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## Starry Nights Return to the New York Botanical Garden on Fridays and Saturdays through September

**Illuminated Drone Show Finale Highlights Evening Viewing of *Van Gogh's Flowers* Floral and Contemporary Art Exhibition, Including Music, Performers, and Food and Drinks for Purchase**



[Left to right] One of the *Van Gogh's Flowers* contemporary art installations in the glow of evening; visitors enjoy signature cocktails and mocktails available for purchase while viewing a field of real and sculptural sunflowers; a 10-minute drone show finale lights up the sky, conditions permitting [NYBG Photos by Marlon Co]

**Bronx, NY**—Starry Nights return to the New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) on Fridays and Saturdays through September (except for Labor Day Weekend). Six hundred drones light up the sky, conditions permitting, during a dazzling 10-minute drone show finale, the first of its kind at a New York City cultural institution. Starry Nights is an opportunity to view NYBG's floral and contemporary art exhibition *Van Gogh's Flowers* in the glow of evening from 7:30 to 10 p.m., with music and performers, plus drinks and food available for purchase. The upcoming dates for Starry Nights include July 18, 19, 25, and 26; August 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, and 23; and September 5, 6, 12, and 13, 2025. Starry Nights are ticketed through NYBG's presenting partner, Fever, \$39 for NYBG Members and \$49 for Non-Members. For

more information, visit [www.nybgstarrynights.com](http://www.nybgstarrynights.com).

Experience *Van Gogh's Flowers* after dark. The exhibition comes aglow for evening outings that capture the twinkling allure of the artist's nighttime scenery. Within and around NYBG's iconic Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, find yourself surrounded by the botanical beauty that inspired Van Gogh. Wander through a breathtaking lawn of sculptural and real sunflowers, and snap photos of blooming recreations of the artist's work. Conditions permitting, the nighttime experience concludes with a celebration of Van Gogh's iconic *The Starry Night*, featuring a 10-minute illuminated drone show finale sparkling above. Relax to live music and performers evoking the Parisian bistros Van Gogh frequented while you sip a cocktail and enjoy light bites for purchase. Van Gogh's painted world comes to life as the sun sets on these special evenings at NYBG.

### **NYBG Shop**

#### **Starry Nights: Open until 9 p.m.**

NYBG Shop, frequently called the best plant shop in the boroughs by visitors, offers a curated collection of the best indoor and outdoor plants, garden tools and supplies, and pottery. It's also a one-stop shop for the best Garden inspired gifts and home products from local and independent artisans around the globe. Experience expertly curated and created collections celebrating *Van Gogh's Flowers* during regular daytime Garden hours, with extended hours until 9 p.m. on select Starry Nights. Shop online 24/7 at [www.nybgshop.org](http://www.nybgshop.org).

### **Dining During Van Gogh's Flowers**

Throughout the Botanical Garden, opportunities for Van Gogh-inspired refreshment abound. Whether looking for a hearty meal, a sweet treat, a savory nibble, or an inventive handcrafted cocktail, all can find something to whet and satisfy their appetites.

- **Pine Tree Café**

*Starry Nights, open until 10 p.m.*

Incorporating French-inspired dishes alongside traditional offerings, the family-friendly menu features artisanal panini, rustic Neapolitan-style pizza, and delicious signature salads, plus sweet treats and snacks.

- **Sunflower Bar at the Visitor Center Patio**

*Starry Nights, open until 10 p.m.*

Grab a quick snack, sweet treat, or beverage from this outdoor venue. Offerings include grab-and-go charcuterie boxes, ratatouille grain bowls, ice cold lemonade, and a full bar with specialty cocktails.

- **Food Truck**

*Starry Nights, open until 10 p.m.*

This snack stop at the base of Tulip Tree Allée serves up an array of snacks and sweets, plus a curated selection of wines, beers, and specialty crafted cocktails.

## 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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