

The Kathryn Willmore Garden

An addition to the President's Garden

When Kathryn Willmore retired in the summer of 2006, the President's Office wanted to honor her more than 40 years of working for MIT by dedicating a garden in her name.

In collaboration with Facilities, the President's Office, and Kathryn Willmore, Landscape Architect Elena Saporta designed the garden within the existing President's Garden, which includes a bluestone patio with a set of embedded hosta islands, two benches, and a few vines. Kurt Tramposh who had been involved in establishing the original hosta beds donated most of these Hostas, the Grounds Department donated the labor to remove the existing trees.



Existing Crabtrees and Hostas



Proposed site of the Kathryn Willmore Garden
within the President's Garden



Grounds removed the Crabapples



Valley Crest starts construction



Recycled bluestone pavers from demolished Dibner Garden



Bluestone patio and openings for Hosta islands



New trees – *Parrotia persica*



All the plants are in, including donated hostas



Existing Hostas and other new plants



The garden is complete