment, the Village emulates Japan's *monzenmachi*, the gate-front towns that surround sacred shrines and temples.

The Tateuchi Courtyard is a gathering space for seasonal activities, performances and demonstrations to educate and enrich the visitor experience. Each new LEED-certified structure exists harmoniously with nature and honors the Garden as the

centerpiece. New buildings include a Japanese Arts Learning Center, a Garden House and the Umami Café.

For more information, visit portlandjapanesegarden.org.

IDAHO

StoneRidge Golf and Recreational Community, Blanchard

About 25 miles north of downtown Coeur d' Alene, StoneRidge Golf and Recreational Community sprawls across the beautiful Idaho Panhandle landscape. Northern Idaho offers myriad outdoor activities: hunting, fishing, kayaking, hiking, skiing and, of course, golf.

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of six pickleball courts. Pickleball, one of the country's fastest-growing recreational sports, is easy to learn and provides plenty of outdoor exercise.

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MONTANA

Symphony Under the Stars, Helena

This July 15th, the Helena Symphony will draw nearly 20,000 people to Montana's capital city for one evening of free symphony music at its annual

who've discovered it. Homes, cabins, condos and an RV park all sit on a stunning 650-acre tract of land. But it's StoneRidge's recreational facilities that help set it apart.

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