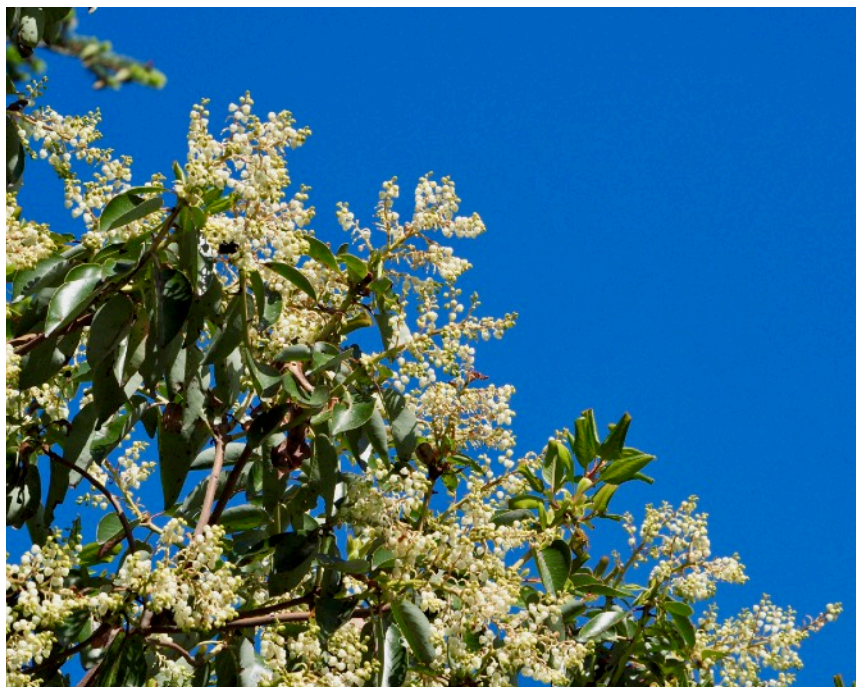


# Natural History Society Newsletter

## April 2021



## April is Poetry Month

*Ode to Madrona* by Oma Landstra

I want to occupy this earth  
Like the strength of this tree  
Its eight, yes eight trunks  
Connecting it to this place in the earth.  
I have a deep resonance with its beauty,  
symmetry and wholeness.  
This beautiful Madrona, color of human,  
reaching for sky with small precious flowers falling  
quietly beneath  
Like a gentle snow.  
I want to occupy this earth with my strength and  
beauty.

## Book Club Selection

The Natural History Society Book Club's discussion of *Song of the Dodo* by David Quammen will be held by Zoom on **Monday, April 26, from 3:30-5:00 pm.**

For updates, please see: [jltnatural.org/book-club/](http://jltnatural.org/book-club/)

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