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2016 Annual Report





2016 has been another
amazing year for LEAF!

Together we accomplished some great things!

**We planted 1300 native trees and shrubs in backyards across Ajax,
Toronto and York Region**



We sold 80 Native Garden Kits, including 35 of our new Native Bee Kits introduced this spring



We conducted 86 follow up visits to check on the health of trees and shrubs planted in past years



In partnership with the City of Toronto, we helped Toronto Hydro employees and their families plant 300 native trees and shrubs in Bayview Village Park





Our outreach volunteers attended over 50 events with our educational display and spoke to over 1600 individuals



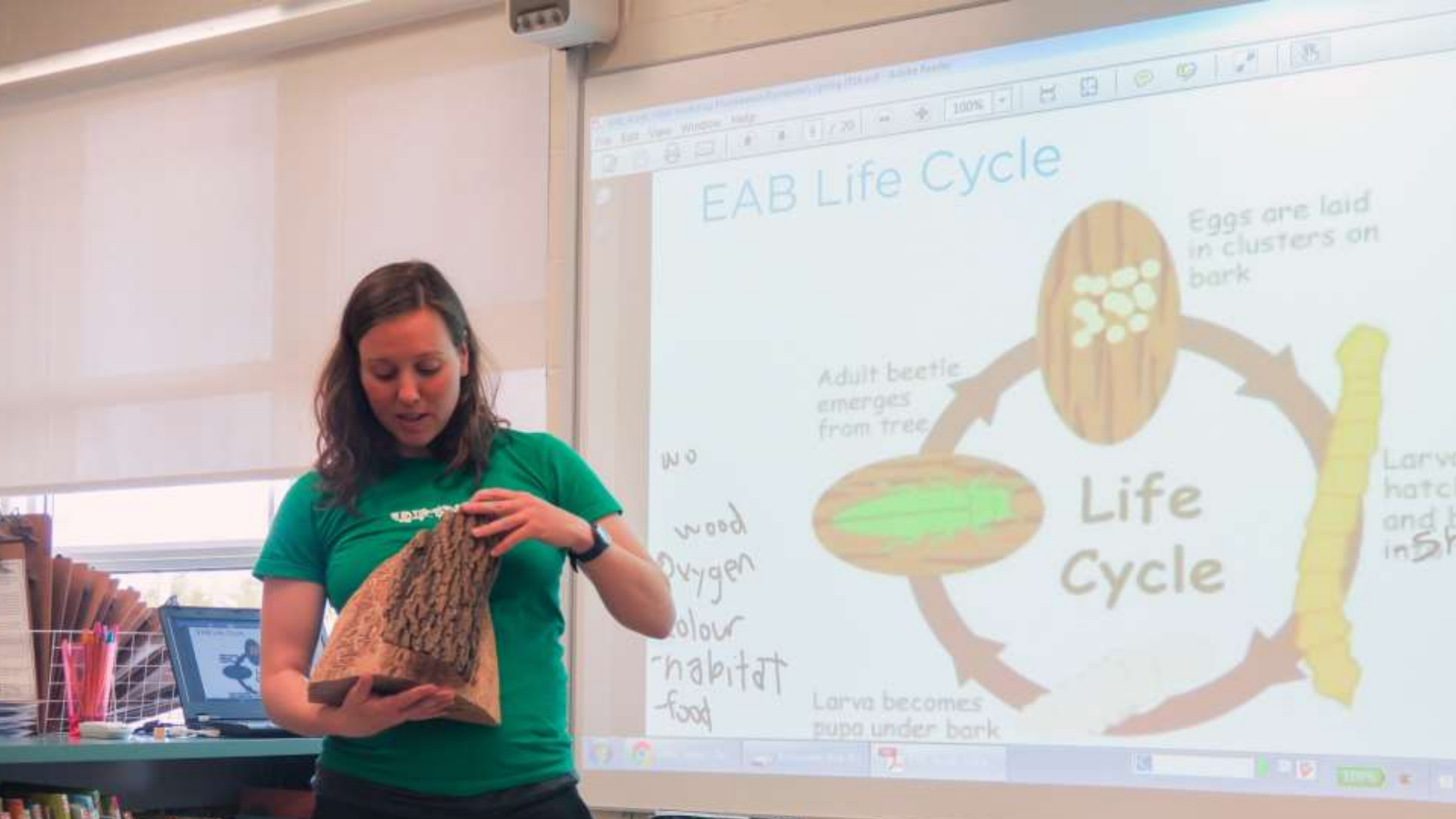


**We held another successful Leslieville Tree Festival
that attracted over 400 participants**





We planted 1000 native trees and shrubs at community naturalization events in King, Aurora and Richmond Hill.



We delivered 15 workshops about Emerald Ash Borer and other priority invasive species to schools across York Region





We hosted 10 Tree Tours with over 250 participants, highlighting trees of interest in neighbourhoods across Mississauga, Toronto and York Region.



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We helped Bonita Nelson obtain heritage status for the 6 First Remembrance Day trees planted in front of Lambton Park Community School through Forest Ontario's Heritage Tree Program





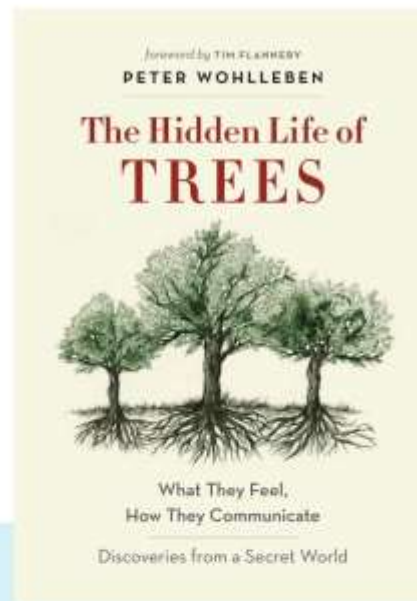
We hosted two tree drawing workshops with talented artist Alan Li



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We trained 68 individuals as Tree Tenders through courses held in Ajax, Mississauga, Richmond Hill and Toronto.



THE HIDDEN LIFE OF TREES

Bestselling author and forester Peter Wohlleben shares fascinating insights into the surprisingly social life of trees. A walk in the woods will never be the same again.

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Peter Wohlleben
In 2016 Greystone Books

"A powerful reminder to slow down and tune into the language of nature."

Rachel Sussman, author of The Oldest Living Things in the World

"An arboreal Silent Spring"
Genevieve Valentine, NPR

**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 12, 2016**

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

PRESENTATION + Q&A

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Book signing to follow

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We co-hosted the Hidden Life of Trees Presentation with author Peter Wohlleben at Innis Town Hall. We had 240 people attend this popular event.



We continued to support the Danforth community with their Adopt-a-Street-Tree program and helped the Bloordale community start their own program as well. Over 115 commercial street trees have been adopted by over 80 store owners and residents.



Over 30 Garden Steward volunteers helped care for our 6 Urban Forest Demonstration Gardens located outside TTC stations and at Artscape Wychwood Barns.





We held our first-ever summer garden party in the LEAF Learning Garden! Staff, volunteers and partners enjoyed a lovely evening celebrating 20 years of tree planting in Toronto!



We helped raise awareness about the plight of native bees by hosting “Let it Bee: Helping Wild Bees in the City” presentation, which 132 people attended. We also held a native bee tour in High Park and a Great Canadian Bumblebee Count training workshop in our Learning Garden.



We trained and mentored 12 amazing young women through our Young Urban Forest Leaders program. Together they helped establish Adopt-a-Park-Tree Programs at San Romanoway Towers and at Christie Pits and Chester Le Park.



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We participated on the steering committee of the Green Infrastructure Ontario Coalition and released the State of the Urban Forest in the GTA Report.



THANK YOU

to our volunteers, program participants, donors,
and supporting partners, for a wonderful year!

