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Let It Glow at The New York Botanical Garden This Holiday Season with NYBG GLOW

All-New Outdoor Color-and-Light Experience Will Take Place on 17 Select Nights between Friday, November 27, 2020, and Saturday, January 16, 2021

Timed-entry Tickets Go on Sale to the General Public and NYBG Members on Tuesday, November 10, at 10 a.m.

This Year’s Holiday Train Show® Will Be Open to NYBG Members and Bronx Community Partners Only

Bronx, NY—NYBG GLOW, an all-new nighttime outdoor experience, will illuminate the landmark landscape and Enid A. Haupt Conservatory at The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) on 17 select evenings this holiday season, beginning Friday, November 27, 2020.

With lots of room to spread out, visitors can explore a glowing world of color and light featuring the Haupt Conservatory as the centerpiece—its iconic exterior a glittering canvas. Washes of brilliant colors, thousands of dazzling, energy-efficient LED lights, and picture-perfect installations will fill the Visitor Center Reflecting Pool and enliven surrounding gardens and collections. As part of the experience, visitors can also enjoy artistic ice sculptures; music; roving dancers, including a Hip Hop Nutcracker NYBG remix; and more outdoor fun.

A highlight of NYBG GLOW will be pop-up performances from The Hip Hop Nutcracker, an award-winning contemporary dance spectacle set to Tchaikovsky’s timeless Nutcracker Suite. In a re-mixed and re-imagined version of the classic, dynamic dancers will perform solos in a celebration of love, community, and the magic of the holiday season.
NYBG GLOW will take place from 5 to 10 p.m. on the following 17 dates: Friday, November 27; Saturday, November 28; Saturday, December 5; Friday, December 11; Saturday, December 12; Friday, December 18; Saturday, December 19; Saturday, December 26; Sunday, December 27; Monday, December 28; Tuesday, December 29, and Wednesday, December 30, 2020; Friday, January 1; Saturday, January 2; Friday, January 8; Saturday, January 9, and Saturday, January 16, 2021.

In accordance with New York State and City requirements for cultural institutions and safety protocols that include limited ticketing capacity and social distancing, timed-entry tickets for NYBG GLOW must be purchased in advance. Tickets go on sale on Tuesday, November 10, at 10 a.m. General admission is $30 for adults and $18 for children two to 12. Children under two are admitted free. Admission for NYBG Members is $20 for adults and $10 for children two to 12.

Because of limited indoor access to the Haupt Conservatory due to enhanced safety protocols and reduced ticket capacity, this year’s Holiday Train Show® will be open to NYBG Members, Patrons, and Bronx Community Partners only. NYBG is pleased to be able to present this beloved, 29-year tradition as an expression of appreciation to our Members and our Bronx community for their loyalty and support.

The Garden’s gradual reopening process incorporates best practices and guidance from health authorities and government agencies. New measures include requiring staff and visitors over the age of two to wear face coverings; increasing sanitization of public and staff areas; daily health screenings for on-site staff; supporting hygiene and social distancing practices; requiring timed-entry tickets purchased in advance; operating at a reduced capacity; and more.

The new, limited timed-entry ticketing system staggers visitors’ arrivals, promotes social distancing, and mitigates the risk of crowding in high-traffic areas. Advance purchase of timed tickets is required and will be confirmed by e-mail with the option to print or download a mobile ticket. Visitors who do not purchase advance tickets will not be guaranteed admission at this time. Garden Patrons and Members must also reserve timed tickets in advance. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit our website at nybg.org.

NYBG’s reopening plan is subject to change based on government guidance and in response to altered circumstances. Subsequent phases of the Garden’s reopening will be announced at a future date online at nybg.org and via the Garden’s social media channels.
The New York Botanical Garden is located at 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York 10458. For more information, visit nybg.org

The New York Botanical Garden is located on property owned in full by the City of New York, and its operation is made possible in part by public funds provided through the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs. A portion of the Garden's general operating funds is provided by The New York City Council and The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation. The Bronx Borough President and Bronx elected representatives in the City Council and State Legislature provide leadership funding.

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