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GREENWOOD GARDENS RE-OPENS MAY 1 WITH EXPANDED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

New On-Site Tours, Lectures, Concert Series, and Workshops Round Out 2022 Season

Short Hills, NJ, March 4, 2022 – Amidst a stunning display of spring blossoms, this 28-acre formal garden and former private estate in Northern New Jersey will open its gates to the public on May 1, 2022 through the end of the season on November 5. Within convenient driving distance from New York City, Newark, and Philadelphia, Greenwood Gardens is offering an expanded calendar of entertaining and educational events designed to help visitors connect with nature in a historic garden oasis.

Greenwood Gardens will be open to the public Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from May 1 through November 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Entry is by vehicle only; advance registration is strongly recommended.

“We are delighted to offer more opportunities for visitors to immerse themselves in the garden in the coming season, from new on-site tours and lectures, to concerts, workshops, and more, all safely and conveniently situated outside in the garden and on the West Terrace,” said Abby O’Neill, Executive Director of Greenwood. “Visitors should pre-register for events as we expect them to fill up quickly.”

In honor of National Public Gardens Day and in appreciation of its constituents, Greenwood is holding a Community Day on May 6. The gates will be open to all members of the community to tour the gardens admission-free. Docents will be available to answer questions and assist visitors. Greenwood is pleased to give back to the community that has so graciously supported the garden through the years.

Music will once again fill the Main Terrace and spill into the garden during five live concerts planned from May through October. Built during the Jazz Age, Greenwood Gardens is a unique and historic location in which to appreciate jazz music. Three evenings of Jazz in the Garden, sponsored by Stone Mountain Properties, are scheduled for May 20, June 24 and July 22. Lyrica Chamber Music and The Discovery Orchestra performances round out the lineup for this year’s concert series. Visitors are invited to arrive early to appreciate the garden in the evening light before the concerts begin.

A perennial favorite of members and visitors alike, Bee Day returns on October 1, 2022. The entire family will enjoy high-touch, low tech activities centered around the vital role played by the industrious bee in protecting our delicate ecosystem. A wide range of activities will take place on the Main Lawn



including a spelling bee, an art contest, nature journaling, “bee” reading circles, and a petting zoo, all in a beautiful, natural setting.

A variety of specialized tours, workshops and lectures will take place throughout the season. Visitors can tour the garden on a bird walk with a New Jersey Audubon naturalist, discover their creative sides in a journaling workshop focused on sensing and recording their emotional reactions to the natural world, or learn about the life and legacy of Frederick Law Olmsted, America’s first “Landscape Architect” in a lecture by celebrated author, Marta McDowell. Visit the Greenwood Gardens website for a full list of upcoming programs.

“With the recent addition of a tent covering the West Terrace, we can safely host more visitors for our lectures, presentations and concerts,” said O’Neill. “We are excited to bring back some of our favorite programs and add new ones this season.”

As an added benefit, members of Greenwood Gardens receive special invitations for programs not available to the general public. Members will enjoy pre-season access to the garden, an invitation to see the star magnolias, cherry blossoms, and lilacs at the peak of their beauty, and twilight tours to enjoy the lighting in the Main Axis, among other offerings.

Entry to the garden is free to members and children under 3; \$15 adults 13-64; \$10 senior (65+); and students with ID; and \$5 children 3-12. Programs are individually priced. See a full list of upcoming events and register at greenwoodgardens.org/programs.

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ABOUT GREENWOOD GARDENS

Greenwood Gardens is a non-profit 28-acre public garden and historic site located at 274 Old Short Hills Road in Short Hills, New Jersey. A former private estate owned by the Day and Blanchard families, today Greenwood is a peaceful haven graced with terraced gardens, stately fountains, woodlands, grottoes, Arts and Crafts follies, and winding paths. To accomplish its mission of connecting people with nature in a historic garden oasis, Greenwood offers the visiting public self-guided tours and programs at the nexus of nature, beauty, and history. Greenwood Gardens is supported by gifts, membership, and volunteers. For further information, visit www.greenwoodgardens.org or call 973-258-4026. Please follow us on Facebook [@GreenwoodShortHills](https://facebook.com/GreenwoodShortHills) and Instagram [@greenwoodgardensnj](https://instagram.com/greenwoodgardensnj).