

Garden Lovers Invitation 2026 “Discover PEACE, ADVENTURE & BLISS” Whistling Gardens | Botanical Gardens & Garden Centre

Dear Garden Friends,



Welcome back Spring! Fully Stocked Garden Centre & ONLINE STORE

Over 100 varieties of Japanese maples, ornamental trees, shrubs, dwarf conifers, peonies, specialty flowering plants & rare varieties are looking for new homes!

“Create your own paradise, become inspired”

After a long cold winter, our **Botanical Garden** spring fragrant blooms are starting to remerge, waiting to greet you! 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 and learn about our seasonal floral collections. 1,000’s of summer blooms will reveal their beauty with Red Hot Poker, Blanket Flower, Echinacea, Aruncus, Lilies, Day Lilies and more. Learn more about our collections and their traditional peak bloom times and meet our two generous [Peony Donors](#) **When will the peonies bloom? VISIT [2025 PEONY BLOOM FORECAST](#) for an estimate and watch for our 2026 forecast posted on social media and our website as we get closer to bloom time.**



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

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 multi 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 and enjoy a serenade at our Bird Aviary too! Relax and take in the beauty with our many seasonal [VIRTUAL TOURS](#) imagine the blooms and the warm sunny days awaiting your arrival! Our daytime **Musical Fountain Show** starts on May 16th please make sure to check performance times to ensure you can enjoy the show which is included in your admission [What Time Is The Musical Fountain Show?](#)

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, Children’s Theatrical Character Adventures, Garden Parties, Garden Care and Self Care Nature inspired workshops experiences await you this season. Our award-winning Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden returns, featuring live music as we witnessed sold out shows every season! Our fellow nature lovers are reaching out to purchase garden plants, renew and purchase their season memberships, we’re busy booking group garden tours, beautiful garden wedding ceremonies, special celebrations, anniversaries, showers and birthdays – thank you for your trust!

GUIDED TOURS – RESERVATIONS ONLY Must Be Booked In Advance! Available 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, current blooms, receive a garden site map and are notified of the musical fountain show schedule. Admission is not paid in advance.

CATERED GROUP PICNICS! Available to groups of 20+ guests or more. Check out **Garden Experiences** for smaller groups.

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, Festival of Fountains ticket and more. Visit. [Season Memberships](#)

TICKETS NOW ON SALE! VISIT OUR [EVENTS CALENDAR](#)

2026 GARDEN ADVENTURES

LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE Events – INCLUDES SAME DAY BOTANICAL GARDEN ADMISSION

MAY



Garden Design – CRASH COURSE May 23 @ 10am – 2pm

TICKETS <https://whistlinggardens.ca/event/garden-design-crash-course-4/>

Planning or redesigning your garden can be overwhelming. In this workshop, participants will learn tips, tricks and the foundations of garden design from a Landscape Designer. With the assistance of Heather (the Designer), participants will complete a preliminary design of their own garden space including dimensions, a plant list and an idea of materials to install their plan. Supplies: Participants should bring photos of their existing garden space/area, property survey (if they have one), photos (printed or on their phone) of inspirational images they like, pencil crayons or markers (if they have them), and a camera (phone camera is fine). Paper will be provided.

***PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC LUNCH**

***Participants receive a 10% Garden Centre discount on their plant purchases and orders on the day of each workshop!**

***Includes all taxes and play and stay botanical garden same day pass.**

Forest Therapy Walk May 24 @ 10am

TICKETS <https://luma.com/z7qb8s0k>

Slow down, breathe deeply, and reconnect with nature during a guided 2-hour forest therapy walk in the beautifully landscaped grounds of Whistling Gardens. This immersive experience invites you to step out of daily busyness and into a gentle, mindful relationship with the natural world.

Forest therapy (also known as Shinrin-yoku or “forest bathing”) is a guided, sensory-based practice that supports mental, emotional, and physical well-being. Through a series of slow, intentional invitations such as noticing textures, sounds, scents, and seasonal changes, you’ll be encouraged to move at a relaxed pace, rest often, and experience the gardens in a new and meaningful way.

Come as you are, dress for the weather, and allow yourself to be gently guided into a deeper sense of calm, presence, and connection with nature and with yourself. **The session includes a tea ceremony where your guide will introduce you to a locally sourced plant for the tea. She will also provide snacks. Feel free to bring water or your own snacks to consume at any time during the walk.**

Participants will have the opportunity to continue exploring the gardens after the event.

Guide: Nadia Frost is a registered psychotherapist, a certified forest therapy guide as well as a forest therapy trail consultant. She has been leading groups in local parks around the Greater Toronto Area, helping people reconnect with their senses and find calm through nature. Nadia also shares her expertise on mental health with businesses and their employees through engaging webinars.

<https://www.wanderoots.com/>



Pixie Hollow Picnic May 30th @ 11:30am

TICKETS <https://www.ticketscene.ca/events/59975/>

Step into a world of pixie dust and magic as fairies take over Whistling Gardens! This unique experience brings together fairies of all kinds, who will share their talents with you in a special presentation that includes music, dancing and wonder. **Pack a picnic lunch of your favourite snacks and join us for the grand arrival of new fairy friends!**

PLAN AHEAD!

***Peony Blooms (North America’s Largest Public Collection” over 1,300+ varieties – Late May thru mid June. Watch for Social Media Bloom updates!**

***Festival of Fountains tickets on sale May 31st**

<https://whistlinggardens.ca/festivaloffountains/>

***FABLES: IN LIGHT Ekaterina Shelehova International Recording Artist Concert performing with Festival of Fountains Tickets on sale May 31st**

JUNE

Smooth Groove - Included With Your Admission!

June 11 & June 20 @ 11am – 3pm

WIND & WIRE CONCERT: Paul & Mark... Saxophone & Guitar ...Relive the memories of your past with instrumental versions of popular songs from the 70's, 80's, 90's and the 2000's, while you explore the gardens before the show! Need To Get Into Your Relax Groove? Watch our

Video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mlq_QKJwnFc



VIP Limo Trip June 20th - Leaving From London

Gardens, Tour, Picnic Lunch & Wine!

TICKETS Contact My Landscape Artist at: info@mylandscapeartist.ca

Website: www.mylandscapeartist.ca

SOMATIC INQUIRY SESSIONS – 1:1 Single Session with RN Psychotherapist with Carey L. Ferris RN Soul Haven Studio “Be Well Within”

June 25. @ 11am, 12:30pm & 2pm - 45 to 60 min session.

Using the healing power of nature, you will be gently guided into a deeply grounded state where you will be supported to

discover deep wisdom that you hold within yourself. You are then invited to continue integrating this wisdom with a serene and mindful walk through the gardens.

Designed to get out of your thinking brain to access your own intuition and inner knowing. Safe, confidential, trauma-informed with trained therapist. Sessions will be scheduled following a brief telephone intake to explore if this is a good fit for you. Bring to session an issue or concern you wish to explore somatically, and maybe a journal if you wish. **The session fee is \$50 which includes that day's admission to Whistling Gardens and is payable directly to therapist by e-transfer in advance.**

Please email clferris.rn@gmail.com to schedule your brief telephone intake.



JULY



Glass Slipper Company “Signature Mystery Event”

July 18 @ 11:30am - 1:30pm

Bringing magic to life, one child at a time. Watch for our family friendly summer surprise announcement coming soon!

Visit <https://www.theglassslippercompany.ca/> and watch for our ticket release coming soon!

AUGUST, SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Garden Echoes: Music for Strings by Mozart, Purcell, Beckett, and Friends

Saturday, August 8 @ 4pm

Rain Date: Sunday, August 9, 2026 • 4:00PM

Tickets \$42 (general admission), \$15 (under 18), includes same-day pass to botanical gardens and fountain shows.

Buy tickets online at www.arcady.ca or by phone at 519-428-3185, or in person at Whistling Gardens Garden Centre available in late spring!

Forest Therapy Walk at Whistling Gardens!

August 14 @ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Register: <https://luma.com/8rakpe3p>

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Aug 19 & September 23 @ 11 am, 12:30 pm, & 2pm

- 45 to 60 min session

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6th Annual Storybook Stroll

August 30 @ 11:30am - 1:30pm

The largest and most magical event of the year returns to Whistling Gardens! For one afternoon, you can meet fairytale favourites around every corner, collect their autographs and snap a photo with your brightest smiles. Royal guests attend every year, as well as rare characters you will never see anywhere else. Who will attend this year? You’ll just have to join us to find out. Visit <https://www.theglassslippercompany.ca/> and watch for our ticket release coming soon!

Haunted Gardens Spooktacular

October 3 @ 5pm - 7pm

What if there was a place where you could meet fairytale characters, play silly games with villains, AND walk away with a bag full of candy? And what if we told you...that your Halloween costumes were part of your spooky attire? Join us for the (not so) spookiest time of year and meet beloved characters you won’t find anywhere else.

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Festival of Fountains – The Night Garden Tickets On Sale May 31st

August – September Friday & Saturday Evenings

August 28, 29 - September 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26

Featuring Live Entertainment Wind & Wire

*2025 Best of Lake Erie Winner “Best Fountains” - Readers/Editors Choice Award, Lake Erie Living Magazine

*2024 Innovator of the Year Award Regional Finalist 2023 – Southwest Ontario Tourism Corporation

*2023 Leadership Award – Garden Tourism Person(s) of The Year / Garden Diversity Innovation – International Garden Tourism Conference/Canadian Garden Council

*2022 Festival of Fountains – The Night Gardens – Best New Event Nomination, FEO

Performance Details: Two-hour experience includes a 22-acre Botanical Garden Explore! Live Entertainment offering Hospitality &

Snacks available for purchase (cash only). Musical Fountain Show after sunset featuring 9 music compositions. **Make a day of it, use your ticket to explore the gardens during the day, enjoy dinner off site at a local eatery (we can recommend many) and return for our evening event!**

<https://whistlinggardens.ca/festivaloffountains/>

GROUP RATES for 20+ Guests! Custom PRIVATE SHOWS for 50+ Guests!

*Whistling Gardens 2026 Season Members receive a onetime special offer. Contact info@whistlinggardens.ca to authorize & reserve.



FABLES: IN LIGHT Ekaterina Shelehova In Concert Presented With Whistling Gardens Festival of Fountains

August 22 & August 23 @ 7pm – 9pm \$35.00 + HST

Tickets On Sale May 31st TICKETS www.ticketscene.ca/

Ekaterina Shelehova is a singer, composer, and performer whose work bridges classical voice, ethereal folk, and cinematic sound worlds. Classically trained, she first gained international recognition with her original performance Earth Melodies on Italy’s Got Talent, which introduced her ethno-operatic style to a global audience and has since amassed hundreds of millions of views. Her music and voice have since traveled across genres and stages worldwide. She has performed as a soloist with the renowned band ERA, with the electronic project Worakls Orchestra, and collaborated with Hans Zimmer and Aleksey Igudesman on the soundtrack for the German TV show Black Gold. With a voice rooted in classical tradition yet unmistakably modern, Ekaterina Shelehova creates immersive performances that transcend genre and language. She is excited to present her new album FABLES at the Whistling Gardens, a multi-award winning 22 acre botanical garden and garden centre located in southern Ontario Canada. **Ekaterina Shelehova will be performing with**

the illuminated Festival of Fountains! Concert/Fountains Preview Watch <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YCoNWIWqrwk>

Discover Ekaterina Shelehova: www.shelehova.com Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/Ambertin> Instagram:

ekaterinashlehova Facebook [/ekaterinashleho](https://www.facebook.com/ekaterinashleho). Spotify <https://open.spotify.com/artist/2TGfz..> TikTok; [/ekaterinashel](https://www.tiktok.com/@ekaterinashel).

Website - <https://shelehova.com> Need Assistance? Contact info@whistlinggardens.ca

Sunset Yoga, Picnic & Festival of Fountain Experience



September 12 @ 4pm - 9:30pm

Join Amy Rose for an unforgettable Summer Experience!

Invite a friend or come on your own to experience a peaceful Slow Flow Yoga class at Whistling Gardens, one of Ontario’s premier horticultural gardens featuring 22 acres of grounds displaying over 4,500 different plants including the rarest tree in the world; the Baishan Fir. Admire nature, tour the gardens and take photos. Live band Wind & Wire starts the evening in the Temple Garden. Enjoy a picnic provided for you with non-alcoholic drinks before the World-Class light and

fountain show which starts after sunset.

Ticket Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/whistling-gardens-sunset-yoga-fountain-experience-tickets-198684184441?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

Since 2015, Amy Rose has been practicing in the realm of the Healing Arts. Amy Rose is a Holistic Health Practitioner, Sound Healer, Musician, Speaker, Yoga & Movement Teacher & Thai Yoga Massage Bodywork Practitioner. She has studied one of the most comprehensive Holistic Healing systems in the world with the Chek Institute in San Diego, California.

With a strong belief in living in accordance with nature, Amy Rose is dedicated to understanding and fostering longevity, vitality, and mind-body-Spirit wellbeing. @thaiyogamassage_withamy connect on instagram

NEW INSTALLATIONS & Try A NEW Garden Experience!

Commemorative Dedications & Elevating Your Visit

Learn More Visit <https://whistlinggardens.ca/plan-your-visit/garden-experiences/>



Donn Zver School of Pottery Presents An Exhibition of Clay Garden Sculptures Exhibit on display June through October

"A Thank you to the Whistling Gardens." For years, Darren and I have talked about a Garden Sculpture Show here at the Whistling Gardens. Now, after many years, we have installed 12 Sculptures made by the Advanced Students and the Educators of the Donn Zver School of Pottery.

We are honoured to have displayed our creations here and thank both Darren and Wanda for this extraordinary opportunity. Thank you to Whistling Gardens for being such a beautiful setting for these Sculptures. Wander through the gardens and delight in the Artistry of these works in Clay. "Selfie Time" <https://www.donnzverschoolofpottery.com/> Instagram @donnzverpottery.

Watch Our Videos! [▶ 9A11365D-0C35-42BD-A09E-23CD897E2D20.MP4](#)

[▶ BC80F768-30E3-489C-9587-FB1F9FF8E9C5.MP4](#)

[▶ D85BDA22-C817-4A09-A5B0-4F971792101E.MP4](#) & [▶ EC31DC8F-A1C8-4A2E-8A70-B39E322C6FE3.MP4](#)

KATHY'S TREE OF LIGHT

Find the people and places that always light up your life as you set down your roots, grow your strengths, and change comfortably with time. Whistling Gardens gratefully acknowledges the donation from Kathy Coomber that enabled the creation of this unique Tree of Light. **READ THE RELEASE** <https://whistlinggardens.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Kathys-Tree-of-Light.pdf>



BIG PIANO Take Your First Step To Start Your Musical Journey...

Joyce Carey's life legacy gift shares her love of music which fueled her happiness as a life-long student of all keyboard instruments. A special collaboration between Whistling Gardens, Ron Beckett, Founder/Composer of the Arcady Ensemble with the Joyce and Ken Carey Foundation introduces the BIG PIANO dedication for all music lovers to enjoy during their botanical garden visit. **READ THE RELEASE** <https://whistlinggardens.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Carey-Foundation-Press-Release-2025.pdf>

Whistling Gardens wishes to sincerely thank all donors who continue to contribute their Legacy Gifts in memory and to honour your loved ones. Benches, plants and garden dedications tell "your stories" as our peaceful garden sanctuary unite us.



Treat yourselves to a truly unique experience! Whistling Gardens, one of Ontario's premier horticultural gardens has partnered with Homegrown Hideaway for the Glamp and Garden Getaway!

Included in your reservation is one night at Homegrown Hideaway where you can relax in comfort in nature in one of their Glamping tents, and 2 passes to Whistling Gardens!

Make sure to select GLAMP & GARDEN when you reserve your tent here.

www.homegrownhideaway.com/packages

Spring, Summer & Fall Family & Engagement Photo Sessions

Photo Days at the Gardens are back! Join us for 30 minutes mini sessions with Y&K Photography at beautiful Whistling Gardens. Admission rates apply. Your Photo Session includes: *30 minute session, *10 photos (choose your favourites from your online gallery) *All photos delivered as high resolution jpgs. *Print release included \$99 +HST.

Reserve your session Contact: Y&K Photography www.YKphotography.com



Fables & Flora Photo Sessions – Let Your Fantasy Come True!

Package A.- The Full Fable

Up to 2 hours of photography

Package B.- Short story sessions

Up to 30 minutes of photography

Botanical Gardens Admission Rates Apply

Contact: Stefanie Ponting Email: midjuly@hotmail.com Phone: 519-878-1983

Instagram: [@midjulyphotography](https://www.instagram.com/midjulyphotography)

Website: midjulyphotography30.mypixieset.com

Group Tea Parties

Our tea service is top notch, from delectable treats, to exquisite teas, reconnect over light refreshments, and soak up the fine surroundings of our most preferred outdoor venue Whistling Gardens. Contact us now for package pricing for groups of 10+ people

Visit <https://teasandtoasts.ca/>

Intimate Pretty Little Picnics

We're not just a picnic company—we curate timeless tablescapes that celebrate connection, beauty, and meaningful moments. We are rooted in elegance and intentional detail; each experience is designed to bring people together in unforgettable ways. This is luxury redefined—where memories are made gathered at the table. Phone Jennifer 226-567-1099

Email prettylittlepicnics01@yahoo.com Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/share/1HAmaSuuRX/>

NEW Wind Phone

What is a Wind Phone? A Wind Phone is a beautifully simple idea: an old-fashioned telephone, often rotary, placed in a quiet space for reflection. Inspired by the original Wind Phone created by Itaru Sasaki in Ōtsuchi, Japan, in 2010, a disconnected phone booth became a place of comfort for thousands following the 2011 tsunami. Wind Phones offer a gentle invitation to pause, remember, and speak from the heart. Visitors are invited to pick up the receiver, dial a number, and speak with the one they miss. It is a place where grief is welcomed without judgment, where love is spoken freely, and where memories can breathe. Above all, the Wind Phone represents hope: the gentle, enduring hope that love continues, that connection remains, and that even death does not truly separate us.

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/innovation/what-are-wind-phones-and-how-do-they-help-with-grief-180985113/>

CONTESTS & SPECIAL “Thank You” 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 2026 with the winner to be contacted by email. Please email photos as an attachment to

info@whistlinggardens.ca in a jpg format, no size restrictions apply



Win 6 FREE tickets to Whistling Gardens Festival of Fountains!

<https://whistlinggardens.ca/festivaloffountains/>

How To Enter – Watch for our Contest Post on both blogNorfolk and Whistling Gardens social media feeds below. To Enter Follow, LIKE & SHARE it's that easy. blogNorfolk will contact the winner!

Follow us both of us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and our website to enter.

Facebook [@blogNorfolk](https://www.facebook.com/blogNorfolk) <https://www.facebook.com/blogNorfolk/>

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Facebook [@Whistling.Gardens](https://www.facebook.com/Whistling.Gardens/) <https://www.facebook.com/Whistling.Gardens/>

Instagram [@whistlinggardens](https://www.instagram.com/whistlinggardens) <https://www.instagram.com/whistlinggardens/>

blogNorfolk is a local media and community platform showcasing the heart of Norfolk County. From small businesses and local events to food, farms, and the region's natural beauty, it highlights what makes Norfolk truly special. For first-time visitors and long-time

residents alike, blogNorfolk offers a trusted way to discover where to go, what to do, and who to support, making it easy to experience the very best of Norfolk County. YouTube @blogNorfolk <https://www.youtube.com/@blognorfolk> Website: www.blognorfolk.com

July 26th CARE DAY “Norfolk General Hospital Foundation”

Plan a visit and show you care about healthcare! We continue our annual tradition of gifting funds each year as 50% of our individual botanical garden admissions are donated in support of the gift of health. Whistling Gardens is proud to support over 20+ local and regional charities each year since our inception



GARDEN BLISS Wedding Ceremonies & Private Celebration Events...

NOW RESERVING!

Weekends book 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, tables, chairs and more. Custom pricing available for elopements under 30 guests with local supplier referrals.

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? **Wedding photography must be prescheduled to secure a special price.** We welcome family and engagement photo sessions too! Contact us with your date and time at info@whistlinggardens.ca

SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS or the PERFECT PROPOSAL! Anniversary, birthday, bridal and baby showers, prom parties, engagement, secret proposal or community organization events, our award-winning management team is ready to help you organize your custom celebration! We help you customize your private event i.e. licensed hospitality, local caterers, manage your guest registrations, complimentary accessibility valet service and more! Many dates are now booked to capacity, so plan early!



Are you a Nature Lover looking for more beautiful escapes?

Visit <https://gardeningcalendar.ca/>

Our national partnership is helping new garden guests discover us as we encourage our garden friends to explore Canada's finest nature destinations!

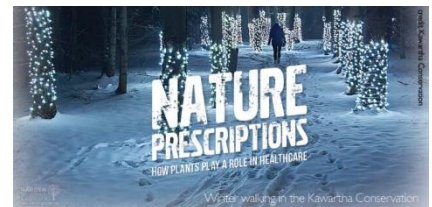
Did You Hear Our Gardens News?

Garden Culture Magazine Whistling Gardens PaRx Feature - HOT OFF THE PRESS!

“Advocacy in action as we lend our voice to a global conversation following the path of New Zealand and Japan”

Do you value the healing properties of nature too? Perhaps you're curious or already living a life embracing green space. Either way, this article is worth a read! “Nature Prescriptions: How Plants Play a Role in Healthcare” is making its' debut through the Garden Culture Magazine distribution network including the Netherlands, USA, Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, and Australia. Journalist Jennifer Cole, uncovers the historic journey of prescribing nature and its benefits revealing the growing Canadian trend of the PaRx designation program, managed by the BC Parks Foundation. Whistling Gardens is proud to have joined the PaRx program in 2025 as a healing garden destination. We offer a special reduced rate for patient prescribers as we recognize the wellness value of nature and our botanical garden. A special thank you to the teams at Garden Culture Magazine located in Mille Isles, Quebec, Canada and the BC Parks Foundation for your leadership vision and innovation as we all do our part in helping to keep Canadians healthy.

Article: <https://gardenculturemagazine.com/nature-prescriptions/>



NEW GARDEN AWARDS & RECOGNITION!

2025 Best of Lake Erie Winner “Best Fountains” Readers/Editors Choice Award, Lake Erie Living Magazine

2025 Most Stunning Gardens To Visit Across Canada, CBC

2025 PaRx Healing Garden - National Designation Recognition, BC Parks Foundation



Diversity & Inclusion | Disability Awareness Employer Designation! We are proud to collaborate in fostering disability inclusion and accessibility in Ontario. Together, our business partnership with the Ontario Corporate Training Centre (OCTC), funded by the Government of Canada, aims to reshape disability inclusion and promote diverse, equitable workplaces. We're dedicated to creating an environment where everyone can succeed!

Planning Your Visit – It's simple!

Visit our Mobile Website www.whistlinggardens.ca

Check Seasonal Hours Before You Visit **SPRING, SUMMER & FALL** [HOURS](#)



Directions [CLICK HERE FOR DIRECTIONS](#)

Our Tourism Hub offers shop, play and stay resources to help you plan your adventure! [WHAT'S NEARBY](#)

What's Happening In The Gardens? **BLOOM UPDATES & SNEAK PEEKS** – *Connect With Us On Our Social Media Platforms*

Visit our **EVENTS** Calendar [2026 SEASON EVENTS](#)

Live Your Best Life - Live The Garden Life!

“**Discover PEACE, ADVENTURE & BLISS**” our 2026 theme, recognizes the diversity of change, and how our gardens might serve you. Our motivation, and kindness culture fuels us as 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 hard working seasonal team, private donors, 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 complementing our labour of love 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 sanctuary where our garden connects us. We cannot wait to see you again on this magnificent garden journey!

Darren and Wanda Heimbecker

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

Whistling Gardens...Imagine