During this lecture, we’ll explore our senses together: Rather than going image-by-image, this handout just mentions highlighted plant names for future reference. But for now, let’s build the experience and sensations of autumn and winter as those seasons unfold. Ready? Begin…

**Sight**

The texture of grasses: Miscanthus sinensis ‘Morning Light’
The garden’s gradual evolution = Amsonia hubrichtii
Amsonia tabernaemontana
Dahlia ‘Bishop of Llandaff’
Magnolia ‘Goldfinch’
Spiraea betulifolia ‘Thor’
Disanthus cercidifolius
Acer japonicum ‘Aconitifolium’
Kale ‘Pigeon Purple’
Blues: Aster oblongifolius ‘Raydon’s Favorite’ (okay, Symphyotrichum oblongifolius…)
Aconitum cormichaelii ‘Arendsii’ (monkshood)
Vines: Morning glory ‘Heavenly Blue’
Morning glory ‘Grandpa Ott’s’ & mystery morning glory
Ipomoea quamoclit (cardinal vine)
Ipomoea lobate (formerly mina lobata – Spanish flag
Cobaea scandens (cup and saucer vine
Brown is beautiful: Sedum ‘Autumn Joy’ with Salvia officinalis ‘Berggarten’
Eryngium ‘Big Blue’
Hydrangea paniculata ‘Quick Fire’
Phlomis russeliana

**Smell**

Follow your nose to grapes
Blowing in the wind = clotheslines
What’s worse than rotten tomatoes?
Deerly departed = deer repellent substitutes (especially around the veg garden)
   Feverfew & rue
   Spraying amaranth (prince’s feather)

**Sound**

Not counting crows
Insects lured in by Chrysanthemum ‘Hillside Sheffield Pink’ and ‘October Glory’
Ruta graveolens (herbal rue) and black swallowtail caterpillar
Verbena bonariensis with common buckeye
Callicarpa dichotoma ‘Early Amethyst’
Crunch time = stealth missions to my door impossible in autumn
Why I love the sound of raking leaves
Touch
Get a grip: prepping the garden for winter and it’s danger to digits: cutting back hosta
Leaving vines for early bird nests (Lonicera tellmanniana)
Hyacinth bulbs have raphides which can cause unpleasant dermatological reaction
Slippery paths

Taste
Brussels sprouts mixed with cosmos and asparagus foliage gone to seed
Just peachy – autumn fruits, juice dribbling down your chin
Carrots
Cabbages & kings
The Late Show = lettuce and late veggies

WINTER

Sight
Sparkle of frost, diamonds on the snow
Tell tale signs = animal tracks in the snow
Windowsill dressing = sparkling leaves against Jack Frost’s artistry
Begonia ‘Cathedral’ and flowers illuminated against the windowpanes
amaryllis

Smell
Awareness stronger in winter = smell of hay (I’m a hay connoisseur)
Trachelospermum asiaticum
Jasminum polyanthum
Camellia ‘Scentuous’
Freesia ‘Mercurius’ – very fragrant blue
Freesia ‘Aleide’ – rose-colored but very little scent
Freesia ‘Ambiance’ – white and intoxicatingly fragrant
Hyacinthus ‘Crystal Palace’ (blue)
Hyacinthus ‘Jan Bos’ (magenta) and ‘Gypsy Queen’ (apricot)
Narcissus ‘Falconet’

Sound
Things that go boom in the night (The Plowman Cometh)
Drip = listening as you water – Vriesea in a pedestal urn

Touch
The competition to bask in the sunbeams (bogarting sunbeams)—Einstein and the plectranthus
Furry-touchy feely plants – pettable Salvia argentea
Tools

Taste
Calamondin orange (xCitrofortunella microcarpa) the easiest indoor citrus
Winter vegetables—Lettuce ‘Greenhouse Five-Star Mix’ (best for indoor gardening)
‘Amara’ mustard green
‘Butterflay’ spinach
‘Shiro’ pak choi
‘Red Russian’ baby kale
Tendril pea shoots from Johnny’s Selected Seeds
For the Birds – berries = such as Viburnum ‘Cardinal Candy’ and Ilex verticillata