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# Washed Ashore: Art to Save the Sea Makes Big Splash at Green Bay Botanical Garden This Summer

Traveling Exhibit Presented by Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed
Brings Plastic Pollution Awareness to Northeast Wisconsin in May

(GREEN BAY, WI) (May 2, 2025) — Discover the connections between plastic waste and the wellbeing of aquatic life by experiencing <u>Washed Ashore: Art to Save the Sea</u>, presented by Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed. This traveling exhibit features nine larger-than-life sculptures of animals made from trash and debris washed up from the Pacific Ocean.

The exhibit opens to the public today (Friday, May 2) and will be open daily during the Garden's regular hours of operation (9 am–8 pm daily through August 31, 9 am–6:30 pm from September 1 & 2).

The nine sculptures, including Edward the Leatherback Sea Turtle, Stanley the Sturgeon, and more, are placed at several spots throughout the Garden for guests to see and interact with. Sculptures will have educational signs highlighting facts about each animal, how plastic affects their environment and wellbeing, and everyday actions that can help make a difference. In addition to the exhibit, guests can enjoy a variety of family-friendly drop-in activities mixing ocean, pollution, and play throughout the Garden.

With the mission to educate people of all ages on the rise of plastic pollution in our oceans and waterways, <u>Washed Ashore</u> helps spark positive changes in daily habits with water and waste using powerful pieces of art.

The collection of more than 100 sculptures was founded by Angela Haseltine Pozzi, a teacher, consultant, and artist of more than 35 years, whose international award-winning artwork has been widely collected and exhibited in galleries and museums around the world. Now celebrating its 15th year, Washed Ashore has also appeared at a variety of botanical gardens, aquariums, zoos, and museums across North America including the Toronto Zoo; the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History; SeaWorld Parks in Orlando, San Diego and San Antonio; and the Epcot Center at the Walt Disney World Resort in Florida, among many more.

The exhibit is included with daily admission to the Garden and is free for Garden members. For more information, visit <u>GBBG.org/WashedAshore</u>.

## **Sculptures & Locations**

Hugo the Whale Tail | Partnership Garden

Marigold the Water Bottle Jelly | Raisanen Lodge Shelter

Scrappy the Sea Lion Pup | Magnolia Grove

Edward the Leatherback Sea Turtle | Bell Children's Garden

Rosa the Bald Eagle | Schneider Family Grand Garden

Sylvia the Silvertip Shark | Vanderperren English Cottage Garden

Clementine the Sea Star | Mabel Thome Patio

Stanley the Sturgeon | Mabel Thome Fountain

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#### About Green Bay Botanical Garden

Green Bay Botanical Garden connects people with plants by providing year-round educational and recreational experiences for everyone in an environment that engages, inspires and refreshes. First opened in 1996 and now featuring 47-acres of display gardens and natural areas, the Garden touches the lives of more than 200,000 guests on average annually from northeast Wisconsin and beyond. For more information about other happenings, visit GBBG.org or call 920.490.9457.

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## Caption:

Edward the Leatherback Sea Turtle, a sculpture that will be featured as part of Washed Ashore: Art to Save the Sea at the Garden this summer. (Photo courtesy of Green Bay Botanical Garden and The Washed Ashore Project)



## Caption:

Rosa the Bald Eagle, one of nine sculptures from Washed Ashore: Art to Save the Sea that'll be at the Garden this summer. (Photo courtesy Green Bay Botanical Garden and The Washed Ashore Project)