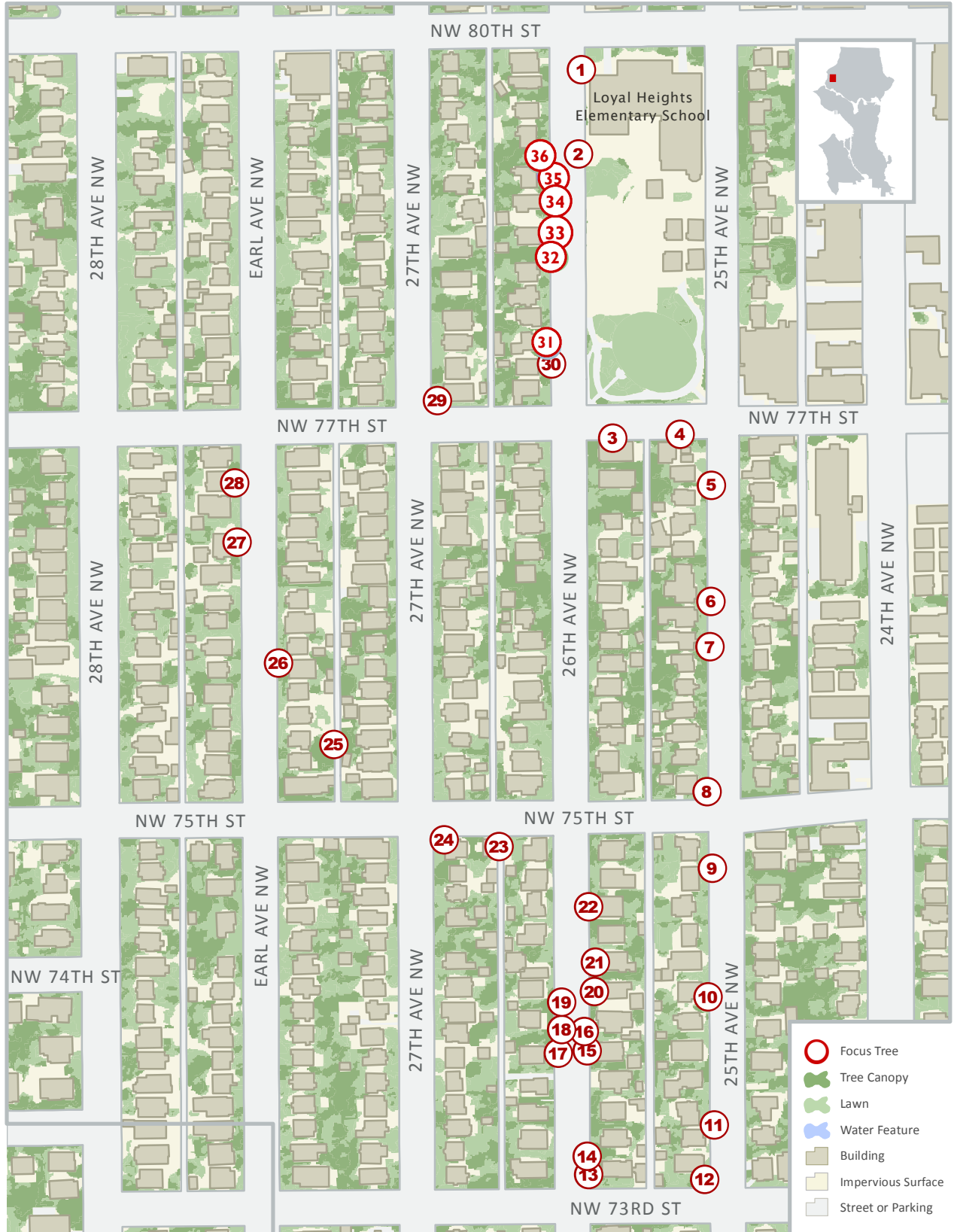


LOYAL HEIGHTS TREE WALK



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- Making our streets friendlier places to walk and bike
- Soaking up rainwater to keep our streams, lakes, and Puget Sound clean
- Calming traffic, helping to avoid accidents
- Cleaning our air, making it easier to breathe
- And much more!

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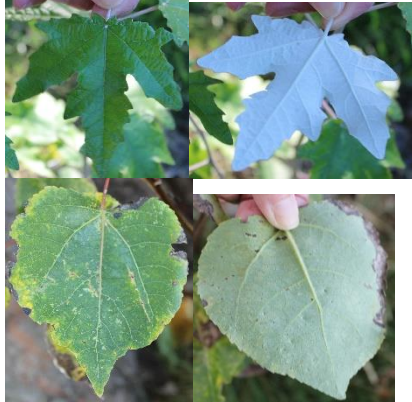



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Loyal Heights Tree Walk





Walk begins in front of Loyal Heights Elementary school in the corner of NW 80th St. and 26th Ave NW.



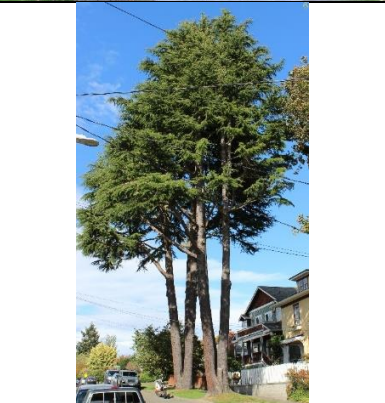

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1	Incense Cedar <i>Calocedrus decurrens</i>	<p>Start the tree walk at the northwest corner of the Loyal Heights Elementary school main building. Location: 2511 NW 80th Street by the northwest corner of the building.</p> <p>Incense cedars are native to the northwest and often confused with the Western Redcedar. This tree has been trimmed up to allow pedestrians to pass underneath it. Incense cedars are easily identified by their tulip-shaped cones.</p>	
2	Dawn Redwood <i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i>	<p>Walk south on the east side of 26th Ave NW toward NW 77th Street. These trees are a row of street trees starting partway down 26th Ave NW. Location: East side of 26th Ave NW Street in the parking strip.</p> <p>The Dawn Redwood sheds its needle-like leaves in the Fall after a yellow to red color display. This tree has orange to red brown bark peeling vertically in stringy flakes. It closely resembles Bald Cypress, but its foliage is opposite (leaves directly across from each other on the twig) rather than alternate (leaves staggered on the twig). Both the Dawn Redwood and Bald Cypress are in the Swamp Cypress family.</p>	
3	White Poplar <i>Populus alba</i>	<p>Cross NW 75th street and turn left down NW 75th street. Location: Street trees in side yard of 7560 26th Ave NW and 7557 25th Ave NW.</p> <p>These HUGE street trees have distinctive leaves that are glossy green on top, white on the bottom and deeply lobed. It is easier to see these leaves if you look for suckers that are coming out along NW 75th Street especially at the corner with 26th Ave NW.</p>	


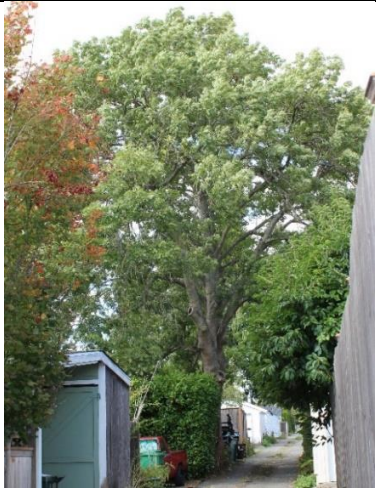


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4	Grey Poplar <i>Populus × canescens</i>	<p>Location: Street trees in side yard of 7557 25th Ave NW. The 3rd Poplar in from the corner of NW 75th Street and 26th Ave NW.</p> <p>We identified this as a different type of Poplar because its leaves are not white underneath and they have a different shape. The leaves shown here on top are the White Poplar, on the bottom are the Grey. The pictures show the tops & bottoms of the leaves. This tree is a hybrid between the white poplar (<i>Populus alba</i>) & the common aspen (<i>Populus tremula</i>).</p>	
5	Eucalyptus or Cider Gum <i>Eucalyptus gunnii</i>	<p>Continue east to 25th Ave NW and turn right. Location: 7549 25th Ave NW in the front yard.</p> <p>We have two Eucalyptus trees identified on this walk, this Cider Gum and the Urn Gum.</p> <p>The round, juvenile foliage is prized by flower arrangers and florists.</p>	
6	Apple <i>Malus domestica</i>	<p>Continue south on 25th Ave NW. Location: 7531 25th Ave NW in the parking strip.</p> <p>This unique apple tree is grafted with two types of apples. The owners told us that the apples to the north are great for pies and the apples to the south are great for eating right off the tree. We believe this is a dwarf tree because it is at least 14 years old.</p>	
7	Japanese Maple <i>Acer palmatum</i>	<p>Continue south on 25th Ave NW. Location: 7521 25th Ave NW in the northeast corner of the lot, near the sidewalk and behind a native vine maple.</p> <p>This Japanese maple is the lace leaf variety. Here are some examples of Japanese Maple leaves:</p>	







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8	Scots Pine, Scotch Pine <i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	Continue south on 25 th Ave NW. Location: 7501 25 th Ave NW, in the southeast corner of the lot. This tree has beautiful bark that is easily seen since this tree is situated in the raised yard above the sidewalk. In its preferred setting (dry, sandy soils) these trees will grow to 115 ft.; they grow slower in wet climates. It is one of the most widespread pine trees on earth.	
9	Saucer Magnolia <i>Magnolia x soulangeana</i>	Cross NW 77 th Street and continue south on 25 th Ave NW. Location: 7353 25 th Ave NW in the front yard. One of the most popular magnolias. These trees begin life shrubby and some stay like that. This tree is more tree-like but has maintained a shrubby girth.	
10	Eastern White Pine <i>Pinus strobus</i>	Continue south on 25 th Ave NW. Location: 7333 75 th Ave NW in the front yard. This large pine is native to eastern North America. It is the state tree of Michigan and Maine and the provincial tree of Ontario. These trees are abundant on the east coast to Michigan and as far south as northern Georgia. The owner (who is from the south) did not know he had a special tree in his front yard.	
11	Pin Oak <i>Quercus coccinea</i>	Continue south on 25 th Ave NW. Location: 7309 25 th Ave NW in the parking strip. One of the fastest growing oaks and Seattle's most popular.	



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12	Norway Maple <i>Acer platanoides</i>	<p>Continue south on 25th Ave NW. Location: 7305 25th Ave NW in the southeast corner of the front yard.</p> <p>This is a huge beautiful maple that was luckily spared from the house fire and subsequent repair on the property. It has also endured extensive pruning due to power lines. Stand under this majestic tree and look up through its canopy, it is a delight!</p>	
13	Norway Spruce <i>Picea abies</i>	<p>Turn right (west) on NW 73rd Street, walk down to 26th Ave NW and turn right again (north). Location: 7302 26th Ave NW in the front yard.</p> <p>The story goes, every Christmas the Norwegian capital city of Oslo provides the cities of New York, London, Edinburgh and Washington D.C. with a Norway spruce, which is placed at the most central square of each city. This is mainly a sign of gratitude for the aid these countries gave during the Second World War.</p>	
14	Flowering Dogwood <i>Cornus florida</i>	<p>Continue north up 26th Ave NW. Location: Street tree in front of 7308 26th Ave NW.</p> <p>We chose this tree for its beautiful form and its great example of a mature Dogwood tree's bark, which is broken into small square-ish blocks.</p>	
15	Hybrid Golden Chain <i>Laburnum x watereri 'Vossii'</i>	<p>Continue north on 26th Ave NW. Location: Street tree in front of 7320 26th Ave NW.</p> <p>We identified this tree by its seedpod size, which is smaller and contains fewer seeds than the Common Laburnum. These trees are in the pea family (thus the seedpods look like peapods).</p>	

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16	Common Horsechestnut <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW. Location: Street tree in front of 7326 26 th Ave NW. This tree is fairly common in Seattle and does well managing urban conditions.	
17	Eucalyptus, Urn Gum <i>Eucalyptus urnigera</i>	Cross over 26 th Ave NW. Location: Street tree in front of 7323 26 th Ave NW. The name came from the seed pods that look like perfect little urns. These are usually smaller trees.	
18	Two Large Cherry trees: Van and Royal Ann or Queen Ann or Napoleon <i>Prunus avium</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW Location: In the front yard of 7327 26 th Ave NW. The owner says that these trees produce a bountiful harvest every year. The Van cherry looks like a Bing and the Royal Anne cherry looks like a Rainer. Both planted by the current owner as saplings in 1981.	
19	Silk Tree Mimosa <i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW. Location: In the front yard at 7333 26 th Ave NW. These trees have a lovely feathery habit with wispy pink aromatic flowers. They are also in the pea family, the same as the Hybrid Golden Chain (Laburnum).	

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20	Asian Pear, Oriental Pear Tree <i>Pyrus pyrifolia</i>	<p>Cross back over 26th Ave NW. Location: A street tree in front of 26th Ave NW.</p> <p>Only this and the common pear tree are extensively grown for their fruit; other pears are grown as ornamental or in special collections</p>	
21	Ornamental Plum, Flower Plum <i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	<p>Continue north on 26th Ave NW. Location: The front yard of 7338 26th Ave NW.</p> <p>This purple tree is common throughout the city and has many cultivars.</p>	
22	Deodar Cedar (Himalayan Cedar) <i>Cedrus deodara</i>	<p>Continue north on 26th Ave NW. Location: Street trees in front of 7348 26th Ave NW.</p> <p>These exceptional trees are native to the Himalayas, but grow well in the west, and we are lucky to have hundreds in Seattle. These trees have been limbed up to provide more light to the homes below. You often see them with limbs swooping almost all the way to the ground.</p>	
23	Rowan or Mountain Ash <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	<p>Continue north up 26th Ave NW, turn left (west) to cross 26th Ave NW and walk west down the south side of NW 75th Street. Location: In the alley behind 3756 27th Ave NW.</p> <p>This tree personifies what it means to be an urban tree. It looks like it is growing out of the asphalt outside the property owner's fence. We chose this tree for its beautiful form and tenacity.</p>	

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24	Hawthorn <i>Crataegus</i>	<p>Continue west on 75th Ave NW to the corner of 27th Ave NW.</p> <p>Location: Street trees on the corner of 27th Ave NW and NW 75th Street.</p> <p>There are several Japanese Maples in with the Hawthorns, but most of this corner is made up of Hawthorn trees. Hawthorns provide food and shelter for many species of birds and mammals, and the flowers are important for many nectar-feeding insects.</p>	
25	Tree of Heaven <i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	<p>Cross over 75th Ave NW, turn left (west) and continue west down 75th Ave NW toward Earl Ave NW. Half way down the block, turn right (north) into the alley.</p> <p>Location: In the alley between 27th Ave NW and Earl Ave NW several lots up on the left.</p> <p>Considered a “weed tree” by some and a beloved tree by others, it grows rapidly and is capable of reaching heights of 50 feet in 25 years. It rarely lives more than 50 years, but through its remarkable suckering ability, it is possible for this tree to clone itself indefinitely. Suckers are linked to the mother tree and are partly fed by it, so they are less vulnerable than seedlings and can grow faster.</p>	
26	Bastard Service Tree or Fastigiata Sorbus <i>Sorbus x Thuringiaca</i>	<p>Go back to 75th Ave NW (turn around) and then continue west to Earl Ave NW. Turn right on Earl Ave NW and continue north.</p> <p>Location: Street trees in front of 7520 Earl Ave NW.</p> <p>We chose these trees because of their unusual uniform shape; we call them the “lollipop” trees. We also like to say “bastard”. 😊</p>	
27	Noble Fir <i>Abies procera</i>	<p>Continue north on Earl Ave NW and look across the street.</p> <p>Location: In front yard of 7545 Earl Ave NW.</p> <p>The Noble Fir is native to the Cascade Range and Coast Range mountains of extreme northwest California and western Oregon and Washington in the United States.</p>	

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28	Paperbark Maple <i>Acer griseum</i>	Continue north on Earl Ave NW and look across the street. Location: Street tree in front of 7553 Earl Ave NW.	
29	Weeping Atlas Cedar <i>Cedrus atlantica 'Glauca Pendula'</i>	Continue north on Earl Ave NW, cross NW 77 th Street and turn right (east) back toward the start of the walk. Cross 27 th Ave NW Location: Southwest corner of 2616 NW 77 th Street.	
30	Yellow Plum <i>Prunus domestica</i>	Continue east on NW 77 th Street to 26 th Ave NW and turn left (north). Location: To the south of the porch in the front yard of 7711 26 th Ave NW.	
31	Paperbark Birch, Canoe Birch <i>Betula papyrifera</i>	Location: In the same yard, framing the front yard walkway at 7711 26 th Ave NW. Whoever planted these trees did a beautiful job of framing the walkway and the front door.	
32	Rhododendron tree <i>Rhododendron arboreum</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW. Location: In the front yard at 7535 26 th Ave NW, south of the front porch. We included this tree to make the point that Rhododendrons can be trees, not just bushes. 😊	
33	Japanese Maple <i>Acer palmatum</i>	Location: In the same yard (7535 25 th Ave NW), west of the front porch. This tree is the same genus and species of the Japanese Maple tree we saw earlier on the walk. Notice how different these leaves are (see leaf shape samples under tree #7).	

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34	Sweet Gum <i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW. Location: A street tree in front of 7733 26 th Ave NW. The Sweet Gum is oft seen in the urban setting. Leaves turn red, yellow and purple in Autumn. Its bark is furrowed rather than flakey distinguishing it from the Oriental Plane, another common street tree. We chose these trees as they frame the property so well.	
35	Littleleaf Linden <i>Tilia Cardata</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW. Location: A street tree in front of 7739 26 th Ave NW. An amazing shade tree very common throughout Seattle with various cultivars.	
36	Umbrella Pine <i>Sciadopitys verticillata</i>	Continue north on 26 th Ave NW. Location: In the southeast corner of the front yard at 7747 26 th Ave NW. Touch this pine! It is a pine, but it's not a Pine. A native of Japan, it can reach 150 ft. tall, but in our climate it grows very slowly. It is the sole member of the family Sciadopityaceae and genus Sciadopitys, a living fossil with no close relatives, and known in the fossil record for about 230 million years.	