Start Inside
Ghostly plants and insects have taken over in the Philbrook galleries and gardens! Artist and scientist Tyler Thrasher has created an artwork titled Garden of the Ghosts. You’ll find it on the main level. Keep an eye out for a fountain overflowing with a bleached garden. Look around—you may notice small outcroppings of ghostly creations leading the way.

Look Closely
Nestled amongst the pale white fronds, you might spy many unusual insects quietly perching or hiding. As you discover different insects, keep track of how many of each kind of insect you find by making tally marks near each example below.

Rhinoceros Beetle
Cicada
Scorpion
White Spotted Pine Sawyer

Can you find them all? Flip the page for the official tally.
(There’s one more insect that looks like a violin that isn’t shown here! Can you find it?)

Compare
A lot changes when artist and scientist Tyler Thrasher works his magic creating these otherworldly plants and creepy crawlies. Compare his ghostly forest of plants and flowers to how they grow in nature. Can you spot some examples of each plant in this work of art?

Anise Hyssop  Bracken Fern  Butcher’s Broom  Western Sword Fern  Palm Leaves  Strawflower