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What's Happening This August at Genesee Country Village & Museum? Join us for the National Silver Ball Tournament, Fiddle & Folk Festival, Kids Free Thursdays, and more!

Mumford, NY (August 16, 2026) – August is a great time to visit Genesee Country Village & Museum! From Fiddle & Folk to Taste of History, there is something for everyone here at the Museum! Spanning over 600 scenic acres, GCV&M invites visitors of all ages to explore our Historic Village, world-class Gallery, and immersive Nature Center or attend one of the special programs offered throughout the month. Here's a look ahead to the month of August at GCV&M:

Historic Base Ball and the National Silver Ball Tournament – Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 31-August 2

Vintage base ball clubs from around the East Coast and Midwest will visit GCV&M during this exciting weekend to compete in a round-robin tourney. Three fields across the Museum will play host to the Akron Blackstockings (OH), the Bear Clan BBC of Flat Rock (MI), the Monitor BBC of Chelsea (MI), the Cleveland Blues (OH), the Cornshucker of Canton (MI), the Northville Eclipse (MI), the Talbot Fair Plays (MD), and the Walker Tavern Wheels BBC (MI), plus all four of GCV&M's teams. For more information and to purchase \$10 tickets, visit [National Silver Ball Tournament - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Base ball continues throughout August with the men's teams playing on Sunday, August 16 and Sunday, August 30. The ladies play on Sunday, August 2 and Sunday, August 22. Games at GCV&M are included with Museum Admission.

Fiddle & Folk Festival – Saturday and Sunday, August 15 and 16, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Explore New York State's musical roots through the sounds of fiddles, mandolins, dulcimers, and more! The Fiddle & Folk Festival is a great way to experience musical history in the region and connect with the performing arts. From foot-stomping fiddle tunes and handcrafted instruments to storytelling, dance, and the voices of a new generation, this festival invites guests of all ages to explore how music connects us across time. Rooted in history and alive with creativity, the Fiddle & Folk Festival brings together performers, makers, and music lovers in an immersive celebration of heritage and sound.

- Performances will take place all day
- Learn about instrument crafting through live demonstrations
- Jam sessions welcome musicians of ALL skill levels
- Explore music through five different themed stages

Fiddle & Folk Festival is sponsored by The Route WRUR Rochester.

For more information and tickets, visit: [Fiddle & Folk Festival - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Kids Free Days: Every Thursday in August!

Every Thursday in August (6, 13, 20, and 27), kids 12 and under receive free admission to the Museum! Included with admission are various timed activities, guided tours, and access to the Historic Village, John L. Wehle Gallery, and Nature Center! Bring the family for a day of fun and free admission for the kids! For more information and tickets, visit: [Kids Free Days - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Family Fun Day Camp – Wednesday, August 26 and Friday, August, 28

Bring the whole family for a fun day of family-friendly activities! Is your child too young to attend a day camp, or you want to participate in the camp fun? This is the perfect activity for you! The day includes a fully-guided experience and a variety of activities.

For more information and tickets, visit: [Family Fun Day Camp - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Taste of History, Friday through Sunday, August 28 to 30

We invite you to join us for an enchanting journey through the diverse culinary landscape of the 19th Century. Learn about fascinating food fads, view unique cooking equipment, explore innovative culinary technologies, and delve into the intriguing ingredients that shaped this vibrant era!

For more information and tickets, visit: [Taste of History - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Extended Evening Hours – Friday, August 28

Friday, August 28 is the last in our summer series of late-night hours. A dozen buildings in the Historic Village will be open until 7 p.m., along with the Flint Hill Store, John L. Wehle Gallery, and the Genesee Country Nature Center and trails. Learn from costumed interpreters and tour spaces and buildings representing home, civic, social, economic, farm, and religious life throughout the 1800s. Plus, join us for a “baby shower” to celebrate our new oxen!

Hop Harvest - Saturday, September 5

Bring the whole family and trace the path of vines & hops — from field to fermenter and pie tin to pint glass. Join in the harvest and help our costumed interpreters in the Hop Yard and stop by historic kitchens to smell 19th-century food cooking with ale and yeast. Enjoy live music, German Dancing, food, and beverage samples from local breweries and wineries, and more. For more information and tickets, visit: [19th-Century Brewing Workshop - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Signature Experiences

Genesee Country Village & Museum provides a wide variety of signature experiences for visitors featuring delicious food and a behind-the-scenes glimpse of GCV&M. Check out the offerings throughout the month of August!

- Summer Tea – Friday, July 31st, Saturday and Sunday, August 1 and 2 [Summer Tea - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)
- MacKay Luncheon – Friday and Saturday, August 7 and 8 [MacKay Luncheon - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)
- Pavilion Garden Brunch – Sunday, August 9 [Pavilion Garden Brunch - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)
- Gazebo Luncheon – Saturday and Sunday, August 22 and 23 [Gazebo Luncheon - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)
- Blooms & Bites – Saturday and Sunday, August 29 and 30 [Blooms & Bites - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

Summer Workshops

From flower arranging to yarn dyeing, there are plenty of great workshop opportunities at the Museum this August!

- Summer Flower Arranging and Conditioning Workshops – Saturday, August 9 [Summer Flower Arranging & Conditioning Workshop - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)
- Dyeing Yarn Workshop – Saturday, August 22 [Dyeing Yarn Workshop - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

- Grapevine Wreath Workshop – Saturday, August 22 [Grapevine Wreath Workshop - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)
- 19th Century Brewing Workshop – Saturday, September 5 [19th-Century Brewing Workshop - Genesee Country Village & Museum](#)

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Photo 1: Join us for Kids Free Days at Genesee Country Village & Museum!

Photo 2: Join us for Fiddle & Folk Festival at Genesee Country Village & Museum!

Photo 3: Don't miss the Hop Harvest Festival at Genesee Country Village & Museum!

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