

Sonnenberg news from sunny hill

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April Showers Bring May Flowers

All of our lovely volunteers have returned and helped us in multiple ways! Attention has gone to planting gardens around the Thompson Estate. The first volunteer group planted the new entrance garden prior to opening.

A strong group of Tuesday gardeners helped re-design the greenhouses to open up for our Annual Spring Wildflower and Orchid Show.

During the first week of May, two garden clubs blessed us with their efforts in the Old Fashioned Garden so it would be ready for planting and another garden club cleaned up and planted the entire Blue & White Garden. Our regular Sonnenberg garden group on Tuesdays planted our Pansy Garden and 75% of the urns around our signature Italian Garden at Sonnenberg.

Our very own board member, Dr. Paul Harvey, built out the entire interior of our new admissions booth that was donated by Canandaigua Rotary. Thank you Dr. Paul!

We have just begun needing volunteer help for the 2022 season on a daily basis. On Saturday, May 7th, from noon to 2 pm we will have volunteer sign-up in the Carriage House and will be offering support in learning how to utilize the new volunteer management system.

Be sure to check out our new website!



Arbor Day - April 29th

Huge thank you to the Sonnenberg Garden Club that donated an Armstrong Maple to be planted on Arbor Day.

This group will be hosting the NGC Standard Flower Show on June 23rd from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Come enjoy an afternoon at the flower show walking through design and horticulture exhibits.



Spring Wildflower & Orchid Show

We had a successful opening weekend with 396 guests for the Spring Wildflower and Orchid Show.

Many marveled at the beauty of the new entrance and all of the ongoing work throughout the park that is making a difference.

Big shout out to Fran Murphy who organized our Orchid Show and developed a beautiful orchid display by GROS.





Mother's Day

@ SONNENBERG GARDENS



RETAIL STORE



MANSION



WINE TASTING

ALL MOMS GET INTO THE PARK FOR \$ 1.00 ADMISSION
THIS SUNDAY, MAY 8TH
250 GIBSON STREET, CANANDAIGUA, NY 14424
WWW.SONNENBERG.ORG

Calling Volunteers for 2022 Garden Season

Our non-profit organization needs your help more than ever after living with the pandemic for over 2 years, and you, our volunteers, will again be one of Sonnenberg's greatest assets to our continued success.

This year's annual sign-up date will be on May 7th during "I Love My Park Day" at noon. Please bring a friend or a family member who may enjoy volunteering this year, everyone is welcome!

Volunteer Sign-up!

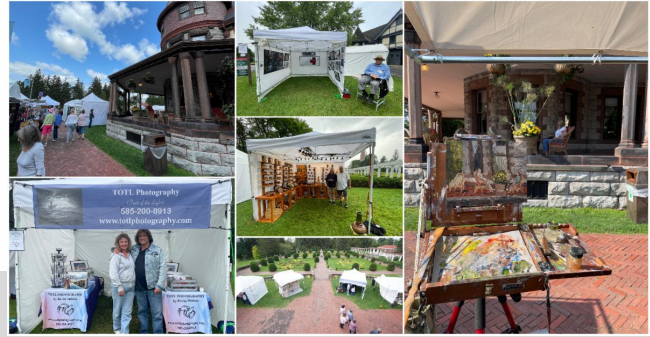
Calling All Artists

Presenting the 21st year of Arts at the Gardens. Hosting artists from around the

ARTS AT THE GARDENS 2022 July 23-24

[Artist Application](#)

Northeast to join this outstanding award-winning art show.



Sonnenberg In The News

You've never seen New York like this: Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion (Video)
We were lucky enough to connect with Scott Trimble, a video journalist at [syracuse.com](#) | [NYup.com](#) | [Post-Standard](#) and he came in with another drone operator and took some amazing footage last season.

[Drone Video](#)

Of all the donations that we receive, perhaps no funds are more vital than those given in the Annual Fund. Your gift today will support our beautiful gardens, historic mansion, and daily operations which are \$2,500 a day all year long. Our mission is to remain one of our nation's most extensively preserved estates and a premier tourism destination in Upstate New York.

For membership and donations please click below:

[Click here to Donate](#)

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Membership](#)

2022 Coming Events

February

12th

For the Love of Orchids
10am - 2pm Adm \$20
Come learn about the taxonomy and care of orchids in this winter event. Lunch will be provided.

April

29th -

May 1st

Spring Wildflower & Orchid Show
10am - 4pm Adm \$10
Celebrate the arrival of Spring at Sonnenberg. Stroll through the Arboretum and gardens laden with early spring flowers. Additionally, enjoy the collections in our historic greenhouse with Orchid displays.
Select orchids will be available for purchase

May

7th

"I Love My Park Day"
10am - 3pm Free to volunteers
We salute our relationship with Parks & Trails NY by supporting "I Love My Park Day". Help us on this day by volunteering to help clean up our beautiful treasure in the Finger Lakes.

8th

Mother's Day Special
9:30am - 4:30pm \$1 Adm for moms
Tell your mom how much you love her as you stroll the nine formal gardens and walk through the historic mansion and greenhouses.

22nd

No Struggle No Progress
2pm - 4pm Adm \$10
A multi-media production including visual images, dance, music, and words in tribute to Frederick Douglass by the North Star Players.

June

12th

The Garden Party *
10am - 1pm Adm \$40
A mid-day cocktail hour on the Veranda with music, food, wine tasting & local craft beverages.

19th

Father's Day Car Show
11am - 4:30pm Regular Park Adm
Celebrate dad with cars! Food, flowers & fun for the whole family. Sign up on our website to show off your wheels!

23rd

NGC Standard Flower Show
12:30pm - 4:30pm Adm \$10
"Welcome to the Farm, Celebrating New York State Agriculture", presented by the 7th District Federated Garden Clubs of NYS. Come enjoy an afternoon at the flower show walking through design and horticulture exhibits.

July

23rd -

24th

Arts at the Gardens
10am - 5pm Adm \$10
Shop for fine art and craft items hand made by skilled artisans. Includes food, music & access to the gardens and mansion.

29th

Moonlight Strolls *
8pm - 10pm Adm \$12
Music in the moonlit gardens of Sonnenberg. Great for the whole family! See our website for a list of musical guests.

2022 Event Calendar

August

5th, 12th,

19th, 26th

Moonlight Strolls *
8pm - 10pm Adm \$12
Music in the moonlit gardens of Sonnenberg. Great for the whole family! See our website for a list of musical guests.

18th

August Tea *
1pm - 3pm Adm \$40
Elegant tea event on the mansion veranda. Pre-paid reservations required.

September

18th

Carshow & Music Festival
11am - 4pm Adm \$20
Enjoy walking the grounds and listening to music while marveling at cars on display.

25th

Harriet Tubman and Beyond
2pm - 4pm Adm \$10
Talk on the influence of the underground railroad to the development of the "Gateway to the West" from Ontario County and Western NY.

October

1st

12th Annual Fall Garden Symposium *
10am - 3pm Adm \$30
Day-long event featuring a horticultural expert from New York State Historic Parks. Lunch will be provided.

9th

Women's Voices that impacted Frederick Douglass
2pm - 4pm Adm \$10
An ensemble dramatic presentation by Rochester based Akwaba (welcome) Heritage Associates.

14th - 16th

21st - 22nd

Mansion Mysteries
See Website for Times Adm \$30
Live whodunnit drama in Sonnenberg Mansion. Pre-paid reservations required.

30th

Haunted Stroll
5:30pm - 8:30pm Adm \$10
Stroll through the gardens and encounter witches, goblins and ghouls!

Go to our website for full pricing and ticket availability
Some ticket sales are online only

All events are subject to change. Please see our website for more information on these events, other events and to make advance reservations and ticket purchases.

* Select events have member discounts / child discounts

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● Educational Program

Now Open!

April 29th through October 31st, 2022



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