

**REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOUNDATION AT NEW PALTZ
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****Garden Tour Fact Sheet Attached****

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7th Annual New Paltz Regional Garden Tour Cultivates Inspiration

(*New Paltz, NY*) A capacious variety of midsummer botanical delights will be put on display as the **Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation at New Paltz** presents the **7th Annual New Paltz Regional Garden Tour**, on **Sunday, July 11, 2010** from **11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** The Foundation's Garden Tour offers area residents and visitors to the Hudson Valley a rare opportunity to admire and gain inspiration from the ingenuity, creativity and devoted effort of the talented gardeners in our community by opening the gate to some of the region's most breathtaking and lovingly crafted private gardens.

The **New Paltz Regional Garden Tour** is proud to offer this exceptional opportunity to stroll spectacular Hudson Valley gardens tenderly cultivated and cared for by our community's most talented "green thumbs." This year's Tour will feature five dazzling private gardens in the Village and Town of New Paltz – the locations are kept secret until the day of the tour! – as well as scheduled and walk-in tours of the spectacular gardens at **Mohonk Mountain House**. All Garden Tour attendees are invited to mingle and enjoy refreshments at an end-of-tour reception on the manicured grounds of **Historic Huguenot Street**.

Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 on the day of the Tour. Advance tickets are available for online purchase at www.newpaltzchamber.org, or in person at the **Chamber office**, 257 Main St., New Paltz; **Handmade & More**, 6 North Front Street, New Paltz; **Antiques Barn at Water Street Market**, 10 Main St., New Paltz; **Ulster Savings Bank New Paltz Branch**, 226 Main St., New Paltz; and **Ulster Savings Bank Gardiner Branch**, 2201 Rte 44/55, Gardiner. Tickets on the day of the Tour may be purchased at the Chamber office only, from 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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The 7th Annual New Paltz Regional Garden Tour is produced by the Garden Tour Committee of the New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce and co-sponsored by the Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation at New Paltz and the Professional Development Committee. Proceeds benefit the Foundation's Educational Scholarship Fund and support beautification efforts on Main Street in New Paltz. For information, please contact the New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce at 845-255-0243.

The Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation at New Paltz aids and augments the New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce's current slate of successful educational programs. The Foundation also envisions a comprehensive program of educational activities and scholarships, all geared toward educating and supporting the community to take place at the Chamber's proposed new Education and Visitor's Center.

The New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce, with more than 700 members, is an active and trusted voice in the regional business and residential community, advancing the business, industrial, agricultural and civic interests of the Hudson Valley. It responds to an estimated 22,000 requests and visits from tourists each year from its offices at 257 Main St. in New Paltz. For more information about Foundation and Chamber programs and Visitor's Center hours of operation, visit www.newpaltzchamber.org, or call the Chamber at (845) 255-0243.

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FACT SHEET

WHAT: 7th Annual New Paltz Regional Garden Tour
WHERE: New Paltz, NY
WHEN: Sunday, July 11, 2010 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Rain or shine. No refunds.
ADMISSION: \$25 in advance
\$30 on the day of the event

Advance tickets are available for online purchase through PayPal at www.newpaltzchamber.org.

Advance tickets will be sold in person at:

- **Antiques Barn at Water Street Market**, 10 Main St., New Paltz
- **Handmade and More**, 6 North Front St., New Paltz
- **Ulster Savings Bank, New Paltz Branch**, 226 Main St., New Paltz
- **Ulster Savings Bank, Gardiner Branch**, 2201 Rte 44/55, Gardiner
- **New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce**, 257 Main St., New Paltz

Tickets sold on the day of the Tour will be sold at the **Chamber office only**, from **10:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Ticket holders must redeem their tickets at the New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce office, 257 Main Street, New Paltz, between 10:45 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on the day of the event to pick up a program booklet and map outlining the locations of this year's gardens. Only the program booklets will provide admittance to the gardens. **Tickets will not be accepted at any gardens for entrance.**

Gardens will open no earlier than 11 a.m. and close promptly at 5 p.m. Guests are asked to respect the 5 p.m. closing time.

Ticket includes admission to seven gardens: five private New Paltz gardens and the semi-private gardens at **Mohonk Mountain House**, as well as a closing reception at **Historic Huguenot Street, New Paltz.**

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FOR MORE INFORMATION: For more information about the 7th Annual New Paltz Regional Garden Tour and other Foundation programs, as well as Visitor Center hours of operation, call the Chamber at (845) 255-0243; visit www.newpaltzchamber.org; or e-mail info@newpaltzchamber.org.