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## A Visit to NYBG Is the Perfect Way to Celebrate Spring, with Select Weekends in May Featuring the LEGO® Botanical Garden Pop-Up, Food, Drinks, Music, Crafts, and Games



[Left to right] LEGO® Botanical Garden at NYBG; Mother's Day Garden Celebration

**Bronx, NY**—On select weekends in May, celebrate the spring season at the New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) with exciting activities and nature's beauty. The month of May is a time of abundant color and life, when thousands upon thousands of flowers burst into bloom and the trees wake from their winter sleep across 250 acres. Visit [www.NYBG.org](http://www.NYBG.org) to plan your visit.

Step into a vibrant flower truck blooming with the LEGO® Botanicals collection on display at the New York Botanical Garden (NYBG)—designed to spark joy and inspire unexpected surprises for those you love. **The LEGO Botanical Garden Pop-Up** will delight visitors of all ages on May 10–11, 17–18, and 23–25, 2025, from 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Explore the power of connection and creativity with a hands-on make-and-take experience, including a brick-built rose, a floral heart, or a mini Vincent Van Gogh sunflower creation, while supplies last.

On May 10 and 11, 2025, **Mother's Day Garden Celebration** in the afternoon offers a weekend of fun. Make NYBG's Daffodil Hill your own backyard and bring the whole family together to enjoy local food truck options, play an assortment of family-friendly lawn games, craft a gift for Mom, and get your face painted with whimsical designs. Music and collage activities are presented by local vinyl DJ collective Uptown Vinyl Supreme and Bronx Community Collage. At the LEGO Botanical Garden Pop-Up, make-and-take a brick-built rose, while supplies last.

On May 17 and 18, 2025, enjoy Spring Weekend at NYBG. May flowers and blooming trees dazzle throughout the Garden's historic 250 acres. On Saturday afternoon (with a rain date of Sunday afternoon) **Spring Uncorked** offers the perfect pairing of springtime beauty and local wines. With the iconic backdrop of the LuEsther T. Mertz Library and its rows of tulip trees, it's the perfect wine-lovers afternoon, featuring local wineries from the Hudson Valley, Brooklyn, and Long Island. Sip samples, relax to live music, learn the science behind making great wines, and kick back with crafts and games. While you're here, grab lunch for sale from a line-up of the region's finest local food vendors. At the LEGO Botanical Garden Pop-Up, make-and-take a brick-built floral heart, while supplies last.

On May 23 (NYBG Members Day), 24, and 25, 2025, experience the opening of the floral exhibition ***Van Gogh's Flowers***. At the LEGO Botanical Garden Pop-Up, make-and-take a brick-built mini Van Gogh sunflower creation, while supplies last. The exhibition runs through October 26, 2025. Revel in the beauty of the natural world that inspired Vincent van Gogh, one of the world's most revered artists. You've seen the paintings, now see them come to life at the Garden. NYBG presents botanical displays along with contemporary art by Lee Baker and Catherine Borowski of Graphic Rewilding, sculptor Amie Jacobsen, and immersive artist Cyril Lancelin, including a field of real and sculptural sunflowers in which visitors can wander through a sea of yellow blooms. Complementary daytime programming on select dates during *Van Gogh's Flowers* offer engaging, interactive experiences, such as "Plein Air Drop-In and Paint," that spark NYBG visitors' creativity, offer respite from City life, and inspire them to see nature as Van Gogh did.

### **About the LEGO Group**

The LEGO Group's mission is to inspire and develop the builders of tomorrow through the power of play. The LEGO System in Play, with its foundation in LEGO bricks, allows children and fans to build and rebuild anything they can imagine. The LEGO Group was founded in Billund, Denmark in 1932 by Ole Kirk Kristiansen, its name derived from the two Danish words Leg Godt, which mean "Play Well". Today, the LEGO Group remains a family-owned company headquartered in Billund. Its products are now sold in more than 120 countries worldwide. For more information: [www.LEGO.com](http://www.LEGO.com).

### **About The New York Botanical Garden**

The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) has been a connective hub among people, plants, and the shared planet since 1891. For nearly 135 years, NYBG has been rooted in the cultural fabric of New York City, in the heart of the Bronx, its greenest borough. NYBG has invited millions of visitors to make the Garden a part of their lives, exploring the joy, beauty, and respite of nature. NYBG's 250 acres are home to renowned exhibitions, immersive botanical experiences, art and music, and events with some of the most influential figures in plant and fungal science, horticulture, and the humanities. NYBG is also a steward of globally significant research collections, from the LuEsther T. Mertz Library collection to the plant

and fungal specimens in the William and Lynda Steere Herbarium, the largest such collection in the Western Hemisphere.

The plant people of NYBG—dedicated horticulturists, enthusiastic educators, and scientific adventurers—are committed to helping nature thrive so that humanity can thrive. They believe in their ability to make things better, teaching tens of thousands of kids and families each year about the importance of safeguarding the environment and healthy eating. Expert scientists work across the city, the nation, and the globe to document the plants and fungi of the world—and find actionable, nature-based solutions to the planet’s dual climate and biodiversity crises. With eyes always looking forward, they train the next generation of botanists, gardeners, landscape designers, and environmental stewards, ensuring a green future for all. At NYBG, it’s nature—or nowhere.

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**The New York Botanical Garden is located at 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York 10458. For more information, visit [nybg.org](http://nybg.org).**

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