

# NYBG

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## **NYBG's *Antique Garden Furniture Fair* Opens with an Exclusive Preview Party and Collectors' Plant Sale on Thursday, April 16, 2020**

Featuring Leading Exhibitors, the Fair Continues Through the Weekend, April 17–19, and Includes a Floral Installation by Manscapers NY, Stars of Bravo TV's *Backyard Envy*



**Bronx, NY**—Continuing the tradition of its acclaimed annual antiques fair, The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) presents the 2020 ***Antique Garden Furniture Fair***, with curated offerings from leading dealers, including classic furniture and fine garden antiques—some with a modern twist, both elegant and inspiring—for the home and garden. The Fair opens with a **Preview Party and Collectors' Plant Sale** on Thursday, April 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. and continues all weekend, Friday, April 17, through Sunday, April 19, featuring the choicest plants, antiques, and garden furniture, and takes place amid the glorious spring spectacle at the Garden. Visitors to the weekend-long Fair and Preview Party will also be able to experience NYBG's *The Orchid Show: Jeff Leatham's Kaleidoscope*, which will feature the dazzling floral creations of Jeff Leatham, the famed artistic director of the Four Seasons Hotel George V, Paris, and floral designer to the stars.

This year's Fair will include "Swing into Spring with the Manscapers," a floral installation by **Garrett Magee, James DeSantis, and Melissa Brasier** of Manscapers NY, the exterior design and landscaping firm and the stars of Bravo TV's *Backyard Envy*. Former students of NYBG's Continuing Education Program, the Manscapers describe their installation, featuring a swing set with a floral backdrop, as "a playground of decadent possibilities."

Providing the picture-perfect moment, “Swing into Spring with the Manscapers” will entice visitors to indulge in the all the beauty spring has to offer—fragrant blossoms, bursting blooms, and opulent finishes.

Festivities begin on Thursday evening with an exclusive Preview Party and Collectors' Plant Sale, featuring a curated collection of exotic and beautifully grown garden plants hand-picked by NYBG's horticultural staff, who are on hand to advise on the best selections for the home and garden. Be among the first to shop the Fair's exquisite selection of fine antiques and garden furniture and enjoy a fabulous Silent Auction, plus music, signature cocktails, and light fare. For Preview Party tickets and information, please call 718.817.8773 or e-mail [cbalkonis@nybg.org](mailto:cbalkonis@nybg.org). Proceeds from the Preview Party support NYBG and its horticulture programs.

NYBG's *Antique Garden and Furniture Fair* is the ideal venue for finding design inspiration for the home and garden, learning about garden antiques, and building personal collections. Friday through Sunday, peruse the offerings of the Fair's extraordinary dealers. The Fair takes place in the Conservatory Tent adjacent to The New York Botanical Garden's landmark Enid A. Haupt Conservatory and Courtyards. Admission to the Fair on Friday, April 17 through Sunday, April 19, is included with the *All-Garden Pass*, which also provides access to the Botanical Garden grounds, seasonal gardens, attractions such as *The Orchid Show: Jeff Leatham's Kaleidoscope* in the Haupt Conservatory, and Tram Tour.

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Antique Garden Furniture Fair and Preview Party *sponsored by*  
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**The New York Botanical Garden is located at 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York 10458. It is easy to reach by Metro-North Railroad, bus, or subway. NYBG is open year-round, Tuesday through Sunday and Monday federal holidays, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, please call 718.817.8700 or visit [nybg.org](http://nybg.org)**

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2020 EXHIBITOR LISTING

(In formation)

David Bell Antiques	Washington, D.C.
Brennan & Mouilleseaux Antiques	Briarcliff Manor, N.Y.
Dinan & Chighine Ltd	London, England
Find Weatherly	Westport, Conn.
Firehouse Antiques	Galena, Md.
Hamptons Antique Galleries	Stamford, Conn.
Hawthorne Fine Art	New York, N.Y.
Barbara Israel Garden Antiques	Katonah, N.Y.
C. A. Johnson Sculpture	Dingmans Ferry, Pa.
Glen Leroux	Westport, Conn.
Milne's At Home Antiques	New York, N.Y. & Kingston, N.Y.
More & More Antiques	New York, N.Y.
Pagoda Red	Chicago, Ill.
Francis J. Purcell	Philadelphia, Pa.
Rayon Roskar	Hillsdale, N.Y.
Schorr & Dobinsky	Reading, Pa.
Nula Thanhauser	New York, N.Y.
Thistlethwaite Americana	Alexandria, Va.
Van Roÿen Antiques & Objects	New York, N.Y.
Village Braider Antiques	Plymouth, Mass.
Withington & Company	Portsmouth, N.H.