

Arboretum Adventure project

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The Northeast Arboretum located on the UNL – Haskell Ag Lab property east of Concord is a host site for this summer’s NSA Arboretum Adventure project. The Northeast Arboretum is participating in this new program to help celebrate the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum’s 40th anniversary. There are close to 50 arboretums across the state that are hosting a rubbing plaque at their arboretum location. Ten of the sites are in northeast Nebraska.

Participants in the Arboretum Adventure act as an “Explorer” to visit the different arboretums and make a crayon or pencil rubbing of the plaque in a guide book.

At each Arboretum you visit, read the clue and look for the plaque with the Arboretum Adventure logo and the name of the Arboretum (see the example on the front of the book). Use your guidebook to make a rubbing of the plaque and collect as many as you can! Keep your guidebook to remind you of your adventure and don’t forget to register for a chance to win one of our 3 family adventure prizes.

The guide book and an Adventure Map that gives the location of the arboretums can be printed from <https://plantnebraska.org/explore>. Or you can stop at the HAL office and pick up a guidebook and start the Arboretum Adventure at the Northeast Arboretum.

The Northeast Arboretum is an affiliate site of the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum and has over 80 different trees and shrubs growing on the property. These plants are labeled with identification plates. Visitors are encouraged to visit the UNL-HAL and Northeast Arboretum to see and learn about what different types of trees and shrubs grow in

northeast Nebraska. For information about the Northeast Arboretum or to schedule a visit for groups, please contact Steve Rasmussen at 402.375.0101 or srasmussen2@unl.edu.

