

2017 Great Lakes Region Tailgate And Michigan Hosta Society Garden Tours

Sponsored by Southwest Michigan Hosta Society

June 23 & 24

1 pm to 9pm on the 23rd

9am to 5pm on the 24th

Kalamazoo has lots to offer from Gardening to Dining – Come early and shop

- River Street Flowerland, 1300 River Street, Kalamazoo, MI - Tours at 1pm & 2pm
- Kalamazoo Flower Group, 8937 Krum Avenue, Galesburg, MI
Presentations at 2pm, 3pm & 4pm
- Bells Brewery, 8938 Krum Avenue, Galesburg, MI - Tours at 1pm, 3pm & 4pm
*****Please email swmhskazoo@gmail.com to sign up for tours*****
Note the first 3 stops are within a couple of miles of each other
- Dinner and Auction start at 5pm at the Four Points by Sheraton, 3600 East Cork St.
Feel free to bring plants or garden related items to auction off
Dinner is \$10 a person (please have cash or check for the Dinner and some of the vendors on the tour)

NURSERIES

- River Street Flowerland, 1300 River Street, Kalamazoo, MI - riverstreetflowerland.com
- Romence Gardens, 9660 Shaver Road, Portage, MI - romencegardensonline.com
- Wenke Greenhouse, 5071 Market Street, Kalamazoo, MI - floriangreenhouse.com
- Vandersalms Flowershop, 1120 South Burdick, Kalamazoo, MI - kalamazooFlorist.com
- Wedels Nursery, 5020 Texas Drive, Kalamazoo, MI - wedels.com (round about)

AREA ATTRACTIONS

- Various breweries (Bells, Arcadia, Gonzo's, Old Peninsula, etc.)
- Gilmore Car Museum, 6865 W. Hickory Rd., Hickory Corners, MI - gilmorecarmuseum.org
- Kellogg Bird Sanctuary, 12685 E. C Avenue, Augusta, MI - birdsanctuary.kbs.msu.edu
- Air Zoo, 6151 Portage Road, Portage, MI - airzoo.org
- Kalamazoo Valley Museum, 230 N. Rose St. Kalamazoo, MI - kalamazoomuseum.org
- Irish Fest, Old Dog Tavern 402 E. Kalamazoo Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI
6/23 5pm-11pm - 6/24 12pm-11pm
- Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, 314 South Park, Kalamazoo, MI - kiarts.org

HOTELS

Four Points by Sheraton - 3600 East Cork Street Court, Kalamazoo, MI 49001 269-385-3922
Mention Hosta Society and cost is \$119 – Includes breakfast vouchers

Baymont Inn & Suites Kalamazoo East – 3800 East Cork Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49001
269-344-8300 - Mention Hosta Society and rate is \$69 – It does include breakfast.

HOSTA TOUR SATURDAY JUNE 24

9AM – 5PM

1. 15887 Prairie Ronde
Schoolcraft, MI 49087
Jim Collison will be selling a variety of birdhouses for various birds,
2. 1209 East Crooked Lake Drive
Kalamazoo, MI 49009
Lin McIntosh will be selling iron and recycled metal art
<http://www.gardenartists.cc/Lin%20McIntosh%20Studios/Ln%20Mcintosh%20Studios.htm>
3. 7014 Oak Highlands
Kalamazoo, MI 49009
Don & Ann Eldred will be selling small and large bottle trees
4. 9140 West C Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49009
2 nurseries selling plants

K Gardens (2938 72nd Street SouthWest, Byron Center, MI 49315)
<http://www.kgardens.com> – Variety of full potted hosta plants

Blue Horizon Nursery and Gardens (9721 59th St., Grand Junction, MI 49056)
<http://www.bluehorizonnursery.com> - A wonderful variety of rare trees and ornamental shrubs.

Stadium Drive, 9th Street and I-94 have a variety of places to stop for lunch.

Bus Driver Contact is Dick Hewitt