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Special events, historic happenings, and family fun in June at Genesee Country Village & Museum

Mumford, NY (May 17, 2022) – Genesee Country Village & Museum is now open for the 2022 season with daily happenings, special events, hands-on learning experiences, new exhibits, and more. Wednesdays through Sundays, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., visitors will find fascinating historical happenings spread throughout the Museum’s buildings and grounds. Learn how cheese is made in Jones Farm, take a tour of the lush heirloom gardens with a historic gardener, meet heritage breed animals on the Pioneer Farm, watch the village potter craft 19th-century style vessels, see the blacksmith hard at work, and so much more. Visitors can explore what’s coming up at GCV&M before their visit at https://www.gcv.org/visit/this-week-at-gcvm/.

Special Events in June

Craft beer lovers will rejoice at the return of History on Tap (Friday, June 3, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.) after a several year hiatus. Sample craft beer, wine, and cider from 20+ local craft beverage vendors, enjoy food trucks and live music, tour historic Grieve’s Brewery, play lawn games on the Village Square, and more. Please note: the Historic Village will close early (at 3 p.m.) on Friday, June 3, to prepare for History on Tap. The John L. Wehle Gallery, however, will remain open until 4 p.m.

The sounds of bagpipes and drums will fill the air at the annual Celtic Faire (Saturday, June 11, and Sunday, June 12, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.). Visitors will find a pan-Celtic celebration of heritage music, dance, and authentic food and drink, with an artisan fair, clan booths, Highland Games, Irish Dancing, a talk about tartan in the John L. Wehle Gallery, and more.

The Museum will celebrate freedom’s ring during the second year of the Honoring Juneteenth event (Saturday, June 18, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.). Visitors will explore the meaning of the holiday, considered the oldest celebration of the end of enslavement in the US, and learn about the lives of Black Americans living in Western New York at the time of emancipation. This day of historic interpretation is made possible with the help of several community partners including Cheyney McKnight of Not Your Momma’s History, David Shakes and the North Star Players, Professor Richard Newman of the Rochester Institute of Technology, and more.
GCV&M will celebrate Father’s Day (Sunday, June 19, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.) with free admission for all dads, and a full day of explorations into 19th-century life. Families can enjoy a vintage base ball double-header at Silver Base Ball Park, played by 1868 rules before the introduction of gloves and other protective equipment. Games are at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Then, treat dad to lunch in the Depot Restaurant, or enjoy a craft beverage in the Freight House pub.

Homeschool families are invited to explore the Genesee Country Nature Center and surrounding trails during the next upcoming Homeschool Family Field Trip Day (Tuesday, June 21, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.). Take a nature walk, dip nets in the pond to observe and study salamanders and frogs, learn how to spot signs of woodland animals, identify plants, and more. Advance purchase of tickets required for this event.

More information about upcoming special events and tickets can be found online at https://www.gcv.org/events/.

New in the John L. Wehle Gallery

Now officially open to the public, Museum visitors can explore a brand new exhibit focusing on waterfowling in the 19th century and subsequent efforts to conserve waterfowl populations and habitats. “Duck, Duck, Shoot: The Story of American Waterbirds” features natural specimens, works of art, duck decoys, firearms, historic clothing, and more. Admission to the John L. Wehle Gallery is included in the cost of general admission. There will be a series of curator-led talks and tours throughout the season in the Gallery – more information can be found at https://www.gcv.org/john-l-wehle-gallery-talks-tours/.

Order 19th-century treats from the D.B. Munger & Co. Confectionery

Online pre-orders of handmade 19th-century baked goods from Museum’s Historic Confectionery are back this season. Visitors can pre-order cookies, breads, and other confections online at https://www.gcv.org/explore/historic-village/d.b.-munger-confectionery/ and pick them up on select Saturdays from the Flint Hill Store. During the month of June, the Confectionery is offering Steak and Ale Hand Pies, Pretzels, and Rose Cake. Museum visitors can also shop in the Confectionery on-site Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Purchase daily admission tickets online in advance and save

With a full schedule of special events on weekends, plus demonstrations and activities during the week, Genesee Country Village & Museum will be bustling with fun for all ages in June. The Museum is open Wednesdays through Sundays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Purchase tickets online in advance to get early bird discount pricing – there is a small additional fee at the door for daily admission and special event tickets purchased day-of. Visit www.gcv.org to learn more and purchase tickets online.
Photo 1: Visit Genesee Country Village & Museum in June to enjoy exciting special events such as the annual Celtic Faire!

Photo 2: With fascinating daily happenings in the Historic Village, there’s something for everyone this season at Genesee Country Village & Museum in Mumford, NY!

Photo 3: GCV&M visitors are encouraged to purchase daily admission tickets and special event tickets online in advance to save – there is a small additional fee for tickets purchased day-of at the door.

Additional photos and b-roll are available by request. To request an interview, or be removed from this mailing list, contact pengard@gcv.org.

GCV&M is the largest living history museum in New York State with the largest collection of historic buildings in the Northeast. The Museum, with its John L. Wehle Gallery, working brewery, vintage base ball park, and Nature Center, is located in Mumford, NY, 20 miles southwest of Rochester and 45 miles east of Buffalo. Visit www.gcv.org for more information.