

# TBG Tours

## THE SECRET TREASURES OF BUFFALO



### OVERVIEW

Join us for a fun-filled, three-day weekend sampling the rich and surprising artistic, architectural and horticultural jewels of Buffalo. Aldona Satterthwaite, Master Gardener, former editor-in-chief of *Canadian Gardening* magazine and ex-Director of Writing Services at The Museum of Modern Art in New York, will be your guide.

**Friday, July 23 to Sunday, July 25, 2010**



**including the Garden Walk**

**with  
Aldona  
Satterthwaite**

### ITINERARY

#### **Friday, July 23**

Depart the TBG at 9 A.M.

(Don't forget your passport!)

After a picnic lunch, we'll tour the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Garden ([www.buffalogardens.com](http://www.buffalogardens.com)), designed in the late 1890s by Frederick Law Olmsted as part of America's first integrated park system. (Olmsted's pioneering work in Buffalo led to later commissions such as New York's Central Park and The Mall in Washington, D.C.) This 11.4-acre National Historic Site boasts a classic wood-and-glass conservatory comprising three glass domes and nine greenhouses, which house exotic horticultural treasures and include orchids, begonias, ferns and palms displayed in the Victorian style. Outdoors, we'll stroll in the rose garden, shrub/perennial garden and the South Park Arboretum. >>>



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*Albright-Knox Gallery*

Mid-afternoon, we'll check in and freshen up at our hotel, then head to the elegant Albright Knox Art Gallery ([www.albrightknox.org](http://www.albrightknox.org)). One of the oldest public art institutions in the United States, the Albright-Knox enjoys an international reputation for its collections of modern and contemporary art, especially its holdings of post-war American and European art. The permanent collection also offers a panorama of art through the centuries, with a strong core of impressionist and post-impressionist works, as well as fine examples of cubism, surrealism, constructivism and more. Participants may opt to visit the fine Japanese ([www.jgarden.org](http://www.jgarden.org)) or Rose Gardens in nearby Olmstead-designed Delaware Park.

Gourmet, sit-down dinner at Muse restaurant in the Albright-Knox Gallery

## Saturday, July 24

(Wear comfy shoes, hats and sunscreen)

10 A.M. - Garden Walk Buffalo

([www.gardenwalkbuffalo.com](http://www.gardenwalkbuffalo.com)). Have we got a treat for you! The Garden Walk offers visitors an opportunity to see more than 340 private gardens of all types clustered within a three-mile radius throughout the city. This is the largest garden tour in the United States and certainly the friendliest, with entire neighbourhoods participating. As a bonus, Buffalo is exceptionally rich in domestic architectural styles including Queen Anne, Italianate, Second Empire, Craftsman, Stick, Colonial Revival, as well as Civil War-era cottages. You'll delight in the creative, exuberant plantings (and gardeners) and the wonderful homes, many of them painted in quirky colours, not to mention the general festive spirit (you may even come across bargains at impromptu yard sales). We'll concentrate on seeing areas that give you a taste of the city's diverse architectural and gardening styles, such as the ever-popular Little Summer, with its charming, Beatrix Potter-like cottages and plantings.

Evening at leisure. After a full day of touring gardens, you may simply wish to relax and unwind in the hotel's indoor pool or oversized whirlpool. Dine in, or choose a restaurant from a list of excellent options (bus shuttle will be provided) in chic neighbourhoods such as Elmwood Village ([www.foreverelmwood.org](http://www.foreverelmwood.org)). Feeling frisky? Head to the Anchor Bar to sample some of Buffalo's eponymous chicken wings.



## Sunday, July 25

Morning: Tour Frank Lloyd Wright's newly restored, five-structure Darwin Martin House complex ([www.darwinmartinhouse.org](http://www.darwinmartinhouse.org)), built in 1903-05 and acknowledged as the master's greatest Prairie-style House.

Afternoon: Lunch and Tour at Roycroft Inn and Campus, East Aurora ([www.roycroftcampuscorporation.org](http://www.roycroftcampuscorporation.org)). In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the Buffalo area was a hotbed of social and cultural ferment. Among the vanguard was Elbert Hubbard, the father of the American Arts and Crafts Movement and founder of the Roycroft community, which became a mecca for master craftsman, artists, authors, philosophers and power brokers of the day. He modeled his notions after those of William Morris in England, who famously decreed: "Have nothing in your homes that you do not know to be useful and believe to be beautiful." Today, Roycroft Campus is a national historic landmark and the best-preserved complex of buildings remaining in the United States of the "guilds" that evolved as centres of craftsmanship and philosophy. The Campus includes the Roycroft Coppershop Gallery which features unique handcrafted items created by local and national artists. Also, visit the antique shops of the lovely town of East Aurora and see the Tiffany-designed windows in the Baker United Methodist Church.

Return to TBG at around 7 p.m.

*Darwin Martin House*



# TOUR INCLUDES

Transportation by comfortable, air-conditioned motor coach with Heatherington and Associates Tour Director on board coach plus TBG guide Aldona Satterthwaite.

Two nights' accommodation at the brand-new (2009), luxurious Embassy Suites Buffalo ([www.embassysuites1.hilton.com/en\\_US/es/hotel/BUFESES-Embassy-Suites-Buffalo-New-York](http://www.embassysuites1.hilton.com/en_US/es/hotel/BUFESES-Embassy-Suites-Buffalo-New-York)). The hotel has an indoor pool, outsized whirlpool, fitness centre and two restaurants. It's centrally located near restaurants and the Garden Walk.

Picnic lunch on Friday, Dinner on Friday, Hot, cooked-to-order breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday and Lunch on Sunday

**DEPARTURE DATE: Friday, July 23**

**RETURN DATE: Sunday, July 25**

**FEE:** TBG Members: \$499 + tax (per person, double occupancy); \$699+ tax (single occupancy)

Non Members: \$529 + tax (per person, double occupancy); \$729 + tax (single occupancy)

**Registration:** A \$200 deposit is required for registration. All payment (cheque or credit card) is made to our travel agent, Heatherington & Associates. The deposit is 80% refundable until May 7 (\$160); the balance is due by June 1st

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## MORE GARDEN TOURS

### **Annual Urban Paradises Tour**

Frank Kershaw

Thursday, June 10, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Public \$120 / Members \$110

### **Through the Garden Gate: The Beach**

Saturday, June 19 and Sunday, June 20

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Public \$40 / Members \$35

### **Rural Paradises of the Cambridge Area**

Frank Kershaw

Thursday, July 15, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Public \$120 / Members \$110

### **Barrie, Holland Marsh & Points North**

Marjorie Mason

Tuesday, August 10, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Public \$120 / Members \$110

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FOR ALL TOURS



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