

# Arbor Month 2026



# The Purpose of Arbor Month

Tualatin recognizes April as **Arbor Month** to celebrate the many contributions that trees make to our lives and community.

## Benefits of Trees:

### Public Health & Social Benefits

- Clean air
- Noise reduction
- Reduce crime
- Traffic calming

### Environmental Benefits

- Climate change
- Energy conservation
- Water filtration
- Wildlife habitat

### Economic Benefits

- Increase home value
- Attract businesses

### Aesthetically Pleasing

- Beautiful & Attractive
- Quality of Place
- Quality of Life



# Arbor Month Events & Activities

- Tualatin Trees Photography Contest
- Kids' Poster Contest
- Arbor Month Proclamation
- Treetop Wildlife
- Putting Down Roots Volunteer Tree Plantings
- Hug a Tree for Earth Day
- Tualatin Library tree-themed story times
- Arbor Month Scavenger Hunt in the park



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# Kids' Poster Contest: "Tualatin Trees are \_\_\_\_\_"



"Tall and Give Us Shade"  
Mara Fett-Hamilton  
Grades K-2



"Make My Heart Really Colorful"  
Tenley Richardson  
Grades 3-5

# Tualatin Trees Photo Contest

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“Autumn Reflections”  
First Place – Maree Ritter  
Location – Jurgens Park

# Tualatin Trees Photo Contest



“Maple at Sunset”  
Second Place – Julie McGuire  
Location – Jurgens Park



“Fall Reflection”  
Third Place – Stacy Darling  
Location – Tualatin Community Park

# Tree City USA

The Tree City USA certification is awarded by the National Arbor Day Foundation to recognize communities that have proven their commitment to an effective, ongoing community forestry program.

Tree City USA Standards Include: Tree Board, Tree Care Ordinance, Community Forestry Program with Budget, and Arbor Month Observance and Proclamation.

The City of Tualatin is Recognized as a **Tree City USA** for the 39<sup>th</sup> consecutive Year!



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