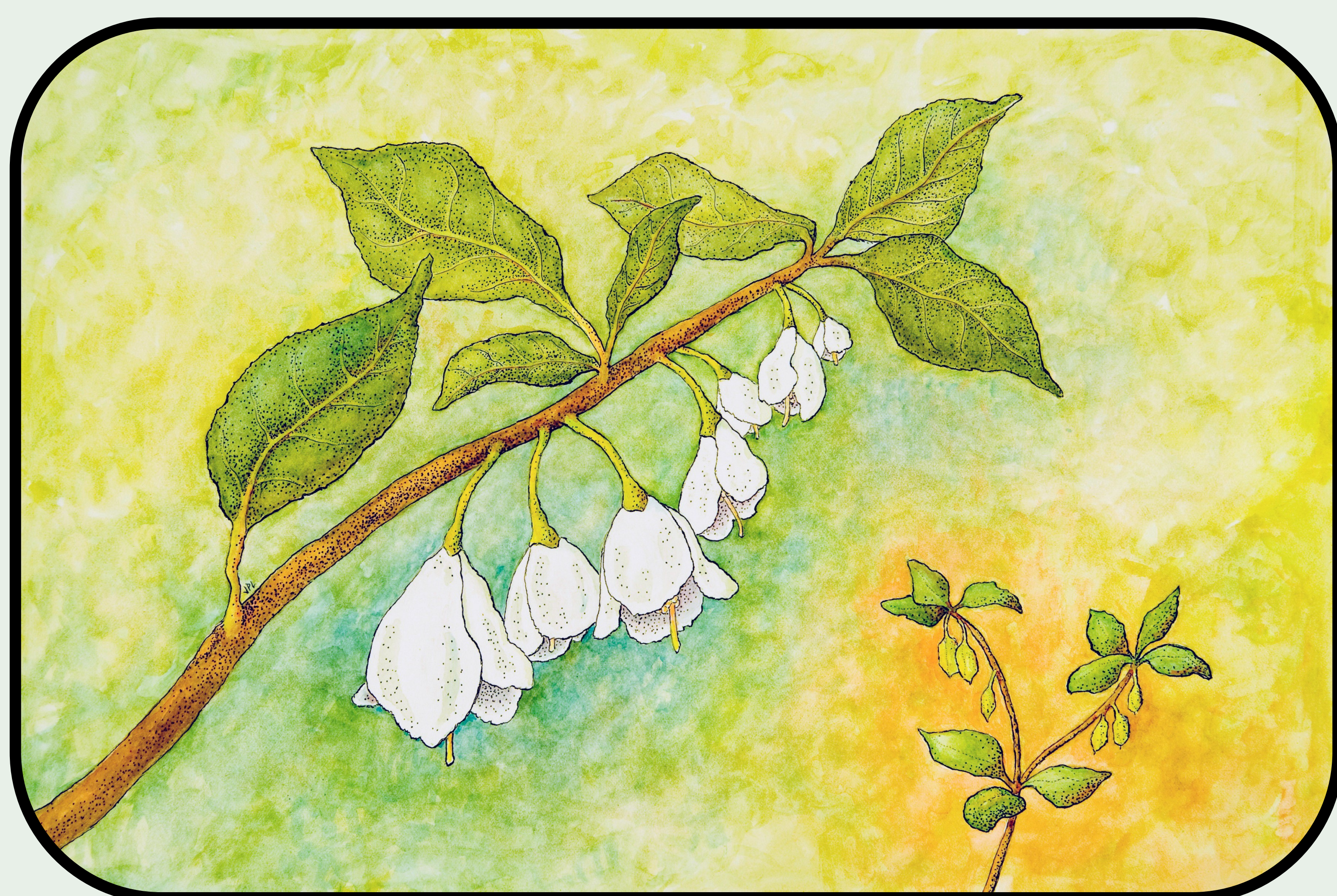


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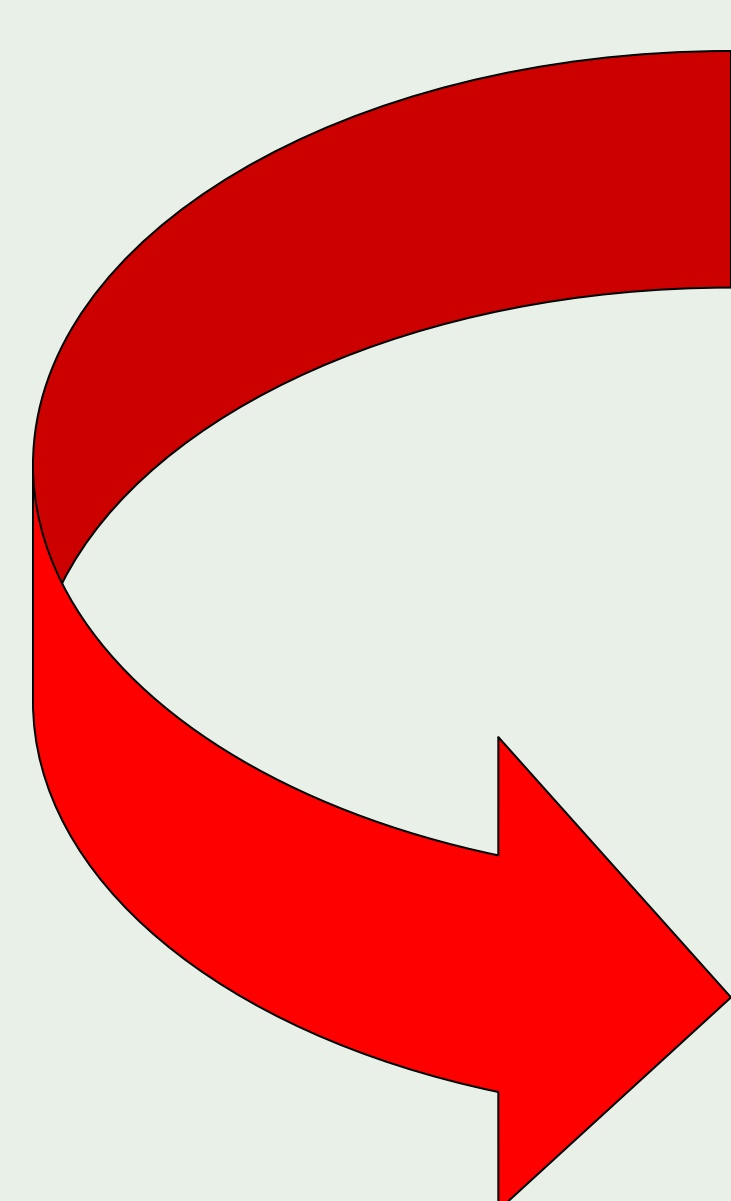
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Carolina Silverbell

Halesia Carolina

A lovely, deciduous, low-branching tree, the Carolina Silverbell deserves to be planted for its size—30 to 40 feet tall and 25 to 30 feet wide—and for its clusters of white flowers that appear in spring. In the fall, its distinctive four-winged fruit also add interest. It is a charming and appropriate substitute for the invasive Bradford Pear as well as for the native Dogwood now besieged by the foreign fungal pest—anthracnose.

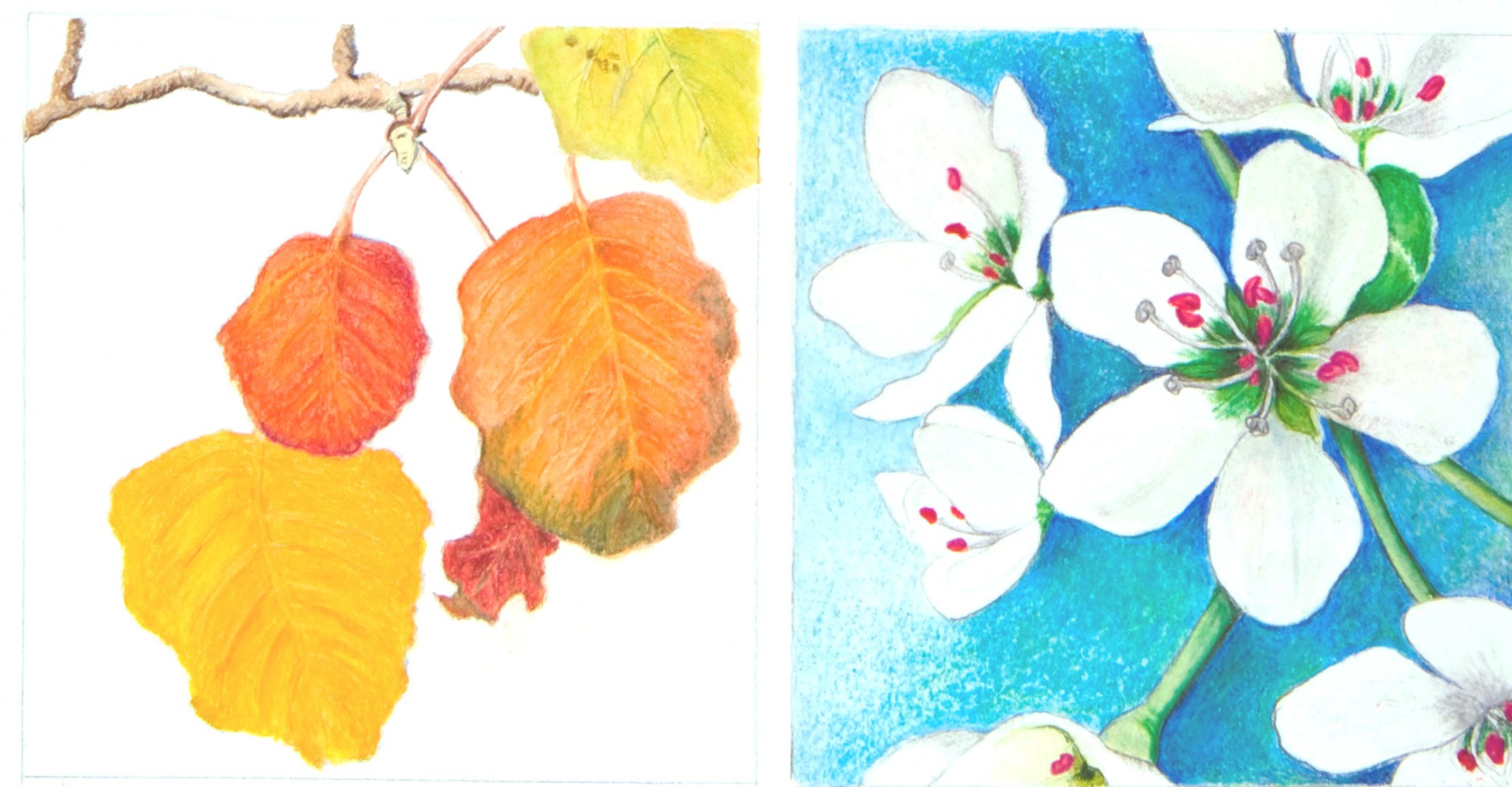
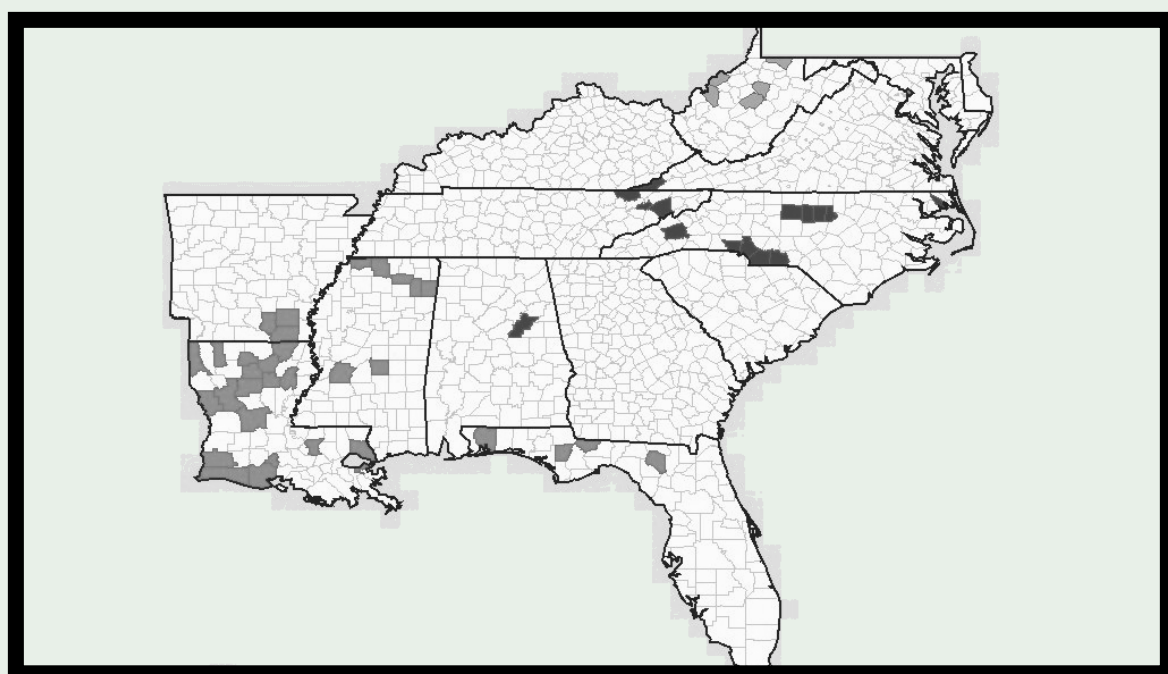
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Callery 'Bradford' Pear

Pyrus calleryana

We were seduced by the Bradford Pear! Alas, in spite of its beautiful spring flowers and vibrant fall leaves, the sad truth is that these lovely trees, whose fruits are carried by birds beyond the cultivated landscape, are plagued with very poor branch structure and weak wood. Because every storm and freeze can wreak havoc, breaking the branches, many municipalities and institutions are now removing their Bradford Pears.



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