

# Gardens

## BUFFALO NIAGARA

*Creating more vibrant and beautiful communities by sharing our gardens.*



## TIME TO GARDEN!

**You may have heard: Buffalo Niagara's garden events are back, and we couldn't be more excited!**

We hope this spring finds you well and ready to enjoy gardening again. Make sure to **mark your calendar for July 24 & 25**, and help celebrate **Garden Walk Buffalo**, America's largest garden tour! With the jaw-dropping gardens you've come to expect, Garden Walk Buffalo returns in-person with some changes to keep everyone safe and healthy.

Here are more great garden celebrations to enjoy in the coming months:

- **The East Side Garden Walk** the ever-growing tour will hold its annual walking tour on **July 17**.
- **Buffalo-Style Garden Art Sale** returns to the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens on **June 26 & 27** to inspire beginner and veteran gardeners alike with unique, hand-crafted garden decor.
- **Tours of Open Gardens** on Thursdays and Fridays in July will showcase nearly 100 exceptional regional gardens.
- **Weekend garden walks** include 15 neighborhood tours from June to August, from Lockport to Hamburg and points in between.
- **Urban Farm Day** is a new, free, self-guided tour on **August 28**. You'll discover 16 diverse Buffalo farms raising homegrown food from around the world.



**More good news: Gardening boomed in 2020, and it shows no signs of slowing. As we prepare for an even better 2021 season, we appreciate your support, whether through donations, becoming a member of the Living Gardens Legacy Society, honoring the gardener that set you on your path through *My Garden Spark* tribute gifts, volunteering at events, shopping for fun gardening gifts, or touring one or more of our events.**

No matter where you are, you can always stay connected online to the garden community you love. Follow us on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram; sign up for our eNewsletter and check out our online store at **GardensBuffaloNiagara.com**.

*Here's to spring, here's to new beginnings...SEE YOU soon!*

From the Board, Volunteers, and Gardeners of Gardens Buffalo Niagara



**Honor the gardener who inspired you!**

Every gardener has a story about the person who first sparked their curiosity and love of gardening, the gardener who shared their wisdom, plants, seeds, tricks of the trade, and more.

You can share your inspiring story and honor your garden spark with a contribution to Gardens Buffalo Niagara. Over the next few weeks, we'll be sharing your stories at [MyGardenSpark.com](http://MyGardenSpark.com) and our social media to show how gardeners spark inspiration and creativity.

Contributions help inspire, encourage, educate, and uplift gardeners in our area and beyond!

Visit [MyGardenSpark.com](http://MyGardenSpark.com). Your gift will help create more vibrant and beautiful communities, through garden sharing.

**All GBN events will follow local and state Covid protocols. Visit [GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](http://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com).**

## Embrace a wide range of gardens

Saturday, July 17, 10am–3pm

East Side gardening shows a strong sense of community. Now in its 4th year, the tour embraces a wide range of gardens – from urban farms to simple lots cared for by neighbors – and even a jazz-inspired garden. The tour is self-guided, free maps available at downtown Buffalo Public Libraries in July. For more information, visit [EastSideGardenWalk.com](http://EastSideGardenWalk.com).



## Lunenfeld Beautification & Vibrant Buffalo Grants

The Lunenfeld Beautification grant, named for Garden Walk Buffalo's founder, Marvin Lunenfeld, awards funds to block clubs and community groups within the neighborhoods of Garden Walk Buffalo.



The Vibrant Buffalo Beautification Grant, now in its 2nd year, is for areas outside the Garden Walk Buffalo footprint.



Visit [GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](http://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com) for a list of this year's award recipients.



## America's largest garden tour

Saturday & Sunday, July 24 & 25, 10am–4pm

Visit hundreds of creative urban gardens during Garden Walk Buffalo's 27th year! It's free and self-guided, no tickets required! Find a map online or at select sponsor locations in July, or at our headquarters during the days and hours of the Walk only. To learn more, visit [GardenWalkBuffalo.com](http://GardenWalkBuffalo.com).

## Find the art of gardening here

Saturday & Sunday, June 26 & 27, 10am–5pm (4pm Sunday)  
Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens, 2655 South Park Ave.

Art for every garden and gardener. Food trucks and a basket raffle make shopping fun! Visit [GardenArtSale.com](http://GardenArtSale.com) for a list of vendors.



BUFFALO-STYLE  
Garden Art Sale



## Urban farm day featuring 16 area farms

Saturday, August 28, 10am–3pm | FREE EVENT!

Tour gardens, enjoy pizzas topped with fresh produce cooked on site and see a u-pick worm farm. Learn about culturally significant crops, raising chickens and harvesting honey. Talk with UB's Food Systems Planning and Healthy Communities Lab (Food Lab) research group, which studies how people-led local government policy can enhance urban agriculture. For a list of farms and more information, visit [UrbanFarmDay.com](http://UrbanFarmDay.com).

## Download your garden tour apps

Simplify your summer garden walk tours with GPS maps, garden descriptions and photos.

Download apps for Open Gardens, and new this year, Garden Walk Buffalo and the East Side Garden Walk. Visit [GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](http://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com) and



sign up for our eNewsletter, or "like" us on Facebook to find out when each app will be available.



Nearly 100 exceptional gardens to visit throughout Buffalo Niagara on Thursdays and Fridays, for select hours, in July.

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# 2021 Garden Events Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
13 JUNE	14	15	16	17	18	19 Lewiston GardenFest
20 Lewiston GardenFest	21	22	23	24	25	26 Buffalo Style Garden Art Sale
27 Buffalo Style Garden Art Sale	28	29	30	1 JULY	2	3
4 Happy Fourth of July!	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Lockport in Bloom Buzz Around Hamburg North Tonawanda Garden Walk Snyder-CleveHill Garden View Grand Island Garden Walk	12	13	FRIDAY, JULY 16 Ken-Ton Night Lights Garden Tour Lancaster Garden Night Walk The Northwest Buffalo Starry Night Tour of Gardens		16 THREE FRIDAY GARDEN TOURS TONIGHT!	17
18 Ken-Ton Garden Tour Lancaster Garden Walk Samuel P. Capen Garden Walk	19	20	21	22	23	24 Garden Walk Buffalo
25 Garden Walk Buffalo	26	27	28	29	30	31
1 AUGUST	2	3	4	5	6 City of Tonawanda Friday night Lights	7 City of Tonawanda Garden Walk

For details and links, visit the "Calendar" page on [GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](http://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com).

Urban Farm Day – Saturday, August 28

## Living Gardens Legacy Society

Growing vibrant communities through planned giving

Living Gardens Legacy Society members are committed to creating a vibrant and beautiful region. As a part of their commitment, they seek to ensure Gardens Buffalo Niagara will continue to flourish by leaving a legacy for generations to come.

Through community gardens, beautification projects, and other gardening projects to connect neighbors and increase health, your legacy can reflect your love of our region and gardening. Join Cheryl Bell; Leslie & Jim Charlier; Catherine & Matt Lincoln; Cindy & Peter Loomis; and Nikki Ronan today! For more information, email [ccarrlincoln@gardensbuffaloniagara.com](mailto:ccarrlincoln@gardensbuffaloniagara.com) or call (716) 247-5004.



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- Posters to coasters, tote bags, garden signs, jewelry, tea towels, baseball caps, magnets, and more!
- Plus our NEW East Side Garden Walk t-shirts.
- Proceeds benefits garden-centric community change.



## Sign up for our eNewsletter

[GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](https://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com)

[info@GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](mailto:info@GardensBuffaloNiagara.com)

Join us online!  

With your donation, *both* Garden Walk Buffalo and East Side Garden Walk maps will be mailed to you before the tours!

**Help beautify Buffalo – make your donation before June 15 at [GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](https://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com) or donate by mail using the enclosed envelope.**

Due to the cancellation of last year's event, all Gardens Buffalo Niagara donors since June 16, 2019 will receive both tour maps in their mailbox in early July. Donations received after June 15, 2021 will be added to our list to receive next year's map. And as always – thank you for your continued support!



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Green thumb not required.

We're looking for volunteers for this year's Garden Walk Buffalo to greet visitors, encourage donations, sell merchandise, and answer questions for visitors that don't know the area. There are also other committees and events that need dedicated volunteers to coordinate, publicize and staff throughout the year.

**SIGN UP TODAY!** Email [Volunteers@GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](mailto:Volunteers@GardensBuffaloNiagara.com) or call (716) 247-5004 and leave your name and number. We'll contact you to confirm and provide you with more details. Visit [GardensBuffaloNiagara.com](https://GardensBuffaloNiagara.com) to find ways you can help.