Friends of the Japanese Garden

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Dear Jay,

Every year, a little step at a time, we make improvements on our Japanese Garden. This year, 2005, will go down as a giant step year. We have a new, beautiful gate. And even more exciting is the possibility that this is only the first step in a complete fence and gate replacement. Without you and your great class of enthusiastic students it never would have happened. You all are wonderful.

Friends of the Japanese Garden thanks you, one and all, for your excellent work.

Arigatoo!

Dick Austin

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