United States Department of the Interior

National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form.* If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional certification comments, entries, and narrative items on continuation sheets if needed (NPS Form 10-900a).

1. Name of Property	
historic name Reynolds, Kenyon & Patricia (Pfitzer) Garden	
other names/site number Kencott	_
2. Location	
street & number 901 S. San Rafael Avenue	not for publication
city or town Pasadena	- vicinity
state California code CA county Los Angeles code 37	zip code 91105
3. State/Federal Agency Certification	
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,	
I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meet for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the proceeding requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.	
In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:	a. I recommend that this property
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Signature of certifying official/Title Date	
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State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government	
In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.	
Signature of commenting official Date	<u> </u>
Title State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal G	Government
4. National Park Service Certification	
I hereby certify that this property is:	
entered in the National Register determined eligible for the National Register	National Register
determined not eligible for the National Register removed from the National	Register
other (explain:)	
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action	

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5. Classification				
Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply.) Category of Property (Check only one box.)		Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)		
		Contributing Noncontributing		
X private public - Local	building(s) district	2 2 buildings 1 sites		
public - State public - Federal	X site structure	1 structures objects		
	object	3 3 Total		
Name of related multiple pro (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a	perty listing multiple property listing)	Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register		
Historic Designed Garder	ns in Pasadena	0		
6. Function or Use				
Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions.)		Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions.)		
LANDSCAPE/Garden		LANDSCAPE/Garden		
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7. Description				
Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions.)		Materials (Enter categories from instructions.)		
N/A		foundation: N/A		
		walls: N/A		
		roof: N/A		
		other:		

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Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance of the property. Explain contributing and noncontributing resources if necessary. Begin with **a summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, setting, size, and significant features.)

Summary Paragraph

The Kenyon & Patricia Reynolds Garden is a private residential designed garden built in 1928 to a design Katherine Bashford. It is located on South San Rafael Avenue in the southwestern portion of the City of Pasadena. The property is a triangular-shaped lot within a single-family residential neighborhood and is 0.78 acres in size. There are two gardens on the property, a front yard garden and a much larger rear yard garden. The gardens are asymmetrical in plan and designed as English gardens to correspond to the Tudor Revival architecture of the house. The front yard garden is flat and consists of a large area of lawn with hedges, flowering shrubs and mature trees; stacked stone walls, brick and stone paving and a fountain. The rear yard garden has much of the same materials but is significantly larger and dramatically sloped downward from the house. The descending slopes are supported by extensive stacked stone retaining walls and a swimming pool sits at the base of the gorge. The rear garden also has a pond and stream, a potting shed and a lath house that were built during the period of significance.

The Reynolds House and garage/guest house buildings are non-contributing to this nomination of the garden; however, they may be eligible for listing under a different context.

Narrative Description

The Kenyon & Patricia Reynolds Garden is a private residential designed garden built in 1928 to a design by Katherine Bashford, whose name is indicated as architect and contractor on a 1930 building permit for garden walls. It is located south of the "X"-shaped intersection of South San Rafael Avenue and Hillside Terrace in the southwestern portion of the City of Pasadena, west of the Arroyo Seco. The triangular-shaped property is within a hilly single-family residential neighborhood of large lots, most of which are over an acre in size. There are two buildings on the lot: the main house at the north-central portion of the property and a garage/guest house along the easterly street frontage. There are two separate garden spaces on the property: one in the front yard, north of the house and the other in the rear yard, south of the house and west of the garage/guest house building.

The flat front yard garden consists of a large lawn area with bordering hedges, flowering shrubs and mature trees. A brick pathway extends from South San Rafael Avenue to a brick-and-concrete terrace, at the center of which is a newer freestanding concrete fountain with a scalloped basin and a sculpture of two children holding an umbrella. A stacked stone wall forms the westerly border of the terrace. Extending from the terrace is a flagstone pathway to the front door of the house.

The rear yard garden is significantly larger than the front yard garden and slopes downward dramatically from the house to a depth of approximately 60 feet, forming a deep ravine. Brick and flagstone terraces, defined by a concrete balustrade, extend from the level of the house leading to an extensive network of descending narrower terraces formed along the steep slopes by stacked stone retaining walls. The terraces have decomposed granite, brick and flagstone pathways and steps with extensive plantings alongside them. At the base of the slope is a pool deck, installed in 1956, below which is a small lawn and an original pond and stream fed by a natural spring. In various locations throughout the rear garden are statuary, stone seating built into retaining walls and small fountains. Two small associated buildings contribute to the listing: a potting shed and a lath house, both of which are south of the garage/guest house building. The potting shed was built in 1935 and is a simple structure, square in plan, with a gabled roof and wood clapboard siding with a brick foundation. The lath house was built in 1929, is also roughly square in plan and is an open-air structure made of wood lath strips over wood framing with an open framed entry. A vine grows over the roof of the building.

The Reynolds House and the garage/guest house building are non-contributing to this nomination of the garden; however, they may be eligible for listing under a different context. In addition, the swimming pool area was installed in 1956 and is also non-contributing to the nomination.

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8. Sta	atement of Significance	
(Mark	icable National Register Criteria "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property tional Register listing.)	Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions.)
	iona register nomigi,	Landscape architecture
Α	Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.	
В	Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.	
XC	of a type, period, or method of construction or	
	represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant	Period of Significance
	and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.	1922-1942
	Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information	
	important in prehistory or history.	Significant Dates
		1928
Crito	ria Considerations	
	"x" in all the boxes that apply.)	0, 10, 4, 5
Prope	erty is:	Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)
Порс	only lo.	
	A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.	N/A
	3 removed from its original location.	Cultural Affiliation
	Tomovod nom no original location.	N/A
	a birthplace or grave.	
	O a cemetery.	
	a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	Architect/Builder
	a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	Katherine Bashford
F	a commemorative property.	
	less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.	

Period of Significance (justification)

The property was purchased by Kenyon & Patricia Reynolds in 1922. Kenyon Reynolds' autobiography indicates a span of 20-year work on the garden before it was completed, hence the 1942 end year.

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Criteria Considerations (explanation, if necessary)

N/A

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance and applicable criteria.)

Built between 1922 and 1942, the Kenyon & Patricia Reynolds garden is a locally significant example of the "Period Revival Estate" property type under the context "Residential Garden Design in Pasadena: 1905-1968" documented in the Multiple Property Documentation Form "Historic Designed Gardens in Pasadena." It is also an example of the work of master landscape architect Katherine Bashford. It meets National Register criterion C by embodying the distinctive characteristics of the property type and meets registration requirements listed in the Multiple Property Documentation Form.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

The Kenyon & Patricia Reynolds Garden is locally significant under Criterion C. Under this criterion, the garden is a notable example of a designed residential garden of the Period Revival Estate property type and the work of master landscape architect Katherine Bashford. The garden exhibits the defining characteristics of the property type including terraces and grade changes, garden rooms that create distinct environments (front and rear yard gardens and terraces), stone walls, water features, Classical statuary, thickly planted flower beds, and low-clipped shrubs. The garden retains integrity through its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and feeling and continues to retain essential character-defining features and distinctive characteristics of its period and method of construction. Over time, the garden became overgrown and the extensive network of retaining walls had suffered damage and was covered by soil. Recent rehabilitation work involved uncovering and repairing the walls and pruning and replacing landscaping. Following the rehabilitation work that was completed, the garden clearly exhibits evidence of techniques employed in residential garden design in the 1920's and 1930's in Pasadena and clearly expresses the historic sense of this time period.

Developmental history/additional historic context information (if appropriate)

N/A – Historic context documented in Multiple Property Documentation Form "Historic Designed Gardens in Pasadena."

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Permit research materials, assessor's records and historic designation reports in files, Planning Department, City of Pasadena (referenced in August 2012).

Reynolds, Bede (ne: Kenyon L. Reynolds). *A Rebel from Riches: The Autobiography of an Unpremeditated Monk.* Milford, OH: The Riehle Foundation, 1975. Print.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):	Primary location of additional data:
preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67 has been requested)previously listed in the National Registerpreviously determined eligible by the National Register designated a National Historic Landmark	State Historic Preservation Office Other State agency Federal agency x Local government University
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey #	Other Name of repository:

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Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned):	N/A		
10. Geographical Data			
Acreage of Property 0.90 (Do not include previously listed resource acreage.)	_		
UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)			
1 Zone Easting Northing	Zone Easting Northing		
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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the bound	daries of the property.)		
	San Rafael Avenue on the east, Hillside Terrace on the west and the south. The Los Angeles County Assessor's Parcel number for the		
Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries	s were selected.)		
Reynolds Garden. The original extent of the pro	compass the extent of features associated with the Kenyon & Patricia operty continued south of the existing boundaries; however, the physical nat have occurred on them have resulted in a loss of integrity beyond the		
11. Form Prepared By			
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Submit the following items with the completed form:

Maps: A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.

- Continuation Sheets
- Additional items: (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs:

Name of Property

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map.

The following is the same for all photographs:

Name of Property: Kenyon & Patricia Reynolds Garden

City: Pasadena County: Los Angeles State: California

Name of Photographer: Kevin Johnson Date Photographed: October 5, 2012

Location of Original Digital Files: 175 N. Garfield Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101

Description of Photograph(s) and number:

- 1. Front yard garden looking south from corner of South San Rafael Avenue & Hillside Terrace
- 2. Front yard access path looking west from South San Rafael Avenue
- 3. Front yard brick terrace & fountain looking southwest from front yard access path
- 4. Front yard entry terrace looking southwest from brick terrace
- 5. Rear terrace looking west
- 6. Rear garden/pool overview looking southwest from rear terrace
- 7. Typical rear garden retaining wall treatment
- 8. Typical rear brick pathway/terrace treatment
- 9. Rear yard fountain, statue & wall looking northeast from east end of rear terrace
- 10. Rear yard typical flagstone path treatment; built-in bench
- 11. Rear vard garden area looking north from rear property line
- 12. Rear yard garden stream & pathway detail
- 13. Rear yard garden lawn, retaining wall, steps, & statue detail
- 14. West elevation of potting shed & lath house looking east

Property Owner: (Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.) name Kent & Nicole Sokolow street & number 901 S. San Rafael Avenue telephone city or town Pasadena state CA zip code 91105

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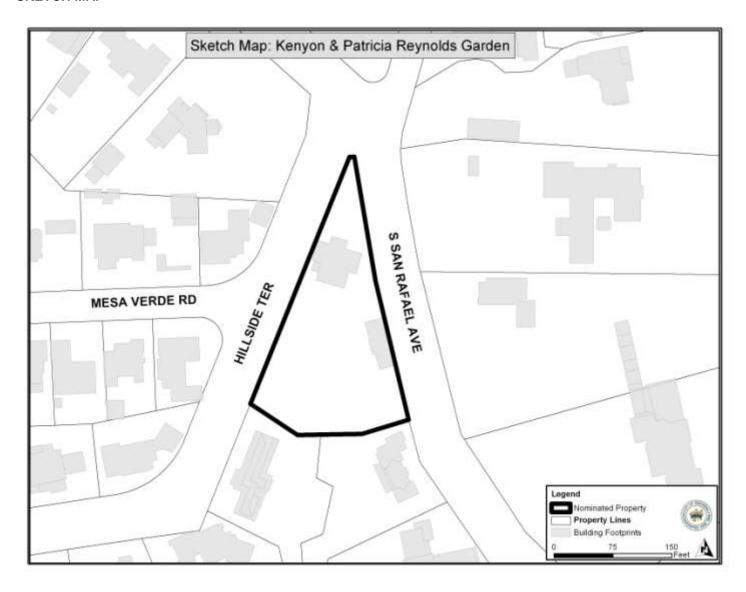
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SKETCH MAP



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AERIAL MAP

