Viridian Landscape Studio developed a new master plan for Bartram’s Garden, America’s oldest botanical garden. The master plan achieves an integration of site elements that preserves the historic core while allowing flexibility for future uses and increased visibility. The working process involved numerous workshops with multiple stakeholders to provide new circulation and parking, siting of a regional bicycle path through the property, a new Visitor’s Center, phased building improvements and educational landscape features.

### Phasing Plan

- **Phase 1: Entrance Roadway, Parking & Utilities**
- **Phase 2: Bicycle Path**
- **Phase 3: Garden Path Restoration, Drainage & Utilities**
- **Phase 4: New Entrance & Entry Drive Improvements**
- **Phase 5: Special Landscapes**
- **Phase 6: River Walk**
- **Phase 7: Visitor’s Center & Existing Buildings**

**Existing north meadow**

**Existing garden entrance**

**Photo simulation of proposed garden entrance.**

**Photo simulation of proposed tide wetland restoration including new paths and boardwalk.**

**Workshop group reviews new entry path to gardens.**

**Photo simulation of proposed bike path, circulation and meadow restoration.**

**Phasing plan for Bartram’s Garden**

**Photo simulation of proposed tidal wetland restoration and river’s edge treatment, including excavation, replanting, new paths and boardwalk.**

**Location:** Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
**Client:** Bartram’s Garden  
**Size:** 45 acres  
**Cost:** Master plan estimate $15 million  
**Status:** Fund-raising in progress for Phase one construction ($970 K)