

# Sonnenberg news from sunny hill

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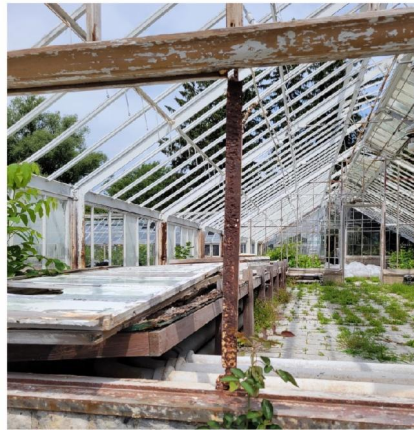
## Summer Breeze at Sonnenberg Gardens

The summer is in full swing at Sonnenberg with admissions higher than our 2021 season after the first 3 months with bus tour activities resuming.

It is another busy month working on restorations throughout the park. The Gardeners Cottage has a new roof and will be completed this month. The greenhouse projects this season are the Vinery project which is on hold until Labor day given the new metal and welding that needs to be installed. The small east and west melon houses will have new glass with glazing and are being repainted which will be completed in August.

We made significant progress this month on the waterway restoration. The underground drilling from the pond to the Rock Garden and the Hercules fountain is nearly complete. In August the archeology study and the pump stations will be installed.

In July, we were part of the 4th of July Parade, thanks to Ellen Polimeni for representing Sonnenberg that day.



## 21st Annual Arts At The Gardens

This years Arts At The Gardens had nine mediums from jewelry to pottery to woodworking, oil painting and photography to name a few. There were 54 artisans which came from throughout the Northeast to this years show. Many compliments on the second year of the booth layout around the historic mansions and gardens made this summer



show special as guests enjoyed the beauty of the mansion, gardens and beautiful works of art.

## Ribbon Cutting

On July 25th, Senator Pam Helming, Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan & Commissioner Erik Kulleseid helped us celebrate the new entrance at 250 Gibson Street.

This expansion was a 3-year project including land acquisition, two environmental protection fund grants, and \$340k of private donations. There are many people to thank, especially the Canandaigua Rotary club for donating the new admissions booth. This project was completed by a local contractor, City Hill Construction.





# MOONLIGHT STROLLS

**Sonnenberg  
Gardens**

**\$12 non-members**

**\$ 10 members**

**Gate Opens at 7:30**

**Show starts 8-10pm**

## 2022 LINE-UP

**JULY 29TH  
NIGHTFALL  
AFTER DARK**

**AUGUST 5TH  
ROCHESTER  
METROPOLITAN  
JAZZ  
ORCESTRA**

**AUGUST 12TH  
SWINGING  
RIGHARDS**

**AUGUST 19TH  
NEVILLE  
FRANCIS AND  
THE RIDDIM  
POSSE**

**AUGUST 26TH  
THE COOL CLUB &  
THE LIPKER  
SISTERS**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE OR AT THE GATE**

**[WWW.SONNENBERG.ORG](http://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.

We currently need mowing support and various guest services help (i.e. Admissions, Docent, Tram Driving & Wine Tasting Server). Also, we have volunteer opportunities for our bus tours and public & private events.

[Volunteer Sign-up!](#)

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## 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](#)

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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:

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## 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 Fredrick 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.

**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 Akwabaa (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  
5:30m - 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.

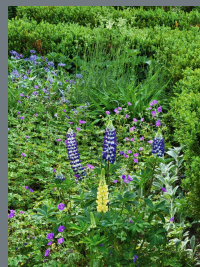
\* Select events have member discounts / child discounts

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● Educational Program

**Now Open!**

April 29th through October 31st, 2022



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