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The focus of this handout is **dogwood trees**. You may be familiar with the lovely white flowering dogwood (Florida Dogwood) seen in the East and South. The Florida Dogwood is difficult to grow here but there are wonderful, similar substitutes that grow perfectly well here. There are also less familiar dogwoods that deserve a place in our landscapes. Generally, dogwoods prefer full sun to part shade and well-drained, acidic soil. Chicago area soils tend to be alkaline, not acidic. Twice yearly applications of soil sulfur to lower the pH will help keep your dogwood healthy and happy.

Common & Botanic Name	Form	HxW	Description
<b>Cornelian Cherry</b> <i>Cornus mas</i>	Upright oval	20'x15'	Long-lasting yellow flowers in March. Oblong, bright red fruits in late summer. With good fall color and exfoliating bark provides four seasons of interest.
<b>Cornelian Cherry Golden Glory</b> <i>Cornus mas</i> 'Golden Glory'	Upright	20'x10'	A more narrow form than above. Nice burgundy fall color. Shade tolerant.
<b>Kousa Chinese</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> var. <i>chinensis</i>	Rounded	20'x15'	Creamy white flowers in late spring. Red raspberry-like fruit in summer. Reddish purple fall color.
<b>Kousa Galilean</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Galilean'	Rounded	20'x15'	Leaves are larger than typical Chinese dogwood's. Large white flowers in late spring are followed by raspberry-like fruit in summer.
<b>Kousa Heart Throb</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> Heart Throb®	Rounded	15'x15'	Dark pink flowers in late spring are followed by red raspberry-like fruit. Reddish purple fall color.
<b>Kousa Lustgarten</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Lustgarten'	Weeping	10'x4'	Weeping habit with graceful, rounded crown. White flowers late spring. Long-lasting reddish fall color.
<b>Kousa Radiant Rose</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> Radiant Rose®	Rounded	15'x15'	Deep pink flowers often hold their color through July. Textured leaves, tinged with red, turn red in the fall. Spreading, arching habit.
<b>Kousa Samaritan</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> Samaritan®	Vase shaped	20'x15'	Variegated cream and green foliage displays pink and burgundy hues in fall. White flowers in late spring. Vigorous and cold hardy.
<b>Kousa Satomi</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Satomi'	Rounded	15'x10'	Large, rose red flowers in late spring are followed by red raspberry-like fruit in summer. Long-lasting reddish purple fall color.
<b>Kousa Snow Tower</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Snow Tower'	Upright	10'x3'	White flowers in late spring followed by red raspberry-like fruit in summer. Tight, upright habit.
<b>Kousa Wolf Eyes</b> <i>Cornus kousa</i> 'Wolf Eyes'	Rounded	10'x10'	White flowers in late spring are followed by red fruit in summer. Stunning white-edged foliage turns pink to red in fall. Provide partial shade to avoid leaf scorch.
<b>Pagoda</b> <i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	Spreading	20'x20'	Fragrant white flowers in spring are followed by black fruits in summer. Nice reddish purple fall color. Interesting horizontal branching. Shade tolerant.
<b>Pagoda Golden Shadows</b> <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> 'Golden Shadows'	Spreading	8'x8'	Horizontal branching. White spring flowers. Young leaves are bordered with a yellowish margin that turns creamy white as leaves mature.
<b>Stellar Pink</b> <i>Cornus x rutgersensis</i> 'Stellar Pink'	Vase	20'x20'	Beautiful soft pink flowers in late spring. Medium green summer foliage turns bright red in fall. Narrow at base, wider at top.