

**Tree Photo Exhibition**  
**Help Wellesley Celebrate World Earth Day All Year Long!**  
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The Natural Resources Commission is partnering with the [Wellesley Free Library](#) to create the **Wellesley Tree Photo Exhibition** highlighting our urban tree canopy and underscoring the importance of preserving and protecting these valuable natural resources. This year-long project will run through April 2017 and help our town celebrate World Earth Day all year long.

Started by one individual in the United States forty-six years ago, [World Earth Day](#) is now celebrated annually on April 22nd in all 193 United Nations member-states. To commemorate World Earth Day's upcoming 50th anniversary in 2020, nations who participated in the [2015 Paris UN Conference on Climate Change](#) collectively agreed to help plant 7.8 billion trees globally by the year 2020, one tree for every person on earth. The hope is this effort will ensure trees maintain their biodiversity and retain their connectivity within regions and from one country to another.

The UN has invited all nations, regional organizations, civil societies and non-governmental organizations to observe World Earth Day in any way that suits their communities.

The **Wellesley Tree Photo Exhibition** is in response to the UN's call to action. With the help of citizen photographers, we'll spend a year appreciating our trees, learning their benefits, and showing their characteristics.

All submitted photos will be displayed in the Carol and Alan J. Bernon Media Room of the Wellesley Free Library.

**To Participate:**

- *Take a photo of a beautiful or unusual tree in Wellesley.*
  - *If your tree is situated on private property, please ask permission if the property is identifiable in the photograph.*
- *Include your name, address, phone number, and age (optional).*
- *Indicate tree species; if not known, provide its location so it can be identified.*
- *Please let us know why you chose to photograph your tree.*
- *Email your photo to the NRC. [nrc@wellesleyma.gov](mailto:nrc@wellesleyma.gov), or print it yourself on 8 x 10 photo paper and drop it off at the Wellesley Free Library (matting is provided).*

Questions and comments may be sent to [nrc@wellesleyma.gov](mailto:nrc@wellesleyma.gov)