

Garden Lovers SPRING Invitation - 2023 LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE - Live The Garden Life - Whistling Gardens | Botanical Gardens & Garden Centre

Dear Garden Friends,



Live Your Best Life... Live The Garden Live with us!

Spring's here! We're now Open!

Visit our Garden Centre! "Create your own paradise, become inspired"

Ornamental trees, shrubs, Japanese maples, dwarf conifers, peonies, specialty flowering plants & rare varieties

Our Botanical Garden introduces rebirth as early spring blooms remerge! As the home to

North America's largest public peony collection with over 1,300 varieties, traditionally we witness their "peak bloom" starting in late May throughout mid June. Watch our social media platforms for BLOOM UPDATES! Learn about our floral collections and meet our two generous [Peony Donors](#) Our **Musical Fountain Show** starts **May 20th** please check performance times to ensure you can enjoy the show [What Time Is The Musical Fountain Show?](#)

Musical Fountains, Gardens & Birds, Self Guided Tours, Season Memberships, Gift Certificates & New Reveals!

Sweet reunions are keeping us extremely busy! Our fellow nature lovers are reaching out to purchase garden plants, renew and purchase their season memberships, we're booking group garden tours, while newly engaged couples or those who waited, are planning their beautiful garden wedding ceremonies. Special celebrations, anniversaries and birthdays are booking quickly. Welcome back to our incredible Event Partners who always bring their world-class Canadian talent to our joyful gardens through their original artistry. An exceptional line up of Concerts, Theatre Productions, Imaginative Character Adventures, Garden Parties and Wellness inspired nature experiences await you this season. Our Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden is now a 1 hour show featuring live music as we ended our premier series to sold out shows! Thank you to our season sponsors which included funding provided by the Government of Ontario. New reveals include; the resurfacing of our parking lot and gravel walking paths to offer maximum accessibility, our indoor washroom trailer, safety lighting, diversity signage and website "plan, play & stay" tools as we acknowledge the support of the Government of Canada through the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario. Watch for several reveals coming this summer! Over 22 acres of streams, ponds, cascades, as well as cottage garden strolls, magnificent formal gardens and European influenced architecture all await you at our National Award winning botanical gardens, planted for every season. Our conifer collection reveals some 1,500 different plants and of course, you'll make new friends at our Bird Aviary with over 50 exotic birds of every imaginable colour! Relax and take in the beauty with our [Celebrate Spring New Video](#) imagine the blooms and the warm sunny days awaiting your arrival!



GUIDED TOURS – RESERVATIONS ONLY Booked In Advance! Offered to groups of 20+ guests or more.

SELF GUIDED TOURS – NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED Visitors receive a personal greeting and orientation upon arrival to learn of directions to garden amenities, accessible paths, receive a garden site map and notified of the musical fountain show schedule.

SEASON MEMBERSHIPS & GIFT CERTIFICATES Garden centre and botanical gardens gift certificates make a unique gift. Season Memberships offer a savings for visitors wishing to visit more than once throughout the season while saving 10% on their garden centre plant purchases, learn more visit. [Season Memberships](#)

TICKETS NOW ON SALE!

2023 Spring GARDEN ADVENTURES

LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE Events – INCLUDES BOTANICAL GARDEN ADMISSION



MAY

May 20th @ 1:30PM TINY TALES: THE FLOATING LANTERNS

The Glass Slipper Company

BUY TICKETS Box Office Closes at 5PM Thursday

[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS](#)

She just wanted to see the floating lanterns gleam!

Join our Tower Princess and some of her royal friends, as they bring you along on a magical retelling of her beloved story. Enjoy the magic and music on the beautiful grounds of Whistling Gardens, take in our show and meet our characters afterward! Tower Princess, Snow Princess, Bayou Princess and introducing....our Rogue Thief! *All tickets include admission to the 22 acres of botanical gardens, admission to our show and an opportunity to meet our attending characters after the show! We also encourage you to explore the gardens and enjoy the musical fountain show.



May 27th @ 1:00 PM PEONY TEA PARTY

Teas & Toasts

Wear your garden party finest!

[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS](#)

Admission includes a Peony Bath Soak (DIY blending activity), lawn games, nibbles, and a complimentary beverage of your choice: Iced Tea or Lemonade and self-guided walking tours of the gardens, fountain shows, bird aviary and free parking.



JUNE

June 3rd @ 4:00 PM EMERGING ARTISTS RECITAL IN THE GARDENS

Arcady

Arcady is celebrating its 25th Anniversary and the festivities will begin with two jubilant spring concerts on back-to-back weekends!

[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS](#) \$15 – \$37

The first will take place at Whistling Gardens during North America's largest public peony collection "peak Bloom". This recital will feature new and well-loved music by Arcady's acclaimed artistic director Ronald Beckett as well as newly composed music by Emerging Artists Emma Verdonk (Brantford) and Benjamin Gabbay (Toronto). These works will be performed by three of Arcady's 2023 featured Emerging Artists: Sophia Korz of London, Roanna Kitchen of Toronto, and Maria Milenic of Toronto, along with 2015 Emerging Artist and popular and engaging soprano Olivia Maldonado of Burlington. Benjamin Gabbay will provide piano accompaniment in the beautiful Temple Garden setting.

Tickets are \$37 (general), \$15 (under 18) and can also be purchased by contacting info@arcady.ca, calling (519) 428-3185, or from Whistling Gardens' Garden Centre. Tickets include a same-day pass to the botanical gardens and fountain shows.



June 17 @ 4:00 PM A Garden Concert Tribute to Andrew Lloyd Webber

Playful Fox Productions

The Phantom may have left the Box Office for now but that doesn't mean the "music of the night" has been silenced!

[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS](#)

Explore our glorious peonies during their last days of peak bloom; enjoy licensed beer and wine hospitality, and snacks as you take in the magnificent best of renowned musical theatre composer Andrew Lloyd Webber! A must attend to all our theatre, garden loving friends! Your admission includes entrance to 22 acres of these enchanting gardens. This is a licensed (*pending approvals*) event for 19+ Limited seats so get your tickets now!



JULY

July 15 @ 4:00 PM Dancing Around The World & Through The Ages

New Vintage Winds

Travel the globe with us!

[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS](#)

Stay the day and explore 22 acres of award winning manicured summer gardens before our afternoon concert. Bring your picnic lunch and take in the breath-taking beauty and enjoy our musical fountain show. Prepackages snacks, ice cream and non alcoholic beverages are available on site. 10am Botanical Gardens Open – Botanical Gardens Explore, Musical Fountain Show 11:15 am, 1:00 pm and 2:45 pm. Includes Botanical Gardens Admission. 4pm Concert Starts Tickets Also Available at the Door

ABOUT US

SWF combines wellness services with movement, music and mindful practices for every-body, with yoga classes and musical performances throughout the day across the extensive botanical gardens.

Our goal is to unite and encourage the holistic integration of physical, mental and spiritual well-being through yoga, music and healing to promote long-term wellness for all.

SAYZA
Wellness Festival

CONTACT US

SWF2023.eventbrite.com
sayzawellnessfestival@gmail.com
@sayzahotyoga
**Inquire for Group Discounts & Corporate Packages*

AUGUST

August 19 @ 11:30 am - 8:00 pm Sayza Wellness Festival

Sayza Hot Yoga

Our first annual Sayza Wellness Festival right here is Norfolk County!

[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS](#)

A movement and music festival celebrating community connection, where you will experience yoga classes and workshops, live music, holistic vendors and a variety of wellness activities for the whole family. Local wine, beer (*pending approvals*) and food available, all amidst a variety of beautiful botanical gardens and fountains. Our goal is to unite and connect the community through healing, yoga, music and wellness.



Tickets on sale now!!

Adult Pass – \$40

Youth Pass – \$20

Children 10+ Under – Free!

Are you interested in being a part of SWF? E-Mail us at sayzawellnessfestival@gmail.com

Stay tuned for more details including a list of the amazing performances and vendors you can look forward to seeing this summer!

August 26 @ 4:00 pm A Garden Walk – Arcady Summer Concert & Silent Auction

Arcady

Join us in our 25th Anniversary celebrations!

[CLICK HERE TO BUY TICKETS \\$15 – \\$37](#)

Join Arcady's acclaimed artistic director Ronald Beckett for another sensational music presentation in our botanical gardens. Start your Christmas shopping early at their incredible Silent Auction too! Tickets include botanical gardens admission with snack and licensed hospitality (pending approval).

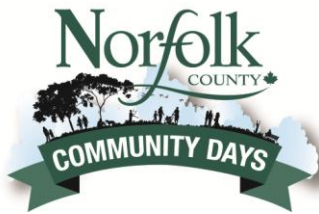
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SPECIAL PROMOTIONS!

WIN DAY PASSES Peony Photo Contest – Best Landscape Photo Estimated bloom times: Late May thru Mid-June.

Send us your "Best Peony Landscape Photo" taken at Whistling Gardens with Photo Credit for a chance to win a two garden day passes! Multiple images are encouraged and please name photo content if possible. All photo submissions must be received as an attachment by July 31st 2023 with the winner to be contacted by email. Please email photos to info@whistlinggardens.ca in a jpg format, no size restrictions apply

WIN DAY PASSES 2023 Live The Garden Life Draw – On Site Only. Draw Date October 2023



Norfolk Community Days 2023

June 4 Whistling Gardens Community Day Special – Save 20% off [admission rates](#) into the Botanical Gardens. Witness North America's largest public peony collection in bloom, representing over 1,300 varieties! **Offer does not apply to ticketed special events and cannot be combined with other promotions.*

NEW Local Beer & Wine Spirits! Live Your Best Life Hospitality Events!

Bring your prepared picnic and enjoy our elevated craft beer and wine hospitality served at the Redbud located in our botanical gardens on the selected dates and times. Our community is home to several unique craft breweries and wineries as we help you discover our lush Norfolk County region, embraced by many as Ontario's Garden!

Licensed Days & Times (pending approvals)

DATE	BAR OPERATING TIME	EVENT
17-Jun	12noon - 2pm & 3pm - 7pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Andrew Lloyd Webber Concert - Playful Fox Productions
19-Aug	11am - 8pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Sayza Wellness Festival
26-Aug	3pm - 6pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
02-Sep	12noon - 2pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & A Garden Walk - Arcady Summer Concert & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
09-Sep	12noon - 2pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
16-Sep	12noon - 2pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
23-Sep	2pm - 5pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Afternoon Garden Stroll & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
30-Sep	12noon - 2pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
07-Oct	12noon - 2pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden
14-Oct	12noon - 2pm & 7pm - 8:30pm	Bring Your Picnic Lunch & Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden



GARDEN BLISS Wedding Ceremonies & Private Celebration Events...

2024 & 2025 NOW RESERVING!

As we book weekends to capacity each season, couples, families and groups are encouraged to plan ahead to reserve their garden wedding ceremony for groups up to 200 guests, or celebration with our awarding winning events management team. Packages include a musical fountain show, complimentary Temple Garden wedding display flowers, complimentary use of tables, chairs and more.

THREE SEASONS TO ELOPE is our all-inclusive intimate wedding ceremony package for intimate groups, less than 30 Guests... **Wedding Photography Sessions Now Booking!** Did you know we offer a special wedding photography package just for couples wishing to bring their wedding photographer and party? Groups must be prescheduled. Contact us with your date and time at info@whistlinggardens.ca

The "PERFECT PROPOSAL" Awaits You! Your 22 acre private botanical gardens rental awaits you... *Can you imagine the surprise?* Our exclusive, 3 hour garden rental is a customized dining, décor, entertainment and tour experience personalized to fulfill your romantic vision. Let's explore how we may best fulfill your vision and romantic wish list.



Special Occasions Reservations – NOW BOOKING – Until October!

Anniversary, birthday, bridal and baby showers, prom parties, engagement, secret proposal or community organization events and groups, our award-winning management team is ready to help you organize your custom celebration and picnics in our 22 acre award winning botanical gardens! We help you customize your private event: license hospitality, local caterers, manage your guest registrations, complimentary accessibility valet service and more! Many dates are now booked to capacity, so please reach out soon to plan your Escape To The Gardens! Contact us at info@whistlinggardens.ca



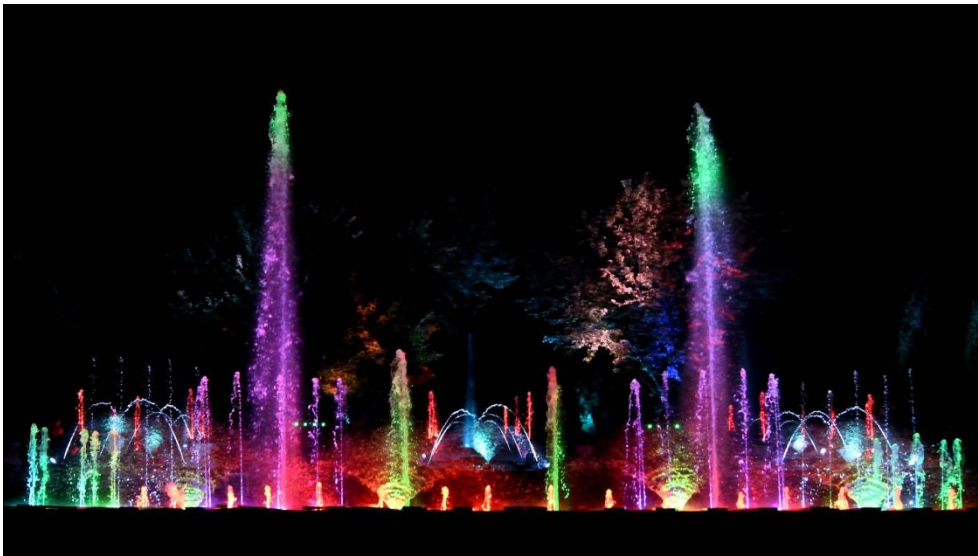
Book Your Garden Experiences!

Group Garden Tea Parties with Teas & Toasts <https://teasandtoasts.ca/>

Intimate Delux Picnics with Rustic Magnolia Basket <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083554561035>

Garden Photography Spring, Summer & Fall Family & Engagement Photo Sessions with Y&K Photography www.YKphotography.com
For More Information Visit <https://whistlinggardens.ca/plan-your-visit/garden-experiences/>

Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden *Tickets Go On Sale June 1st*



Opening Night Performance!

August 26 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

2023 Series Dates:

September, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

October 7, 14th

Featuring Live Entertainment

Mr. Jazz Duo and Wind & Wire

GROUP RATES for 20+ Guests!

PRIVATE SHOWS for 50+ Guests!

Custom hospitality packages offered.

Performance Details: Botanical Gardens Doors Open at **7 PM** Ticket includes 22 acre Botanical Garden Explore, Live Entertainment offering

Licensed Hospitality & Snacks available for purchase. Fountain Show at Nightfall, (10 music compositions)

For Performance Details Visit <https://whistlinggardens.ca/festivaloffountains/>

SUMMER SNEAK PEEK *More Events & News Coming!*

"BLOSSOM" Whistling Gardens Summer FESTIVAL

July 2nd CARE DAY 50% Garden Admissions Donated - Norfolk General Hospital Foundation

July 16 @ 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm The Glass Slipper Company – Family Event Coming Soon!

July 22 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm The Glass Slipper Company – Evening Gala Family Event Coming Soon!

August 12 & 13 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Alice In Wonderland Playful Fox Production!

August 27 @ 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm The Glass Slipper Company – Family Event Coming Soon!

September 2 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Disney On Broadway Playful Fox Production!

Watch for New Garden Installations - Commemorative & Art Dedications!

Planning Your Visit – Let's keep It simple!



Visit our Mobile Website www.whistlinggardens.ca

Check Seasonal Hours Before You Visit May & June: OPEN Tuesday - Sunday 9:30am - 5:00pm, Closed Monday except on Holiday weekends

HOURS

Directions [CLICK HERE FOR DIRECTIONS](#)

Join Our Subscribers <https://whistlinggardens.ca/email-subscribe-form/>

SPECIAL DEALS & SNEAK PEEKS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – *Connect With Us On Our Social Media Platforms*

Do you need help making your trip plan? Visit our NEW Tourism Hub page, offering shop, play and stay resources throughout Norfolk County and Southern Ontario. 95% of our visitors staycation and we're here to help you plan your adventure visit! <https://whistlinggardens.ca/tourismhub/>

Live Your Best Life! Live The Garden Life! You are the gift we treasure! We plant for you; we plant in [perpetuity](#) to fulfill our [botanical vision](#) while contributing to our vibrant healthy natural society. A heartfelt, sincere thank you to our valued garden centre customers, botanical gardens season members and visitors from around the globe who are planning their return visits. Our gardens truly attract the best people who continue to share their unconditional kindness while recognizing the value of our work and sacrifices. Thank you to our private donors, several area growers, partner businesses and garden supporters as great care is taken to acknowledge your gift of kindness as our profits are reinvested each year to expand amenities. As land stewards, our story of transforming our "corn field into a botanical garden" truly reflects your stories through our life's work.

We are grateful to our supportive garden community, knowing many of you have watched us dream, plan, dig and plant to create a beautiful safe botanical escape. We cannot wait to see you again on this magnificent garden journey where our gardens unite to Live Your Best Life & Live The Garden Life with Us!

Darren and Wanda Heimbecker

Gardening is good for the soul.... Happy Gardening!

Darren & Wanda Heimbecker & Our Sunny Garden Team

Whistling Gardens...Imagine