



THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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**Bar Car Nights Return to The New York Botanical Garden  
on Friday, November 21, 2014**

**Festive Outdoor Adventures Amid the Garden's Wintry Landscape  
and an After-Dark Viewing of the *Holiday Train Show*<sup>®</sup>**

**Fridays and Saturdays, November 21 & 22; December 5, 6, 19, & 20;  
January 2, 3, 9, & 10; 7–10 p.m.**



The popular Bar Car Nights at The New York Botanical Garden are back, providing nighttime opportunities for adults to enjoy a special viewing of the *Holiday Train Show*<sup>®</sup> and experience a winter wonderland at the Botanical Garden while sipping a complimentary cocktail. The Botanical Garden's *Holiday Train Show* is one of New York City's most cherished holiday traditions. Bar Car Nights offer a wondrous evening setting to view the trains and architecture of the popular exhibition before heading outside for seasonal fun. Visitors can enjoy cocktails while journeying through a series of station stops, including ice sculpture carving demonstrations under the starlight; Stephen STARR Events festive treats such as signature spiked hot cocoa and roasted chestnuts; an intimate jazz set in the warmth of The Pine Tree Café; and a stroll along Perennial Garden Way to take in the playful performances of Cirque de Light.

This year's Bar Car Nights series kicks off with The New York Botanical Garden's inaugural LGBT @ NYBG event. On Friday, November 21, the Bar Car Night will celebrate the LGBT community and its allies alongside the spectacular glow of the Garden's enchanting holiday exhibition.

All Bar Car Nights are exclusively for adults 21 and over.

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## Bar Car Nights Entertainment

Listen to **live music at The Pine Tree Café** each night with cabaret and jazz sets at 7:15, 8:15, & 9 p.m. The rotating musicians include:

**Myriam Phiro & the Cavaliers of Swing** (November 21 & 22; December 5 & 6; January 9 & 10)

Myriam Phiro's musical style ranges from a seductive and elegant jazz singer to an energetic swing dancer. Brought together by a mutual love of French cuisine and French music, she began a musical partnership with trombonist Robbie Klein. Robbie has a decade of education in American Jazz yet found himself captivated by French music at first "bonjour!"

**Les Chauds Lapins** (December 19 & 20; January 2 & 3)

Les Chauds Lapins ("the hot rabbits"), lead by New York's Kurt Hoffman and Meg Reichardt, rearranges long-forgotten French classics, mixing the rootsiness of early American jazz with the lushness of a Bernard Herrmann film soundtrack.

The winter wonderland comes to life with **Ice Sculpture Carving Demonstrations** in the Garden's Leon Levy Visitor Center. Watch an expert New York-based ice carver from **Okamoto Studio** transform blocks of ice into holiday works of arts. The sculptures' magnificence progresses throughout the night while portraits are taken under the twinkling lights of the holiday tree display.

**Light up the Night Performances** provide a magical atmosphere and set the tone for a memorable evening of glowing light. **Cirque de Light** performers, with their variety of props, including staffs, hula hoops, and poi, charm audiences along Perennial Garden Way with their wit and playfulness.

### **BAR CAR NIGHTS PRICING:**

**Non-Member \$35/Member \$25 (Adults 21 and over); Special Event ticket required.**

*Advance tickets recommended; includes one complimentary beer, wine, or cocktail of your choice.*

*Although your ticket provides access to the entire event between 7–10 p.m., when purchasing tickets you will need to select an entrance time for the Holiday Train Show in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory.*

For more information, please visit our Web site at [nybg.org](http://nybg.org) or call 718.817.8700.

The New York Botanical Garden is a museum of plants located at Bronx River Parkway (Exit 7W) and Fordham Road. It is easy to reach by Metro-North Railroad, bus, or subway.

### **HOLIDAY TRAIN SHOW HOURS:**

During the *Holiday Train Show*, November 15, 2014–January 19, 2015, The New York Botanical Garden is open Tuesday–Friday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.; Extended hours, 10 a.m.–7 p.m., Saturdays, November 15–January 17; Friday, November 28 (day after Thanksgiving); and December 20–January 1. The Garden is closed all day on November 27 (Thanksgiving) and December 25 (Christmas); it closes at 3 p.m. on December 12 and 24 (Christmas Eve).

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