The Future Is in Your Hands…

Our vision: To inspire passion for the natural world
In 1971, Eddie and Elizabeth Clarkson had a difficult decision to make — how to insure the future of their garden for the enjoyment of the residents of Charlotte as well as provide a home for birds of all kinds. Their decision to preserve the garden was through a planned gift (a planned gift is a gift through a will, trust or other charitable document) — and was a perfect solution. Established in 2014, The Clarkson Society honors our members who have followed the Clarksons’ lead by making provisions for the Wing Haven Foundation through their long-term financial and estate planning.

So now, over 40 years later, the future of Wing Haven is in your hands. How will your legacy define and enhance the future of the gardens? The answer is simple, a planned gift.
Partner with Wing Haven to fund a living legacy with an unrestricted or restricted gift, whether you are wealthy in cash or rich in spirit.

Wing Haven preserves the brick-enclosed sanctuary of the Clarkson garden and the living laboratory of the southern horticulturalist Elizabeth Lawrence. We are fortunate to have many dedicated members — some of whom provide support through their time and talent, while others support the garden by providing funds to support programs and infrastructure. By establishing a planned gift, you can continue your personal legacy or create a new one.

A planned gift to Wing Haven can be as simple as making a bequest in your will or trust, or naming Wing Haven as a beneficiary of an IRA, a life insurance policy, investment or certificate of deposit.

How to Say It

A planned gift is not complicated. Some examples include naming Wing Haven in your will or trust by stating…

- “I give 10% of the net value of my estate to Wing Haven Foundation, a nonprofit organization located at 248 Ridgewood Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28209 for its ongoing garden preservation and environmental education purposes.”
- “I give $10,000 to Wing Haven Foundation.”
You can also name Wing Haven Foundation as a beneficiary of all or a percentage of your IRA; or a life insurance policy that you own. Another example is making Wing Haven the payee upon your death of an investment or a certificate of deposit. (As with any financial decision, you should consult your attorney, CPA or financial advisor.)

Your gift can be unrestricted — that is, used for the general operation of Wing Haven; or restricted, that is, to be used for a specific purpose such as the Wing Haven Endowment, the Elizabeth Lawrence Garden, the Herb Garden or the Children’s Program to name a few.

Wing Haven’s future is in your hands. Will you become a member of The Clarkson Society? Please contact us for more information on how to carry on your legacy of support.

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You can ignite that spark…

… in a child’s eye and inspire passion for the natural world. To learn how you can make a difference, contact the Development Office at 704.331.0664 ext. 108, events@winghavengardens.org, or mail the enclosed card to us and we will contact you.

PEEPS (Preschool Environmental Education Program) participant

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Cultivating sanctuary in nature, environmental stewardship and the legacy of southern horticulture.

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I want to inspire passion for the natural world!

- I have created my legacy by leaving a gift to Wing Haven in my will or trust or by beneficiary designation.
- I want to learn more about including a gift to Wing Haven in my plans.
- I would like to discuss designating my gift for a particular Wing Haven area or program.

Name  _________________________________________________________________________________________
Address  _______________________________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip  ________________________________________________________________________________
Phone or Email (required)  _______________________________________________________________________

Contact Wing Haven’s Development Office at 704.331.0664 ext 108, events@winghavengardens.org or mail this card back to us at 248 Ridgewood Ave., Charlotte, NC 28209. For additional information about Wing Haven, please visit www.winghavengardens.org.

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