

# Open Gardens

Toronto 2011



Do you like to visit other people's gardens, meet the gardeners, share ideas and inspiration?

We want to share our city gardens with you. So we are opening them to visitors, in the interest of a worthwhile cause.

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Open Gardens Toronto is a program modeled on the National Gardens Scheme (NGS) in Britain. For over 80 years, the NGS has been raising money for worthwhile causes by opening private gardens to the public. In Toronto this year, 30 private gardens, grouped in different areas of the city, will be open to the public on the long evenings of spring and summer, on some Sunday afternoons and on weekend afternoons in the fall.

The proceeds from Open Gardens Toronto will go to charitable groups working towards changes in the lives of women and girls.



## Entrance Fees

Entrance fees, payable in any of the gardens, are **\$4.00** for a single visit or **\$25.00** for a passport that allows unlimited visits to all the gardens.

## Planning your garden visits

The calendar of garden openings is chronological starting with the first opening in April and ending with the last in October. Choose the dates that are convenient for you to visit a garden or a group of gardens in the same area. Public transit information and descriptions of the gardens follow. **Start your visits as early as possible. On some dates, it could take three hours to see all the gardens.**

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# Garden Openings

## April

**April 21st Thursday 5.30 to 8.30**  
**NORTH YORK AVENUE ROAD & WILSON**

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Bus: Wilson 96

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**May 10th Tuesday 5.30 to 8.30**  
**ETOBICOKE**

**20 Mill Cove (Kathy & John Chris)**  
Bus: Royal York N 73

This garden contains light and shade, stone and water, foliage and flowers. Begin at a full-sun perennial bed, walk under a wisteria and clematis-laden pergola to a pond surrounded by rhododendrons and azaleas. A stone path leads you through a woodland garden of native plants to an alpine garden featuring unusual miniature specimens.

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**55 Lambeth Road** Bus: Royal York N 73

A horticulturalist and avid plant propagator gardens here. With a majority of the property shaded by large trees, spring sees an abundance of wildflowers, ferns and various Carolinian trees and shrubs. Interesting garden architecture and cobble work add a different touch to this sylvan setting.

**21 Pheasant Lane (Joanna Bechtold)** Bus: Islington 37 D  
A naturalized front garden of rocks, cobbles and scree plantings. A pond is the focus of the back garden with natural edge plantings and a perimeter walk. There are mature plantings of woodland, herbaceous and woody plants including hostas and day lilies.

**46 Orchard Cres. (Marilyn Cornwell)** Bus: Royal York S 76  
Backing onto Mimico Creek woodland, this garden features a magnificent glass conservatory built in 1915 and moved to the property. The back is a series of winding circle paths with naturalistic plantings around a central arbour. The front invites visitors to a floral display that features tulips and daffodils in the spring.

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Bus: Kingston 12

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Many plants including snow drops, primulas, iris, roses and Japanese anemone have been inspired by hand-painted china. A pond and stream were designed to help drain standing water.

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**43 Winston Grove (Sandra Niemy)** Bus: Royal York S 76  
Rhododendrons and azaleas thrive in the acidic soil under the beautiful white pine that provides the "bones" for this shade garden. A small perennial border on the east side is filled with continuous colour while a path leads to a "retreat" at the northwest corner of this relaxing garden.

**May 19th Thursday 5.30 to 8.30**  
**NORTH YORK**

**70 Rameau Drive (Myint & Jay Gillespie)** Bus: Finch East 39  
The front, side and back gardens are enjoyed from dawn to dusk in early spring to late fall. You can read and relax among sun-loving plants and dine in the shade near a small water feature surrounded by woodland plants. The trees, shrubs, vines, evergreens, perennials and roses have been collected and placed for continuous colour and fragrance.

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Subway: Woodbine. Bus: 91C or 91F

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In the shady front area with five trees are drought-tolerant perennials and shrubs such as Hicks yews, boxwood, variegated euonymus and bergenia. The sunny front bed holds oriental poppies and then hollyhock and black-eyed Susan. A cobblestone path leads to the back garden where a large pine cools the pool and deck. A sunny English garden is filled with iris, phlox, peonies, day lilies and lady's mantle.

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#### **SCARBOROUGH (No Parking 'til 6.00)**

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#### **48 Maydolph Road (Bev Dawson) Bus: East Mall 111**

Situated on a large corner lot, various gardens encircle the house. They feature a wide range of plant material which has been specially chosen for this hot, dry site.

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#### **OLD MILL**

#### **37 Old Mill Terrace (Sharon & Gary Colbert) Subway: Old Mill**

The gardens near the house, under a canopy of oaks, are a mix of shade and sun-loving perennials, shrubs and annuals to maintain constant colour. The beds lead to a "bench place" overlooking the Humber Ravine. Pine bark paths wind through large, shaded woodland gardens with a wonderful mix of perennials.

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Worth seeing all year 'round, this urban, rustic garden is at its peak in the fall when there is a riot of fall blooming and fruiting species, especially the warm season grasses. Special attention is paid to native plants. In this tableau, you will find many different kinds of asters, goldenrod, viburnums and dogwoods. This garden is as much about habitat creation as it is about a welcome human retreat for the gardeners.

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The front garden expands with new additions each season while in the back garden there are new gardens as well. The raised area comprises a flagstone patio and pond. On the lower level, raised beds are filled with bulbs, grasses, evergreens, shrubs, perennials and vegetables, all carefully selected by this avid plant collector and many grown from seed. A network of paths and lighting after dark adds to its enchantment.

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