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The New York Botanical Garden Celebrates the Holiday Season Day and Night with the 30th Year of the *Holiday Train Show*® and the Return of *NYBG GLOW*, the Garden's Outdoor Color-and-Light Experience, Expanded for Its Second Year

Holiday Train Show Runs Saturday, November 20, 2021—Sunday, January 23, 2022; NYBG GLOW Takes Place on 25 Select Evenings, Wednesday, November 24, 2021—Saturday, January 22, 2022

Tickets for Both Go on Sale for NYBG Members on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, and for the General Public on Tuesday, October 5, 2021





The Holiday Train Show<sup>®</sup> (left) returns for its 30th year at The New York Botanical Garden, and this year's NYBG GLOW (right) will feature more displays to wander through and explore with a newly expanded 1.5-mile colorful experience.

**Bronx, NY—**The *Holiday Train Show*®—a favorite holiday tradition—is back at The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) for its 30th year. Visitors will marvel as model trains zip through an enchanting display of more than 175 New York landmarks, each delightfully re-created from natural materials such as birch bark, lotus pods, and cinnamon sticks. As day turns to night on select dates, families and friends can start a new holiday tradition exploring the Botanical Garden's festively illuminated landscape and enjoying music, dance, food, and more at the expanded outdoor color-and-light experience *NYBG GLOW*. It will be the perfect night out this holiday season.

The *Holiday Train Show* opens to the public on Saturday, November 20, 2021, and runs through Sunday, January 23, 2022. *NYBG GLOW* will take place from 5 to 10 p.m. on 25 nights starting Wednesday, November 24, 2021, and running through Saturday, January 22, 2022.

Tickets for both the *Holiday Train Show* and *NYBG GLOW* go on sale for NYBG Members on Tuesday, September 28, 2021. Tickets for the general public will be available for purchase beginning Tuesday, October 5, 2021.

The *Holiday Train Show* features a miniature wonderland in the warmth of the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory. Famous New York landmarks, including the Statue of Liberty, Brooklyn Bridge, Rockefeller Center, and many other favorites, are crafted from natural materials such as pine cones, acorns, and seeds. To celebrate the 30th year of the *Holiday Train Show*, a showcase of NYBG's buildings and structures will feature a new replica of the majestic LuEsther T. Mertz Library Building along with the iconic Haupt Conservatory. Both are designated New York City Landmarks.

Returning for its second year, *NYBG GLOW* will offer more displays to wander through and explore. The beauty of the Garden's landmark landscape and historic buildings will be breathtakingly illuminated with a newly expanded 1.5-mile colorful experience. NYBG's iconic sights and buildings will become dramatic, glittering canvases with the Haupt Conservatory and Mertz Library Building as the centerpieces. Washes of brilliant color, thousands of dazzling, energy-efficient LED lights, illuminated plant stories, and whimsical, picture-perfect installations reflect the surrounding gardens and collections, creating a spectacle not to be missed.

During NYBG GLOW evenings, beverages and light fare will be available at one of NYBG's outdoor bars or the Bronx Night Market Holiday Pop-Up, and festive offerings will include artistic ice sculpting, music, and pop-up performances around the Garden to add to the seasonal atmosphere.

This holiday season, visitors to *NYBG GLOW* will be able to round out their experience with an after-dark visit to the *Holiday Train Show* by purchasing a special combination ticket.

NYBG GLOW will take place on the following dates: Wednesday, November 24; Friday, November 26; Saturday, November 27; Thursday, December 2; Friday, December 3; Saturday, December 4; Thursday, December 9; Saturday, December 11; Thursday, December 16; Friday, December 17; Saturday, December 18; Thursday, December 23; Sunday, December 26; Monday, December 27; Tuesday, December 28; Wednesday, December 29; and Thursday, December 30, 2021; Saturday, January 1; Thursday, January 6; Friday, January 7; Saturday, January 8; Friday, January 14; Saturday, January 15; Friday, January 21; and Saturday, January 22, 2022.

For more information and to sign up for ticket alerts, visit our website at <a href="nybg.org">nybg.org</a>

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