



MOSS LANDSCAPING  
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# THE HOUSTON GARDENER

A QUARTERLY LANDSCAPING REPORT FOR THE BAYOU CITY

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# POST HARVEY LANDSCAPE HEALTH & TREE CARE

*Moss Landscaping's plant care and tree departments work to clean up storm damage and provide answers for homeowners affected by floodwaters*



### **Will my trees survive after being under water for a week?**

Most trees will survive a week or more of flooding, but keep an eye out for any signs of health issues or trees that do not appear to be recovering. Each situation is a little different, but mushrooms and white fungi at the base of a tree are a good sign of root rot. Borers are another concern, and are common in pines and magnolias after a flood. (Borers are the wood-eating larvae of certain moths and beetles.) If you are unsure, have a professional come out to assess them.

### **What tree care services can Moss Landscaping provide?**

Moss Landscaping has a full-service tree care department run by Randall Wauson who brings more than 30 years of experience to our team. His crew performs everything from tree trimming and maintenance to wood decay and disease identification. We can also provide tree trimming, pruning, removal, fertilizing, cabling,

stump grinding, cavity work, deep root feeding, air spading and installation of root barriers.

### **My lawn isn't bouncing back as quickly as I thought. Is there long term damage?**

The amount of lawn damage after flooding depends on several factors. The duration of submergence, water depth, temperature, grass species, light intensity and the condition of grass prior to flooding will determine whether the turf will survive and how long it will take to recover. Most grasses will survive 4 to 6 days of flooding at normal summer temperatures, which we had during Hurricane Harvey. Floodwaters can carry weed seeds and other undesirable substances, so a surviving lawn may take a 2-6 months of regular maintenance to look shipshape again, but a little patience and care will go a long way.



RANDALL WAUSON  
Tree Care Manager



CHARLIE FALLIS  
Turf & Plant Care Manager

# HOLIDAY GARDEN SHOWCASE



# FEATURED PARTNER



## Laura U, Inc.

Laura U was recently awarded Best of Houzz and a space on the prestigious National Gold List by Luxe Magazine. The firm holds more than 25 ASID awards for outstanding interiors including two Best in Show. Currently, Laura U is partnering with Moss Landscaping as well as luxury architecture & interior

brands to transform a 1925 home fronting the iconic North Boulevard in Houston's renowned Broadacres Historic District. More about this exciting collaboration coming this spring!



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# BEFORE & AFTER



Afton Oaks, Houston

# GARDEN OF THE QUARTER

We designed, installed and continue to maintain this beautiful property in River Oaks and we just can't get enough of these beautiful pops of pink. Bougainvillea is a great choice for adding big bursts of color!



# EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

## Blair Chesnut - Landscape Designer



An award-winning landscape designer and project manager, Blair works with our clients on the design, planning and implementation of a range of landscape projects. Blair earned her degree in Landscape Architecture from Clemson with a minor in horticulture and is now working towards acquiring her Landscape Architecture license. A Charleston native, Blair has harbored a love for traditional, southern gardens from a young age and we are lucky to have her on the Moss Landscaping team!

# PETUNIA'S PERSPECTIVE



Petunia took this great shot of our crew on site at Annunciation Orthodox School where Moss Landscaping donated the labor and materials for AOS's future rooftop herb garden! We are so thankful for our hard-working crew who unloaded 34 of these soil super sacks that had to be crane-lifted onto the roof one at a time!



# on the SCENE

WITH THE MOSS TEAM



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## OUT and ABOUT

1. MPC Bridge Bash 2. Santos pruning a boxwood cloud 3. ICAA Awards Luncheon 4. Sebastian Construction Subcontractor Lunch 5. Martin on site at AOS 6. John Staub Awards Lecture 7. Sandy, Joey, Robert and Brian by the Christmas tree 8. Houston Arboretum's "Arbor Cup" Golf Tournament

## UPCOMING EVENTS

COME HANG WITH THE MOSS GANG!

### JANUARY

- 11 **SADIE GWIN BLACKBURN ENVIRONMENTAL SEMINAR**  
MFAH, Brown Auditorium  
January 11, 9:30 – 11:30 AM
- 13 **URBAN HARVEST 18TH ANNUAL FRUIT TREE SALE**  
Houston Community College  
January 13, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- 16 **PRESERVATION HOUSTON HISTORY IN PRINT**  
Congregation Emanu El  
January 16, 6:30 - 8:00 PM
- 20 **MEMORIAL PARK ARBOR DAY**  
Vale-Asche Foundation Playground  
January 20, 9:00 AM
- 20 **EVENING AT PECKERWOOD**  
Peckerwood Garden  
January 20, 5 PM - 6:30 PM

### FEBRUARY

- 8 **MEMORIAL PARK CONSERVANCY PICNIC FOR THE PARK**  
The Forest Club  
February 8, 6:30 PM

### MARCH

- 2 **RIVER OAKS GARDEN CLUB'S "AZALEA TRAIL"**  
River Oaks, Various Locations  
March 2 – 4, all day
- 10 **MEMORIAL PARK CONSERVANCY BRUNCH RUN**  
Memorial Park  
March 10, 7:30 AM - 12:00 PM