CREATING AN OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE ON MOBOT AND SLAVERY

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THE OVERARCHING QUESTION

How can we help tell the history of the Missouri Botanical Gardens?

THE FOCUS QUESTION



How can we implement an outreach program to the neighboring schools and the local St. Louis area to educate individuals about the Missouri Botanical Garden and Slavery?

THE GOAL

Through our research, we discovered that the Missouri Botanical Gardens holds (educational courses) outreach classes for children, adults, and families. The classes consist of arts, crafts, cooking, and botany. We thought it would be a good idea to implement our own outreach program to teach individuals about the MOBOT garden and slavery. In the spring semester, we want to begin to create plans for this outreach to the neighboring schools in St. Louis.

IMPLEMENTATION

Spring Semester

- Look into local schools to talk about the garden's history of enslavement.
- Find individuals who are willing to volunteer for the classes.
- Start putting together the curriculum for the class with the help of MOBOT public interpreters and education department.
- Collaboration with the garden's Young Friends Focus Group
- Some further ideas could still arise.

THANK YOU

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