



### **\*Dog Day Schedule Change\***

Due to inclement weather, Dog Days will now take place on Sat/Sun Oct. 29 & 30 AND Sat/Sun Nov. 4 & 5. The Costume Parade and Training and Tricks are rescheduled to Sun, Nov. 5. Dog Days

### **CALENDAR**

#### **November 4**

*Early Bird Walk: 9am*  
*Storybook Stroll: 12pm*  
*Poetica Musica: 6:45pm*

#### **November 10**

*Veteran's Day Commemoration:*  
*11am-4pm*

#### **November 11**

*Bulbs for the Holidays:*  
*10:30am*  
*Eat Up! Apples: 12pm*  
*The Uninvited Guest: 7pm*

#### **November 18**

*Thanksgiving Centerpiece:*  
*10:30am*  
*Maker Project: 12pm*

## **Giving Thanks This Holiday Season**

"Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others"

*~Marcus Tullius Cicero*

During this season of Thanksgiving, it is a time for all of us to reflect and give thanks. As a nonprofit, Old Westbury Gardens creates experiences and provides programming

thanks to your generous support. Your membership, attendance and donations make a significant impact, allowing us to move forward with important preservation and horticultural projects and provide educational programming to more young people every year.



Without you, none of this would be possible.

**November 24-26**

*Christmas at Westbury House:  
10am-5pm*

**November 28**

*Cream Teas: 11am, 1:30pm*

**November 29**

*Cream Tea: 11am*

**November 30**

*Cream Tea: 11am, 1:30pm  
Members Shopping Night: 6pm*

**December 2**

*Drop In Craft: 10am  
Holiday Market: 10am-5pm  
First Night & Tree Lighting:  
6:30pm*

**December 3**

*Drop In Craft: 10am  
Holiday Market: 10am-5pm  
Long Island Flute Club Concert:  
1pm  
Nanny Night: 4:30pm-6:30pm*

The Board of Trustees and staff of Old Westbury Gardens are extremely grateful to those that have made contributions to The Gardens. Whether you are a volunteer donating your time giving tours or helping in the gardens, a foundation or corporation awarding funds for critical projects, a donor providing contributions for preservation or horticulture, or a guest attending one of our fundraising events - we appreciate you.

Institutions like Old Westbury Gardens could not exist without your generous contributions. We thank you, our friends, donors and volunteers, for supporting Long Island's most unique and important historic landmark.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Costopulos  
President & CEO

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## November Hours and Special Admission

### **Open Weekends in November!**

*November 4 & 5, November 10-12,  
November 18 & 19, November 24-26*

Old Westbury Gardens will be open to the public from 10am - 5pm on weekends this November. Enjoy a stroll through the Gardens this November as we get ready for Thanksgiving and the holiday season. The Gardens will also be open to the public on Friday, November 10th for

### **Thank You To Our Vets!**

*Friday, November 10 - Sunday,  
November 12*

Thank you to all veterans for your service and sacrifice for our country! To show our appreciation, Old Westbury Gardens is offering complimentary admission to all veterans and members of the military from Friday, November 10 - Sunday, November 12. Please present your military ID upon arrival and enjoy your day in the Gardens!

Veteran's Day, and the Friday after  
Thanksgiving!

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## Preservation News

### An Appreciation for Preservation Support

*"We do not choose between the past and the future; they are inseparable parts of the same river." ~Carl Feiss*

This has been a banner year for preservation and collections care at Old Westbury Gardens. The restoration of the Service Wing courtyard and reconstruction of the entrance portico is underway thanks to the support of the Gerry Charitable Trust, The Robert D.L. Gardiner Foundation and other generous donors of Old Westbury Gardens.

The Preservation League of NYS has awarded funding for condition assessments of the Boxwood Colonnade, Temple of Love, Gate Lodge, Gardener's Cottage, West Pond Staircase, Palm House and Studio Barn. The reports are critical guides to identifying and planning preservation and maintenance projects and providing support for future grant requests. Another significant achievement is completion of the second phase of the Hemlock Hedge restoration by the Horticulture department, funded by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. The final phase will be completed next spring.

What makes Westbury House unique are the original furnishings and collections that reflect the tastes and preferences of Mr. and Mrs. Phipps. Many pieces of furniture and paintings date from the mid-eighteenth century and need diligent care and protection from agents of deterioration. Sunlight and ultraviolet rays wreak damage on these pieces, and

thanks to a grant from Greater Hudson Heritage we will be able to begin replacing ultra violet window filters that no longer provide protection. Greater Hudson Heritage works in partnership with the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) as a re-granting agency to provide conservation support to organizations throughout the State. Greater Hudson Heritage has provided support to conserve and restore one of a pair of Red Deer trophies displayed in the Entrance Hall. The grant leveraged support from a Trustee to fund the companion specimen. Other conservation projects have been accomplished from the Collections Care Fund which was established through the generosity of individual donors.

An annual grant from the NYS Zoos Botanical Gardens and Aquaria provides support for environmental education that is hands-on and creates an awareness of wildlife and the natural landscape. Horticultural interns fulfill a critical role in maintaining the exacting features in the historic gardens and vistas, and we are proud to receive support for our intern program from the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust, F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company and other generous donors.

We continue to explore many funding streams for preservation of the man-made and natural environment and extend our gratitude to the institutions and individuals who have saved so many signature features of Old Westbury Gardens.

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## Past Events

### Children In Bloom

Old Westbury Gardens hosted its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Children in Bloom Luncheon on October 17th. Thanks to Joan MacNaughton and the Children in Bloom counsel more than 120 generous individuals came together in the Red Ballroom to support Old Westbury Gardens' education programs and initiatives.



The Gardens education programs include Listen Up! Storybook Strolls, Make Up! Maker Projects Drop-In Crafts and more. These events support children's creativity and foster an increased understanding of nature and historic traditions.

The Children Luncheon in Bloom attracted many distinguished guests, including the event's honoree Lauren S. Knutsen, philanthropist and Vice Chairperson of Old Westbury Gardens. The guest speaker was Greg Kelly, former Co-Ancor of Good Day New York.

Event sponsors included Americana Manhasset, Mutual of America, Mead Family Trust, Peter Duffy Furs New York, and Sterling Affair.

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## **Gardening by the Book: Every Lady Her Own Flower Gardener**

Old Westbury Gardens recently had the pleasure of hosting a presentation by writer and historian Arete Warren who discussed her rare book collection on gardening, dating from the 17th-20th centuries. Arete engaged the group in a discussion about female authors of gardening books, in particular, Emily Dickinson, poet and life long gardener. This presentation took place in the Red Ballroom, and a buffet lunch on the West Porch followed.



Emily Chapman, Arete Warren, Carol Large

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Poetica Musica: Three Is Company**

*Saturday, November 4, 6:45pm*

Feature Artists: Eleanor Valkenburg, soprano, Barry Crawford, flute, Eugene Moye, cello, and guest artists.

Works by Ravel, Mozart, Beethoven and others.

Chanson Madecasses by Ravel, Trio for flute, cello, piano by Beethoven and more.

Guided tour of Westbury House: 6:45pm

Pre-concert talk: 7:30pm

Concert: 8pm

\$30.00 / \$25.00 members

To register for this event, please click [here](#)

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## Veterans Day Commemoration

*Friday, November 10 (Veteran's Day)*

Join Old Westbury Gardens for a day of remembrance this Veteran's Day. Travel back in time to the First World War in this historical appreciation program for children. Discover what types of roles young people played in helping our nation's troops nearly a century ago, create a craft to take home, and enjoy American classics from musician and storyteller Johnny Cuomo. Ages 5 and up are welcome to attend this hands-on, educational event.



Drop in Craft: 11am - 1pm

Performance - Johnny Cuomo: 1pm- 2pm

Drop in Craft: 2pm - 4pm

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## The Uninvited Guest

*Saturday, November 11*

It's a Westbury House mystery! The prized taxidermy tiger of the Phipps family has gone missing! Who's the culprit that stole him from Westbury House?

Guests are invited to race through the mansion during this timed team event. Costumed characters will make this an immersive experience of historic proportions as you solve puzzles, unlock clues and crack the case. This event is for adults only; programs last approximately one hour.

\$22 / \$20 members.

Click [here](#)

to register for: 7pm-7:30pm

Click [here](#) to register for 7:30pm- 8pm



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## Adult Workshop: Thanksgiving Centerpiece

*Saturday, November 18, 10:30am*

Floral arrangements have graced Westbury House since its completion in 1907. This long-standing tradition makes Old Westbury Gardens the ideal location to study home floral design.

Taught by Scott Lucas, Head Grower and florist for Westbury House, this centerpiece workshop at the Gardens teaches students how to create a stunning arrangement. Participants will create a centerpiece through the use of a variety of textures and colors.



Registration fee includes all materials.

\$50.00 / \$45.00 Member.

To register for this event, please click [here](#)

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## **The Holidays at Old Westbury Gardens!**

For the first time ever, Old Westbury Gardens will be open on the Friday after Thanksgiving! Kicking off the holiday season with shopping might be the "traditional" way to ring in the holidays, but visitors to the Gardens will encounter serenity tucked away on the North Shore of Long Island. We hope to make it a new family tradition to walk off Thanksgiving dinner on a long stroll through Old Westbury Gardens.

Whether you've been a member for decades or are just discovering the Gardens for the first time this year, you all have been part of a truly incredible 2017. We've made it part of our mission this year to give back to you-giving you unforgettable experiences. We're thankful for your ongoing friendship and support. We hope to share in many memories with you this Thanksgiving, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Please click [here](#) to see our full calendar of events for November and December.

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## **Annual Appeal Update**

We are grateful to everyone who has already made a gift to the 2017 Annual Appeal. Your support is vital to the preservation of Old Westbury Gardens. If you have not already made a gift and would like to include us in your philanthropic plans, please click [here](#).

Thank you.

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