



The Shirley-Eustis House is a National Historic Landmark built in 1747 for Colonial Governor William Shirley. At the close of the 20th century the original rural landscape surrounding this house museum has become a densely populated urban village. The vision for this open space as stated by the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative is for it to become a “town green” for the neighborhood.

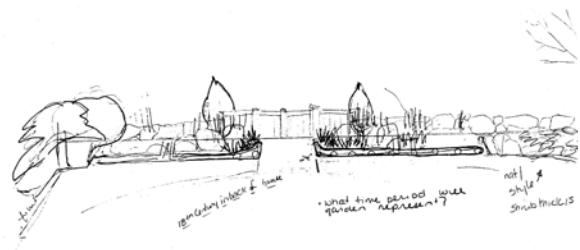
As part of the master plan, a COG designer developed a planting plan for a perennial border which acknowledges the rich history of the site and is sensitive to the changing needs of the surrounding community. On a hot spring day, volunteers from COG and from the neighborhood came together to install the garden, a first step in transforming a 19th century landscape into a 21st century neighborhood treasure.



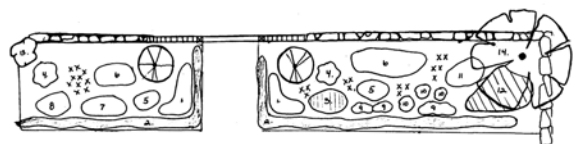
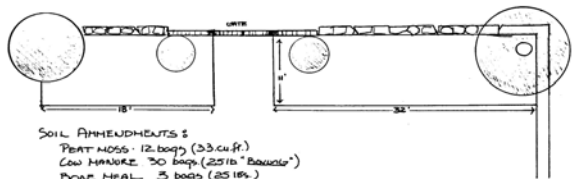
Client: Shirley-Eustis House  
Roxbury, MA

Designer: Susan Balleza  
Swampscott, MA

Completion: Summer, 1999



SHIRLEY-EUSTIS HOUSE  
DIMENSIONS & PERENNIAL BED.



- 1 Iris Germanica "Blue"
- 2 Sternis Sempervirens
- 3 Phlox
- 4 Hydrangea "Annabelle"
- 5 Rudbeckia
- 6 Hollyhock "Nigra" "Mixed"
- 7 Gerbe Daisy
- 8 Sage "Midnight"
- 9 Sweet William
- 10 Peony
- 11 Digitalis "Alba"
- 12 Daylily "Flora"
- 13 Rose "Sloan Oriar"
- 14 Maple
- XX Lillium
- XX Casablanca
- XX Sans Souci
- XX Candicium