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**FRESH AIR**

His work can be seen here in the distinct designs of Maplewood, Seneca and Genesee Valley parks along the Genesee River. His hand also is evident in Highland Park and pocket parks throughout the city.

Hundreds of thousands of people visit Highland Park each May for the renowned Lilac Festival, which has been hailed as one of the top 100 events in the country.

Visit Maplewood Park in June to see a magnificent rose garden with any variety of the flower you can think of. Seneca Park contains the Seneca Park Zoo as well as hiking trails with spectacular views of the river gorge.

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Having supplied motion picture film to the world since 1895, it’s no surprise Rochester is home to several different film festivals each year. Now in its fourth year, the Nitrate Picture Show at the George Eastman Museum’s Dryden Theatre exhibits pristine archival films on flammable stock from international archives—including the Eastman Museum’s own collection—as well as presents lectures, workshops, and other opportunities to experience the art and science of film preservation. The first of its kind in the world, this unique festival draws film aficionados from all over the globe.

The High Falls Film Festival celebrates the artistry and innovation of women in film, honoring Rochester’s legacy as the birthplace of both film and the women’s rights movement. Each year at various locations throughout the community the event presents feature-length and short films on which women have worked as producers, directors or in leading roles.

The ImageOut Film Festival, Rochester’s LGBT film and video festival, takes place at various theaters throughout the community. It is the largest event of its kind in Upstate New York.

The Rochester International Film Festival, held in the Dryden Theatre at the historic George Eastman Museum, is the longest-running continually held short film festival in the world, drawing thousands of submissions from around the globe.

The Rochester Jewish Film Festival screens feature-length films, documentaries and avant-garde short films at the Little Theatre downtown.
With dozens of microbreweries in the city and surrounding towns and the historic Genesee Brew House displaying its iconic red signage along the river, Rochester has become a destination city for beer lovers.

In a state with more than 400 operating breweries, the Greater Rochester and Finger Lakes region rules the roost. In the city, hot spots like Roc Brewing Co., Swiftwater Brewing, Three Heads Brewing and Rohrbach Brewpub offer some of the finest brews you’re likely to find anywhere. Stray outside of the city a bit and you’ll find countless more. (See page 38 for a full listing.)

Maybe you’re not into craft beverages and prefer the taste of those tried-and-true American-style pilsners you’ve always known? Visit the historic Genesee Brew House to get an up-close look at the beer-making process without having to stray too far out of your palate’s comfort zone.

After a recently completed $49 million renovation, you’ll marvel at the modern, eco-friendly facilities that have people calling it “the brewery of the future.”
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Rochester has a national reputation as a destination for golfers. Dozens of manicured courses, many of which are open to the public, can be found in the area, and pros from all over the world sing their praises.

Oak Hill Country Club remains the area’s most revered club. In the past it has hosted the Ryder Cup, PGA Championship, U.S. Open, U.S. Amateur, U.S. Senior Open and Senior PGA Championship, among others. The course was once called “the best, fairest and toughest championship golf course I’ve ever played in all my years as a tour professional” by Ernie Els.

Oak Hill will host the Senior PGA Championship again in 2019 and the PGA Championship in 2023.

Whether you’re looking to relax by the waves of Lake Ontario, paddle your way up the Genesee River or bring the family on a water park adventure, Rochester has everything you need.
Roseland Waterpark in Canandaigua and Darien Lake Theme Park in Genesee County are also nearby.

The Erie Canal, credited as the impetus for Rochester’s history as an industrial boom town, flows through surrounding towns to the southeast and west of the city.

In the heart of the city, the Pont de Rennes pedestrian walkway spans the Genesee River and offers a perfect view of the 96-foot drop of High Falls, one of only a few downtown waterfalls in the U.S.

And, of course, nearby are the Finger Lakes. These glacial lakes surrounded by rolling farmland feature hundreds of wineries, breweries, farm-to-table restaurants, and some of the most stunning landscape views you can imagine. People from all over the world visit here to taste some of the finest wine this country has to offer.

Be transported around the world as you come face to face with African elephants, a southern white rhino, Amur tigers and much more. New in summer 2018 will be red pandas, Masai giraffes, and a four-acre expansion featuring animals of the African savanna.

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The City of Rochester has been home to a long list of notable people. This year, the life and works of one person in particular will be featured in an ongoing celebration dubbed, “The Year of Douglass.” During this 200th year anniversary of Frederick Douglass’ birth, his legacy will be the focus of art exhibits, lectures, local tours and much more.

Chris Clemens writes on ExploringUpstate.com about discovery of the history, food, people and destinations that make Upstate New York a perfect place to explore.

Cedric Mays as Frederick Douglass and Madeleine Lambert as Susan B. Anthony in Geva Theatre Center’s world premiere of The Agitators.
orn a slave in Maryland during 1818, he would later make multiple attempts at gaining his own freedom. His successful escape in 1838 would be the springboard needed to help countless others during his lifetime. Nearly a decade later, he, and his wife Anna, would settle in Rochester, New York. Despite being self-educated, his charismatic words soon earned him a reputation as one of the most widely respected men in the country.

Frederick Douglass called Rochester home for nearly a quarter of a century. It was here that he began writing the North Star anti-slavery newspaper. Rochester is where Douglass found common ground and lifelong friendship with Susan B. Anthony. It was Rochester where he fought for his own children to be able to sit side by side white children in school. It was here where Douglass became a national leader for the anti-slavery movement. Rochester is where Frederick Douglass became one of the most important people of the 19th century.

During this bicentennial there will be numerous ways to celebrate “The Year of Douglass.” City officials have begun using a new Rochester logo incorporating his portrait to illustrate Douglass’ influence. The city is home to a bronze statue of Douglass, first installed near the city’s train station in 1899. At the time, most visitors to the city would be arriving by rail and their first encounter with Rochester would be the towering, stoic image of Douglass—the first statue in the United States to be erected in honor of an African American. Though the statue moved decades later, visitors can now find the monument in Highland Park, and may also see replicas appearing throughout the city in 2018 to commemorate the bicentennial.

A committee of dedicated volunteers have created a long list of events to help locals and visitors alike learn more about the life of Frederick Douglass. On the second floor of the Rundel Library downtown, the Frederick Douglass’ Rochester: Mapping His Tracks in Our City exhibit will run through August 31 and features artifacts depicting the important places in the city where Douglass lived and worked. The Real 2 Reel Film Fest will feature multidiscipline artistic submissions from young locals. Genealogy discussions, tours of Mt. Hope Cemetery where Douglass is interred, and even tours extending into nearby Auburn, former home of Harriett Tubman, will offer in depth learning opportunities. A collaborative effort among local journalists at City Newspaper and Open Mic ROC will feature writings and resources throughout the entire year.

For more events and ideas on how to celebrate all year long, visit the City of Rochester’s Frederick Douglass Bicentennial website for links to participating groups. To read more on the life of Douglass, checkout www.rocdouglass.com

For more information: visitrochester.com
When Sarah Knight began her journey to create Roc Girl Gang, she was surprised it didn’t already exist — a community where creatives in Rochester could connect and collaborate. As a freelance graphic designer, Sarah wanted to meet more creatives in Rochester. On Instagram, she was seeing into people’s worlds, curious about their story, wondering if they were getting the clients they wanted. Out of a personal need for support in her own business, Sarah went on to build the website, Roc Girl Gang, quite literally overnight.

Now more than ever, to have a space to support and learn about talented, hardworking women is necessary. What’s come from this two-year journey is a burgeoning sense of togetherness and camaraderie among women in Rochester. Roc Girl Gang’s focus is on highlighting local female creatives and entrepreneurs deserving of recognition and a platform to share their work and story. Sarah coordinates interviews and collaborates with local photographers for weekly features, which also translates well to RGG’s strong Instagram following.

From the beginning, Sarah’s goal was to bring the community to the real world through events, encouraging women to connect wherever they are on their creative journey. She hosted her first Becoming Boss event in January 2017, which sold out in three hours. “I think I’m onto something. I think these women want to meet. Social media is amazing, but it may be polarizing or make you feel like you’re the only one struggling,” she says. This event series breaks down those walls. Each includes a panel Q&A with women from her past features, as well as extended mingling opportunities. The panelists discuss the beginning — how they got to where they are today, the start of their journey. For anyone seeking an opportunity to learn, be inspired and connect with like-minded women in Rochester, this event series is the ultimate networking experience, upleveled to building community relationships and inspiring small businesses across the city.

Looking into 2018, the dates are set for the next Becoming Boss event on June 16 at The Penthouse at One East Avenue. Keep an eye out for interactive pop-up parties and charity mixers in addition to the Becoming Boss events. For more information and where to buy tickets visit rocgirlgang.com.

SARAH KNIGHT
Roc Girl Gang
BECOMING
Boss events

BREANNA BANFORD
Breanna Banford is the Yelp Rochester community director. She brings the online community offline, connecting people to great local businesses through collaborative events and marketing partnerships.
May

Science on the Edge Lecture Series
Through May 2018
Rochester Museum & Science Center
657 East Ave., Rochester
271-4320;RMSC.org
Experts bring the sciences to life in this series held in the Museum after hours. Visit website for up-to-date program information.

Rochester Cocktail Revival
May 1-6
Various cocktail bars and other venues throughout Rochester
rochestercocktailrevival.com
New York State’s flagship craft cocktail festival.

RENT
May 1-6
Ribb’s Auditorium Theatre
885 East Main St., Rochester
222-5000; ribb.org
A re-imaging of Puccini’s La Bohème, RENT follows an unforgettable year in the lives of seven artists struggling to follow their dreams without selling out.

Trevor Noah
May 4
Kodak Center
200 West Ridge Road, Rochester
Kodak.com/kodakcenter
The host of Comedy Central’s The Daily Show performs at the Kodak Center.

Cinco De Rhino
May 5
Seneca Park Zoo

For more information: visitrochester.com
SPECIAL EVENTS

**Avenue Q**
May 11-27
Blackfriars Theatre
795 E. Main Street, Rochester
blackfriars.org; 454-1260

**RMSC After Dark: Space Ball**
May 12
Rochester Museum & Science Center
657 East Ave., Rochester
585.271.4320, RMSC.org
Prepare to voyage to the edge of the known universe for a cosmic soirée at the RMSC. Must be 21+ to attend. Valid ID required for entry.

**Genesee Country Village & Museum Opening Weekend**
May 12-13
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcvm.org
Celebrate opening weekend and Mother’s Day with the largest living history museum in New York State. Moms admitted free on Mother’s Day (May 13).

**Yanni**
May 15
RBTL’s Auditorium Theatre
885 East Main Street, Rochester
www.rbtl.org
Legendary performer and composer Yanni will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of “Live At The Acropolises” with a world tour.

**Game of Thrones and the MAGsocial DeTOUR**
May 17
Memorial Art Gallery
500 University Ave., Rochester
276-8800; mag.rochester.edu
DeTOURS are an exclusive themed tour that is both engaging and entertaining.

**Science + You**
May 17–August 5
Seneca Park Zoo
2222 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester
336-7200; senecaparkzoo.org
The first of five monthly adult events at the zoo, through September, that includes live music, beverages and food.

**Rochester Twilight Criterium**
May 19
Downtown Rochester
rochestertwilightcriterium.com
The Rochester Twilight Criterium thrills adults and kids alike as they watch professional athletes race bicycles in Nascar-like fashion for two straight hours.

**Rails and Ales**
May 19
Rochester & Genesee Valley Railroad Museum
282 Rush-Scottsville Road, Rush
533-1431; rochestertrainrides.com
Enjoy tastings from local breweries while you ride the trains. The museum has the state’s largest collection of historic trains.

**June**

**History on Tap**
June 1
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcvm.org
It’s happy hour in the historic village. Beer tastings, cider and wine. Food and live music.

**Classical Mystery Tour: 50th Anniversary of Sgt. Pepper and The White Album**
June 1-2
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of two albums that redefined the rock genre with the RPO and four musicians in character as The Fab Four.

**Fairport Canal Days**
June 1-3
Main Street, Fairport
Free admission
fairportcanaldays.com
With more than 200,000 in attendance, this is the largest event held alongside the Erie Canal.

**Zoobilation 2018**
June 2
Seneca Park Zoo
2222 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester
336-7200; senecaparkzoo.org
The largest single-day fundraiser for the zoo.

**Rochester Real Beer Expo**
June 9
Gregory Street to Bond Street, Rochester
rochesterrealbeer.com
This outdoor expo in the South Wedge has more than 80 craft beers, live music and food. Hosted by the Business Association of the South Wedge.

**Maplewood Rose Celebration and Historic Home Tour**
June 9
Maplewood Rose Garden
28 Driving Park Ave., Rochester
428-6767; maplewood.org/rose-festival
The festival centers on more than 5,000 blooms of 300 varieties in a garden high above the Genesee River’s west bank.

**Robots, Rockets, and Ray Guns**
June 9–October 12
The Strong
1 Manhattan Square, Rochester
263-2700; www.museumofplay.org
Explore the ways that science fiction books, toys, movies, and video games have captured people’s imaginations and shaped the way they play. Travel to distant futures and faraway galaxies to explore key sci-fi themes in zones that couple artifacts from The Strong’s collections with dynamic, hands-on activities.

**The 2017 KeyBank Rochester Fringe Festival**

**Classical Kids: Beethoven Lives Upstairs**
May 20
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Hochstein Performance Hall
50 Plymouth Ave. N., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Family-friendly OrKIDstra concert features 25 Beethoven excerpts.

**Carmen in Concert**
May 24 & 26
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
RPO’s 2017/18 Philharmonics Series closes with Bizet’s “Carmen” in a concert production.

**Zoo Brew**
May 25, June 23, July 21, August 11, September 8
Seneca Park Zoo
2222 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester
336-7200; senecaparkzoo.org
The largest event held alongside the Erie Canal.

**Rochester Greek Festival**
May 31-June 3
Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation
962 East Ave., Rochester
244-3377; rochestergreekfestival.org
This outdoor expo in the South Wedge has more than 80 craft beers, live music and food. Hosted by the Business Association of the South Wedge.

**Maplewood Rose Festival**
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28 Driving Park Ave., Rochester
428-6767; maplewood.org/rose-festival
The first of five monthly adult events at the zoo, through September, that includes live music, beverages and food.

**Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation**
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244-3377; rochestergreekfestival.org
The annual festival showcases Greek culture, including food, drink, music, dance, traditional dress and religion.

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July

A Chorus Line
July 6-15
Blackfriars Theatre
795 E. Main Street, Rochester
blackfriars.org; 454-1260
A stunning musical capturing the spirit and tension of a Broadway chorus audition.

Rochester International Jewish Film Festival
July 8-16
Various locations
461-2000; rjff.org
The festival screens feature-length films, documentaries and avant-garde short films.

Hill Cumorah Pageant
July 13-14 and 17-21
Route 21, two miles north of Thruway Exit 43 near Palmyra
Free admission
(315) 597-5851; hillcumorah.org
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has mounted this large-scale, outdoor pageant for more than 60 years, drawing an audience of thousands from around the world each night.

Bands on the Bricks at the Public Market
July 13, 20, 27; August 3, 10
280 N. Union St., Rochester

Dinner on the Bridge
July 14
Greentopia, High Falls
greentopia.org
Dinner on the Bridge is an exclusive celebration of food, wine, and friends. Our attendees dine ON the Pont de Rennes Bridge – 100 feet above the waters of the Genesee River – with a commanding view of the High Falls and Gorge.

The Surreal Visions of Josephine Tota
July 14 – September 9
Memorial Art Gallery
500 University Ave., Rochester
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu
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Xerox Rochester International Jazz Festival
June 22-30
20 venues, Rochester
rochesterjazz.com
Hundreds of musicians and more than 200,000 music lovers fill the East End for the festival’s 17th running this year. More than 300 concerts are slated.

Orchestra in the Pines
June 23
Rochester Museum & Science Center
Cumming Nature Center
6472 Gulick Rd., Naples
374-6160; rmsc.org
The Finger Lakes Symphony Orchestra performs under inspiring red pines. Local wineries and farms will serve food and drink.

War of 1812 and Jane Austen Weekend
June 23-24
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcv.org
A weekend full of battle demonstrations, fashions, music and dancing.

Jigsaw Puzzles: Putting it All Together
June 23–September 3
The Strong
1 Manhattan Square, Rochester
263-2700; www.museumofplay.org
Explore the evolution of jigsaw puzzles and learn how they have been made through the years. View early wooden puzzles from the 18th century, examine the impact of pop culture on puzzle making, and more.

Midtown Eats
June 14 & 28, July 12 & 26, August 9 & 23
280 E. Broad St, Rochester
rochesterevents.com
Pop-up outdoor dining event featuring a mix of Rochester restaurants and food trucks in downtown Rochester.

Party in the Park
Thursdays, June 15-August 10
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park
353 Court St, Rochester
cityofrochester.gov
Summer outdoor concert series in downtown Rochester.

Celtic Faire
June 16
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcv.org
Music, dance, authentic food and drink. Celebrate the traditions of the Scots and Irish.

Ladder Literary Conference
June 16
Rochester Riverside Hotel
120 E. Main St., Rochester
473-2590; wab.org
A unique mix of panels focused on the four rungs of the publishing ladder: Writing, editing, connecting and publishing.

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Explore Greater Rochester
SPECIAL EVENTS

262-3142; cornhillartsfestival.com
Five hundred artists and artisans converge on Rochester’s oldest neighborhood.

ROC Pride 5K Run
July 15
Out Alliance
Gayalliance.org; 244-8640
Kick-off to ROC Pride Week events. Visit rocpridefest.org for more information.

Danielle Downey Credit Union Classic
July 16–22
Brook-Lea Country Club
891 Pixley Road, Chili
943-0523; danielledowneyclassic.com
Rochester has a long and rich history in women’s golf. A stop on the LPGA Symetra Tour, the tournament is named for a professional golfer who learned the game at Brook-Lea.

Canandaigua Arts and Music Festival
July 20-22
Commons Park, Canandaigua
canandaiguaartfestival.com
A variety of artist vendors and musical performers highlight this annual event in a historic Finger Lakes city.

Rochester Pride Celebration at the MAG
July 21
Memorial Art Gallery
500 University Ave., Rochester
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu

ROC Pride Week
July 21-22
rocpridefest.org; 244-8640
Series of events throughout the community celebrating Pride Celebration culminates in parade and Festival on July 21-22.

Civil War Reenactment & Encampment
July 21-22
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcv.org
Experience the shots, the cannons and the horses as reenactors bring the Civil War to life.

Dogfight, the Musical
July 21-29
Jewish Community Center Hart Theater
1200 Edgewood Ave., Rochester
461-2000; jccrochester.org
It’s November 21, 1963 and three young Marines set out for a night of debauchery on the eve of their deployment to Vietnam.

Native American Dance and Music Festival
July 28-29
Ganondagan State Historic Site
1488 Route 444, Victor
742-1690; ganondagan.org
Enjoy live music, storytelling, art demonstrations, trail walks and dance performances.

Spencerport Canal Days
July 28-29
Spencerport
349-1331; spencerportcanaldays.com
The Erie Canal runs through the center of the village, a fact Spencerport celebrates with this mid-summer community event.

Puerto Rican Festival
July 27-29
Frontier Field, Rochester
234-7660; prfestival.com
Rochester’s Puerto Rican community throws this colorful festival of food, music and dance.

August

Monroe County Fair
August 3-5
6565 East River Road, Rush
662-5543; mcfair.com
First held in 1823, the county fair has a
space education center, demolition derby and other entertainment, music, agricultural exhibits and plenty of rides.

**Park Ave. Summer Art Fest**  
August 4-5  
Park Avenue from Alexander Street to Culver Road  
473-4482; rochesterevents.com/park-ave-festival  
*This is the 42nd year the Park Avenue neighborhood has held this outdoor art, crafts and music festival. More than 250,000 visitors browse the booths.*

**Wilder Weekend**  
August 4-5  
Genesee Country Village & Museum  
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford  
538-6822; gcv.org  
*Experience 19th-century frontier life and learn more about historic stories.*

**National Silver Ball Tournament**  
August 10-12  
Genesee Country Village & Museum  
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford  
538-6822; gcv.org  
*Three days of vintage baseball teams competing round-robin style.*

**Carifest**  
August 11  
East Main Street, Rochester  
234-0809; rwifo.com  
*Caribbean culture in Rochester is celebrated through food and music. Visit website for more information and specific dates.*

**Brockport Summer Arts Fest**  
August 11-12  
Main Street, Brockport  
brockportartsfestival.com  
*This town on the Erie Canal offers boat races, a duck derby, a car show, a barbecue contest and dozens of craft vendors.*

**St. Josaphat’s Ukrainian Festival**  
August 16-19  
St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church  
940 E. Ridge Road, Irondequoit  
rochesterukrainianfestival.com  
*Get to know Ukrainian culture through traditional food, music, dancing and the arts.*

**Flour City Brewers Fest**  
August 17  
Hosted by Rohrbach Brewing Co.  
Rochester Public Market  
280 Union St. N., Rochester  
rolgbrewersfest.com  
*Brewers gather from all over the state to showcase their beers. Also offers local food, live music and more.*

**RMSC After Dark: Summer Camp**  
August 18  
Rochester Museum & Science Center  
657 East Ave., Rochester  
271-4320; rмsc.org  
*Must be 21+ to attend. Valid ID required for entry.*

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**Old-Time Fiddlers’ Fair**  
August 18-19  
Genesee Country Village & Museum  
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford  
538-6822; gcv.org  
*A melodious weekend featuring hundreds of musicians on four stages.*

**Party Mad at the Zoo**  
August 24  
Seneca Park Zoo  
2222 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester  
336-7200; senecaparkzoo.org  
*Adult event that raises money for education and conservation programs in Madagascar. Take part in the wine, beer, and chocolate tastings, multiple drawings, and wine wheel.*

**Fairport Music and Food Festival**  
August 24-25  
Liftbridge Lane, Fairport  
fairportmusicfestival.com  
*Three stages of live music and food from local restaurants highlight this festival.*

**Rochester Summer Soul Festival**  
August 25-26  
Frontier Field  
333 Plymouth Ave. N., Rochester  
rcosummersoulfest.com  
*Come and enjoy the end of summer and beginning of fall by exploring the sheer beauty and colors of over 100,000 sunflowers.*

**Sunflower Spectacular**  
August 25-26, September 1-3, 8-9  
Wickham Farms  
1821 Fairport Nine Mile Point Rd., Penfield  
377-3276; wickhamfarms.com  
*Three stages of live music and food from local farmers talent.*

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**Hop Harvest Festival**  
September 3  
Genesee Country Village & Museum  
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford  
538-6822; gcv.org  
*On Labor Day Monday, harken back to the days when hop growing was king with this family celebration of hop crops and brewing.*

**Hair**  
September 4-October 7  
Geva Theatre Center  
75 Woodbury Blvd, Rochester  
232-4382; gevatheatre.org  
*The original love-rock musical celebrates the 60s with songs like “Aquarius;” “Good Morning, Starshine;” and “Let the Sun Shine In” in all its barefoot, long haired, bell-bottomed, beaded and fringed glory.*

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**Suffragist City Parade**  
September 15  
Downtown Rochester  
susanbanthonyhouse.org  
*To commemorate and celebrate the history of woman suffrage in New York State.*

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**Kettle Ridge Kettlefest**  
September 15  
Kettle Ridge Farm  
515 Log Cabin Road, Victor  
kettlefest.com  
*A one-day celebration of local sustainable farming and artisanship.*

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**Fall Harvest at Stokoe Farms**  
Weekends September-October  
656 South Rd., Scottsville
SPECIAL EVENTS

899-0770; stokoe farms.com
Family-owned farm offers 35+ unique and thrilling activities for the whole family.

Diesel Days Train Rides
September 15-16
Rochester & Genesee Valley Railroad Museum
282 Rush-Scottsville Road, Rush
533-1431; rochestertrainrides.com
See, hear, and ride behind several kinds of restored vintage diesel locomotives.

Be The Astronaut
September 15–January 7
The Strong
1 Manhattan Square, Rochester
263-2700; www.museumofplay.org
blast off! Take an adventure to space and fly a simulated spaceship, pilot a lander, and drive a rover on the Moon, Mars, Ceres, and Jupiter.

Purple Foot Festival
September 16
Casa Larga Vineyards
2287 Turk Hill Road, Fairport
223-4210; casalarga.com
Grape stomping, wine tastings and other activities celebrate the harvest season at one of the largest grape-stomping festivals in the Eastern U.S.

Fall Foliage by Trolley
Sundays, September 16–October 28
New York Museum of Transportation
6393 East River Road, Rush
nymtmuseum.org
Enjoy the beauty of autumn in western New York State from the window of an authentic 90-year-old electric trolley car.

American Songbook + Bernstein’s Centennial
September 20 & 22
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Featuring American composers, including the continuation of Leonard Bernstein’s year-long tribute, plus a live recording of Jennifer Higdon’s Harp Concerto for the AZICA label.

Fantastic Findings Garage Sale
September 20–22
Rochester Museum & Science Center
657 East Ave., Rochester
271-4320; RMSC.org
Browse collectibles, jewelry, lamps, toys, linens, china, furniture, crystal and silver, and attractive boutique finds.

Rochester Marathon Weekend
September 21-23
Maplewood Park
Maplewood Drive, Rochester
rochestermarathon.com
Feel the energy around every corner, and enjoy breathtaking views along the historic Genesee River. Join us for our marathon, half marathon, marathon relay and 5K.

Distant Worlds: Music from Final Fantasy
September 25
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
RPO welcomes back this global phenomenon featuring live symphonic music with exclusive HD video content.

Cirque de la Symphonie
September 28-29
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik opens the 2018/19 Pops Season with amazing acrobats.

Barktober Fest Walk for Dogs
September 29
Lollypop Farm, Humane Society of Greater Rochester
99 Victor Road, Fairport
223-1330; lollypop.org
The biggest pet-friendly walk and festival to benefit Rochester’s pets in need.

Hilton Apple Fest
September 29-30
Hilton
Free admission
392-7773; hiltonapplefest.org
Greater Rochester’s northern communities are big producers of apples and related products. Hilton’s annual tribute celebrates the harvest.

October

ImageOut Film Festival
October 4-14
Area theaters
271-2640; imageout.org
Rochester’s LGBT film and video festival is the largest event of its kind in Upstate New York.

Fortune
October 4-21
Geva Theatre Center
75 Woodbury Blvd, Rochester
232-4382; gevatheatre.org
A new romantic comedy about finding love, whether it’s in the cards (or not).

Fairport Oktoberfest
October 5-6
Fairport Junction Festival Site
377-6010; fairportpartnership.org
Featuring world-class musicians, traditional dancers, and authentic German cuisine.

Wayne County Apple Tasting Weekend
October 5-8
Varied locations, Wayne County
(800) 527-6510; appletastingtour.com
Each stop on this apple tasting tour is unique during this special weekend: apple tastings, food samples, door prizes, great events and lots of fun.

SoundSense
October 5–April
Rochester Museum & Science Center
657 East Ave., Rochester
271-4320; RMSC.org
Take a musical and emotional journey into the world of sound and music.

20th Annual Autumn Festival of Ales
October 6
Honeoye Falls Fireman’s Field
270 Monroe St., Honeoye Falls
624-4386; cbcraftbrewers.com
The Annual Autumn Festival of Ales featuring craft beer, live entertainment and a chili cook-off.

Monet’s Vision: Waterloo Bridge in Focus
October 6-January 6
Memorial Art Gallery
500 University Ave., Rochester
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu
This small but powerful focus exhibition of Claude Monet’s “Waterloo Bridge” series will include the stellar example from MAG’s collection along with seven others borrowed from North American sister institutions.

Head of the Genesee Invitational Regatta
October 6-7
Genesee Valley Park, Rochester
Watch collegiate rowers compete in this annual regatta held in Genesee Valley Park, designed by famed landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted.
**Genesee River Romance**  
Early October  
Various locations along the Genesee River, Rochester  
422-6770; cityofrochester.gov  
*Rochester’s earliest growth can be tied directly to the Genesee River, where settlers produced flour in mills built along its banks. Dozens of outdoor events are planned; take a guided hike, bike ride or boat ride.*

**Flower City Pottery Invitational**  
October 11-14  
Flower City Arts Center  
713 Monroe Ave. Rochester  
rochesterarts.org  
*This is a unique opportunity for collectors, clay enthusiasts and anyone who appreciates finely-crafted, handmade work to meet and talk with masters of the field and see a large body of their work.*

**Velvet Caravan with Jessica Ann Best**  
October 13  
Nazareth College Arts Center  
4245 East Avenue, Rochester  
389-2170, artscenter.naz.edu  
*Rochester’s earliest growth can be tied directly to the Genesee River, where settlers produced flour in mills built along its banks. Dozens of outdoor events are planned; take a guided hike, bike ride or boat ride.*  

**Latino-Hispanic Heritage Celebration**  
October 14  
Memorial Art Gallery  
500 University Ave., Rochester  
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu  

**Dr. Seuss’s The Sneetches**  
October 14  
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra  
Hochstein Performance Hall  
50 Plymouth Ave. N., Rochester  
454-2100; rpo.org  
*RPO’s 2019/19 OrKIDStra Series opens with the Seuss classic featuring Lorenzo Palmer’s score.*

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**Spirits of the Past Tours**  
October 17-20  
Genesee Country Village & Museum  
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford  
538-6822; gcw.v.org  
*Costumed characters spin ghostly tales on an after-hours tour through the candlelit streets of the recreated 19th-century village.*

**RMSC After Dark: Mad Science**  
October 20  
Rochester Museum & Science Center  
657 East Ave., Rochester  
271-4320; RMSC.org  
*Must be 21+ to attend. Valid ID required for entry.*

**JCC Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival**  
October 21-November 4  
Jewish Community Center  
1200 Edgewood Ave., Brighton; rjbf.org  
*The 24th annual festival brings in well-known Jewish authors to read and talk about their books.*

**Tim Burton’s The Nightmare Before Christmas in Concert**  
October 24  
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra  
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre  
60 Gibbs St., Rochester  
454-2100; rpo.org  
*RPO performs Danny Elfman’s memorable score live while film is projected on the big screen.*

**The Rocky Horror Show**  
October 26-November 11  
Blackfriars Theatre  
785 E. Main Street, Rochester  
blackfriars.org; 454-1260  
*On their way to visit an old college professor, two clean cut kids, Brad Majors and his fiancée Janet Weiss, run into car trouble and seek help at the site of a light down the road.*

**High Falls Film Festival**  
November 1-5  
Various locations  
highfallsfilmfestival.com  
*Celebrate women in film with screenings, coffee chats with filmmakers and panel discussions.*

**Sweet Creations: Gingerbread House Display**  
November 2 - December 13  
George Eastman Museum  
900 East Ave., Rochester  
271-3361; eastman.org  
*On view in Rochester’s grandest house museum: more than 60 intricately designed gingerbread houses.*

**Weavers’ Guild of Rochester Holiday Sale**  
November 2-4  
The Perkins Mansion  
494 East Ave, Rochester  
weaversguildofrochester.org  
The beautiful Perkins Mansion sets the backdrop for this show of overwhelming color, textures, and fibers.

**Fine Craft Show and Sale**  
November 2-4  
Memorial Art Gallery  
500 University Ave. Rochester  
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu  
*Ceramics, glass, jewelry, metal, leather, wood, wearable art.*

**Rustic Hungarian Harmonies**  
November 8 & 10  
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra  
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre  
60 Gibbs St., Rochester  
454-2100; rpo.org  
*Guest conductor Carlos Kalmar leads Kodaly, Haydn, Liszt, and Schumann featuring Principal Cello Ahrim Kim.*

**National Toy Hall of Fame Induction Celebration**  
November 8, 11-12  
The Strong  
1 Manhattan Square, Rochester  
263-2700; museumofplay.org  
The hall inducts its newest members. The weekend’s activities feature the more than 30 toys already in the Hall of Fame, such as the rocking horse, Monopoly and Barbie.

**Fabric of Survival Celebration**  
November 11  
Memorial Art Gallery  
500 University Ave., Rochester  
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu  
*More than 60 intricately designed gingerbread houses feature in this show.*

**Giants of Music**  
November 16-17  
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra  
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre  
60 Gibbs St., Rochester  
454-2100; rpo.org  
Jeff Tyzik leads this celebration of early 20th-Century music by Berlin, Joplin, Stravinsky, Ravel, Gershwin and more with pianist Jon Nakamatsu and singer Doug LeBrecque.

**Holiday Bazaar Arts & Crafts Sale**  
November 16-18  
Rochester Museum & Science Center  
657 East Ave., Rochester  
271-4320; RMSC.org  
*Featuring jewelry, woodwork, ceramics, sculptures, photography, fiber arts, glass, and prints made by fine artisans and craftspeople.*
The Company Men
November 17
Nazareth College Arts Center
4245 East Avenue, Rochester
389-2170, artscenter.naz.edu
A four-man vocal group combines smooth Motown moves with the greatest hits of the last six decades.

Les Misérables
November 20-25
RBTLL’s Auditorium Theatre
885 East Main Street, Rochester
www.rbtll.org

The Nutcracker
November 21 & 22-25
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Rochester City Ballet and the Bach Children’s Chorus join the RPO for this special Rochester holiday tradition.

Holidays at the Market
November 25, December 2, 9 & 16
Rochester Public Market
280 N. Union St., Rochester
Visit the Rochester Public Market, a city landmark for more than 100 years, to buy wreaths, Christmas trees, ornaments and other symbols of the season.

A Christmas Carol
November 29-December 29
Geva Theatre Center
75 Woodbury Blvd. Rochester
232-4382; gevatheatre.org
A sparkling classic, full of music, magic and family holiday tradition! The classic tale of redemption will rekindle your spirit in this critically acclaimed adaptation by Mark Cuddy.

Yuletide in the Country Tours
November 30- December 16
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcvc.org
The living-history village is aglow with festively decorated homes for reenactments of yuletides past. Learn about the roots of many Christmas customs.

December

Holiday Gala
December 1-2
Anderson Alley Artists
250 N. Goodman St., Rochester
andersonalleyartists.com
Three floors of open artist studios. Art of all kinds on sale. Live music, festive food and more.

Ghostbusters in Concert
December 5
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Watch the original Ghostbusters on the big screen while the RPO plays Elmer Bernstein’s great score live.

Breakfast with Santa at the Zoo
December 8-9, 15-16
Seneca Park Zoo
2222 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester
336-7200; senecaparkzoo.org
Delight in the magic of the holidays at Breakfast with Santa!

Baroque Touchstones
December 9
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Hochstein Performance Hall
50 Plymouth Ave., N., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Delightful Sunday Matinee celebrating the music of Handel, Bach, Mendelssohn, and more.

Fiddler on the Roof
December 14-31
Blackfriars Theatre
795 E. Main Street, Rochester
blackfriars.org; 454-1260
A wonderful cast and a lavish orchestra tell this heartwarming story of fathers and daughters, husbands and wives, and the timeless traditions that define faith and family.

The Last Night of Ballyhoo
December 14-31
Blackfriars Theatre
795 E. Main Street, Rochester
blackfriars.org; 454-1260
Not set against the backdrop of 19th-century Poland, but Atlanta’s elitist German Jews are much more concerned with who is going to Ballyhoo, the social event of the season.

Gala Holiday Pops
December 21-23
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik leads the holiday tradition he began 25 years ago, this time featuring Rochester music legend Don Potter in addition to the Festival High School Chorale.

The Capitol Steps
December 31
Nazareth College Arts Center
4245 East Avenue, Rochester
389-2170, artscenter.naz.edu
Rochester’s favorite New Year’s Eve tradition of hilarious, bipartisan political satire ripped from current headlines.

January 2019

Hard Cell (world premiere)
January 9 – February 3
Geva Theatre Center
75 Woodbury Blvd. Rochester
232-4382; gevatheatre.org
The world premiere of a madcap new comedy of errors and mistaken identity. When college professor Nick Abtahi finds himself lost in a small, one-horse Midwestern town, the welcome mat doesn’t exactly get rolled out by its crazy collection of locals.

Harry Potter and The Chamber of Secrets™
Film with Orchestra
January 11-12
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Watch the second Harry Potter film in high-definition on a giant screen while the RPO plays John Williams’ unforgettable score.

Create a Symphony
January 13
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Hochstein Performance Hall
50 Plymouth Ave. N., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
This OrKIDstra concert features RPO trumpeter Herb Smith conducting and leading the audience in creating its own symphony.

Leslie Odom, Jr.
January 18
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Tony-Award winner for his portrayal of Aaron Burr in Hamilton, Odom, Jr. joins the RPO and Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik for one night only in this Special Concert.

Mendon Ponds Winterfest
January 20
Mendon Ponds Park
Entrances at Clover Street and Pittsford-Mendon Center Road in Pittsford and Mendon
mendonpondswinterfest.org
Winter enthusiasts take over Monroe County’s largest park for outdoor activities.

Nakamatsu + Stravinsky’s Rite of Spring
January 31 & February 2
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Ward Stare leads Stravinsky’s controversial masterpiece, plus Van Cliburn gold medalist Jon Nakamatsu returns to play Beethoven’s Piano Concerto No. 2.

February

Lakeside Winter Celebration
Early February 2018
Ontario Beach Park, Charlotte
865-3320
Rochester flocks to the lakefront for a chili cook-off, snow sculpture competitions, a polar bear plunge, a winter golf tournament and ice sculpture demonstrations.
Ordinary Days
February 1-17
Blackfriars Theatre
795 E. Main Street, Rochester
blackfriars.org; 454-1260
A refreshingly honest and funny musical about making genuine connections in the city that never sleeps.

Trey McLaughlin & The Sounds of Zamar
February 2
Nazareth College Arts Center
4245 East Avenue, Rochester
389-2170, artscenter.naz.edu
The brightest new group of vocal powerhouses on the gospel music scene performs intricate arrangements of contemporary gospel.

Chicago
February 5-10
RBTL’s Auditorium Theatre
885 East Main Street, Rochester
www.rbtl.org
This triumphant hit musical is the recipient of six Tony Awards, two Olivier Awards, a Grammy, thousands of standing ovations and now the #1 longest-running American Musical in Broadway history.

Susan B. Anthony Birthday Luncheon
Early February 2019
Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center
123 E. Main St., Rochester
279-7490; susanbanthonyhouse.org
Annual celebration of the birth of the famous suffragist and fundraiser for the National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House.

New York State Ice Wine & Culinary Festival
Mid-February 2019
Casa Larga Vineyards
2287 Turk Hill Road, Fairport
223-4210; casalarga.com
Taste ice wines produced in the traditional method. Sample foods infused with ice wine, and check out seminars, horse-drawn sleigh rides through the vineyards and more.

Queens of Soul
February 15-16
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik debuts a brand-new program featuring music from today’s soulful divas, with special guest vocalists Shayna Steele and more.

The Dutch Connection: George Eastman’s Conservatory in Winter Bloom
Mid- to late February 2019
George Eastman Museum
900 East Ave., Rochester
327-4800; eastman.org
The historic house is filled with flowers—a midwinter treat the way Kodak’s founder liked.

Animal Week
February Break Week
Rochester Museum & Science Center
Mid- to late February 2019
657 East Ave., Rochester
585.271.4320, RMSC.org
Live animals up close and personal; new animals and activities daily.

The Humans
February 19-March 17
Geva Theatre Center
75 Woodbury Blvd. Rochester
232-4382; gevatheatre.org
Winner of four 2016 Tony Awards including ‘Best Play.’ As the Blake family gathers for Thanksgiving in a tiny apartment, indignities flare up and tensions reach a boiling point over the turkey, stuffing and mashed potatoes.

March
Miss Saigon
March 5-10
RBTL’s Auditorium Theatre
885 East Main Street, Rochester
www.rbtl.org
Experience the acclaimed new production of the legendary musical Miss Saigon, from the creators of Les Misérables.

Eternal Tango
March 15-16
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik showcases the art of tango music and dance with the world-renowned Hector Del Curto Tango Quintet and dancers.

Maple Sugaring
March 16–17 & 23–24
Rochester Museum & Science Center
Cumming Nature Center
6742 Gillick Rd., Naples
374-6160, RMSC.org
A springtime tradition for many Western New York families. Enjoy a delicious meal, wander the trails, and discover how this treat is made.

St. Patrick’s Day Parade
Mid-March
East Avenue between Alexander Street and Liberty Pole Way, Rochester
234-5167; rochesterparade.com
See website for more information and updates.

Mauritius
March 22-April 7
Blackfriars Theatre
795 E. Main Street, Rochester
blackfriars.org; 454-1260
Stamp collecting is far riskier than you think. After their mother’s death, two estranged half-sisters discover a book of rare stamps that may include the crown jewel for collectors.

An Orchestral Odyssey
March 21 & 23
Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre
60 Gibbs St., Rochester
454-2100; rpo.org
Music Director Ward Stare leads Strauss’ powerful Also Sprach Zarathustra, notably featured in the film 2001: A Space Odyssey, and piano virtuoso Stephen Hough plays Dvorak’s Piano Concerto.

April
Native Gardens
March 26-April 21
Geva Theatre Center
75 Woodbury Blvd, Rochester
232-4382; gevatheatre.org
A brilliant new comedy redefining what it means to “be neighborly.” A disagreement over a property line becomes a war of green thumbs spinning out of proportion with hilarious results.

Hamilton
April 23-May 12
RBTL’s Auditorium Theatre
885 East Main Street, Rochester
222-5000; rbtl.org
Hamilton is the story of America’s Founding Father Alexander Hamilton. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B, and Broadway, HAMILTON is the story of America then, as told by America now.
Rochester has long been known for its vibrant arts scene. The city benefits from a number of institutions that consistently offer outstanding performances in beautiful venues. Geva Theatre and Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre are a couple local icons that readily come to mind. Geva Theatre typically offers a wide variety of shows, ranging from popular musicals like *In the Heights* by Lin Manuel-Miranda to *The Diary of Anne Frank*. They even offer improv shows. The venue was recently renovated and is beautiful and welcoming.
Meanwhile, just a few blocks away at Kodak Hall at the Eastman Theatre on Gibbs Street, you can see the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra performing a diverse array of music. On their 2018-2019 schedule, you’ll find everything from *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* to Stravinsky’s *Rite of Spring*. Plus, talented Eastman School of Music musicians perform in the same theatre regularly, often for free. Check out the Eastman School’s events calendar online to find free concerts while you’re in town.

In addition to these renowned, well-established institutions, Rochester has an abundance of hidden gems that are worth exploring, whether you’re seeking art, music, or theatre.

The Multi-Use Community Cultural Center (MUCCC) is located in the Neighborhood of the Arts. This building used to be a church and now serves as a theatre, putting on eclectic performances by a variety of local groups. Whether you’re seeing a collective of high schoolers performing Shakespeare with a modern twist or the Irish Players of Rochester, you’re sure to see a memorable performance in this unique space.

If it’s quirky art you’re seeking, then ArtisanWorks is the place for you. Located in the North Winton Village, this massive space is packed with art by hundreds of local artists. When you walk in, you’ll quickly realize you could spend hours meandering through the various rooms, eyes overstimulated by the plethora of art adorning the walls, ceilings, and every square inch of the place.

In town for the Xerox Rochester International Jazz Festival? Be sure to stop by Rochester Contemporary Arts Center, located in the East End. Their best-known exhibit occurs annually and is called 6x6, featuring art that is just 6 inches by 6 inches and created by everyone from children to famous artists. Anyone can submit, and every piece is available for purchase.

The large number of musicians in Rochester from the Eastman School of Music tends to have a spillover effect. There’s an abundance of musicians in a diverse array of genres, everything from folk to indie, rock to rap. Sofar Sounds Rochester is a chapter of a larger international organization that coordinates pop-up concerts in unusual venues in a given city. Sign up for a show on their website while you’re in town and you’ll be in for a treat—live music from a lesser-known local band in an unexpected venue, like the public market, a thrift store, or a motorcycle shop. Who knows what fascinating venues they’ll pop up at next?

Take some time to explore the rich arts scene in our community. There’s something for everyone, and you certainly won’t be disappointed.
**Entertainment Districts**

Live music, dance and theater performances, pubs, cafes and dance clubs—you’ll find them all in the city after dark. Great restaurants abound too. See Drink & Food for details on listed restaurants.

For additional live music venues, see “Where to Hear Live Music” on page 31.

**Corn Hill**

Rochester’s oldest residential neighborhood sits on the western bank of the Genesee River not far from downtown. Wander through Corn Hill’s neighborhood of beautifully restored homes to see Rochester circa 1850. In response to urban renewal in the 1960s and ’70s that wiped out streets in the neighborhood, many remaining homes were brought back to their original splendor. A second rejuvenation in the 1980s resulted in extensive townhome development. Corn Hill is a diverse community of about 2,000 residents. The neighborhood association has restored much of the character of the area with parks, gazebos and walkways. What once was a small neighborhood festival has evolved into the annual Corn Hill Arts Festival, a major event that attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors in July – 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the popular festival! The restaurants in Corn Hill Landing have patios overlooking the Genesee, great for a relaxing meal or cocktail.

Main thoroughfares: Exchange Boulevard and Plymouth Avenue

Parking: Exchange Boulevard, side streets and a free lot at Corn Hill Landing

TO EAT

So close to downtown, Corn Hill restaurants are popular lunch and dinner choices. Some offer riverside deck dining:
- Fusion 4, Mac’s
- Philly Steaks, Mi Barrio Burrito Place
- Panzari’s Italian Bistro, Silk District Pub
- Tony D’s

TO DRINK

Clarissa’s: Live jazz, blues, karaoke. 293 Clarissa St.; 232-3430

Flight Wine Bar: Casual upscale. 262 Exchange Blvd.; 360-4180

The Exchange: Sports bar. 251 Exchange Blvd.; 417-5623

Silk District Pub: Craft cocktails. 280 Exchange Blvd., Rochester; 730-4985

Live music: Clarissa’s

For more information: Corn Hill Neighbors’ Association, cornhill.org

**East End**

Anchored by the Eastman School of Music, whose students and faculty perform at venues around the region, the East End is the essence and cultural heart of city living. New condos, town houses and restaurants bring classic city energy to this downtown neighborhood. The Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra plays in Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre. Rochester Contemporary Art Center is home base for hundreds of local art enthusiasts; the Little Theatre offers its own take on cinematic art.

Local and national acts headline music clubs and performance venues, especially during the Rochester International Jazz Festival in June. For 10 days the East End is filled to overflowing with musicians and jazz fans from all over the world.

East End bars range from the upscale lounge at Max of Eastman Place to casual taverns, such as Richmond’s, Salinger’s and Temple Bar. The East End is just a short walk to the East & Alexander District.

Main thoroughfares: East Avenue, Main, Gibbs and Chestnut streets

Parking: On-street pay stations, MetroCenter Garage (enter from Swan, Scio or Main)

**TO EAT**

Restaurants in the East End are plentiful: Aunt Rosie’s, Bubble Fusion, East End Pizza & Deli, East End Tavern, Everything Iz Good, Golden Port Dim Sum, Java’s, Little Theatre Cafe, Ludwig’s Center Stage Cafe, Max of Eastman Place, Orange Glory Cafe, Richmond’s, Stromboli’s Restaurant, Tournedos Restaurant, and Unter Biergarten. Hart’s Local Grocers is a full-service grocery store with prepared foods, sandwiches, soups, coffee and desserts. Grab a coffee and pastry at Java’s Café, Spot Coffee, Fuego, Ugly Duck Coffee, Press Coffee and Dunkin’ Donuts.

**TO DRINK**

Abilene Bar and Lounge: Live indie music, craft beers. 153 Liberty Pole Way; 232-3230

Flour City Station: DJ. 170 East Ave.; 413-5745

Havana Moe’s Beer & Wine Lounge: Casual cigar bar. 125 East Ave.; 325-1030

Little Theatre Cafe: Wine, beer, light fare. 240 East Ave.; 258-0413

Max of Eastman Place: Upscale, live music. 25 Gibbs St.; 697-0491

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Montage Music Hall: Live music. 50 Chestnut St.; 638-8163. Open only during shows.

Salinger’s: Billiards, darts, bar fare. 107 East Ave.; 546-6880

Temple Bar & Grille: Casual menu, DJ. 109 East Ave.; 232-6000

Toumedos Lounge: Fireplace, light fare. 26 Broadway; 232-3595

Unter Biergarten: German-style beer garden. 120 East Ave., 360-4010

Live music: Abilen; Bernunzio Uptown Music; Havana Moe’s; Little Theatre Cafe; Max of Eastman Place; Montage; Spot Coffee; Temple Bar & Grille

TO DRINK

Brass Bar & Lounge: Prohibition-era drinks. 363 East Ave.; 299-2111.

City Grill: Cocktails, patio. 384 East Ave.; 222-2499

The Daily Refresher: Cocktails, light fare. 293 Alexander St.; 360-4627

Filger’s East End: Beer, billiards, bar food. 355 East Ave.; 434-2758

Hattie’s Restaurant: Rooftop bar and restaurant. The Strathallan, 550 East Ave.; 461-5010

Mason’s on Alexander: Neighborhood pub. 315 Alexander St.; 355-4896

Murphy’s Law: Upscale, Irish. 370 East Ave.; 232-7115

The Old Toad: Authentic British pub. 277 Alexander St.; 232-2626

One Nightclub: Upscale nightclub. 1 Ryan Alley; 546-1010

Ox and Stone: 282 Alexander St.; 287-6933

Roc Brewing Co.: Microbrewery. 56 S. Union St.; 794-9798

Skylark Lounge: Meatsballs, drafts. 40 S. Union St.; 270-8106

Vinyl: Top 40 and ‘90s dance. 291 Alexander St.; 310-2214

Wall Street: Creative menu, bar. 330 East Ave.; 319-5696

Live music: 45 Euclid, Anthology; The Old Toad, East End Tavern

Live music: Brickwood Grill; Bug Jar; Park Bench

NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE ARTS

Postwar apartment buildings, multifamily Victorians and cottages line the area’s side streets. In the middle of it all are the Memorial Art Gallery and its Centennial Sculpture Park, featuring work by Wendell Castle, Albert Paley, Jackie Ferrari and Tom Otterness. Actor Taye Diggs is a graduate of the School of the Arts next door.

NOTA is home to ArtWalk, an outdoor interactive museum. The award-winning streetscape features sculptures and art-infused sidewalks, benches, light poles and bus shelters. Visual Studies Workshop, with its gallery and MFA program, and Village Gate, a converted factory housing restaurants, shops, offices and public art, are in NOTA, as is the Anderson Building, a converted factory housing some 40 artists’ studios that is open to the public on Second Saturdays from October to June. Writers & Books, a literary center on University Avenue, keeps a calendar jammed with readings and classes. Image City Photography Gallery has exhibited the work of hundreds of photographers. The Montanus Gallery in Village Gate features stunning landscapes and cityscapes captured throughout Rochester. Quality handmade goods can be found at Craft Company No. 6, MuCC, a cultural center, stages community theater in a former church.

Main thoroughfares: University Avenue and Goodman Street

Parking: In lots surrounding Village Gate Square and on University, Goodman and side streets

TO EAT

This neighborhood is a popular stop for casual dining—from locally sourced to grab-and-go: California Rollin’, Crazy Bowl Café, Edibles Restaurant, Gate House, Good Luck, Just Juice 4 Life, Lento, Mochi Grill, Nosh, Nox, Salena’s, Starry Nites café and Polizzi’s. Grab dessert at Get Caked or Scratch Bake Shop and coffee at Starry Nights, Glen Edith and Joe Bean Coffee Roasters.

TO DRINK

Bachelor Forum: Gay bar. 670 University Ave.; 271-6930

California Rollin’: Sushi restaurant serving beer, wine and sake. Village Gate, 274 N. Goodman St

Chocolate & Vines: Wine bar serving artisan cheeses and sweets. 757 University Ave.; 340-6362

Edibles: Intimate restaurant and bar. 704 University Ave.; 271-4910

Gate House: Restaurant with bar. Village Gate, 274 N. Goodman St.; 473-2090

For more information: visitrochester.com
Goodman St.; 471-8803
Nox: Craft cocktails. Village Gate, 302 N. 47 Russell St.; 445-8700
Nosh: Cider. 1344 University Ave.; 287-5875
Nox: Craft cocktails. Village Gate, 302 N. Goodman St.; 471-8803
Radio Social: Craft cocktails and bowling. 20 Carlson Rd., Rochester; 244-1484
The Revelry: Lowcountry cuisine and craft cocktails. 1290 University Ave., Rochester; 340-6454
Salena’s: Restaurant with full bar. Village Gate, 302 N. Goodman St.; 256-5980
Starry Nites Cafe: Wine, beer. 696 University Ave.; 271-2630
Three Heads Brewing: 186 Atlantic Ave.; 244-1224
Live music: Starry Nites Cafe, Memorial Art Gallery, Three Heads Brewing; Watch live comedy at Comedy @ The Carlson

**PARK AVENUE**

Stretching from East Avenue to Alexander Street, Park Avenue is a tree-shaded, residential neighborhood of Victorian homes. Its mile-long route is peppered with restaurants, salons and shops.

Bistros and cafes make up the majority of Park Avenue businesses. Al fresco dining turns the sidewalks into patios during the summer. Besides restaurants, there are boutiques, salons, galleries and gift shops.

Take a stroll down side streets and head north a block to see the mansions of East Avenue, one of the country’s premier preservation districts. These were the grand homes of people who built the city’s first businesses.

**Main thoroughfare: Park Avenue**

**Parking:** Free on-street on Park and alternating-sides parking on side streets

**TO DRINK**

Apogee Wine Bar: Cozy, hip, casual. 151 Park Ave.; 755-0457
Blu Wolf Bistro: Trendy gastropub. 657 Park Ave.; 270-4467
Cafe Sasso: Cozy spot for coffee and cocktails. 739 Park Ave.; 697-0235
Dorado: 200 tequilas. 690 Park Ave.; 244-8560
Dragonfly Tavern: Warm fireplace, cold ale. 725 Park Ave.; 563-6333
Half-Pint Pub: Craft drafts. 363 Park Ave.; 271-6384
The Hideaway: Full bar, casual gourmet food. 197 Park Ave.; 442-4293
Magpie: Irish pub. 653 Park Ave.; 271-4150
Park Avenue Pub: Wine, upscale casual. 650 Park Ave.; 461-4140
Roam Cafe: Restaurant with bar, outdoor seating. 262 Park Ave.; 360-4165
Roux: French, cozy. 688 Park Ave.; 461-2960
Somerton’s Public House: Bar games, cocktails. 729 Park Ave.; 271-7925

For more information: Park Avenue Merchants Association, park-avenue.org

**TO EAT**


**TO DRINK**

Branca Midtown: Cocktails, wine. 280 E Broad St.; 434-5243
Drifters L.B.: Beer, wine, cocktails in historic building. 155 E. Main St.; 454-3999
Fifth Frame Brewing: 155 St Paul St., Rochester; 735-7155
Funk ‘N Waffles: 204 N. Water St., Rochester; 448-0354
Morton’s The Steakhouse: 125 E. Main St., Rochester; 232-3684
Pane Vino: Italian restaurant with bar. 175 N. Water St.; 232-6090
Scotland Yard Pub: Darts, pints. 187 St. Paul St.; 730-5030

The Spirit Room: 139 State St., Rochester; 397-7595

The neighborhood is a boon for fans of public art. Murals created by artists participating in the internationally recognized WALL/THERAPY project dot the exteriors of buildings across the St. Paul Quarter.

**Main thoroughfares:** St. Paul and Andrews streets

**Parking:** Genesee Crossroads Garage (69 Andrews St.), pay stations on St. Paul and Andrews (free after 5:30 p.m.). Some surface lots, but check the signs; tow-away zones are strictly enforced.
**Tapas 177 Lounge**: Martinis, salsa. 177 St. Paul St.; 262-2090

**Tilt**: Nightclub and ultralounge. 444 Central Ave.; 232-8440

**Live music**: Drifters L.B., Scotland Yard Pub, Tapas 177, Funk ‘n’ Waffles

**South Wedge**

In the last decade, this neighborhood has come into its own, with new shops and restaurants on South Avenue and modern European-style apartments along the river. Some 60,000 people live in the Wedge. Just south of downtown on the east side of the Genesee, it is a great place to see some of the oldest homes in the city, from cottages to towering brick Victorians. Residents range from old-timers who’ve lived here their whole lives to college students and young professionals who like the urban village atmosphere. (Frederick Douglass owned homes in the area.) In the middle of it all is Historic House Parts, a museum of a store packed with relics of Rochester’s architectural past. The German House draws good concerts. Check out clothing boutique Thread, and please your sweet tooth at Hedonist Chocolates. Proceeds from the Stars and Stripes Flag Store benefit veterans in the Rochester area.

**Main thoroughfares**: South Avenue and Gregory Street

**Parking**: Free on South (after 5 p.m.) and side streets

**TO EAT**

The South Wedge has restaurants to satisfy a variety of tastes: Boulder Coffee Co., ButaPub, Cheesy Eddie’s, Coffee Connection, the Cub Room, Equal Grounds, Harry G’s NY Deli & Cafe, Hedonist Artisan Chocolates & Ice Cream, John’s Tex-Mex Eatery, La Casa, Little Venice Pizzeria, McCann’s Local Meats, Orbs, Napa Wood Fired Pizza, Peppa Pot, The Playhouse/Swillburger, Premier Pastry, Tap & Mallet.

**TO DRINK**

**ButaPub**: Casual American. 315 Gregory St.; 563-6241

**Caverly’s Irish Pub**: Pool table, darts. 741 South Ave.; 278-1289

**Cheshire**: Classic, pre-Prohibition cocktails. 647 South Ave.; 232-4909

**The Cub Room**: Vintage upscale. 739 S. Clinton Ave.

**Lux Lounge**: Board games, billiards, funky art. 666 South Ave.; 232-9030

**Orbs**: Cocktails, local eats. 758 South Ave.; 471-8569

**The Playhouse/Swillburger**: Bar, burgers, arcade. 820 S. Clinton Ave.

**Solera Wine Bar & Lounge**: Wines and microbrews. 647 South Ave.; 232-3070.

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HEAR IT LIVE

Rochester has a wide assortment of venues, from the makeshift stage in a corner of a neighborhood bar to the rollicking Dinosaur Bar-B-Que in a converted downtown rail station. The Main Street Armony with well-known acts that run the gamut from zydeco to reggae to roots rock to pop is a good bet any weekend—and weeknights too. If you’re in the mood for jazz, check out Horizons Lounge at Woodcliff Hotel in Perinton. Abielle Bar & Lounge offers an eclectic mix of local and traveling musicians three or four nights a week. Listen in on a fiddling jam session at Johnny’s Irish Pub. Catch a live performance at the Record Archive or Funk ‘N Waffles, or take in a set at the Little Theatre Cafe, where an Eastman ensemble is likely to be behind the mic.

HOME GROWN TALENT

Cab Calloway, Ron Carter, Chick Corea, Gene Cornish, Pee Wee Ellis, Joe English, Renee Fleming, Steve Gadd, Teddy Geiger, Lou Gramm, Regi Hendrix, Don Mancuso, Gap and Chuck Mangione, Nik & the Nice Guys, Frank Pullla, Joe Romano, Tweet and Wendy O. Williams

MUSICAL GROUPS

Here is a sample of local performers in traditional and classical music. In addition, Rochester has dozens of working bands playing all genres: reggae, rock, blues, salsa, pop, metal, jazz, R&B, hip-hop, punk, roots rock and hybrids. Call or check local listings for show schedules.

Chorus of the Genesee: A 90-voice, championship barbershop-harmony chorus. 265-9540; chorusofthegenesee.org

Eastman School of Music: One of the top music schools in the country. 274-1000; esm.rochester.edu

Fiddlers of the Genesee: Preserves old-time fiddle music of the Genesee Valley; weekly open jam sessions. 234-3582; fiddlersofthegenesee.org

Finger Lakes Choral Festival: A chorus of 200. fingerlakeschoral.org

Finger Lakes Musical Theatre Festival: (315) 255-1785; fingerlakesmtf.com

Finger Lakes Opera: fingerlakesopera.com

Gamelan Lila Muni: Balinese percussion orchestra at Eastman School of Music. 274-1100; esm.rochester.edu/gamelan

Golden Link Folk Singing Society: Concerts, workshops, free weekly “sing-arounds.” 234-5044; goldenlink.org

Madrigalia: Chamber singers perform 16th- and 17th-century music. 234-4283; madrigalia.org

Opera Guild of Rochester: All things opera in Rochester. operaguildofrochester.org

Nik Entertainment Co.: Showbands travel the world. 244-0331; nikentertainment.com

New Horizons Band and Orchestra: The first of more than 200 musical ensembles for seniors in North America, Europe and Australia. Eastman School of Music; newhorizonsmusic.org

Rochester Chamber Orchestra: Performs music from the 17th century to the present in Hochstein Performance Hall. rochesterchamberorchestra.org

Rochester Gay Men’s Chorus: The 25-year-old group performs popular and classic tunes throughout the year at area venues. 423-0650; thergmc.org

Rochester Lyric Opera: Performs in Lyric Theatre on East Avenue. 738-5995; lyrictheatrerochester.org

Rochester Oratorio Society: 200-member group sings in festivals around the world. 473-2234; rossings.org

Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra: One of the nation’s premier symphonies, the RPO tours and records. 454-2100; rpo.org

Swiftwater Brewing Co.: 378 Mt. Hope Ave.; 747-8478

Tap & Mallet: Craft beer. 381 Gregory St.; 473-0503

Live music: Boulder Coffee Co., the German House

For more information: Business Association of the South Wedge Area, baswa.org

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Get year-round updates: exploregreaterrochester.com
The Smugtown Stompers: With an old-time Rochester nickname, this group has performed blues, ragtime, jazz and pop music from 1890 to 1930 for 56 years. smugtownstompers.com

WHERE TO HEAR LIVE MUSIC
Here’s a sampling, and check local listings for upcoming shows:

B-Side: 5 Liftbridge Lane, Fairport; 364-0688
Bernunzio Uptown Music: 122 East Ave., Rochester; 473-6140
The Bop Shop: 1460 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 271-3354
Dinosaur Bar-B-Que: 99 Court St., Rochester; 325-7090
Downstairs Cabaret Theatre: 20 Windsor St., Rochester; 325-4370
Harmony House: 58 E. Main St., Webster; 265-9540
Horizons Lounge, Woodcliff Hotel and Spa: 199 Woodcliff Drive, Fairport; 381-4000
House of Guitars: 645 Titus Ave., Irondequoit; 544-3500
Johnny’s Irish Pub: 1382 Culver Road, Rochester; 224-0990
Little Theatre Cafe: 240 East Ave., Rochester; 232-4699
Lovin’ Cup: 300 Park Point Drive, Suite 101, Rochester; 292-9940
Record Archive: 33 1/3 Rockwood Place, Rochester; 244-1210
Rochester Public Market: 280 N. Union St., Rochester; 428-6907

PERFORMANCE VENUES
Auditorium Theatre: 875 E. Main St., Rochester; 423-0295
Anthology: 336 East Ave., Rochester; 484-1964
Blue Cross Arena: 1 War Memorial Square, Rochester; 758-5300
Callahan Theater: Nazareth College Arts Center, 4245 East Ave., Pittsford; 389-2170
Constellation Brands-Marvin Sands Performing Arts Center: Finger Lakes Community College, 3355 Marvin Sands Drive, Canandaigua; 222-5000
Darien Lake Performing Arts Center: 9933 Allegheny Road, Darien Center; 599-4641
The Dome: 2695 East Henrietta Rd., Henrietta; 334-4000
Funk ‘N Waffles: 204 N. Water St., Rochester; 448-0354
Hatch Recital Hall: Eastman Theatre East Wing, 433 E. Main St., Rochester; 274-1100
Harro East Ballroom: 155 N. Chestnut St., Rochester; 454-0230
Hochstein Performance Hall: 50 N. Plymouth Ave., Rochester; 454-4596
Kodak Center for Performing Arts: 200 W. Ridge Road, Rochester; 254-0073
Kodak Hall: Eastman Theatre, 60 Gibbs St., Rochester; 274-1100
Kilbourn Hall: Eastman Theatre, 26 Gibbs St., Rochester; 274-1100
Lyric Theatre: 440 East Ave., Rochester; 256-0444; rochesterlyricopera.org
MCC Theatre: Monroe Community College, Building 4, 1000 East Henrietta Road, Brighton; 292-2060
Montage Music Hall: 50 Chestnut St., Rochester; themontagemusichall.com
MuCCC (Multi-use Community Cultural Center): 142 Atlantic Ave., Rochester; 244-0960
Penthouse at One East Avenue: 1 East Ave., Rochester; 752-2575
Roberts Cultural Life Center: Roberts Wesleyan College, 2301 Westside Drive, Chili; 594-6008

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• Eastman School of Music
• The Memorial Art Gallery
• River Campus Arts
• WRUR Radio

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In a city full of music, can dancing be far behind? Rochester has long been a regional center for modern and classical dance performance and instruction. Many of our companies have been together for 25 years or more, and a new wave of dancers is making itself known. Rochester dance ensembles emphasize education, participation and community involvement. Classes in movement and choreography, taught by patient pros, are available to children and adults. Garth Fagan, one of the top choreographers in American history, bases his troupe in downtown Rochester.

See rochesterdance.com for links to dance events and organizations in Rochester and Western New York.

DANCE TROUPES

Bill Evans Dance Company: Previously based in Seattle and Albuquerque; is in its 39th year.

Bill Evans teaches at SUNY College at Brockport. billevansdance.org

Biodance: Modern dance company, directed by Missy Pfohl Smith; known for multimedia collaborations. 201-1002; biodance.org

Borinquen Dance Theatre: Blends African, Taino and Spanish influences with contemporary Latin movement. Nydia Padilla-Rodriguez is the founder. 121 N. Fitzhugh St., Rochester; 263-2623; borinquendancetheatre.org

FuturPointe Dance: A contemporary dance company, the troupe fuses styles and collaborates with multimedia artists. 727 E. Main St., Rochester; 503-8353; futurpointe.org

Garth Fagan Dance: Award-winning modern dance troupe led by Tony Award winner for Broadway’s “The Lion King,” rehearses in an East End studio and performs all over the world. 50 Chestnut St., Rochester; 454-3260; garthfagananddance.org

New York State Ballet: Classical ballet performances by professional dancers from around the world. 1855 Monroe Ave, Rochester; 704-1903

Push Physical Theatre: Non-traditional, intense physicality and theatrical performances. 415-7874; pushtheatre.org

Rochester City Ballet: New original works and traditional favorites; more than 20 ballet premieres. 1326 University Ave., Rochester; 461-5850; rochestercityballet.org

SunY College at Brockport Dance Department: Performances by students in well-established dance and choreography program. 350 New Campus Drive, Brockport; 395-2153; brockport.edu/dance

University of Rochester Program of Movement and Dance: Performing Artist Series brings artists and educators to campus. 121 Lattimore Hall, Rochester; 273-5150; rochester.edu/college/dance

PARTICIPATORY DANCE

Country Dancers of Rochester: Contra and English country dances in a smoke- and alcohol-free setting. (315) 587-2152; cdrochester.org

Groove Juice Swing: Promotes lindy hop and swing dancing with parties, workshops and classes. 415-3714; groovejuiceswing.com

Rochester Swing Dance Network: Active young swing dance community; bands and DJs at lively dances. Various locations; 244-2815; rochesterswingdance.com

Tango Cafe Dance Studio: Salsa, ballroom and tango lessons and events have taken over the 1837 mansion once occupied by Rochester’s first mayor; 271-4930; tangocafedance.com

THEATER

The hometown of Kristen Wiig, Taye Diggs, Robert Forster and the late Philip Seymour Hoffman buzzes with spirited live theater every night of the week, all year long. First-rate professional theaters and smaller community groups offer dramas, musicals, comedies and cutting-edge new works.

Geva Theatre Center, the most attended regional theater in the Northeast, creates productions that draw actors and directors from around the country. Blackfriars Theatre has been staging productions for more than 50 years. The 300-seat Hart Theatre at the Jewish Community Center presents plays and solo performances.

The University of Rochester, SUNY College at Brockport and Nazareth College lead local college theater programs.

For details, visit theatrerocs.org.

LIVE THEATER

Batavia Players: 56 Harper Ave., Batavia 967-8167; bataviaplayers.org

Black Sheep Theatre Coalition: Village Gate Square, 274 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 861-4818; blacksheeptheatre.org

Blackfriars Theatre: 795 E. Main St., Rochester; 454-1260; blackfriars.org

Bristol Valley Theater: 151 S. Main St., Naples; 374-6318; btvnnaples.org

DEEP Arts: 385-0510; deeparts.org
ENTERTAINMENT & THE ARTS

Downstairs Cabaret Theatre: 20 Windsor St., Rochester; 540 E. Main St., Rochester; 3450 Winton Place, Brighton; 325-4370; downstairscabaret.com

CenterStage Theatre at Hart Theatre: Jewish Community Center, 1200 Edgewood Ave., Brighton; 461-2000; jccrochester.org

Comedy @ The Carlson: Comedy shows. 50 Carlson Rd., Rochester; 426-6339; carlsoncomedy.com

EstroFest: All-female sketch comedy troupe. estrofestlaughs.com

Geva Theatre Center: 75 Woodbury Blvd., Rochester; 232-1386; 325-1411 TTY; gevatheatre.org

Method Machine: 319-7427; methodmachine.org

Monroe Community College department of visual and performing arts: 1000 East Henrietta Road, Brighton; 292-2047; www.monroecc.edu/depts/vapa

Nazareth College Arts Center: 4245 East Ave., Pittsford; 389-2170; artscenter.naz.edu

Nazareth College department of theater arts: 4245 East Ave., Pittsford; 389-2180; naz.edu/theater-arts

Off-Monroe Players: 60 Bittner St., Rochester; 232-5570; off-monroeplayers.org

RAPA Theatre: Kodak Center for the Performing Arts, 200 W. Ridge Road, Rochester; 254-0073; rapatheatre.org

Roberts Wesleyan College Community Theatre: Roberts Wesleyan College Community Center, 2301 Westside Drive, Chili; 594-6783; roberts.edu/rwccct.aspx

Rochester Broadway Theatre League: Traveling Broadway shows. Auditorium Theatre, 885 E. Main St., Rochester; 222-5000; rbl.org, ticketmaster.com

Rochester Community Players: Home of Shakespeare Players and Irish Players of Rochester; 261-6461; rochestercommunityplayers.org

Rochester Latino Theatre Company: Dual language theater. somosrltc.org

School of the Arts: 45 Prince St., Rochester; 242-7682; sotarochester.org

SUNY College at Brockport department of theatre and music studies: 1101 Tower Fine Arts Center, SUNY Brockport, 350 New Campus Drive, Brockport; 395-2478; brockport.edu/theatre

University of Rochester International Theatre Program: 107 Todd Union, River Campus, Rochester; 275-4088; rochester.edu/theatre

Webster Theatre Guild: 800 Five Mile Line Rd., Webster; 678-1158; webstertheatreguild.org

Rochester Community Players of Shakespeare Players and Irish Players of Rochester; 261-6461; rochestercommunityplayers.org

Art House/Independent Films

Cinema Theater: 957 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 271-1795; cinemarochester.com

Dryden Theatre: George Eastman Museum, 900 East Ave., Rochester; 271-3361; 271-3362 TTY; 271-4080 film line; eastman.org/dryden-theatre

Geneseo Riviera: 4 Center St., Geneseo; 481-0036; genesoriviera.com

Little Theatre: 240 East Ave., Rochester; 258-0400; thelittle.org

Visual Arts

Some of the better-known galleries are listed here. This is by no means a complete list; for a broader view, including a map of the city’s internationally renowned outdoor mural art, visit these websites:

andersonalleyartists.com
firstfridayrochester.org
thehungerford.com
madeonstate.com
theyardsrochester.com
wall-therapy.com

Rochester is known for art on an international scale. Sculptors Albert Paley and Nancy Jurs, glass artist Nancy Gong and scores of other accomplished artists call it home, as well as the late Wendell Castle.

From public sculptures to art-adorned bridges, you’ll see the artist’s touch all over Rochester. The city is recognized as an international hotspot for outdoor mural art. Every weekend brings new exhibition openings in museums, cafes and restaurants.

The pool of local talent is fed by Rochester Institute of Technology’s School for American Crafts and a host of other area colleges and arts organizations. The nearby Finger Lakes and Lake Ontario are popular subjects for painters.

First Friday and Second Saturday are monthly open houses of galleries around the city.

Not surprisingly, the birthplace of popular photography spawns art exhibitions year-round. Summer festivals bring out artists to display and sell their work in photography, sculpture, wood and metalwork, ceramics and more. (See Special Events.)

ART GALLERIES

Airigami (seasonal): 510 State St., Suite 7, Rochester; 359-8695; airigami.com

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ART CLASSES

Rochester Brainery: 76 Anderson Ave., Rochester; 730-7034; rochesterbrainery.com

Roc Paint Sip: Mobile painting workshops. 764-1062; rocpaintsip.com

Creative Workshop Art Classes: Memorial Art Gallery, 500 University Ave., Rochester; 276-8959; mag.rochester.edu/creativeworkshop

Flower City Arts Center: 713 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 244-1730; rochesterarts.org

Tower Fine Arts Gallery: SUNY College at Brockport; 395-2787

Visual Studies Workshop: 31 Prince St., Rochester; 442-8676; vsww.org

Williams Gallery: First Unitarian Church, 220 S. Winton Road, Rochester; 271-9070

The Yards: 50-52 Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St., Rochester; theyardsrochester.com

LITERARY ARTS

The literary scene in Rochester is a vibrant one. Writers with local roots have made names for themselves—among them, John Ashbery, Andrea Barrett, Nicholson Baker, Sonja Livingston and Joyce Carol Oates. From writing studios and living room couches all over the city, Rochesterians have won Pulitzer Prizes, MacArthur Fellowships, PEN/Faulkner awards, the National Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award. Readings, spoken word open mikes, happy hour meetups and discussions are popular events.

BOA Editions Ltd.: Well-respected small press celebrates its 40th year in 2016. BOA has published more than 200 works of poetry and poetry in translation. Lucille Clifton, Carolyn Kizer and Li-Young Lee are among its writers. 546-3410; boaeditions.org

Geneseo Reading Series: Now in its 32nd year, the series presents writers from the Genesee Valley region. wab.org

Jewish Book Festival: Brings well-known authors to Rochester for readings, panel discussions, films and other events in November. rjf.org

Neilly Series: University of Rochester lecture series has brought Simon Winchester, Sylvia Nasar, Patch Adams and Roy Blount Jr.; lib.rochester.edu

Open Letter Books: Based at the University of Rochester, it is one of just a handful of U.S. translation publishing houses. Title awards include the National Book Critics Circle Award. Visiting authors hold readings around town. openletterbooks.org

Plutzik Reading Series: Series at the University of Rochester features fiction writers and poets, including Gwendolyn Brooks, John Updike and Edward Hirsch. Started in 1962, it’s one of the longest-running reading series in the country. 275-4082; rochester.edu/college/plutzik

Rochester Antiquarian Book Fair: Limited and signed editions, maps, magazines and posters. Presented by the Rochester Area Booksellers Association at the Main Street Armory. rochesterbooksellers.com

Rochester Arts & Lectures: Subscription-based series typically sells out quickly. Brings noted authors to the downtown United Presbyterian Church. 546-8658; artsandlectures.org

Rochester Children’s Book Festival: More than 40 children’s book authors and illustrators do readings and sign books at Monroe Community College. rochestercychildrensbookfestival.org

Rochester Teen Book Festival: Free festival is wildly popular with teen readers and writers. Readings and workshops at Nazareth College. teenbookfestival.org

Writers & Books: Literary center hosts classes and events about reading and writing for all ages. Visiting writers have included Ann Patchett, Eowyn Ivey and Russell Banks. 473-2590; wab.org

Writers Forum: Edward Albee, Isaac Asimov and Mary Oliver are among hundreds of well-known writers who have participated in this reading series since 1987 at SUNY College at Brockport. 395-5713; brockport.edu/wforum

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It’s a great time to be alive if you love beer.

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cratch that, it’s the best time to be alive if you like beer. Actually, scratch that too, it’s really just the best time in human history for beer. The “if you like” is omitted because there is a beer out there that you will like. More than likely, there’s not just a beer out there you’ll like, but there’s a beer at every brewery you’ll like.
Of course it’s okay if you can’t stand the saccharine, frothy goodness of Genesee Cream Ale. Try their Scotch ale, it’s loaded with roasty coffee and cocoa notes that are perfect for warming up during a frigid Rochester evening. Don’t like that? Try their Simcoe SMASH; a single-hopped India Pale Ale bursting with citrus and pine notes with a brisk, bitter finish. You get the idea, for every beer you don’t like, there’s another on the opposite end of the flavor spectrum that you might like.

Right now, the options are endless, and that’s largely due to the farm brewing law passed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo back in 2013. That law gave local breweries the same liberties as wineries; use a certain amount of New York State products and we’ll let you brew, pour and sell your beer under the same license. It’s a liberty nearly identical to the farm wineries law of 1976, which is largely responsible for helping put the Finger Lakes wine region on the map. The same is happening with breweries. Since the law’s passage, 243 new breweries have received licenses across the state. That brings the total up to 400, surpassing the previous record for number of breweries in New York of 393, hit in 1873.

Rochester is no exception. Just in the latter half of 2017, Canandaigua’s Young Lion, Penfield’s K2 Brothers, Spencerport’s Brindle Haus, Greece’s Wood Kettle and Bloomfield’s Irish Mafia all opened their doors. Setting the economics aside for a moment, that simply means Rochester is putting out some incredible beers as of late. Swiftwater’s Is This Beer?, a ruby red sour ale brewed with limes and raspberries, Knucklehead’s Bust a Coconut, a rich chocolate porter with an underlying lace of coconut and K2’s instant flagship Jalapeno Cream Ale stand out as some of the true high notes of this year’s Rochester beer scene. The beauty of it is, some fellow beer geek readers are likely shaking their heads in disgust at these choices. They’re just as right as I am. It’s a grown-up Disneyland of beer out in every bar on every street in Rochester, in Monroe County, in the Finger Lakes, in New York, across the whole country. And you cannot like what you don’t like, and that’s okay, there’s something out there for you.

Just don’t say you don’t like beer. You just don’t like the beer you’ve tasted.
Wine & Cider Bars/Retailers

Apogee Wine Bar: 151 Park Ave., Rochester; 471-5027; facebook.com/apogewinebar

Chocolate & Vines: 757 University Ave., Rochester, 340-6362; chocolateandvines.com

Finger Lakes Cider House at Good Life Farm: 4017 Hickok Rd, Interlaken; (607) 351-3313; fingerlakesciderhouse.com

Finger Lakes Wine Center at Sonnenberg Gardens: Tasting room and retail sales of gourmet foods and wines. 151 Charlotte St., Canandaigua; 394-9016; sonnenberg.org/wine-center

Flight Corn Hill: Corn Hill Landing, 262 Exchange Blvd., Rochester; 360-4180; winebarflight.com

Flight West: 836 Long Pond Rd., Greece; 417-5332; winebarflight.com/flight-west

JoJo Wine Bar: 60 N. Main St., Pittsford; 385-3108; restaurantjojo.com

Lisa’s Liquor Barn: 2157 Penfield Rd., Penfield; 377-1860; lisasliquorbarn.com

Living Roots: 1255 University Ave., Rochester; 383-1112; livingrootswine.com

Marketview Liquor: 1100 Jefferson Rd., Henrietta; (888) 427-2480; marketviewliquor.com

Microclimate Wine Bar: 38 Linden St., Geneva; (315) 787-0077; microclimatewinebar.com

Muller’s Cider House: 1344 University Ave., Rochester; 287-5875; mullersciderhouse.com

New York Wine & Culinary Center: Learning center for foodies and wine lovers. Restaurant, classes, tastings, celebrity chef events. 800 S. Main St., Canandaigua; 394-7070; nywcc.com

Pittsford Wine and Spirits: 3 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 218-0200; winepittsford.com

The Reserve Wine Bar: I-Square, 400 Bakers Park, Irondequoit; 266-1068

Solera Wine Bar & Lounge: 647 South Ave., Rochester; 232-3070; solerawinebar.com

Via Girasole Wine Bar: 3 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 641-0340; winebarinpittsfordny.com


Plan a brewery tour: TourRoc, tourroc.com; Crush Beer and Wine Tours, crushbeerwintours.com

Abandon Brewing Co.: 2994 Merritt Hill Rd., Penn Yan; 208-3276; abandonbrewing.com

Amber Lantern Brewing Co.: 44 N. Main St., Warsaw; 786-3559; facebook.com/amberlantern

Bacchus Brewing Co.: 15 Ellis Dr., Dryden; (607) 844-8474; bacchusbrewing.com

Bandwagon Brewery: 3543 East Lake Rd., Geneva; (315) 325-4380; bandwagonbeer.com

Brew and Brats at Arbor Hill Grapery & Winery: 6461 Route 64, Naples; 531-4113; brewandbrats.com

The Brewery of Broken Dreams: 8319 Pleasant Valley Rd., Hammondsport; (607) 224-4050; thebreweryofbrokendreams.com

Brick House Brewery: 1 W. Pulteney St., Corning; (607) 542-4030; brickhousebrewery.beer

Brindle Haus Brewing Company: 377 S Union St, Spencerport; 488-2034; facebook.com/BrindleHausBrewing/

CB Craft Brewers: 300 Village Square Blvd., Honeoye Falls; 624-4386; cbcraftbrewers.com

Climbing Bines Craft Ale Co.: 511 Hansen Point, Penn Yan; (607) 745-0221; climbingbineshopfarm.com
Crafty Ales and Lagers: 2 Exchange St., Phelps; (315) 332-1606; drinkcraftyales.com

Diversion Brewing Co.: 729 Wyncoop Creek Rd., Chemung; (607) 542-9168; diversionbrewing.com

Dublin Corners Farm Brewery: 1906 Main St., Linwood; 538-4796; dublincornersfarm.com

Fairport Brewing Co.: 99 S. Main St., Fairport; 678-6728; fairportbrewing.com

Fifth Frame Brewing Co.: 155 St. Paul St., Rochester; fifthframe.co

Finger Lakes Beer Co.: 8462 Route 54, Hammondsport; (607) 569-3311; fingerlakesbeercompany.com

Fleur De Lis Brew Works: 3630 State Route 414, Seneca Falls; (315) 665-2337; fleurdelisbrewworks.com

G.C. Starkey Beer Co.: 5428 Route 14, Dundee; (607) 678-4043; starkeyslookout.com

Gael Brewing Co.: 4180 Route 14, Geneva; (315) 220-0190; gaelbrewing.com

Genesee Brewery & Brew House: 25 Cataract St., Rochester; 263-9200; geneseebrewhouse.com

Glass Factory Brew House at White Springs Winery: 4200 Route 14, Geneva; (315) 781-9463; http://whitespringswinery.com/brew-house/

The Good Shepherds Brewing Co.: 31 Loop Rd., Auburn; (315) 406-6498; shepsbeer.com

Griffs Brewery: 5324 W. Ridge Rd., Spencerport; 617-3843; griffsbrewery.com

Grist Iron Brewing Co.: 4880 Route 414, Burdett; (607) 882-2739; gristironbrewing.com

Heavily Brewing Co.: 2471 Hayes Rd., Montour Falls; (607) 535-2739; heavilybrewingcompany.com

Hopshire Farm & Brewery: 1771 Dryden Rd. (State Route 13), Freeville; (607) 279-1243; hopshire.com

Horseheads Brewing Inc.: 250 Old Ithaca Rd., Horseheads; (607) 739-8468; horseheadsbrewing.com

Irish Mafia Brewing Company: 2971 Whalen Rd., Bloomfield; 257-5172

Iron Flamingo Brewery: 196 Baker St.; Corning; (607) 936-4766; ironflamingobrewery.com

Iron Tug Brewing: 360 West Ridge Rd., Greece; ironbugbrewing.com

Ithaca Beer Co.: 122 Ithaca Beer Dr., Ithaca; (607) 273-0766; ithacabeer.com

K2 Brothers Brewing: 1221 Empire Blvd, Rochester; 413-1997; k2brewing.com

Keuka Brewing Co.: 8572 Briglin Rd., Hammondsport; (607) 868-4648; keukabrewingcompany.com

Knucklehead Craft Brewing: 426 Ridge Rd., Webster; 347-6236; knuckleheadcraftbrewing.com

Lake Drum Brewing: 16 E. Castle St., Geneva; (315) 789-1200; lakedrumbrewing.com

Lock 32 Brewing Co.: 10 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 506-7738; lock32brew.com

Lost Borough Brewing Co.: 543 Atlantic Ave., Rochester; 471-8122; lostboroughbrewing.com

Lost Kingdom Brewery & Firehouse Distillery: 7160 Main St., Ovid; (607) 403-4020; firehousedistillery.net

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Craft Cocktails

**Bar Bantam:** 1 South Clinton Ave., Rochester; 454-1052; barbantam.com

**Branca Basin:** 683 Pittsford-Victor Rd., Pittsford; 310-7415; branca basin.com

**Branca Midtown:** Tower280, 280 E. Broad St., Rochester; 434-5243; brancamidtown.com

Cheshire: 647 South Ave., Rochester; 232-3070

**The Cub Room:** 739 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 363-5694; thecubroomroc.com

**Cure:** 50 Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St., Rochester; 563-7941; curebar.net

**The Daily Refresher:** 293 Alexander St., Rochester; 360-4627; thedailyrefresher.com

**Good Luck:** 50 Anderson Ave., Rochester; 340-6161; restaurantgoodluck.com

**Lento:** Village Gate Square, 274 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 271-3470; lentorestaurant.com

**Next Door Bar & Grill by Wegmans:** 3220 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 249-4575;wegmansnextdoor.com

**Nagle’s Observance:** 45 Euclid St., Rochester; naglesobservance.com

**Nosh:** 47 Russell St., Rochester; 445-8700; noshroc.com

**Nox Cocktail Lounge:** 302 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 471-8803; noxcocktail.com

**Orbs:** 758 South Ave., Rochester; 471-8569; orbsrestaurant.com

**Owl House:** 75 Marshall St., Rochester; 360-2920;owlhouserochester.com

**Ox and Stone:** 282 Alexander St., Rochester; 287-6933; oxandstone.com

**The Playhouse/Smillburger:** 820 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 442-2442; theplayhouseroc.com

**Radio Social:** 20 Carlson Rd., Rochester; 244-1484; radiosocial.com

**The Revelry:** 1290 University Ave., Rochester; 340-6454;therevelryroc.com

**Roux:** 688 Park Ave., Rochester; 461-2960; rouxparkave.com

**The Spirit Room:** 139 State St., Rochester; 397-7595; thespiritroomroc.com

**Tapas 177:** 177 St. Paul St., Rochester; 262-2090; tapas177.com

**Vesper:** 1 Capron St., Rochester; 454-1996; rochestervesper.com

**Lucky Hare Brewing Co.:** 6085 Beckhorn Rd., Hector; (607) 546-2036; luckyharebrewing.com

**LyonSmith Brewing Co.:** 138 Water St., Penn Yan; (315) 536-5603; lyonsmithbrewing.com

**Market Street Brewing Co.:** 63-65 W. Market St., Corning; (607) 936-2337; 936-beer.com

**Miles Craft Ales:** 168 Randall Cross Rd., Himrod; (607) 243-7742; mileswinecellars.com/beer

**Naked Dove Brewing Co.:** 4048 Routes 5 and 20, Canandaigua; 396-2537; nakeddovebrewing.com

**Noble Shepherd Craft Brewery:** 7853 Route 20A, Bloomfield; 229-7661; nobleshepherdbradbury.com

**Peacemaker Brewing Co.:** 20 Pleasant St., Canandaigua; 396-3561; peacemakerbrewing.com

**Prison City Pub & Brewery:** 28 State St., Auburn; (315) 604-1277; prisoncitybrewing.com

**R.G. Brewery:** 1380 W. Sended Rd., Brockport; 391-3569; rgbrewery.com

**RailHead Brewing Co.:** 40 Park Dr., Hornell; (607) 324-3286; railheadbrewing.com

**Reinvention Brewing Company:** 9 N Main St, Manchester; 289-7309; reinventionbrewing.com

**Roc Brewing Co.:** 56 S. Union St., Rochester; 794-9798; rocbrewingco.com

**Rock Stream Brewery:** 162 Fir Tree Point Rd., Rock Stream; (607) 243-5395; rockstreamvineyards.com

**Rohrbach Beer Hall & Brewery:** 97 Railroad St., Rochester; 548-8020

**Rohrbach Brewpub:** 3859 Buffalo Rd., Chili; 594-9800; rohrbachs.com

**Rogers Beer:** 7 Main St., Le Roy; 730-3695; rogersbrewing.com

**Rooster Fish Brewing:** 111 N. Franklin St., Watkins Glen; (607) 535-2400; roosterfishbrewing.com

**Seneca Lake Brewing Company:** 4520 State Route 14, Roch Stream; 216-8369; senecalakebrewing.com

**Silver Lake Brewing Project:** 14 Borden Ave., Perry; 969-4238; silverlakebrewingproject.com

**Steuben Brewing Co.:** 10286 Judson Rd., Hammondsport; (607) 332-3000; steubenbrewingcompany.com

**Stoneyard Brewing Co.:** 1 Main St., Brockport; 637-3390; American Beer Hall & Grill, 1517 Empire Blvd., Webster; 347-4450; stoneyardbrewingcompany.com

**Stumblin’ Monkey Brewing Co.:** 61 School St., Rochester; 546-8020

**Swiftwater Brewing:** 378 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 530-3471; swiftwaterbrewing.com

**Three Heads Brewing:** 186 Atlantic Ave., Rochester; 244-1224; threeheadsbrewing.com

**Three Huskies Brewing:** 401 Lakeshore Dr., Canandaigua; 396-0001; threehuskiesbrewing.com

**Triphammer Bierwerks:** 111 Parce Ave., Suite 3A-1, Fairport; 388-8281; triphammerbierwerks.com

**Twisted Rail Brewing Co.:** 169 Lakeshore Dr., Canandaigua, 396-0683; 495 Exchange St., Geneva; and 108 Main St., Macedon; 364-3416; twistedrailbrewing.com

**Two Goats Brewing:** 5027 Route 414, Burdett; (607) 546-2337; twogoatsbrewing.com

**Upstate Brewing Co.:** 3028 Lake Rd., Elmira; (607) 742-2750; upstatebrewing.com

**The VB Brewery:** 160 School St., Victor; 902-8166; thevbbrewery.com

**Wagner Valley Brewing Co.:** 9322 Route 414, Lodi; (315) 582-6450; wagnerbrewing.com

**War Horse Brewing Co.:** 623 Lerch Rd., Geneva; (315) 585-4432; warhorsebrewing.com

**WeBe Brewing Co.:** 796 Pre Emption Rd., Geneva; (315) 325-4834; facebook.com/WeBeBrewingCo

**WhichCraft Brews:** 1900 Empire Blvd., Webster; 222-2739; whichcraftbrews.com

**Wood Kettle Brewing:** 1192 Manitou Rd., Hilton; 366-4183; woodkettlebrewing.com

**Young Lion Brewing Company:** 24 Lakeshore Dr., Canandaigua; 412-6065; younglionbrewing.com

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**Spirits**

**1911 Spirits:** Beak & Skiff Apple Orchards, 2771 Lords Hill Rd., Marietta; (315) 696-8683; 1911established.com

**Apple Country Spirits:** 3274 Eddy Rd., Williamson; (315) 589-8733; applecountryspirits.com

**Bellwether Hard Cider & Wine Cellars:** 9070 Route 89, Trumansburg; (888) 862-4337; cidery.com

**Black Button Distilling:** 85 Railroad St., Rochester; 730-4512; blackbuttondistilling.com

**Blue Barn Cidery:** 928 Manitou Rd., Hilton; 366-7358

**Blue Toad Hard Cider & Wine Cellars:** 3088 Main St., Ovid; (315) 589-8722; bluetoadhardcider.com

**Embark Craft Ciderworks:** 6895 Lake Ave., (315) 589-8122; embarkcraftciderworks.com

**Fee Brothers:** 5200 Portage Rd., Webster; 589-8122; feebrothers.com

**Finger Lakes Distilling:** 544-9530; fingerlakesdistilling.com

**Genius Brewery:** 206 School St., Victor; 902-8166; geniusbrewery.com

**Hans Linde Distillery:** 6088 Main St., Ovid; (315) 589-8122; hanslinde.com

**Hidden Marsh Distillery:** 2981 Auburn Rd., Canandaigua; 396-8190; hiddenmarshdistillery.com

**Hoyt’s Farm Distillery:** 2981 Mine Brook Rd., Canandaigua; 396-0683; hoytsfarmdistillery.com

**Lester’s Farm Distillery:** 2981 Mine Brook Rd., Canandaigua; 396-0683; lestersfarmdistillery.com

**Trinity Hill Distillery:** 2981 Mine Brook Rd., Canandaigua; 396-0683; trinityhilldistillery.com

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Honeoye Falls Distillery: 168 W. Main St., Honeoye Falls; 624-1700; honeoyefallsdistillery.com

Iron Smoke Whiskey: 111 Parce Ave., Suite 5B, Fairport; (585) 388-7584; ironsmokewhiskey.com

Knapp Distilling: 2770 County Route 128, Romulus; (607) 930-3495; knappwine.com

Myer Farm Distillers: 7350 Route 89, Ovid; (607) 532-4800; myerfarmdistillers.com

The O’Begley Distillery: A1 Country Club Rd., East Rochester; Tasting Room on Seneca Lake, 5430 Route 14, Dundee; 750-8560; obegley.com

Wine

CANANDAIGUA LAKE AND NEARBY AREAS

For details on Canandaigua Wine Trail member wineries: (877) 387-4669, canandaiguawinetrail.com

Arbor Hill Grapery & Winery: 6461 Route 64, Naples; 374-2870; thegrapery.com

Casa Larga Vineyards & Winery: 2287 Turk Hill Rd., Fairport; 223-4210; casalarga.com

Deer Run Winery: 3772 West Lake Rd., Geneseo; 346-0850; deerrunwinery.com

Eagle Crest Vineyards Inc.: 7107 Vineyard Rd., Canandaigua; 346-2321; eaglecrestvineyards.com

Finger Lakes Wine Center at Sonnenberg Gardens: 151 Charlotte St., Canandaigua; 394-9016; fingerlakeswinecenter.com

Hazlitt’s Red Cat Cellars: 1 Lake Niagara Lane, Naples; 531-9000; hazlitt1852.com

Heron Hill Tasting Room at Bristol: 5323 Seneca Point Rd., Canandaigua; 394-0173; heronhill.com

Inspire Moore Winery: 197 N. Main St., Naples; 374-5970; inspiremoorewinery.com

New York Wine & Culinary Center: 800 S. Main St., Canandaigua; 394-7070; nywcc.com

Raymor Estate Cellars Winery: 3263 Wheeler Station Rd., Bloomfield; 233-9860; raymorcellars.com

CAYUGA LAKE

For details on Cayuga Lake Wine Trail member wineries: (800) 684-5217, cayugawinetrail.com

Americana Vineyards Winery: 4367 E. Covert Rd., Interlaken; (888) 600-8067; americanavineyards.com

The Apple Station Winery: 5279 Cross Rd., Cayuga; (315) 889-5184; theapplerstation.com

Bellwether Hard Cider and Wine Cellars: 9070 Route 89, Trumansburg; (888) 862-4337; cidery.com

Bet the Farm Winery & Gourmet Market: 381 Main St., Aurora; (315) 294-5643; betthefarmny.com

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Buttonwood Grove Winery: 5986 Route 89, Romulus; (607) 869-9760; buttonwoodgrove.com

Cayuga Ridge Estate Winery: 6800 Route 89, Ovid; (607) 869-5158; cayugaridgewinery.com

Chateau Dusseau: 5292 Erron Hill Rd., Locke; (315) 497-9463; chateaudusseau.com

Dill’s Run Vineyard: 3862 Route 90, Aurora; (315) 889-5007

CJS Vineyards & Aurelius Winery: 6900 Fosterville Rd., Auburn; (315) 730-4619; cjsvineyards.com

Frontenac Point Vineyard & Estate Winery: 9501 Route 89, Trumansburg; (607) 229-0412; frontenacpoint.com

Glenhaven Farm Winery: 6121 Sirrine Rd., Trumansburg; (607) 387-9031; glenhavenfarm.com

Goose Watch Winery: 5480 Route 89, Romulus; (315) 549-2599; goosewatch.com

Heart & Hands Wine Company: 4162 State Route 90, Union Springs; (315) 889-8500; heartandhandswine.com

Hosmer Winery: 7020 Route 89, Ovid; (607) 869-3393; hosmerwinery.com

Izzo's White Barn Winery: 6634 Cayuga Rd., Cayuga; (315) 283-8095

Knapp Winery & Vineyard Restaurant: 2770 County Route 128 (Ernsberger Rd.), Romulus; (607) 930-4504; knappwine.com

Lakeshore Winery: 5132 Route 89, Romulus; (315) 549-7075; lakeshorewinery.com

Long Point Winery: 1485 Lake Rd., Aurora; (607) 364-6990; longpointwinery.com

Lucas Vineyards: 3862 County Route 150, Interlaken; (800) 682-9463; lucasvineyards.com

Montezuma Winery & Hidden Marsh Distillery: 2981 Auburn Rd., Seneca Falls; (315) 568-8190; montezumawinery.com

Sheldrake Point Winery: 7448 County Route 153, Ovid; (607) 549-9463; sheldrakepoint.com

Six Mile Creek Vineyard: 1551 Slaterville Rd., Ithaca; (607) 272-9463; sixmilecreek.com

Swedish Hill Winery: 4565 Route 414, Romulus; (866) 549-9463; swedishhill.com

Toro Run Winery: 3050 Swick Rd., Romulus; (315) 530-2663; tororunwinery.com

Treleaven by King Ferry Winery: 658 Lake Rd., King Ferry; (315) 364-5100; treleavenwines.com

Varick Winery & Vineyard: 5102 Route 89, Romulus; (315) 549-8797; varickwinery.com

KEUKA LAKE

For details on Keuka Lake Winery Trail member wineries: (800) 440-4898, keukawinetrail.com

Barrington Cellars & Buzzard Crest Vineyards: 2794 Gray Rd., Penn Yan; (315) 531-8923; barringtoncellars.com

Bully Hill Vineyards Inc.: 8843 Greyton H. Taylor Memorial Dr., Hammondsport; (607) 868-3160; bullyhillvineyards.com

Chateau Renaissance Wine Cellars: 7494 Fish Hatchery Rd., Hammondsport; (866) 426-7543; chateaurenaissancewinecellars.com

Crooked Lake Winery: 14248 Route 54, Hammondsport; (607) 292-3562; facebook.com/crookedlakewinery

Deep Root Vineyard: 10391 Cross St., Hammondsport; (315) 651-2201; facebook.com/DeepRootVineyard/

Dr. Konstantin Frank’s Vinifera Wine Cellars: 9749 Middle Rd., Hammondsport; (800) 320-0735; drfrankwines.com

Heron Hill Winery: 9301 County Route 76, Hammondsport; (800) 441-4241; heronhill.com

Hunt Country Vineyards: 4021 Italy Hill Rd., Branchport; (315) 595-2812; huntvines.com

Keuka Spring Vineyards: 243 Route 54, Penn Yan; (315) 536-3147; keukaspringwine.com

McGregor Vineyard Winery: 5503 Dutch St., Dundee; (800) 272-0192; mcgregorwinery.com

Pleasant Valley Wine Co.: 8260 Pleasant Valley Rd., Hammondsport; (607) 569-6111; pleasantvalleywine.com

Point of the Bluff Vineyards: 10489 County Route 76, Hammondsport; (607) 332-3060; pointofthebluffvines.com

Ravines Wine Cellars: 14630 Route 54, Hammondsport; (607) 292-7007; ravineswine.com

Rooster Hill Vineyards: 489 Route 54 South, Penn Yan; (315) 536-4773; roosterhill.com

Stever Hill Vineyards: 3962 Stever Hill Rd., Branchport; (315) 595-2230; steverhillvineyards.com

Vineyard View Winery: 2971 Williams Hill Rd., Keuka Park; (315) 694-7262; vineyardviewwinery.com

Yates Cellars: 3170 Route 54A, Keuka Park; (315) 575-1863; yatescellars.com

LAKE ONTARIO

For details on Lake Ontario Wine Trail member wineries: (315) 589-8733, lakeontariowinetrail.com

Colloca Estate Winery: 14678 West Bay Rd., Fair Haven; (315) 947-2069; colloca.com

A Gust of Sun Winery: 5326 W. Ridge Rd., Spencerport; (585) 767-3000; agustofsun.com

JD Wine Cellars: 1339 Eddy Rd., Macedon; (315) 986-4202; jdwinecellars.com

Mayer's Lake Ontario Winery: 1593 Hamlin-Parma Town Line Rd., Hilton; (392-5296; Webstertasting room, 699 Five Mile Line Rd., Webster; (671-1955; lakeontariowinery.com

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Ontario Barn Vineyards: 513 Whitney Rd., Ontario; (315) 576-0897; ontariobarnvineyards.com

Sterling Cidery: 14451 Richmond Ave., Sterling; (315) 947-2052; sterlingcidery.com

Thorpe Vineyard: 8150 Chimney Heights Blvd., Wolcott; (315) 594-2502; thorpevineyard.com

Young Sommer Winery: 4287 Jersey Rd., Williamson; (315) 589-8861; yswinery.com

Barnstormer Winery: 414, Hector; (607) 582-6421; bagleysprv.com

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Barnstormer Winery: 4184 Route 14, Rock Stream; (607) 243-4008; barnstormerwinery.com

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The energy and support of downtown is shifting — local businesses are popping up on streets where vacancies were commonplace. Now, the nightlife scene is re-emerging with the opening of hot new breweries, restaurants, and bars. Spots like Fifth Frame Brewing on St. Paul Street, The Spirit Room on State Street, Branca Midtown at Tower 280, and the trendy Bar Bantam in the lobby of The Metropolitan are all part of the rebirth.

Places like Bar Bantam at The Metropolitan are setting the stage for downtown foot traffic. The goal is to “get more people living, working, and spending money downtown. Ultimately supporting the groundwork for small businesses to open their doors,” says Lauren Gallina of Gallina Development and The Metropolitan. She sees a shift in creative young professionals who are invested in Rochester and the developers are helping to lead the way, “to create an energy, a pulse to live here,” she adds. The Metropolitan is seeing through the final stages of mixed use space with commercial office space, apartment rentals, and condos, plus the addition of Bar Bantam, a bar and cafe serving breakfast, lunch, and aperitivos. It serves as an amenity for the residents, but also as a meeting place for downtown professionals and visitors, who can stop for coffee, a quick meal, or mingle during happy hour.

While the city skyline has yet to see too many drastic changes, the city streets are growing more active as locals explore the newest haunt next door.

The Sunday sauce tradition is a common one for most Italian-American households. For the Guglielmos, it’s a weekly event — no compromises. Paul Guglielmo, owner of Guglielmo’s Sauce, has a home grown marinara recipe that has been passed down in his family for generations. “The ingredients used to make the sauce are ingredients that grow in this area like the ones found in the garden my great-grandma started during the Great Depression,” he says. The sauce making tradition continued down when Grandpa Pete began hosting the weekly family meal. When Paul grew interested in the technique behind the recipe, he spent time in the kitchen with his grandpa, learning how to make the sauce from scratch. What started as a family recipe grew to be a formidable local brand as Paul decided their sauce was too good not to share. The process did not happen

Behind The Brand: Paul Guglielmo, Guglielmo’s Sauce

The boom in downtown Rochester is far from over. Revitalization and renovation is the theme with the revamp of center city as new developments continue to emerge. This includes Tower 280, the newly renovated Sibley Tower apartments, Hyatt Regency remodel, and the renovations of the former Chase Tower, now known as The Metropolitan.
overnight. With a day job in the radio industry, Paul began working a bartender shift to save money to kickstart the business, doing so for a year until he built up enough funds to get started. In order to compete with the big brands, Paul knew the family story was going to be what set it apart from the rest, including Paul and Grandpa Pete on the illustrated labels and even listing his personal phone number on every jar for customer feedback. From the branding to the ingredients, Paul wanted to put out a quality product, ensuring the sauces were processed and manufactured in New York State. Since the summer of 2014, Guglielmo’s Sauce has grown to feature a line a seven sauces from the home grown marinara to spicy chunky veggie, rosa sauce, special Sunday sauce with ground beef and sausage, as well as seasonal varieties. They’re adding a limited edition line, which will feature a new sauce recipe available in the spring once-a-year, starting with toasted onion and garlic. The sauce is available across New York State in local shops, area Wegmans, Whole Foods, and more. Not only can you buy jars of sauce in the grocery store, but it’s featured in dishes at a handful of Rochester-area restaurants and served on campus at Rochester Institute of Technology and University of Rochester. No matter where you are in Rochester and beyond you can find ties to family traditions and memories in the kitchen with Guglielmo’s Sauce.

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J. B. Quimby’s Public House: 3259 S. Winton Road, Henrietta; 272-9780. L D $

Jeremiah’s Tavern: 1104 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 461-1313. 220 Buffalo Road, Gates; 247-0022. 2164 Nine Mile Point Rd., Fairport; 377-2233. 1175 Jefferson Rd., Henrietta; 434-3338 L D $

Johnny’s Irish Pub: 1382 Culver Road, Rochester; 224-0990. L D $

Lock 32 Brewing Co.: 10 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 506-7738 S $

MacGregor’s Grill and Taproom: 7408 Pittsford-Palmyra Road, Fairport; 425-7260. 2205 Buffalo Road, Gates; 471-5609. 1129 Empire Blvd., Penfield; 288-8630. 300 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 427-8410. 759 S. Main St., Canandaigua; 394-8080. L D $

Maggie Irish Pub: 653 Park Ave., Rochester; 271-4150. L D $

Marge’s Lakeside Inn: 4909 Culver Road, Irondequoit; 323-1020. L D $

Marshall Street Bar & Grill: 81 Marshall St., Rochester; 325-2191. L D $

Merchant’s Grill: 881 Merchants Road, Rochester; 482-2010. L D $

Mulconry’s Irish Pub & Restaurant: 17 Lift Bridge Lane, Fairport; 678-4516. L D $

Murphy’s Law: 370 East Ave., Rochester; 232-7114. 1400 Empire Blvd., Webster; 667-0100. L D $

Nox Cocktail Lounge: Village Gate, 302 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 471-8803. D S $

The Old Toad: 277 Alexander St., Rochester; 232-2626. L D $

Penfield Pour House: 1665 Penfield Road, Rochester; 264-1665. L D $

Pittsford Pub: 60 N. Main St., Pittsford; 588-4650. L D $

Pub 235: 235 North Ave., Webster; 216-1750. L D $

The Reunion Inn: 4565 Culver Road, Rochester; 323-9899. L D $

Richmond’s: 21 Richmond St., Rochester; 70-8570. L D $

Roc Brewing Co.: 56 S. Union St., Rochester; 794-9798. S $

Rohrbach’s Beer Hall: 97 Railroad St., Rochester; 546-8202. L D $

Rohrbach’s Brewpub: 3859 Buffalo Road, Chili; 594-9800. L D $

Romigs Tavern: 18 Bennington Drive, Rochester; 663-1518. L D $

Sambuca Bar & Grill: 146 W. Commercial St., East Rochester; 348-9714. L D $

Scotland Yard Pub: 187 St. Paul St., Rochester; 730-5030. L D $

Shamrock Jack’s: 4554 Culver Road, Irondequoit; 323-9310. L D $

Skylounge Lounge: 40 S. Union St., Rochester; 270-8106. S $

Stoneyard American Beer Hall & Grill: 1517 Empire Blvd., Webster; 347-4450. L D $

Swiftwater Brewing Co: 378 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 530-3471. S $

Tap & Mallet: 381 Gregory St., Rochester; 473-0503. L D $

Temple Bar & Grille: 109 East Ave., Rochester; 232-6000. L D $

Trihammer Bierwerks: 111 Parce Ave., Fairport; 388-8281. S $

Troy City Tavern: 2300 East Main St., Rochester; 654-9122. L D $

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**FOOD**

**Ice Cream & Frozen Yogurt**


*Ben & Jerry’s Scoop Shop:* Rochester Institute of Technology, 139 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester; 475-5112.  

*Bruster’s Real Ice Cream:* 1041 Ridge Rd., Webster; 872-4690. 2755 East Henrietta Rd., Henrietta; 321-1010.  

*Colby’s Ice Cream and Bake Shop:* 7272 West Henrietta Road, Rush; 533-3525.  

*Hedonist Artisan Ice Cream:* 672 South Avenue, Rochester; 461-2815.  

*I-Scream for Ice Cream:* I-Square, 400 Bakers Park, Irondequoit; 266-1111.  

*Lugia’s Ice Cream:* 4719 Lyell Rd., Spencerport; 352-6795.  

*Menchies:*

*Moonlight Creamery:* 36 West Ave., Fairport; 223-0080.  

*Pittsford Farms Dairy & Bakery:* 44 N. Main St., Pittsford; 586-6610.  

*Rita’s Italian Ice:* 1900 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 360-2891.  

*Splittz:* 3193 Chilli Ave., Chili; 889-4820.  

*What’s ‘Ur Scoop:* 1601 Penfield Road, Penfield; 217-1534.  

*Yogen Fruz:* 25 Greece Ridge Center, Greece; 355-4265. 7973 Pittsford Victor Road, Victor; 223-0220.  

*YoTality Frozen Yogurt:* 6 S. Main St., Pittsford; 967-3938. 1380 Mt. Hope Ave.; 730-5749. 932 S. Winton Road, Brighton; 244-2955.  

**Indian**

*Amaya Bar and Grill:* Tops Plaza, 1900 S. Clinton Ave., Brighton; 241-3223. L D $$  

*Bombay Chaat House:* 1475 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 292-0099. L D $  

*Haveli Indian Cuisine:* 1635 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 427-0430. L D $  

*India House Restaurant:* 998 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 461-0880. 7343 Pittsford-Victor Road, Victor; 742-2030. 1330 Mt Hope Ave., Rochester; 260-2955. (Express) L D $  

*Naan-Tastic:* 100 Marketplace Dr., Rochester; 434-1400. L D $$  

*Raj Mahal:* 368 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 30-7360. L D $$  

*Tandoor of India (two locations):* Jefferson Plaza, 376 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 427-7080; 6720 Pittsford Palmyra Road, Fairport; 678-9540. L D $  

*Thali of India:* 3259 S. Winton Road, Henrietta; 427-8030. L D $  

**Italian**

*Agatina’s Restaurant & Party House:* 2967 Buffalo Road, Gates; 426-0510. L D $$  

*Amore:* 1750 East Ave., Rochester; 452-8780. L D $$  

*Antonetta’s:* 1160 Jay St., Rochester; 328-1830. L D $$  

*Aunt Rosie’s:* 350 E. Main St., Rochester; 713-1470. L D $$  

*Bacco’s Ristorante:* 263 Park Ave., Rochester; 442-5090. D $  

*Bazil Restaurant:* 1384 Empire Blvd., Penfield; 697-2006. D $  

*Benucci’s Contemporary Italian Cuisine:* Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 264-1302. 102 Greece Ridge Center Dr., Rochester; 227-3031. L D $$  

*Biaggi’s Ristorante Italiano:* 818 Eastview Mall, Victor; 223-2290. L D $$  

*Branca:* Tower 280, 280 E. Broad St., Rochester; 434-5243. 683 Pittsford-Victor Road, Bushnell’s Basin; 310-7415. L D $$  

*Brick Wood Fired Pizza & Pasta:* 2833 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 225-2725. L D $$  

*Carabba’s Italian Grill:* 3340 West Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 292-6120. D $$  

*Cerame’s Italian Villa:* 3450 Winton Place Plaza; Brighton; 427-7350. L D $$  

*Cinelli’s Pizza Ristorante:* 840 Long Pond Road, Greece; 287-5458. L D $  

*DaVinci of Greece:* 1558 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 663-3360. L D $$  

*Fazool’s Casual Italian Kitchen:* 51 Market St., Brockport; 431-3072. L D $  

*Fiamma:* 1308 Buffalo Road, Gates; 270-4683. 4 Elton St., Rochester; 471-8917. L D $$  

*Fiorella:* 5 Rochester Public Market, Rochester; 434-5705. L D $$  

*Garlic Pit:* 696 Ridge Road, Webster; 671-6360. D $  

*Gigi’s Italian Kitchen and Catering:* 2256 Hudson Ave., Irondequoit; 544-5440. L D $$  

*Grandpa Sam’s:* 138 S. Union St., Spencerport; 349-7267. L D $$  

*Grappa:* Hilton Garden Inn, CollegeTown, 30 Celebration Drive, Rochester; 445-5770. L D $$  

*Guido’s Pasta Villa:* 1313 E. Ridge Road, Irondequoit; 266-2676. L D $$  

*Gusto Airport:* Greater Rochester International Airport (security side), 1200 Brooks Ave., Gates; 235-4744. B L D $  

*Joey’s Pasta House:* 1789 Penfield Road, Penfield; 586-2426. L D $  

*La Luna:* 60 Browns Race, Rochester; 232-5862. L D $$  

*Lemoncello Italian Restaurant:* 137 W. Commercial St., East Rochester; 385-8565. D $$  

*Lucca Wood-Fire Bistro:* 90 W. Main St., Victor; 924-9009. L D $$  

*Mamma G’s Ristorante Italiano:* 2133 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 358-0488. L D $$  

*Marvin Mozzeroni’s:* (partial listing) 27 W. Main St., Webster; 872-1990. 2838 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 225-7757. 1703 Crittenden Road, Rochester; 292-5770. 360 Park Ave., Rochester; 241-0002. 4350 Culver Road, Irondequoit; 323-1700. 3585 Buffalo Road, Gates; 594-4488. L D $$  

*Merchants Wood Fired Pizza & Bistro:* 564 Merchants Road, Rochester; 288-0067. L D $  

*Mr. Dominic’s on the Lake:* 4699 Lake Ave., Charlotte; 730-5444. L D $$  

*Mr. Dominic’s on Main:* 99 S. Main St., Fairport; 598-3988. L D $$  

*Monroe’s:* 3001 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 348-9103. L D $$  

*Napa Wood Fired Pizzeria:* 687 Moseley Road, Perinton; 223-5250. 573 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 232-8558. 1900 Empire Blvd., Webster; 347-4540. L D $  

*Northside Inn:* 311 N. Washington St., East Rochester; 248-3470. L D $$  

*Oriens Café:* 1100 Long Pond Road, Greece; 663-3291. L D $  

*What’s Ur Scoop:* 36 West Ave., Fairport; 223-0080.
Otto Tomotto’s: 6385 Route 96, Victor; 742-2070. L D $$

Pane Vino on the River: 175 N. Water St., Rochester; 232-6090. L D $$

Panzari’s Italian Bistro: 321 Exchange Blvd., Rochester; 546-7990. L D $

Papa Joe’s Italian Eatery: 485 Spencerport Road, Gates; 247-5060. D $

Pasta Cucina: I-Square, 400 Bakers Park, Irondequoit; 266-1001. L D $

Perlo’s: 202 N. Washington St., East Rochester; 248-5060. D $

Pi Craft Pizza: 00 Marketplace Dr., Rochester; 424-2942. L D $

Pizzeria Favo: Colony Plaza, 3400 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 310-7383. L D $

Pomodoro Grill & Wine Bar: 1290 University Ave., Rochester; 271-5000. L D $$

Proietti’s Italian Restaurant: Webster Plaza, 980 Ridge Road, Webster; 872-2330. D $$$

Prosecco Italian Restaurant & Jazz Bar: 1550 Route 332, Farmington; 924-8000. D $$$

Red Fedele’s Brook House: 920 Elmridge Center Drive, Greece; 723-9988. L D $

Ricci’s Family Restaurant: 3166 Latta Road, Greece; 227-6750. L D $

Ristorante Lucano: 1815 East Ave., Rochester; 244-3460. L D $$$

Rizz’s Restaurant and Bar: 411 Merchants Road, Rochester; 288-8220. D $$$

Roam Cafe: 260 Park Ave., Rochester; 360-4165. L D $

Rocco: 165 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 454-3510. L D $$

Rocky’s: 190 Jay St., Rochester; 232-9717. L D $

Romano’s Macaroni Grill: 760 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 427-8230. L D $

Roncone’s: 232 Lyell Ave., Rochester; 458-3090. L D $

Rosey’s Italian Cafe: 2133 Five Mile Line Road, Penfield; 385-5600. L D $

Sapori Cafe & Catering: 16 W. Main St., Rochester; 325-3507. B L $

Stromboli Express: 130 East Ave., Rochester; 546-2121. L D $

Tony D’s: 288 Exchange Blvd., Rochester; 413-3640. L D $$

Valcia’s Ristorante: 2155 Long Pond Road, Greece; 247-5930. L D $

Veneto Wood-Fired Pizza & Pasta: 318 East Ave., Rochester; 454-5444. L D $

Via Mina: 3400 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 586-7000. D $$

Chipotle: 640 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 424-1444. Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave.; 348-2353. 1360 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 473-3611. 1455 East Ridge Road, Rochester; 544-2346. 1847 West Ridge Road, Rochester; 453-0166. 927 Holt Road, Webster; 872-1431. 401 Commerce Drive, Victor; 742-2192. L D $

Dorado: 690 Park Ave., Rochester; 244-8560. L D $$

El Jimador: 1470 Route 332, Farmington; 398-0110. L D $

El Latino Restaurant: 1020 Chili Ave., Rochester; 235-3116. L D $

El Rincon Mexicano: 6974 Old Ridge Road, Sodus; (315) 483-4199. L D $

El Sauza: 155 State St., Rochester; 423-9759. L D $

The Empanada Shop: 642 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 434-3937. L D $

Guacamole Authentic Mexican Taqueria: 144 W Commercial St., East Rochester; 485-0560. L D $


John’s Tex-Mex Eatery: 489 South Ave., Rochester; 232-5830. L D $

Juan & Maria’s Empanada Stop: Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St., Rochester; 325-6650. B L $

La Casa: 93 Alexander St., Rochester; 730-5025. L D $

Los Gallos: 2700 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 227-7718. L D $

Maria’s Mexican Restaurant: 75 W. Main St., Webster; 872-1237. L D $

Mesa Grande Taqueria: 6720 Pittsford Palmyra Rd., Fairport; 364-0303. L D $

Mi Viejo San Juan: 1143 Joseph Ave., Rochester; 467-1205. L D $

Moe’s Southwest Grill: (partial listing) 1377 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 363-5920. 170 Cobblestone Court, Victor; 425-3933. 3246 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 267-7880. 1100 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 424-6637. L D $

Monte Alban Mexican Grill: 2245 Empire Blvd., Webster; 787-4700. 2160 Penfield Road, Penfield; 586-4134. 845 E. Ridge Road, Irondequoit; 697-0615. L D $

Ox and Stone: 282 Alexander St., Rochester; 287-6933. L D $$$

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Pizza

Rochester is rich with Italian cuisine—and that means pizza, too. We’ve listed wood-fired pizza places in the Italian section, but to-go pizza shops are all over town. When you call

Soups & Sandwiches


Abundance Cooperative Market: 571 South Ave., Rochester; 454-2667 Asia Food Market: 1885 Brighton-Henrietta Town Line Road, Henrietta; 292-9888 Calabresella Importers of Greek & Italian Food: 1386 Buffalo Road, Gates; 235-7860 Canton Supermarket: 85 Commerce Drive, Henrietta; 334-0372 Desi Bazaar: 1713 Crittenden Road, Rochester; 292-9895 Europa Deli: 1694 Penfield Road, Penfield; 385-2040 F. Oliver’s: 747 Park Ave., Rochester: 244-2585. 129 S. Main St., Canandaigua; 396-2585
Faggiano’s Italian Fine Foods: 1913 Long Pond Road, Gates; 426-1990

Halal Market and Meats: 311 E. Ridge Road, Greece; 342-4776

Hart’s Local Grocers: 10 Winthrop St., Rochester; 521-4278

Hartmann’s Old World Sausage (Artisan Meats): 2640 Brickyard Road, Canandaigua; 266-4960

Hikari Foods and Grocery: 1667 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 461-3180

India House Food & Imports Store: 999 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 244-9210

International Food Market: 376 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 270-4004

Lee’s Oriental Food: Genesee Regional Market, 900 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 272-7020

Lipman’s Kosher Market: 1482 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 271-7886.

Livie’s Import Market: 375 Chili Ave., Rochester; 529-4450

Lombard’s Gourmet Imports and Specialties: 124 N. Main St., Fairport; 388-1330

Lori’s Natural Foods: Genesee Regional Market, 900 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 424-2323

McCann’s Local Meats: 739 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 328-6328. L S

Namaste Indian Grocery: 3047 West Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 424-2980

Natural Oasis Market & Wellness Center: 288 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 325-1831

Nibblack Foods: Genesee Regional Market, 900 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 292-0790

Ocean Garden Oriental: 971 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 360-4435

Palmer’s Direct to You Market: Genesee Regional Market, 900 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 272-9470

The Pierogie Guy: Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St., Rochester; 255-0775

Pittsford Dairy: 44 N. Main St., Pittsford; 586-6610

Polska Chata European Delicatessen: 32 Vinedale Ave., Irondequoit; 266-4480

Rochester Public Market: 280 Union St. N, Rochester; 428-6907

Rubino’s Italian Food: 1304 E. Ridge Road, Irondequoit; 544-5680

Small World Food: 90 Canal St., Rochester; 563-9018

Spice Bazaar: Jefferson Plaza, 364 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 292-5939

Stuart’s Spices: 754 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 436-9329

Swan Market: 231 Parsells Ave., Rochester; 288-5320

Trader Joe’s: Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 248-5011

Triano’s Meat Market: 620 Stone Road, Greece; 697-3332

V.M. Giordano Imports European Cheese Shop: Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St., Rochester; 489-0371

Wegmans Food Markets: 3195 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 442-5000. 8 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 264-9000. See wegmans.com for more locations.

**Steak & Seafood**

The Arlington Dining Room: 4 Main St., Hilton; 392-2404. L D $§

Black & Blue Steak & Crab: Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 421-8111. L D §§

Bonefish Grill: Eastview Mall, 7979 Pittsford-Victor Road, Victor; 223-7059. L D §§

Braddock Bay Tavern & Grill: 372 Manitou Road, Hilton; 392-3370. L D §§

Captain Jim’s Fish Market: 2329 E. Main St., Rochester; 482-3640. L D §

Castaways on the Lake: 244 Lake Road, Webster; 323-2943. D $§

The Dakota Grill: 913 Roosevelt Highway, Hilton; 392-3737. L D §§

Delmonico’s Italian Steakhouse: 125 White Spruce Blvd., Brighton; 424-4242. L D §§

Galley Restaurant: 94 S. Union St., Spencerport; 352-0200. L D §

Jetty at the Port: 1000 N. River St., Rochester; 621-2000. L D §§

Max Chophouse: 1456 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 271-3510. D $§§

Michael’s Valley Grill: 1694 Penfield Road, Penfield; 383-8260. D $§§

Morton’s The Steakhouse: Hyatt Regency Rochester, 125 East Main St., Rochester; 232-3694.

Nolan’s on Canandaigua Lake: (temporarily closed until summer) 726 South Main St., Canandaigua; 905-0201. L D §§

Prime Steakhouse: 42 E. Main St., Webster; 265-4777. L D $§§

Rick’s Prime Rib House: 898 Buffalo Road, Chili; 235-2900. L D $§§

Summerville Grill: 5370 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester; 266-4800. L D §

Texas de Brazil: 22 Celebration Drive, College Town, Rochester; 473-2013. D $§§

Yianni’s Restaurant & Bar: 120 Pixley Road, Rochester; 426-1900. L D $§§

**Vegetarian & Veggie Options**

The Aja Noodle Co.: 2602 Elmwood Ave., Brighton; 244-1052. L D $

Aladdin’s Natural Eatery: 646 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 424-5000. 8 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 264-9000. L D $

Amaya Bar and Grill: 1900 S. Clinton Ave., Brighton; 241-3223. L D $

Breathe Yoga & Juice Bar: 34 Celebration Drive, College Town, Rochester; 248-9070. 19 S. Main St., Pittsford; 248-9070. 980 Ridge Road, Webster; 248-9070. 1110 Long Pond Road, Greece; 248-9070. L D S $

Core Life Eatery: 2373 West Ridge Rd., Greece; 484-8558. 100 Marketplace Dr., Henrietta; 358-3058. 927 Holt Rd. Webster; 667-0001. L D $

Esan: 696 Park Ave., Rochester; 271-2271. L D $

Flavors of Asia: 831 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 258-2310. L D $

Fruit & Salad Co.: 680 Pittsford-Victor Road, Bushnell’s Basin; 586-7280. B L D $

Hart’s Local Grocers: 10 Winthrop St., Rochester; 521-4278. B L D §

Havelli Indian Cuisine: 1635 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 427-0430. L D $

India House Restaurant: 998 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 461-0880. 7343 Pittsford-Victor Road, Victor; 742-2030. College Town, 1331 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 360-2955. 2122 Empire Blvd., Webster; 481-2887. L D $

John’s Tex-Mex Eatery: 489 South Ave., Rochester; 232-5830. L D $

Just Juice 4 Life: 710 University Ave., Rochester; 434-2607. S $

The King and I: 1455 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 427-8090. L D $

Lento: Village Gate, 274 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 271-3470. D $§§

Lori’s Natural Foods: 900 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 424-2323. S $

Mamasan’s: 2800 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 461-3290. L D $

Natural Oasis Café: 288 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 325-1831. L D $

The Owl House: 74 Marshall St., Rochester; 360-2920. L D $

The Red Fern: 283 Oxford St., Rochester; 563-7633. B L D $

Trader Joe’s: Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 248-5011. S $

Sinbad’s Mediterranean Cuisine: 719 Park Ave., Rochester; 473-5655. L D $

Thali of India: 3259 S. Winton Road, Henrietta; 427-8030. L D $

Voula’s Greek Sweats: 439 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 242-0935. L D $

Wegmans Food Markets: 3195 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 586-6680; 1750 East Ave., Rochester; 244-7950. L D S $

Zemeta Ethiopian Restaurant: 1015 S. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 244-3344. L D $

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Exploring local food is much easier today than it was in 1827 when Rochester’s Public Market first opened. The market provided an opportunity for residents to purchase meats, fruits and vegetables, and other food needs directly from vendors. Later, in 1905, the current location for the market was established at 280 N. Union Street and it has been growing ever since. Today, Rochester’s city-run Public Market is flourishing as one of the best destinations to experience a full spectrum of local vendors.

Year round, the market is open from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 5 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. Weekdays feature a regular crowd, but visitors will find Saturdays during the warmer months to be the most lively. On certain days during these busiest months, upwards of 300 vendors will be on site.

Filling both indoor and outdoor booths, growers of locally grown fruits and vegetables line-up alongside farmers selling locally raised meat and poultry. Beekeepers that produce some of the finest local honey are always quick to offer a sample. Local coffee roasters are brewing their beans and bakers are restocking their baskets with bread and pastries. There are are even growers selling with fresh flowers and plants.
When the market isn’t open for shopping, it’s often being used for other types of public events. The “Band on the Bricks” concert lineup features free live music on Fridays during the summer. On certain Wednesday evenings, the “Food Truck Rodeos” host the region’s most popular food trucks and live music. “Artists’ Row” allows local creatives to display their artwork and sell directly to the public. The longstanding tradition of “Holidays at the Market” features horse-drawn buggy rides and visits with Santa. More recently, the “Bike-In Movie” shows a feature-length film with a bicycle theme, which anyone can attend by riding either their own bike, or by taking advantage of the city’s new bike sharing program. The list of programs hosted by the market is lengthy, and it continues to grow with each passing year.

The Public Market is a great place for shoppers to buy directly from vendors, but it’s also where some of Rochester’s favorite restaurants can be found. Handmade pasta dishes, French Farm interpretations, tomato pie and empanadas can all be found at eateries on the market’s grounds. As the area’s reputation has grown, even more restaurants have joined the lineup. Along Railroad Street at the market’s south entrance, visitors will find even more choices. A local brewery, a distillery and a Mexican-themed restaurant with a penchant for mezcal along with one of the newer eateries earning a reputation for specialty doughnuts round out the list of options bringing visitors from everywhere.

Whether you’re looking to find food to bring home and prepare yourself, or if you prefer to allow a local expert to do your cooking, Rochester’s Public Market provides the type of experience that any foodie will love.

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Antiques & Collectibles

All Things Antiques: 2788 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 647-9320
Historic House Parts: 540 South Ave., Rochester; 325-2329
Joseph Dasta Fine Art & Antiques: 712 University Ave., Rochester; 244-7349
Mike Deming Antiques: 1458 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 244-1999
Ontario Mall Antiques: 1740 Route 332, Farmington; 398-3030
1850 East Ridge Rd., Rochester; 342-2828
Purple Painted Lady: Village Gate, 274 N. Goodman St., Rochester;
ReHouse Architectural Salvage: 469 W. Ridge Road, Rochester; 288-3080
Rochester Antique Market & Galleries: 155 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 262-4643
South Avenue Treasures: 1992 South Ave., Rochester; 455-5449
The Shops on West Ridge: 3200 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 368-0670
Useless Objects: 1241 Park Ave., Rochester; 746-2374

Clothing & Accessories

A Different Point of View: 2920 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 264-1770
Adrian Jules Ltd. Custom Clothier: 2930 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 381-1111
Andrea Geer Designs: Village Gate, 274 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 739-7465
Blue, a Goodwill Boutique: 3350 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 385-9663
Breathe Yoga & Juice Bar: 19 S. Main St., Pittsford; 248-9070. Webster Plaza, 980 Ridge Road, Webster; 248-9070. 1100 Long Pond Road, Greece; 227-1100. 930 East Ave., Rochester; 248-9070. 34 Celebration Drive, College Town, Rochester; 248-9070. 400 Commerce Dr., Victor; 248-9070
Chandler’s Boutique: 1 S. Main St., Pittsford; 730-1156
Dado Boutique: 2900 Monroe Ave. #2, Rochester; 271-7890
Dave Brown Hats: 3054 West Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 475-1791
Embrasse-Moi: 1 N. Main St., Pittsford; 383-1170
Fahsy: 212 N. Winton Road, Rochester; 697-1541
Headz Up Hats: 524 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 442-7680
Hickey-Freeman Co. Inc.: 1155 N. Clinton Ave., Rochester; 467-7021
Jack Green Men’s Shop: Ridge-Hudson Plaza, 736 E. Ridge Road, Rochester; 342-8880
MansaWear: 367 Park Ave., Rochester; 267-9960
One Custom Clothiers: 2423 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 441-0128
Paislee Boutique: Tops Brighton Plaza, 1900 S. Clinton Ave., Brighton; 244-7810
Panache Vintage & Finer Consignment: Brighton Commons, 1855 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 473-5343
Peppermint: 145 Culver Road, Rochester; 532-8132
The Red Barn Fine Apparel: Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 586-9409
Red Tiger Unique Boutique: 39 S. Main St., Pittsford; 831-3215
Thread: 654 South Ave., Rochester; 232-7110
SJ’s Village Boutique: 25 S. Main St., Pittsford; 248-0640
Statement: 370 Park Ave., Rochester; 318-0560
Vittorio Menswear & Tuxedo: 1900 E. Ridge Road, Irondequoit; 467-7711

Looking for shops with unique Flower City flavor? Most of these retailers and service providers are locally owned and operated. This list will get you started.
**Florists**

Arena’s Florist: 260 East Ave., Rochester; 454-3720

Fioravanti Florist: 2279 Clifford Ave., Rochester; 482-1001

Flower Power Decor: 653 South Ave., Rochester; 201-1866

Kittelberger Florist & Gifts: 263 North Ave., Webster; 216-1700

Pittsford Florist: 41 S. Main St., Pittsford; 248-5860

Rockcastle Florist: 870 Long Pond Rd., Rochester; 225-3640

Stacy K Floral: 43 Russell Street, Rochester; 244-1414

Wisteria Flowers & Gifts: 360 Culver Road, Rochester; 271-0610

**Gifts & Specialties**

Apothicaire: 528 South Ave., Rochester; 325-2329

Archimage: 668 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 271-2789

Arena’s Florist: 260 East Ave., Rochester; 454-3720

Bird House: 3035 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 264-1550

Bittersweet: 41 Main St., Brockport; 637-4774

Cooks’ World: 2179 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 271-1789

Corning Museum of Glass: 1 Museum Way, Corning; (607) 937-5371

Craft Company No. 6: 785 University Ave., Rochester; 473-3413

The Creator’s Hands: 1311 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 235-8550

Dewey Avenue Smoke Shop: 1405 Dewey Ave., Rochester; 458-8824

A Different Point of View: 2920 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 264-1770

Eleventh Hour Gift Shop: 1922 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 266-1450

F. Oliver’s: 747 Park Ave., Rochester; 244-2585

Fairport Perinton Merchants Association: 6 N. Main St., Fairport; finditinfairport.com

The Gallery Store at Memorial Art Gallery: 500 University Ave., Rochester; 276-8900

Genesee Country Village & Museum: 1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford; 538-6822

Genesee Brew House: 25 Cataract St., Rochester; 263-9200

George Eastman Museum: 900 East Ave., Rochester; 271-3361

The Glue Factory: 3252 Union St., North Chili; 594-0857

For more information: visithigherform.com
Hedonist Artisan Chocolates: 674 South Ave., Rochester; 461-2815
Hurd Orchards: 17260 Ridge Road, Holley; 638-8838
The Irish Import Shop: 2590 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 225-1050
Jembetat African Art Gallery: 645 Park Ave., Rochester; 442-8960
Little Button Craft: 658 South Ave., Rochester; 371-7891
Lollypop Shop at Lollypop Farm: 99 Victor 371-7891
Lollypop: 21 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 586-5866
West Elm: 145 Culver Road, Rochester; 241-0072

Jewelry
Alex and Ani: 145 Culver Road, Rochester; 730-8124. 236 High Street Extension, Victor; 598-3853
Blueground Jewelry: Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 249-9040
Burke & Bannayan Jewelers: 2465 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 723-1010
Cornell’s Jewelers: 3100 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 270-7600
Forsythe Jewelers Inc.: 66 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 586-5954
The Gem Lab: 4098 West Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 359-3900
Laufer & Tweet Jewelers: 1863 East Ave., Rochester; 442-5010
Mann’s Jewelers Inc.: 2945 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 271-4000
Northfield Designer Goldsmiths: 700 Park Ave., Rochester; 442-2260
Richard’s Fine Jewelers: Brighton Commons, 1855 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 242-8777
Richards & West Jewelers: 501 W. Commercial St., East Rochester; 461-3022
The Source Fine Jewelers: 3300 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 586-9145. 2147 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 225-5445. Eastview Mall, Victor; 433-2005

Music
American Music Centre: Northgate Plaza, 3840 Dewey Ave., Greece; 730-7000
Analog Shop: 57 E. Main St., Victor; 742-2860
Atlas Music: 1764 Empire Blvd., Webster; 671-2020
Bernunzio Uptown Music: 122 East Ave., Rochester; 473-6121
The Bop Shop: 1460 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 271-3354
Echo-Tone Music: 42 Spencerport Road, Gates; 454-2160
House of Guitars: 645 Titus Ave., Irondequoit; 544-3500

Salons & Spas
AE Spa - Andrea Esthetics Ltd.: Brighton Commons, 1855 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 461-4310
Ape & Canary on Strathallan: 566 East Ave., Rochester; 241-7160
Browbizz: 2450 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 730-8076. Brow Diva: 3025 Monroe Ave., Suite 103, Pittsford; 271-2950
DermaSpa: 100 White Spruce Blvd., Brighton; 272-9346
Juliana Salon & Spa: 656 South Ave., Rochester; 376-0483
Just Browsing: 389 Gregory St., Rochester; 420-8433
Luxe Spa: 1615 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 256-1050
Massage Envy: 3400 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 641-3689. 900 Holt Road, Webster; 872-6772. Ridgemont Plaza, 2833 W. Ridge Road, Greece; 613-7700. 7553 Common Blvd., Victor; 223-3689.
The Men’s Club at Shear Ego: Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 586-1781
Solutions Studio & Spa: 1353 Long Pond Rd., Rochester; 227-1600
Tru Salon: 7 Schoen Place, Pittsford; 586-7870. 603 Park Ave., Rochester; 244-0044
Waterlily Spa and Cosmetics Boutique: 2383 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 442-5140
Woodcliff Hotel & Spa: 199 Woodcliff Drive, Fairport; 381-4000

Shopping Centers
CityGate On The Erie Canal: 335 Westfall Rd., Rochester
College Town: 1331 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester
Culver Road Armory: 145 Culver Road, Rochester
Eastview Mall: 7979 Pittsford-Victor Road, Victor; 223-4420; eastviewmall.com
Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls USA: 1900 Military Road, Niagara Falls; (716) 297-2022; fashionoutletsniagara.com
I-Square: 400 Bakers Park, Irondequoit; 266-1068; i-square.us
The Mall at Greece Ridge: 271 Greece Ridge Center Drive, Greece; 225-0430; themallatgreeceredge.com
The Marketplace Mall: 1 Miracle Mile Drive, Henrietta; 475-0757; marketplacemall.com
Pittsford Plaza: 3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 424-6220; pittsfordsquare.com
Towne Center at Webster: Ridge Road and Holt Road, Webster
Village Gate Square: 274 N. Goodman St., Rochester; 442-9061
Waterloo Premium Outlets: 655 Route 318, Waterloo; (315) 539-1100; premiumoutlets.com

Sporting Goods
See Sports & Recreation for bicycle retailers and rentals.
Big Oak Driving Range & Golf Shop: 441 N. Washington St., East Rochester; 586-0614
Fleet Feet Sports: Culver Road Armory, 155 Culver Road, Rochester; 697-3338
2522 Ridgeway Ave., Greece; 270-4334
Krudco Skateshop: 371 Park Ave., Rochester; 325-4790
Medved Running & Walking Outfitters: Pittsford Colony Plaza, 3400 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; 248-3420
RV&E Bike and Skate: 40 N. Main St., Fairport; 388-1350. 168 S. Main St., Canandaigua; 393-5680
The Ski Company Mountain Sports: 1225 Jefferson Road, Henrietta; 292-0580
The Soccer Shack: 2298 Monroe Ave., Brighton; 244-1460

For more information: visitrochester.com
**Pro Sports**

**Rochester Americans**: Locals call them the Amerks. From October to early spring, the American Hockey League affiliate of the Buffalo Sabres plays in Blue Cross Arena at the War Memorial downtown. 1 War Memorial Square, Rochester; amerks.com

**Rochester Knighthawks**: Rochester’s National Lacrosse League East Division team plays box lacrosse in Blue Cross Arena from December to April. 1 War Memorial Square, Rochester; knighthawks.net

**Rochester RazorSharks**: In 2005, the RazorSharks won the ABA championship. The team joined the Premier Basketball League for its inaugural season in January 2008 and have won the league championship several times. Blue Cross Arena, 1 War Memorial Square, Rochester; razorsharks.com

**Rochester Red Wings**: The Triple-A ball club has a major league affiliation with the Minnesota Twins. The club plays more than 70 home games a year at Frontier Field downtown. Dating back to 1885, the team is one of only two franchises in North American pro sports to have captured a league championship in every decade of the 20th century. 1 Morrie Silver Way, Rochester; redwingsbaseball.com

**Rochester Rhinos**: Rochesterians love their soccer, and Rhinos fans are among the most loyal in the country. The Rhinos play in the Professional Division of the United Soccer League, however, the team is on hiatus for the 2018 season. Capelli Sport Stadium, 460 Oak St., Rochester; rhinossoccer.com

**Buffalo Bills (preseason)**: The NFL team holds training camp at St. John Fisher College in Pittsford, a Rochester suburb. Admission is free. Watch rookies and veterans battle for roster spots from late July to mid-August. St. John Fisher College, 3690 East Ave., Pittsford; buffalobills.com
Sports Halls of Fame

WITHIN A FOUR-HOUR DRIVE

Hockey Hall of Fame: Brookfield Place, 30 Yonge St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada; hhof.com

International Boxing Hall of Fame: 1 Hall of Fame Drive, Canastota; ibhof.com

National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum: 25 Main St., Cooperstown; baseballhall.org

WITHIN SEVEN HOURS

Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame: 1000 W. Columbus Ave., Springfield, Mass.; hoophall.com

Pro Football Hall of Fame: 2121 George Halas Drive N.W., Canton, Ohio; profootballhof.com

An old-time ball game at Gensee Country Village & Museum.
**Major Sports Venues in the Area**

**Bill Gray’s Regional Iceplex:** 2700 Brighton-Henrietta Town Line Road, Brighton; billgrayrisceplex.com

**Capelli Sport Stadium:** 460 Oak St., Rochester; rhinosoccer.com

**The College at Brockport:** 350 New Campus Drive, Brockport; brockport.edu

**Blue Cross Arena at the War Memorial:** 1 War Memorial Square, Rochester; bluecrossarena.com

**Monroe Community College:** 1000 E Henrietta Rd., Rochester; monroecc.edu

**Nazareth College:** 4245 East Ave., Rochester; naz.edu

**Oak Hill Country Club:** 353 Kilbourn Road, Pittsford; oakhillcc.com

**Pinnacle Athletic Campus:** 748 Phillips Road, Victor; pinnacle-athletic.com

**Roberts Wesleyan College:** 2301 Westside Dr., Rochester; roberts.edu

**Rochester Institute of Technology:** One Lomb Memorial Drive (off Jefferson Road), Henrietta; rit.edu

**Rochester Regional Health Total Sports Experience:** 880 Elmgrove Road, Gates; totalsports-experience.com

**St. John Fisher College:** 3690 East Ave., Pittsford; sjfc.edu

**University of Rochester:** Wilson Boulevard, Rochester; rochester.edu

**Webster Aquatic Center:** 875 Ridge Road, Webster; http://www.websteraquaticcenter.org

**Experimental Aircraft Association:** 44.eaachapter.org

**Finger Lakes Soaring Club:** Dansville Municipal Airport; 178 Franklin St., Dansville; flls.org

**Rochester Skydivers:** Perry-Warsaw Airport, Route 20A, Perry; rochesterskydivers.com

**Rochester Skydiving:** rochesterskydiving.com

**Spencer Speedway:** The 2018 racing season is the 64th at this historic speedway. It is NASCAR-sanctioned as part of the Whelen All-American Modified Series and is NHRA sanctioned for drag racing. 3020 Route 104, Williamson; spencerspeedway.org

**Watkins Glen International:** Home to the only NASCAR Sprint Cup Series weekend in New York, this historic road course hosts IMSA Sports Car, SCCA and Sportscar Vintage Racing Association events. 2790 County Road 16, Watkins Glen; theglen.com

**Altitude Trampoline Park:** Trampolines, dodgeball, rock wall and other games. 3333 West Henrietta Road, Henrietta; altituderochester.com

**Bristol Mountain Aerial Adventures:** Seven courses include zip lines, tightropes, rope ladders and bridges. 5589 South Hill Road, Canandaigua; bristolmountainadventures.com

**Clubhouse Fun Center:** The center offers go-karts, miniature golf and arcade games. 70 Jay Scuttini Blvd., Henrietta; clubhousefuncenter.com

**Darien Lake Theme Park Resort:** Darien Lake’s five roller coasters include the Superman Ride of Steel, climbing 208 feet at speeds above 75 mph. Rides, water park, restaurants, shops, concerts, camping and hotel are available. 9993 Allegheny Road, Darien Center; darienlake.com

**Dave & Buster’s:** Games range from classics like Pac-Man to new releases. Marketplace Mall, 15 Miracle Mile Drive, Henrietta; daveandbusters.com

**The Great Escape Room:** Groups work as a team to escape from a locked room. 1150 University Ave., Rochester; thegreatescaperoom.com/new-york/rochester

**Hidden Valley Animal Adventure:** Trolley tours through a 60-acre animal park. 2887 Royce Road, Varysburg; hiddenvalleyadventure.com

**Kettle Ridge Farm:** Producing pure NYS maple syrup, raw wildflower honey, and log-grown shiitake mushrooms. Maple Sugar Weekends in March; Kettle fest in September; and private tours and events. 515 Log Cabin Rd., Victor; kettleridgefarm.com

**Laser Quest:** Live action laser tag combines tag and hide-and-seek with high-tech equipment, specialty lighting, fog and music. Reservations recommended. 2833 W. Ridge Road, Greece; laserquest.com

**Long Acre Farms:** Family activities include the seasonal Amazing Maze, the Back 40 sports activity area, gemstone panning, farm market, ice cream shop and JD Wine Cellars tasting room. 1342 Eddy Road, Macedon; longacrefarms.com

**Rochester Escape Rooms:** Rochester Escape Room is a unique live action “escape game” for groups of people. Locked in a room you must solve hidden clues to find a way out in under 60 minutes. 1615 Jefferson Rd., Rochester; rochesterscaperooms.com

**Rochester Pedal Tours:** Ride around Rochester on a pedal-powered party bus. 81 Marshall St., Rochester; rochesterpedaltours.com

**Roseland Waterpark:** The 56-acre, Victorian-style park opened in 2001. Attractions include a giant wave pool, water playgrounds, extreme tube slides and a raft ride. 250 Eastern Blvd., Canandaigua; roselandwaterpark.com

**Roseland Wake Park:** The first & only full-sized Cable Wake Park in the northeast US with a 5-tower main cable & a 2-tower Lil Bro practice cable system. 250 Eastern Blvd., Canandaigua; roselandwakeupark.com

**RPM Raceway:** Electric go-karts take kids and adults up to 45 miles an hour around a quarter-mile indoor course. 1 Miracle Mile Drive, Henrietta; polepositionraceway.com/Rochester

Get year-round updates: exploregreaterrochester.com
Seabreeze Amusement Park: More than 125 years old, Seabreeze is the fourth-oldest amusement park in the country. Attractions for all ages include four roller coasters, a wooden carousel, pint-size kiddie activities, a waterpark and live shows. Seabreeze is open weekends in May and daily from late June through Labor Day. 4600 Culver Road, Irondequoit; seabreeze.com

Seneca Park Zoo: The zoo leads conservation efforts locally and with regional and international partners. African lions, olive baboons and African elephants reside in the A Step Into Africa exhibit, teaching guests about the Ngorongoro Crater, a conservation area in Tanzania. The ECO Center introduces visitors to North American river otters and the lake sturgeon, living dinosaurs that help convey stories of successful species reintroduction into the Genesee River. The Rocky Coasts exhibit offers underwater views of the habitats of polar bears, sea lions and African penguins. 2222 St. Paul St., Rochester; senecaparkzoo.org

Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park: Wall-to-wall trampoline courts have open jumps, dodgeball and fitness classes for people of all ages. 155 Bellwood Drive, Greece; skyzone.com/Rochester

Stokoe Farms: Kids’ activities include pumpkin launchers, wagon and train rides, corn maze, zip lines, pedal cars and a chance to feed the animals. 655 South Road, Scottsville; stokoe farms.com

Wickham Farms: Miniature golf, batting cages, miniature train ride and farm animals to meet. 1821 Fairport Nine Mile Point Road, Penfield; wickhamfarms.com

Boating

Love the water? You’ll find plenty to keep you afloat here. Bring a boat or rent one, learn to sail, take a cruise, watch a regatta or just enjoy the sunset from shore on Lake Ontario, the north-flowing Genesee River or the nearby Finger Lakes, a short, scenic drive away. Rochester owes its boomtown status to the mule-drawn canal boats that transported goods to distant points on the Erie Canal. Today, instead of cutting through downtown, the 200-year-old waterway meanders through countryside and villages with names like Fairport and Spencerport.

Boating Clubs

Finger Lakes-Ontario Watershed Paddlers’ Club: Members range from solitude seekers to wave crashers. flowpaddlers.org

Genesee Rowing Club: Sweep rowing and sculling recreational and racing opportunities for adults. 1 Hawthorne Drive, Rochester; geneseerowingclub.com

Genesee Yacht Club: Tuesday night races, Saturday regattas and Sunday morning Sunfish races, plus a sailing school in cooperation with the Rochester Yacht Club. Marina Drive, Rochester; geneseeyc.org

Newport Yacht Club: Sailing on Irondequoit Bay with fleets of Lasers, Snipes, Lightnings and cruising boats. Seneca Road, Irondequoit; newportyc.org

Rochester Boat Club: Nonprofit group of scullers and rowers that row the Erie Canal in Fairport. 10 W. Liftbridge Lane, Fairport; rochesterboatclub.org

Rochester Canoe Club: Informal family club, more than 125 years old, involved in sailing and racing with a special focus on one-design sailboat racing. 2050 Bay Shore Blvd., Irondequoit; rochestercc.org

Rochester Offshore Powerboat Association: Runs and regattas for powerboat enthusiasts in July and August. rochesteroffshore.com
Rochester Sail and Power Squadron: Cruises, sail races, navigation contests and education for sail and power boaters. usps.org/localusps/rochester

Rochester Yacht Club: Established in 1877, the private club hosts national and international regattas, offers lessons and sponsors club-level sailboat racing. 5555 St. Paul Blvd., Irondequoit; rochesteryc.com

GUIDED TOURS

There are many ways to explore local waterways. Climb aboard a replica packet boat for a ride on the Erie Canal, a 363-mile waterway that celebrated its bicentennial in 2017. Or enjoy dinner and a cruise on Canandaigua Lake, one of the famed Finger Lakes, after a day visiting local wineries. Visitors can take in spectacular fall foliage in the deep gorge of the Genesee River, which cuts right through the city. On cruises of Lake Ontario, one of five Great Lakes, you’re likely to see a spectacular sunset. Tours run from late spring to autumn.

Canandaigua Lady: Narrated tours of Canandaigua Lake daily from the north shore on a replica double-decker paddlewheel boat. Lunch and dinner tours; group cruises. 205 Lakeshore Drive, Canandaigua; cdgaboatcruises.com

Colonial Belle: Cruises the Erie Canal with narrated tours. Food and drink available. 400 Packett’s Landing, Fairport; colonialbelle.com

Harbor Town Belle: Authentic 80-foot paddlewheeler splashes through Lake Ontario, the Genesee River and Irondequoit Bay. Daily cruises, party charters, foliage cruises, catering. 100 Joy Lane, Rochester; harbortownbelle.com

Rochester Cycle Boat Tour: Enjoy a 90-minute cruise down the Genesee River powered by your own pedaling. Boat fits 18 people, along with captain and first mate. Port of Rochester; rochesterpedaltours.com ●

Sam Patch: Daily narrated cruises of the Erie Canal and Genesee River aboard a replica 1800s packet boat. Passes through canal lock. Single tickets and season passes. Advance reservations recommended. Meals and desserts available. Schoen Place, Pittsford; sampatch.org ●

Seneca Lake Reel Tours: The 50-foot catamaran offers narrated tours of Seneca Lake and the Cayuga-Seneca Canal from the north end of the lake in Geneva. Bar drinks available. 35 Lakefront Drive, Geneva; fingerlakeswateradventures.com

RETAILERS / INSTRUCTORS / GUIDES / RENTALS

Aquatic Center of Rochester: Snorkeling, scuba and paddle-sport instruction and rentals. 2725 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; aquaticcenterroch.com

BayCreek Paddling Center: Canoe, kayak and paddle sport rentals, classes and guided tours. 1099 Empire Blvd., Penfield; baycreek.com

Braddock Bay Paddlesports: Fishing boats and canoes. 372 Manitou Road, Greece; 392-2628.

Érie Canal Boat Co. Inc.: Kayak, canoe, paddle board and pontoon boat sales, trips and rentals. Bicycle rentals. Various launch sites on the Erie Canal in Fairport and Pittsford; eriecanalboatcompany.com

Genesee Waterways Center: Canoe and kayak rentals, rowing and sculling programs. Elaine P. Wilson Boathouse, Genesee Valley Park, 149 Elmwood Ave., Rochester; Lock 32 Whitewater Park, Clover Street, Pittsford; geneseewaterways.org

MARK’S LEISURE TIME MARINE: Pontoon, power and fishing boats and personal watercraft. 5364 East Lake Road, Canesus; marksleisuretimemarine.com

Oak Orchard Canoe and Kayak Experts: 2133 Waterport Road, Waterport, and 1350 Empire Blvd., Penfield; oakorchardcanoe.com

Pack, Paddle, Ski: Outdoor adventure guides. South Lima; packpaddleski.com

Smith Boys Marine: Fishing, skiing and pontoon boats. Multiple locations, including: 55 Marina Drive, Rochester; 7099 Route 21, Naples; 5750 East Lake Road, Canesus; smithboys.com

Sutter’s Canandaigua Marina: Bow rider and pontoon rentals and sales. City Pier, Canandaigua; suttersmarina.com

MARINAS AND BOAT LAUNCHES

Port of Rochester Marina: The new state-of-the-art public marina in Charlotte has premium boater amenities including a boaters lounge, ship store, restrooms and showers, free WiFi and secure floating docks. 1000 N. River St., portofrochestermarina.com ●

The area has dozens of boating access and launching areas available to the public. The state Department of Environmental Conservation and Monroe County list them all on these websites: dec.ny.gov/outdoor/7832.html, fishingmonroecounty.com

Bowling

AMF Dewey Garden Lanes: 4470 Dewey Ave., Rochester; amf.com/location/amf-dewey-garden-lanes

AMF Empire Lanes: 2400 Empire Blvd., Webster; amf.com/location/amf-empire-lanes

AMF Fairview Lanes: 1407 Fairport Rd., Fairport; amf.com/location/amf-fairview-lanes

AMF Gates Lanes: 645 Spencerport Road, Rochester; www.amf.com/location/amf-gates-lanes

AMF Terrace Gardens: 1151 Ridgeway Ave., Rochester; amf.com/location/amf-terrace-gardens-lanes
Cycling

Hundreds of miles of paths and trails crisscross the region. Rochester has an enthusiastic cycling community; check out the groups below. The 24-mile Genesee Riverway Trail offers views and access to the Genesee River, its scenic gorge (from above and below), three waterfalls, eight bridges for pedestrians and cyclists, and 11 parks, including four designed by Frederick Law Olmsted. Download a trail guide at cityofrochester.gov/grt. The trail also links to the hundreds of trail miles along the Erie Canal Heritage Trail, the Genesee Greenway Trail and the Seaway Trail.

CLUBS

Finger Lakes Cycling Club: Based in Ithaca, the club hosts rides Sunday through Thursday in the Finger Lakes region; ficycling.org

Genesee Valley Cycling Club: Racing club takes training rides from April to September, holds weekly races and time trial training nights; gvcrcycling.com

RETAILERS / INSTRUCTORS / GUIDES / RENTALS

Bert’s Bikes & Fitness: 100 Jay Scutti Blvd., Henrietta; bertsbikes.com

Bike Zone: 2100 W. Ridge Road, Greece; bikezonebikes.com

Freewheelers: 1757 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; freewheelersbikes.com

Full Moon Vista Bike & Sport: 1239 University Ave., Rochester; fullmonovista.com

Park Ave Bike Shop: 600 Jay Scutti Blvd., Henrietta; 427-2110; 2900 Monroe Ave., Pittsford; parkavebike.com

Pedallers Bike Shop: 2511 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta; 334-1083; pedallers.com

RV&E Bike and Skate: 40 N. Main St., Fairport; 168 S. Main St., Canandaigua; rvebike.com

Towner’s Bikes: 190 Monroe Ave., Rochester; 271-4553; Towpath Bike & Multi Sport: 3 Schoen Place, Pittsford; towpathbike.com

Tryon Bike: 80 Rockwood Place, Rochester; tryonbike.com

For more information: visitrochester.com
Golf

Rochester has a reputation as a golf-friendly town. Local clubs have played host to the PGA and LPGA Championships, the U.S. Open, the Ryder Cup, the Senior PGA, the U.S. Senior Open and other major tournaments. Bring your clubs when you visit: 100 public and private golf facilities lie within an hour’s drive of the city, making Rochester one of the most golf-rich areas of New York. For details, visit golfrochesterguide.net, golfweek.com, fingerlakesgolftrail.com and nygolftrail.com.

PUBLIC GOLF COURSES

Braemar Country Club: 4704 W. Ridge Rd., Spencerport; 352-5360; braemarcc.com
Chili Country Club: 760 Scottsville-Chili Rd., Scottsville; 889-9325; chilicountryclub.com
Deerfield Golf & Country Club: 100 Craig Hill Dr., Brockport; 392-8080; deerfieldcc.com
Eagle Vale Golf Course: 4344 Nine Mile Point Rd., Fairport; 377-5200; eaglevale.com
Lake Shore Country Club: 1165 Greenleaf Rd., Rochester; 663-9100; lakeshore-cc.com
The Links at Greystone: 1400 Atlantic Ave., Woodcliff Lake; 315-524-0022; greystonelinks.com
Mill Creek Golf Club: 128 Cedars Ave., Churchville; 889-4110; milkcreekgolf.com
Monroe County Golf Courses: monroecounty.gov/parks-golf
Durand Eastman Golf Course: 1200 Kings Highway N., Rochester; 266-0110
Genesee Valley Golf Course, 1000 E. River Rd., Rochester; 424-2920

Horse Racing

Batavia Downs and Casino: Standard-bred harness races around a half-mile oval take place July to December. The casino has nearly 800 video gambling machines, hotel, restaurant and special-events room. Batavia Downs is the oldest lighted harness track in the country. 8315 Park Road, Batavia; bataviadowns.com
Finger Lakes Gaming & Racetrack: Thoroughbred racing has been bringing fans to this track for 50 years. Gambling fans like the more than 1,500 Las Vegas-style video lottery terminals. Finger Lakes has hosted more than 60,000 races and entertained 18 million fans. 5857 Route 96, Farmington; fingerlakesracing.com

Horseback Riding

Evergreen Stables: 212 Sheffer Road, Scottsville; evergreenstables.us
Heberle Stables: 751 Browncroft Blvd., Penfield; heberlestables.com
Hidden Acres Equestrian Athletic Center: 4460 Lyell Road, Gates; hiddenacresinc.com

Fishing

www.ilovenyfishing.com; site focuses fishing locations on Lake Ontario as well as throughout the Finger Lakes region
www.fishingmonroecounty.com; overview of fishing throughout Monroe County, provides information on charter boats captains in the area, fishing guide and map available for download.
Ice Skating

Bill Gray’s Regional Iceplex: Indoor. Monroe Community College campus, 2700 Brighton-Henrietta Town Line Road, Brighton; billgrayischeplex.com

Polisseni Center /Frank Ritter Memorial Ice Arena: Indoor. Rochester Institute of Technology campus, 51 Lomb Memorial Drive, Henrietta; 475-2223

Genesee Valley Ice Rink: Indoor. 131 Elmwood Ave., Rochester; 428-7888


Lakeshore Hockey Arena: Indoor. 123 Ling Road, Greece; lshaice.com

Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park and Ice Rink: Outdoor with warming hut, snack bar. Skate rentals, free skating. 353 Court St., downtown Rochester; 428-7541; cityofrochester.gov

Paul Louis Arena: Indoor. 1 Boys Club Pl., Rochester; paullouisarena.com

Rochester Ice Center: Indoor. 80 Lyndon Road, Rochester

Webster Ice Arena: Indoor. 865 Publisher’s Parkway, Webster; websterarena.org

Webster Recreation Center Ice Rink: Outdoor. 530 Webster Ave., Rochester; 654-8900

YellowJacket Racing: Produces nearly 40 racing events annually in Greater Rochester, including the Rochester Triathlon and Rochester Regional Health Flower City Challenge. http://yellowjacketracing.com

RACES

For the latest information and dozens of additional races, check out the calendar at grtconline.org.

Rochester Regional Health Rochester Flower City Challenge: Half-marathon, tri/du, 5K and kids: April 21-22, 2018, Rochester; flowercitychallenge.com

Lilac 5K/10K: May 20, 2018; Highland Park; medvedrunwalk.com/lilac-run

JPMorgan Chase Corporate Challenge: May 22, 2018, 3.5 miles, Frontier Field; jpmorganchasecc.com

Shoreline Half-Marathon & 5K: Date TBD, half-marathon, 5K, kids, tri/du, Hamlin; yellowjacketracing.com

Rochester Triathlon: August 25, 2018, sprint, intermediate, Durand Beach; rochestertriathletes.com

Rochester Autumn Classic Duathlon: October 6, 2018, Formula 1, super sprint; yellowjacketracing.com

Rochester Marathon: September 21-23, 2018, marathon, half and relay, Rochester; rochestermarathon.com

Johnny’s Runnin’ of the Green: March 2018, 5 miles, Rochester

Reindeer Run 5K: December 15, 2018, 5K & Kids Run Wild Races, Rochester; yellowjacketracing.com

Swimming


Webster Aquatic Center: Day passes are available to use the Olympic-size swimming pool. 875 Ridge Road, Webster; websteraquaticcenter.org

JCC of Greater Rochester: 1200 Edgewood Ave., Rochester; 461-2000; jccrochester.org

YMCA of Greater Rochester: Various locations; rochesterymca.org

Skiing & Tubing

Snow conditions: iskiny.com, onthesnow.com

CLUBS

Huggers Ski Club: huggersskiclub.org

Rochester Nordic Ski Club: rochesternordic.org

Rochester Ski Club: rochesterskiclub.com

Cross-country ski trails are abundant in area parks. See the Parks & Gardens section.

CENTERS

Bristol Mountain Winter Resort: 5662 Route 64, Canandaigua; bristolmountain.com

Cumming Nature Center: 6472 Gulick Rd, Naples; rmso.org/cumming-nature-center

Glacier Ridge: 4618 W. Ridge Road, Spencerport; glacierridgesnowtubing.com

Swain Ski Resort: 2275 County Road 24, Swain; swain.com

Running

With great routes, active clubs and some of the oldest races in the Northeast, Rochester is a runner’s town.

CLUBS

Fleet Feet Rochester: Outfitter-backed running programs for all experience levels. fleetfeetrochester.com

Genesee Valley Harriers: Winner of more than 100 national championships, Gvh is considered one of the top running clubs in the country. Info on local races, training. gvh.net

Greater Rochester Track Club: Info on races, routes, track facilities and running groups. Hosts the long-running Freezeroo winter races. grtconline.org

Rochester Area Triathletes: High-level training for experienced triathletes/duathletes and support for newcomers. rochestertriatheletes.com

For more information: visitrochester.com

Tennis

PUBLIC CITY COURTS

School and town tennis courts can be found throughout the region. Here’s a sampling in the city:

Cobbs Hill Park: Culver Road and Norris Drive

East High School: East Main Street at Culver Road

Genesee Valley Park (East): 200 Elmwood Ave.

Maplewood Park: Maplewood Drive at Seneca Parkway

Tryon Park (West): Tryon Park at Loudisa Drive
Rochester’s first Lilac Festival was more serendipitous than a planned event. Eight years after the area’s finest green thumbs teamed up to plant thousands of flowering shrubs on a hillside in Highland Park, more than 3,000 people flocked to see the outstanding display of blooms, particularly the purple, pink and white of the park’s now-famous lilacs.
It was 1898 and the spontaneity and excitement of the day prompted the City of Rochester to formalize the event. By 1901 concerts had been added to the Lilac Festival, and in 1908 the festival attracted more than 25,000 people, arriving on trains and trolleys from all over the area. By the 1920s tens of thousands of people were visiting Rochester during “lilac time.”

When the city could not afford to pay organizers during the Great Depression volunteers stepped up to keep the beloved festival going. By the 1940s, crowds expanded to as many as 100,000 people. Today, Rochester’s Lilac Festival brings in half a million visitors and is the region’s biggest community event. It’s also one of the largest events of its kind in the country.

“It brings a real sense of community pride,” says Lilac Festival CEO Jeff Springut. “And if it doesn’t it should.”

Indeed, the 120th annual Lilac Festival—which runs from May 11 through May 20—will feature something for every member of the family, Springut says. In addition to the beautiful flowers, the festival will feature a special events tent that will host a wine tasting expo on May 12 and a craft beverage expo on May 19.

Food and drink are a big part of the festival.

“It takes 10 days to eat your way through the festival,” Springut laughs. “Just altogether too many tasty things to enjoy in one or two days.”

This year, festival organizers have added a Sunday Fun Day Bloody Mary Expo on May 13 to celebrate Mother’s Day. Moms can feast on brunch items and sample up to 15 of the area’s best Bloody Mary recipes, some featuring Rochester’s Black Button Distillery vodka.

Two concert stages feature more than 135 performances, including headline entertainment showcasing top artists in rock, reggae, dance music, R&B and more. A juried arts and crafts show—moved a few years ago to Reservoir Avenue to allow more space—averages 25,000 visitors a day.

The Lilac Festival will host comedian Orny Adams on May 16 as a benefit show for Flower City Habitat for Humanity Women Build.

“People say, ‘I wound up coming two or three times,’” Springut says of conversations he’s had with past festivalgoers. “There’s a variety of things any group of people can go to. I look at it as a producer as nine separate festivals in one festival.”

Springut calls the Lilac Festival a celebration of spring.

“We’re pretty proud of the festival we put on and the community reaction,” he says. “They come from around the country and world to Rochester.”

For more information: visitrochester.com

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Abraham Lincoln Park
Empire Boulevard and Smith Road, Penfield
The park has 182 undeveloped acres that offer fishing access on Irondequoit Bay’s eastern shore in Penfield. Woodlands sloping down to the shore are great for vigorous hikes. A popular playground includes natural elements.

Bausch & Lomb Riverside Park
Wilson Boulevard, Rochester
This city park follows the eastern bank of the Genesee River next to the University of Rochester. Calling it River Walk, Frederick Law Olmsted planned the three-quarter-mile stretch of 197 oak trees as part of the campus. Most visitors run, walk or bike along the park’s paved path, which connects Genesee Valley Park to the city center.

Black Creek Park
Chili and Riga. Entrances on Union Street, Chili-Riga Town Line Road and Route 33A
Ride horseback in the fall or cross-country ski in the winter on more than 1,500 undeveloped acres. Non-fuel model-airplane enthusiasts gather here to fly their craft. Visitors also will find a playground, ponds and picnic areas.

Channing Philbrick Park
Linear Park Drive, off Route 441, Penfield
Irondequoit Creek tumbles 90 feet in one mile, giving the park’s Falls Trail its name. It’s a great fishing spot, and hikers like the route in all weather. The park has a small playground, bathrooms, picnic tables and an emergency phone.

Churchville Park
Kendall Road and Main Street, Churchville
Located on Black Creek, Churchville Park offers fishing and boating. There is abundant open space, plus lodges and shelters, a golf course and an outdoor skating rink.

Cobb’s Hill Park & Reservoir
Culver Rd. and Norris Dr. Rochester
Cobb’s Hill Park is located in the city’s southeast area and features 109 acres of beauty, recreation, and scenic trails. At the park’s highest point, a walking trail offers one of the best views of the city.

Corbett’s Glen Nature Park
Penfield Road south of North Landing Road, Brighton
Woods, meadows, wetlands and a waterfall on Allen’s Creek fill the park’s 17 acres; hikers typically encounter deer and other wildlife. The creek is a spawning ground for salmon and trout.

Devil’s Cove Park
Water access only, on the east shore of Irondequoit Bay, Webster. Curious boaters will find a natural and undeveloped spot for a quiet picnic in Devil’s Cove.

Durand-Eastman Park
Lakeshore Boulevard, Culver Road and Kings Highway, Rochester
The 965-acre park includes 5,000 feet of Lake Ontario waterfront. It has a Robert Trent Jones golf course, trails, picnic shelters and playgrounds, plus a beach for swimming. Packed with mature trees, the park is an arboretum.

Ellison Park
Blossom Road and Landing Road, Brighton
Irondequoit Creek winds through 447 acres of woods and wetlands here. The park has an off-leash dog park, a disc golf course, tennis courts, softball fields, a playground, shelters, lodges and trails.

Genesee Country Village & Museum
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Genesee Riverway Trail
Elmwood Avenue to Moore Road and East River Road, Rochester
This paved, off-road path for running, walking and bicycling runs 16 miles along the river. It is part of the New York State Canal Trail system. Starting at the Erie Canal Heritage Trail in Genesee Valley Park, it passes three waterfalls, eight pedestrian bridges and 11 parks before it reaches Lake Ontario.

Genesee Valley Park
Elmwood Avenue at Moore Road and East River Road, Rochester
Frederick Law Olmsted designed the park. Majestic trees, wide lawns and the Genesee River define the pastoral setting. The park is home to the Head of the Genesee Invitational Regatta, a top-ranked collegiate rowing event in October. Genesee Valley Golf Club has two 18-hole public courses here.

Greece Canal Park
Elmgrove Road at Mellwood Road, Greece
The Erie Canal borders the southern edge of this 577-acre park. Woods, meadows and wetlands offer great hiking and biking on trails, including the Genesee Riverway Trail. A dog park, playground, playing fields, picnic areas and lodges are popular.

Highland Park
Reservoir Avenue at Goodman Street or South Avenue, Rochester
Frederick Law Olmsted designed this park as an arboretum with azaleas, lilacs, rhododendrons, conifers, Japanese maples and much more. The Lilac Festival is held here in May. Park highlights include a reservoir, the recently restored Lamberton Conservatory, the Greater Rochester Vietnam Veterans Memorial and a sunken garden. Paved walking paths wind through wooded areas.

Irondequoit Bay Marine Park
Culver Road and Sea Breeze Drive, Irondequoit
The marine park provides fee-based boat access to Irondequoit Bay, which empties into Lake Ontario to the north. A pier is a popular
Frederick Law Olmsted, the landscape architect who designed Central Park in New York City, was responsible for Rochester’s anchor parks: North Park (now Maplewood and Seneca) and South Park (Genesee Valley). He placed them along the Genesee River and laced them with trails, offering scenic views and wide lawns for both passive and active recreation.

**Irondequoit Bay Park West**

Orchard Park Boulevard, Irondequoit

This park offers fishing spots on the bay as well as forested hiking on 147 acres. A small, undeveloped boat launch is available.

**Lehigh Valley Linear Trail Park**

Rush-West Rush Road at Route 15A, Plains Road at Junction Road, Mendon Route 251 at Route 64, Mendon

This 15-mile, east-west park rolls through Monroe County’s southern towns and intersects with the Genesee Valley Greenway, making it a popular place for distance biking, hiking and cross-country skiing.

**Lucien Morin Park**

Empire Boulevard at LaSalle’s Landing, Penfield

Previously known as Ellison Wetlands, this park is great for canoe and kayak access between Irondequoit Bay and Ellison Park. The wetlands provide a quiet getaway surrounded by nature. It is next to LaSalle’s Landing Park, named for explorer Robert Rene de LaSalle, who came to shore in the area.

**Martin Luther King Jr.**

Memorial Park and Ice Rink

Chesnut and Court Streets, Rochester

Designed by Lawrence Halprin and named a “marvel of Modernism” by the Cultural Landscape Foundation, the downtown park has undergone extensive renovation in recent years. It serves as the site of a number of festivals. An outdoor ice rink becomes a reflecting pool with fountains in warm weather. The park’s playground has a water spray park.

**Maplewood Park**

See Maplewood Rose Garden, page 74.

**Mendon Ponds Park**

Multiple entrances on Route 65 (Clover Street) and Route 64 (Pittsford-Mendon Center Road), Pittsford and Mendon

The largest of the county’s parks has 30 miles of trails winding through 2,500 acres of woods and wetlands. One-fifth of the park is a nature preserve with seven wooded trails. It is a popular location for hiking, horseback riding, cross-country skiing and trail running.

**Mount Hope Cemetery**

791 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester

Dedicated in 1838, Mount Hope was the first great Victorian cemetery developed by a municipality. It is a favorite park for many outdoor enthusiasts and history lovers, and is also an arboretum. Set on wooded, steeply rolling terrain, it holds Victorian funerary art and mausoleums tucked into hillsides. It is the final resting place for Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony and about 350,000 others. At the north entrance, note the restored 1874 High Victorian Gothic gatehouse, 1872 Moorish gazebo and the recently restored 1875 Florentine fountain and carriage path.

**Northampton Park**

Colby Street at Hubbell Road or Salmon Creek Road, Sweden and Ogden

This 973-acre park features Springdale Farm, an educational attraction. Beginning skiers and snowboarders will find a rope tow, ski rental and a slope that’s just the right size. The park has hiking trails, lodges, sports fields, the Pulver House Museum and a remote-control flying field.

**Oatka Creek Park**

Union Street and Stewart Road, Wheatland

In Oatka Creek’s abundant waters, fly fishermen find trout. Roughly a mile of this waterway winds through the park’s 461 undeveloped acres.

For more information: visitrochester.com

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Ontario Beach Park
Beach Avenue at Lake Avenue, Charlotte
This is where the city of Rochester dips its toes into Lake Ontario. Along with a sandy beach and guarded swimming area, the park has a playground, boat launch, fishing pier and boardwalk. The original 1905 Dentzel menagerie carousel and the renovated former bathhouse, now a community center, are reminders of Charlotte’s days as the Coney Island of the West. Concerts at the performance pavilion draw music lovers on summer nights.

Powder Mills Park
Route 96 (Pittsford-Victor Road) at Park Road, Bushnell’s Basin
A historic fish hatchery is the focal point, but Powder Mills Park offers plenty more: downhill skiing lessons, sand volleyball courts, trails, picnic shelters, fishing access and a playground.

Seneca Park and Zoo
St. Paul Street north of Route 104, Rochester
A Frederick Law Olmsted park, Seneca hugs the Genesee River gorge on the east bank. The park contains the Seneca Park Zoo, established in 1894. Wooden hiking trails, historic Trout Pond and dramatic views of the deep gorge are highlights of the park. Call 467-9453 for zoo hours and admission prices.

Turning Point Park
Boxart Street at Lake Avenue, Rochester
The city won a national award for this park, which covers 275 acres along the banks of the Genesee River. A 3,572-foot bridge for bikers and pedestrians snakes over the Genesee River Turning Basin, where you’re likely to see herons, swans and lots of other birds. On land, the trail uses an old rail bed and connects to the Genesee Riverway Trail.

Tryon Park
North Winton Road at Tryon Park, Rochester, and Empire Boulevard, Irondequiot
This little park (82 acres) along Irondequiot Bay’s southern shore is undeveloped and low-key. Off-road cyclists love it. Views of the adjacent wetlands of Irondequiot Creek reward hikers who tackle the steep, wooded trails.

Webster Park
East Lake Road at Holt Road
Perched on a bluff overlooking Lake Ontario, the park has 550 rolling, tree-shaded acres with lodges and shelters, playing fields, a playground, trails, picnic areas and a pier on the lake. Cabins and a campground can be reserved in three seasons.

Looking for a nearby state park? A dozen lie in a couple of hours’ drive of Rochester, all great camping, hiking and picnicking spots. Check out Easy Day Trips on page 86.

The Flower City is filled with gardens—from small cottage plots to community cooperatives to grand Victorian gardens surrounding mansions. Some of the unique finds are an heirloom garden at a living-history museum, a sensory garden accessible to people with disabilities, and three arboretums. In the winter, check out conservatories, indoor gardens and flower shows. There is a charge for admission unless otherwise noted.

Ellwanger Garden
625 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester
546-7029
Cultivated since 1867, this garden contains perennials, roses and trees in a natural English style. George Ellwanger, one of Rochester’s leading nurserymen, lived in a home on the property. It’s open for special events.

Honorary International Peace Garden at the Charlotte Genesee Lighthouse
70 Lighthouse St., Rochester
peacegardentrail.com
Located at the Charlotte Genesee Lighthouse at the Port of Rochester, America’s oldest surviving lighthouse on Lake Ontario. The garden is made up of four panels which provide the visitor with the details of the four encounters here by the British during the War of 1812.

Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford
538-6822; gcv.org
The historic village (see Museums, page 78) has a dozen heirloom gardens filled with flowers, vegetables and herbs. Not just for show, their bounty is used by the museum’s historical interpreters for meals, dyed fibers, decorations and crafts. Visitors will find medicinal, formal, cottage, children’s and classical gardens, among others. Some gardens contain crops bred back to heirloom varieties, such as Danvers half-long carrots and China Rose radishes.

George Eastman Museum Gardens
900 East Ave., Rochester
271-3361; eastman.org
Free admission to gardens

George Eastman, who founded Eastman Kodak Co., grew up in a family immersed in horticulture. The formal gardens of his 50-room Colonial Revival mansion have Italian, French and English landscapes. An English walled garden, cutting garden and terrace garden designed by Alling DeForest are among the sights. Tours of the mansion feature a plant-filled conservatory and magnificent flower arrangements. A display of tulips takes over in February.

Lamberton Conservatory
Highland Park, Reservoir Drive, Rochester
256-5878
Built in 1911 and recently restored, the conservatory shelters displays of tropical, desert and other exotic plantings, with clever educational markers to help visitors of all ages notice blooms and other plant activity. It’s a great place to inhale the warm, moist air of spring on a cold winter day. You might notice turtles and quails about, and Japanese fish in the center courtyard pond in warmer weather. Seasonal plant and flower displays are changed five times a year.

Maplewood Rose Garden
Lake and Driving Park avenues, Rochester
maplewood.org
Free admission

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Rochester Museum & Science Center
657 East Ave., Rochester
271-4320; rmsc.org
Free admission to gardens

The science museum’s 12-acre city campus holds three gardens. The Garden of Fragrance is patterned after those planted by colonists. The Mary E. Slifer Memorial Garden honors a conservationist with native ferns, wildflowers and exotic species in a shady setting. The Kearns Family Garden surrounds a bronze sculpture of young bears.

Sharon’s Sensory Garden
Nature Center, Mendon Ponds Park, Mendon
Free admission
Designed for full access by people with visual or physical disabilities, this informal garden emphasizes color, texture, fragrance and form. Signs are in Braille and raised lettering. Graded paths and raised flowerbeds allow full access for visitors in wheelchairs.

Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion
State Historic Park
151 Charlotte St., Canandaigua
Weekdays 394-4922; sonnenberg.org
At the former summer home of Canandaigua benefactors, nine themed gardens and a reflecting pond were designed and built in the early years of the 20th century. Among the gardens are a Japanese landscape, a formal Italian garden and individual themed gardens. The conservatory complex, with its domed Palm House and tropical plants, is ranked among the finest residential greenhouse complexes in the country.

The Strong Museum
1 Manhattan Square, Rochester
263-2700; www.museumofplay.org
The indoor Dancing Wings Butterfly Garden features roughly 1,000 free-flying tropical and native butterflies, plus a green aracari toucan and button quail. The Discovery Garden is a 9,000-square-foot urban oasis. It has 300 varieties and species of plants and is a certified monarch waystation.

University of Rochester Arboretum
Elmwood Avenue at Wilson Boulevard, Rochester
273-5627; facilities.rochester.edu/arboretum
Free admission
The university uses trees as a central landscape design element. Frederick Law Olmsted Jr. served as designer and consultant to the architects during construction of the River Campus. In 1999, the university converted portions of the campus to an arboretum. Guided and self-guided tours of the university’s grounds, including more than 70 tree species and six gardens, are available. UR has been designated a Tree Campus USA by the Arbor Day Foundation.

Warner Castle
5 Castle Park, corner of Mt. Hope and Reservoir avenues, Rochester
rcgc.org/about-warner-castle
Free admission
The 22-room house, now home to the Rochester Civic Garden Center, was built for judge and publisher Horatio Gates Warner in 1854. The grounds in back include a sunken garden, a popular setting for wedding photographs. The garden was designed by landscape architect Alling DeForest.

Webster Sesquicentennial Arboretum
Irving Kent Park; 1700 Schlegel Road, Webster
websterarboretum.org
Free admission
The arboretum is a 32-acre display of flowers, herbs, shrubs and mature woodland cultivated by volunteers and the town of Webster.

For more information: visitrochester.com

Part of an original Frederick Law Olmsted-designed city park, Maplewood Rose Garden contains 5,000 roses in hundreds of varieties. Maplewood Rose Weekend draws thousands of people in mid-June. Consult the website for this year’s plans.

Enjoy a day at our 50-acre estate! Stroll through the nine formal gardens. Marvel at exotic plants in the antique greenhouses and tour a Victorian mansion. Taste fine wines at our Finger Lakes Wine Center. See website or call for calendar of special events.

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9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Extended Hours: Memorial Day - Labor Day,
9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Located in the heart of the Finger Lakes, Sonnenberg Gardens is only a short drive away and the perfect day trip or staycation destination!

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PARKS & GARDENS
Delightful DeTOURs

Rochester has an abundance of museums that offer visitors education on a broad range of topics, be it film and photography at the George Eastman Museum, science and the stars at the Rochester Museum and Science Center and Strasenburgh Planetarium, or art history at the Memorial Art Gallery. Many of our museums are beginning to innovate in exciting ways in order to attract diverse audiences to their programming. One wonderful new monthly event that launched in 2016 is the DeTOUR series at the Memorial Art Gallery of the University of Rochester (MAG).

DeTOURS take place on the third Thursday of each month at the MAG. These exclusive themed tours of the museum strive to provide an engaging and entertaining experience for visitors. Themes vary from month to month, and each tour offers insight into artists’ personal lives, inspiration and methods behind their creativity, and other lesser-known facts about items in the MAG’s collection. The tour guides typically include icebreakers, games, activities, and even memes!

Memes in a museum? If you’re feeling skeptical, don’t. You’ll have a blast pairing cards like “When he ghosted you three months ago and then sends you a text asking ‘WYD’ at 10:39pm” with the perfect painting. You might even learn about paintings by e. e. cummings in the MAG’s collection. Or perhaps you’ll learn about the cat mummy in the Egypt section. And you’ll definitely see a portrait by Kehinde Wiley, the same artist who painted Barack Obama’s presidential portrait.

The Memorial Art Gallery has also incorporated partnerships with local organizations to offer another perspective on the art in the collection. Past partnerships include a literary-themed DeTOUR with local nonprofit Writers & Books (complete with a reading of “The Jabberwocky”), a musical-themed DeTOUR with WXXI (where musicians played live in
the museum alongside the art), a Rochester-themed DeTOUR with a blog called I Heart ROC (featuring hidden gems of Rochester), and a movie-themed tour with folks from The Little Theatre (including movie trivia and more).

You may be wondering where the idea to offer such an eclectic museum tour came from. Rochesterian and MAG employee Jessica Gasbarre attended a MuseumHack bootcamp in New York City, where she was inspired by their unconventional approach to museum tours. Gasbarre brought back what she learned and made some modifications to better cater to the audience in Rochester. Since then, the MAG has run 17 different DeTOURs, often partnering with other passionate and creative Rochesterians to keep things fresh. Each DeTOUR experience is made even more special by the fact that Gasbarre offers small prizes and handwritten notes as parting gifts for attendees.

Dying to get on a DeTOUR next time you’re in Rochester? Well you’re in luck! Make sure you’re in town on the third Thursday of the month and drop by the MAG to snag a ticket. Tickets are available online in advance or at the desk the day of the event. You can learn more about DeTOURs on the Memorial Art Gallery’s website: mag.rochester.edu.
1820s, when Joseph Smith published the Book of Mormon here for the first time. Visitors also can walk through the bindery and the store where the Book of Mormon was first sold.

**Boynton House**

16 East Blvd., Rochester
Private residence
Frank Lloyd Wright built this house for E.E. Boynton in 1908. You can’t tour the private residence, but you can get a good look from the street. It is a well-preserved example of the architect’s Prairie style, and its current owners spared no expense in a full restoration.

**Charlotte-Genesee Lighthouse and Keeper’s Residence Museum**

70 Lighthouse St., Rochester
621-6179; geneseelighthouse.org
Limited hours or by appointment
Lake Ontario’s oldest surviving lighthouse once guarded Rochester’s shoreline. A recent lens restoration made it an active lighthouse as well. Climb the tower for one of the best views of the city. In the museum are memorabilia from the heyday of Charlotte (pronounced shar-LOT) as the Coney Island of the West, along with local maritime history. Pick up a souvenir in the gift shop and pause for a picnic on the grounds.

**Fairport Historical Museum**

18 Perrin St., Fairport
223-3989; perintonhistoricalsociety.org
Free admission; limited hours
Built as a library in 1937 by the Works Progress Administration, the museum lobby houses a huge mural by artist Carl Peters. There are local history collections for the Perinton Historical Society, a Victorian parlor and a general store exhibit. Of interest to genealogists: early property records, costumes and other materials. Fairport owes its existence to the Erie Canal and the railroad, so much of the collection focuses on their role in the village’s growth.
In a city fascinated by the past and excited about the future, museums serve as caretakers and sharers of its stories. They reveal the growth of Rochester and neighboring towns; the rise (and evolution) of photography and film; and the lives of movers and shakers, such as Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony. If it’s in Rochester’s DNA, we’ve got a museum for it: trains, science, lighthouses, pioneer life, medicine, toys, Native American culture, historic plants and Jell-O. Don’t miss a visit to one of our many historic homes or the largest living history museum in New York; they recreate local life in the 19th century and are a direct result of the region’s special focus on historic preservation. See Entertainment & the Arts for a list of art museums.
Memorial Art Gallery
500 University Ave., Rochester
276-8900; mag.rochester.edu
Free admission
The collection contains artifacts and materials from all eras of U.S. military history. On display in the galleries are hundreds of items ranging from the War of 1812 to the present, including Civil War artillery and World War II uniforms.

Military History Society of Rochester
250 N. Goodman St., Rochester
730-4041; rochestermilitary.com
Free admission
The collection contains artifacts and materials from all eras of U.S. military history. On display in the galleries are hundreds of items ranging from the War of 1812 to the present, including Civil War artillery and World War II uniforms.

Morgan-Manning House
151 Main St., Brockport
637-3645; morganmanninghouse.org
Free admission; tours by appointment
Dayton Morgan purchased the home in 1854, and it remained in his family for nearly 100 years. The Western Monroe Historical Society restored the house in 1965 after a damaging fire, which also took the life of the last of the Morgan children, 96-year-old Sara Morgan Manning. Today the home looks much as it did during the 19th century.

National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House
17 Madison St., Rochester
235-6124; susanbanthonyhouse.org
The pioneer leader of the women’s rights movement lived here with her sister Mary.
writing and organizing, during the years when she campaigned for women’s suffrage. Anthony met often with Elizabeth Cady Stanton and other reformers in the parlor, where she was arrested for voting in 1872. The house is a National Historic Landmark. Docents lead tours and tell stories of Anthony’s life and work. The visitor center next door, where sister Hannah lived, contains exhibits and a gift shop.

**National Warplane Museum**
3489 Big Tree Lane, Geneseo 243-2100; nationalwarplane.org
Dedicated to the restoration, preservation, display, and flight of aircraft of the World War II and Korean War eras, as well as the recognition of all United States Military personnel for their service and sacrifice. Every year, the museum puts on the Geneseo Airshow.

**New York Museum of Transportation**
6393 East River Road, Rush 533-1113; nytmuseum.org
The only operating trolley museum in New York, NYMT offers unlimited trolley rides and special events in the summer. The museum has historic vehicles and photographs, trolley and track car rides and model railroad displays.

**Rochester & Genesee Valley Railroad Museum**
282 Rush-Scottsville Road, Rush 533-1431; rochesterrailrides.com
Climb aboard for a mile-and-a-half round trip train ride behind vintage diesels, and tour the largest collection of restored historic trains in New York. In the museum’s 1909 country train station, learn about the 20 trains a day that took people into the city.

**The Rochester Academy of Medicine & Rochester Medical Museum**
1441 East Ave., Rochester 271-3171; roam.org
Free admission; Tours by appointment
The Rochester Academy of Medicine has partnered with the Rochester Medical Museum and Archives to become your resource for local health care history. This treasure trove of local and medical history originated in Rochester General Hospital. The archives also house gallery space where local artists display their work. Visit the archives’ permanent medical historical exhibits.

**Rochester Auto Museum**
140 E. Main St., Rochester 800-398-3029; rochesterautomuseum.com
A museum for auto enthusiasts & history buffs. The museum is a walkable time machine of auto history. Each vehicle has been restored and preserved in immaculate condition and working order. Any auto enthusiast, or even local history buffs, can find something to appreciate among the collection, which includes a Rochester-made hearse from 1929.

**Rochester Museum & Science Center**
657 East Ave., Rochester 271-4320; rmsc.org
Established in 1912, RMSC is among the most visited attractions in Monroe County. The science museum has more than 200 interactive exhibits. Strasenburgh Planetarium, with its 85-foot dome, presents star shows, giant-screen films and laser light shows. Cumming Nature Center, near Naples, has 900 acres favored by cross-country skiers and hikers. RMSC exhibits spur exploration in science, technology and Rochester’s rich history of innovation and invention. The collection has more than 1.2 million items.

**Rose Hill Mansion**
3373 Route 96A, Geneva (315) 789-3848; genevahistoricalociety.com
Rose Hill is an 1839 Greek Revival mansion perched above Seneca Lake in the heart of the Finger Lakes. Guided tours of the National Historic Landmark explore the complex world of the Swan family and their 19th-century farm estate. Twenty rooms are restored and furnished in the Empire style, popular from the 1820s to 1850s.

**Sodus Bay Lighthouse Museum**
7606 N. Ontario St., Sodus Point (315) 483-4936; sodusbaylighthouse.org
Housed in a lighthouse built in 1870, the museum exhibits lighthouse tools, Fresnel lenses, maritime artifacts, ship models and a display on the War of 1812 Battle of Sodus Point. Climb the tower, stroll the gardens and check out the gift shop. Open seasonally from May 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018.

**Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion State Historic Park**
151 Charlotte St., Canandaigua 394-4922; sonnenberg.org
This Victorian mansion was the summer home of Canandaigua benefactors Frederick Ferris Thompson and Mary Clark Thompson. Frederick was a founder of the forerunner of Citibank. The 1885 Queen Anne-style mansion has 40 rooms, and nine themed gardens were designed and created in the early decades of the 20th century. The conservatory complex is considered one of the most significant residential greenhouse complexes in the country. The gardens are open from May 1 to October 31. Stop for a tasting at the Finger Lakes Wine Center on the grounds.

**Spencerport Depot & Canal Museum**
16 East Ave., Spencerport 352-0942; spencerportdepot.com
The Spencerport Depot and Canal Museum is a historic museum, visitor center, and lending library located in a restored trolley depot. The museum offers resources to those traveling along the Erie Canal and host events throughout the summer. The museum houses objects related to local history, the Erie Canal, communication and transportation.

**Stone-Tolan House Historic Site**
2370 East Ave., Brighton 442-4606; landmarksofsociety.org 546-7029, ext. 14, for group tours
Limited hours
Orringh Stone and his family managed their farm and rural tavern here from 1790 to 1820. One of the area’s oldest houses, Stone-Tolan features furnishings, utensils and clothing of the period. The 19th-century landscape is the real deal: apple orchard, herb garden, privy, smokehouse and 200 varieties of plants.

**The Strong Museum of Play**
One Manhattan Square, Rochester 263-2700; museumofplay.org
The Strong® is a highly interactive, collections-based museum devoted to the history and exploration of play. It is one of the largest history museums in the United States and one of the leading museums serving families. Interactive exhibits include five literary worlds in Reading Adventureland, Sesame Street, a kid-sized supermarket, eGame Revolution and the Video Game Hall of Fame, and a giant kaleidoscope. Butterflies flutter free in the Dancing Wings Butterfly Garden. Visit the National Toy Hall of Fame and a treasure trove of play-related objects, including the world’s largest collection of dolls and toys.

**Tinker Homestead and Farm Museum**
1585 Calkins Road, Henrietta 389-7042
Free admission; limited hours
Cobblestone buildings are rare, and Rochester is at the center of the largest concentration of this type of architecture. Tinker Homestead is a fine example. The 1830s structure features handmade quilts, a beehive oven and furnishings of the period. Walking trails wind through a nature park on the grounds.

**Valentown Museum**
7370 Valentown Rd, Victor 924-4170; valentown.org
Limited hours
Built in 1879 as the first structure in a town that never materialized, Valentown houses a recreated cobbler’s shop, music school, country store and harness maker’s shop. Important regional historical papers and artifacts are on display. In 1940, a local historian bought the abandoned building and turned it into a museum. The town of Victor has grown explosively around it. The museum stands as a reminder of the past in an area of busy commercial development.
Magnificent Museums

From world-class art and photography to hands-on history, science and technology, there is so much to discover!

Genesee Country Village & Museum

Visit the Largest Living History Museum in New York State! Genesee Country Village & Museum has hands-on fun and live demonstrations for the whole family. Explore the Historic Village as costumed interpreters bring history to life through storytelling and sharing. Tour the working brewery, see the blacksmith, the potter, the tinsmith and cooper at work, and visit the animals on the farm. Take a piece of history home from the Museum Store, featuring handcrafted fudge and village-made tin and pottery. GCV&M is also home to the John L. Wehle Art Gallery, a nature center, and Silver Baseball Park.

Open seasonally with special events all year long. Just 20 miles from downtown Rochester.

Regular season: Tuesday through Sunday from May to September; Wednesday through Sunday September & October. Weekend and special events all year long. Senior citizen, Veteran, and student discounts.

2018 Highlights: Maple Sugar Festival (March), Celtic Faire (June), Independence Day Celebration, Wilder Days (Aug), Fiddlers’ Fair (Aug), Hop Harvest Festival (Sept), Spirits of the Past (Oct), Yuletide in the Country (Dec).

George Eastman Museum

Enter the world of photography and film! One of the world’s foremost collections of photography and cinema and the historic estate of George Eastman, the pioneer of popular photography and motion picture film. The museum’s robust exhibition schedule features contemporary and historic photography. The National Historic Landmark mansion and gardens tell the story of how this visionary entrepreneur and philanthropist lived for almost thirty years during the early twentieth century; hands-on Discovery Room for children; Store and Café; plus evening films in the Dryden Theatre. Open Tues.–Sat., 10 a.m.–5 p.m.; Sun., 11 a.m.–5 p.m.; Closed Mon., Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Dreaming in Color through 6/24: Hundreds of film frames dating from around 1897 to 1915 are presented in digital projections throughout the gallery. Eastman Entertains 5/8–5/20: Creative table settings and floral arrangements throughout the historic mansion inspired by favorite films. David Levinthal: War, Myth, Desire 6/2–1/1/19: Since the 1970s, Levinthal has explored American popular culture and identity through bold photographs of staged scenarios that feature miniature figurines and toys. Gail Albert Halaban: Out My Window 7/7–1/1/19: The artist connects strangers who live across the street from each other and encourages viewers to take a fresh look at the people they see every day. Sweet Creations: Gingerbread House Display 11/2–12/12: Clever creations in the historic house, which is elaborately decorated for the holidays. The Dutch Connection February 2019: The historic house is filled with flowers—a mid-winter treat for the eyes and nose! The History of Photography ongoing: A rotating selection of photographs and cameras from the museum’s collection.
Museums

From world-class art and photography to hands-on history, The History of Photography holidays.

Sweet Creations: Gingerbread House Display connects strangers who live across the street from each other and encourages viewers to take a fresh look at the people they see every day. Photographs of staged scenarios that feature miniature figurines and toys.

Fiddlers' Fair (March), 2018 Highlights: Maple Sugar Festival Weekend and special events all year long. Senior citizen, Veteran, and student discounts.

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Science and technology, there is so much to discover! Enter the world of photography and film!

5/8–5/20: Creative table settings and floral arrangements throughout the historic mansion inspired by favorite films. February 2019: The historic house is filled with flowers—a mid-winter treat for the eyes and nose!

JOURNEY through 50 centuries of creativity at Rochester’s art museum. Located in the Neighborhood of the Arts, MAG features an exceptional permanent collection; year-round exhibitions; Centennial Sculpture Park, an outdoor gathering place with public art; social events, concerts and talks; art classes for all ages; summer and school break art camps; facility rentals; a restaurant; and a gift shop.

Open Wednesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. and until 9 p.m on Thursdays and until 9 p.m on select $5 Fridays; closed Monday, Tuesday, major holidays.

2018–19 HIGHLIGHTS: April 22–June 17, 2018: Javier Tellez: NOSFERATU (The Undead) | June 7–10, 2018: Art & Treasures sale of next-to-new collectibles and antiques | July 15–Sept. 9, 2018: The Surreal Visions of Josephine Tota | Sept. 8 & 9, 2018: M&T Bank Clothesline Festival featuring national art & crafts, entertainment, family art activities | Oct. 7, 2018 – Jan. 6, 2019: Monet’s Waterloo Bridge: Vision and Process | Nov. 2–4, 2018: 18th Annual Fine Craft Show & Sale | Ongoing Celebration Series: Several times each year, MAG opens its doors and offers Rochester area families and community members the opportunity to learn more about specific cultures. These events for all ages feature hands-on art activities, music and dance demonstrations, storytelling, and a variety of cultural displays | Ongoing Media Arts Watch Gallery: includes changing exhibits of artworks that explore the technologies and aesthetics of film as well as the emerging tools and practices in the realms of video, computers, virtual reality, the internet, software, and mobile devices. Weekend Brunch at Brown Hound Downtown.

The Strong®

Discover the ultimate play destination for all ages! Step into the world’s largest pop-up book, play your way through the history of electronic games, attend Super Powers School, move like a piece on a giant game board, take off on a rescue mission in an emergency helicopter, and go hands-on with the most iconic toys of all time. The museum is home to upstate New York’s only year-round indoor butterfly garden, the National Toy Hall of Fame, the World Video Game Hall of Fame, and the world’s largest collection of toys, dolls, games, and video games. The Strong also offers three aquariums, an operating train and carousel, museum shop, and food court. Open Mon.–Thurs., 10 a.m.–5 p.m.; Fri. and Sat., 10 a.m.–8 p.m.; Sun., noon–5 p.m. Closed October 26, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

2018 Highlights: June 9–September 3, 2018: Rockets, Robots, and Ray Guns. Travel to faraway galaxies to explore space heroes, robots, time travel, and extraterrestrial life. Examine unique artifacts (including one of the first toy ray guns) and learn how science-fiction books, toys, movies, and video games have captured people’s imaginations and shaped the way they play.

September 15, 2018–January 7, 2019: Be the Astronaut. Blast off! Take an adventure to space and fly a simulated spaceship, pilot a lander, and drive a rover on the Moon, Mars, Ceres, and Jupiter. Learn about the challenges of spacecraft and how astronauts prepare to explore the solar system.

Rochester Museum & Science Center

Follow your curiosity from the depths of the oceans to the edge of the universe.

Science Museum: Reward your curiosity with 200 hands-on minds-on exhibits, spectacular shows, authentic collections, and programs for lifelong learners. Climb a wall, build a robot, launch a catapult, and zoom through space. Café, gift shop, and free parking. Regular Museum hours: Mon.–Sat., 9am–5pm; Sun. 11 am–5pm. Strasenburgh Planetarium: Journey across the universe under our four-story dome. Immerse yourself in giant-screen films, current-event star shows, and brilliant laser shows set to music. Free parking. Show schedule at RMSC.org. Cumming Nature Center: Our 900-acre preserve is as beautiful as it is vast. Enjoy hiking, skiing, and snowshoeing trails; hands-on family activities, gallery exhibits, and an annual maple-sugaring/pancake breakfast event. Free parking. CNC hours: Wed.–Fri., 9am–3:30pm; Sat.–Sun., 9am–4:30pm; closed mid-Nov.–Dec.

Education

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Nazareth College's academic strengths cross a broad spectrum of 60 majors in the fields of education, health and human services, liberal arts, management, math and science, and the visual and performing arts. The co-ed, religiously independent campus in a Rochester suburb has 2,000 undergraduate and 800 graduate students. Nazareth is recognized nationally for its Fulbright global student scholars and commitment to civic engagement. Rigorous programs, an uncommon arts and sciences core, experiential learning, career skills and a global focus prepare graduates for their life's work. 4245 East Ave., Pittsford; 389-2525; naz.edu ●

Named a “best value” by U.S. News & World Report, Roberts Wesleyan College is an independent Christian liberal arts college founded in 1866. It has 99 academic programs, including eight online programs and degrees. Roberts has popular graduate programs in social work, education and management. The Crothers Science and Nursing Center opened in fall 2015. Some 1,800 students attend the college in suburban North Chili. The Roberts has popular graduate programs in social work, education and management. The Roberts Wesleyan College ●

Rochester Institute of Technology plays a key role in local economic development efforts. A technical university with strong ties to business, industry and government, it comprises nine colleges in a range of sciences and technology, arts, engineering and business. One of the premier institutions for art, design, photography and crafts; newer programs focus on sustainability, architecture and entrepreneurship. The university’s co-op program, launched in 1912, is one of the oldest and largest in the country. The new Center for Urban Entrepreneurship broadens opportunities for students, and the Wegmans School of Health and Nutrition addresses nutrition needs in the region. 1 Lomb Memorial Drive, Henrietta; 475-2411; rit.edu ●

St. John Fisher College, an independent institution in the Catholic tradition of American higher education, emphasizes the liberal arts, offering programs in traditional academic disciplines as well as more directly career-oriented fields. The college offers many different academic programs and accredited schools for education, business, pharmacy, nursing, and arts and sciences. Athletic teams at St. John Fisher are consistently competitive; the college also hosts the Buffalo Bills training camp every summer. 3690 East Ave., Pittsford; 385-8000; sjfc.edu ●

For more than 175 years, The College at Brockport, State University of New York has helped students pursue something greater. A four-year institution in a historic Erie Canal town, the college offers liberal arts along with professional studies, spanning 49 undergraduate and more than 50 graduate programs. Teacher preparation is a major focus, with certification in 26 areas, and the study abroad program is the largest in the SUNY system. More than two dozen professors have earned distinguished faculty rank. Nearly 9,000 students attend the Brockport campus and the MetroCenter campus in downtown Rochester. 350 New Campus Drive, Brockport; 395-2211; brockport.edu ●

SUNY College at Geneseo was founded in 1867 as a teachers college. Today it is widely regarded as one of the nation’s most selective public colleges. The Honors College of the state university system, SUNY Geneseo offers more than 50 degree programs in liberal arts and sciences. It has a strong focus on providing a core liberal arts education. The campus serves as the cultural hub of Livingston County. The heart of the charming village of Geneseo, about 30 miles south of Rochester, is a National Historic Landmark. 1 Circle, Geneseo; 245-5211; geneseo.edu ●

SUNY Empire State College, Geneseo Valley, bills itself as the accredited SUNY solution for the working adult. Its emphasis is individualized study with online course work and one-on-one faculty interaction. SUNY Empire offers associate degrees in arts and science and bachelor’s degrees in arts, science and professional studies. Master’s degree programs include business, education, liberal studies, policy studies and nursing. 680 Westfall Road, Brighton; 224-3200; esc.edu ●

The University of Rochester attracts researchers, medical professionals, musicians and leading scholars from around the world. The private university is the region’s largest employer. It is known as one of the best colleges in the country for budding entrepreneurs. Engineering, optics and medical research are strengths, and collaboration across research areas is common. UR’s Eastman School of Music downtown is one of the top music schools in the world. The university also includes the Simon Business School (a top-30 U.S. ranking), the Warner School of Education and the medical center, whose faculty and students work in the School of Medicine and Dentistry, School of Nursing, Eastman School of Dental Health, Golisano Children’s Hospital, Strong Memorial Hospital and Highland Hospital. College Town, a large retail and office development, has rejuvenated a nearby commercial area. Wilson Boulevard at Elmwood Avenue, Rochester; 275-2121; rochester.edu ●

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Monroe Community College is one of just 20 community colleges among 1,200 in North America that belong to the League for Innovation in the Community College. Founded in 1962, MCC has a sprawling suburban campus with student housing. Flexible degree and certificate programs mean MCC has the most part-time students of any college in the area. Programs range from 2 + 2 programs with four-year colleges to robust workforce development opportunities. MCC’s downtown campus recently moved into a new campus featuring innovative classrooms and meeting space. 1000 East Henrietta Road, Brighton; 292-2000; monroecc.edu ●

Areas of study for the nearly 7,000 students at Finger Lakes Community College range from horticulture and winemaking to architectural design and drafting. The Constellation Brands-Marvin Sands Performing Arts Center on campus is a popular indoor-outdoor venue for national acts in the summer. The 450-acre campus lies in the scenic Finger Lakes region, renowned for outdoor recreation opportunities and wineries. 4355 Lakeshore Drive, Canandaigua; 394-3522; fingerlakes.edu ●

Geneseo Community College is an integral part of economic development in Genesee County, midway between Rochester and Buffalo. Its main campus is in Batavia, one of the top micropolitan regions in the country. GCC has satellite campuses in six other communities and has received community economic development awards for the training and consulting it offers to area businesses. It offers more than 60 degree and certificate programs to roughly 7,000 full- and part-time students. More than 100 hail from 23 other countries. 1 College Road, Batavia; 343-0055; genesee.edu ●

MORE COLLEGE PROGRAMS

The University of Rochester and the George Eastman Museum offer a joint master’s degree in photographic preservation and collections management, the nation’s first. Medaille College’s Rochester campus in Brighton houses classrooms for the Buffalo college’s accelerated learning program.
Specialty areas

Deaf Education

The Rochester area has the largest per-capita deaf population in the country and is considered highly deaf-accessible. Rochester School for the Deaf has taught children and young adults for 141 years. It also offers American Sign Language classes to the public. The National Technical Institute for the Deaf at RIT is the nation’s first and largest technical college for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. For hearing people who want to learn American Sign Language, virtually every college and many high schools offer ASL as a language option.

Seminaries

Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School offers M.Div., M.A. and D.Min. degrees. Personal enrichment and continuing education courses also are available. 1100 S. Goodman St., Rochester; 271-1320; crcds.edu

Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College offers three M.A. degrees and an M.Div. degree, plus a D.Min. degree. Students also can pursue a combined M.Div. and MSW. 2265 Westside Drive, Chili; 594-6802; nes.edu

At St. Bernard’s School of Theology and Ministry, students can pursue an M.Div. degree or an M.A. in theological studies or pastoral studies. The school also offers certification in four areas and continuing education courses. St. Bernard’s was one of the first Roman Catholic seminaries in the country to open its doors to laity. It has extension campuses in Albany and Syracuse. 120 French Road, Brighton; 271-3657; stbernards.edu

Primary and Secondary Schools

Public schools in Monroe County are recognized nationally for rigorous programs in the arts, sciences, music and athletics. Pittsford, Honeoye Falls-Lima, Brighton, Penfield and West Irondequoit schools, from primary to high school, consistently rank high for academic performance. Private schools include Allendale Columbia School, a co-ed college preparatory day school. Nearly all of its graduates go on to four-year colleges. The Aquinas Institute is a co-ed Catholic school founded in 1902 with robust fine arts and sports programs. Bishop Kearney High School in Irondequoit also is Catholic and co-ed. The Harley School in Brighton is a private, college preparatory school with about 500 students in nursery school through 12th grade. McQuaid Jesuit High School is an all-boys school in Brighton; nearly all of its graduates go on to college. Our Lady of Mercy School for Young Women is the only all-girls secondary school in the area.
The Crystal City

Corning, New York in Steuben County is a gleaming gem on the southern edge of the Finger Lakes Region. With its widely acclaimed eateries, world-class museums, festivals, and rich history, it has earned its place on the map as a destination for travelers.

The 19th century settlers in the region used the abundant forests and access to the Chemung River to develop a flourishing lumber trade that helped establish the city. Toward the end of the 1800s glass makers known as “gaffers” began to change local industry, and Corning would soon become known as “The Crystal City.” More recently, the city has become an arts and cultural epicenter, attracting visitors from around the world.

Today, you’ll find examples of the city’s glass-roots like downtown’s nickname, “The Gaffer District,” and the Corning Museum of Glass. First founded in 1951, the museum houses a world-class collection of 45,000 pieces. In addition to showcasing modern and historical glass work, the Corning Museum of Glass features interactive exhibits for all ages, and live glass blowing demonstrations. Visitors wanting a more hands-on experience and personalized souvenir can create their own glass art in a glassblowing studio. People from all over the world have visited this part of the state specifically to see the museum, and for good reason.

Adding to the city’s cultural attractions is the Rockwell Museum, a short commute from the Corning Museum of Glass. Rockwell’s collection of fine art includes some of the most noteworthy Native American and cultural art found in the northeast. History buffs will love that the Rockwell Museum is housed in the city’s original town hall. The building’s historic architecture blended with modern design and fine art have earned the Rockwell Museum a reputation befitting of their association with the Smithsonian. While visiting Corning, a fully immersed museum tour should include a stop at the Heritage Village of the Southern Finger Lakes—a living
museum where visitors can step back in time to the 19th century.

Corning’s Main Street is a perfect place for visitors to leave their car and walk blocks of bustling store fronts, boutiques, book shops, antique dealers, coffee shops, eateries, and even the third oldest cigar shop in the United States. Whether you’re looking for a locally crafted beer, a wood-fired pizza, local Finger Lakes wines, a vintage piece of Corningware, or just to browse the many shops, Market Street’s “Gaffer District” will have something for everyone. Its charm is preserved by locally owned businesses that each contribute a uniqueness to the district.

Lastly, getting to Corning is a simple commute. From Rochester, a drive down Route 390 is a scenic one that will give travelers a sense for the majesty of the Genesee Valley, Finger Lakes Region, and Southern Tier all on one easy route.

Rochester is not only perfectly situated along Lake Ontario, one of the Great Lakes, but is also your gateway to the Finger Lakes and beyond. Western and Central New York have spectacular sights—such as Niagara Falls, the storied Erie Canal, Frank Lloyd Wright-designed estates, Corning Museum of Glass and the picturesque Finger Lakes wine region. Here’s where a day trip will take you in three hours or less:

**Buffalo**

visitbuffaloniagara.com

You know it is home to the Buffalo Bills and the Anchor Bar, where a certain bar-food staple got its start. But the city of Buffalo has more to love than chicken wings and sports. The region boasts magnificent architecture, art museums and, nearby, one of the great wonders of the world, Niagara Falls. Buildings designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, Louis Sullivan and H.H. Richardson are set amid an elaborate parks system created by landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted. There are numerous galleries and other attractions, including the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, known for its collection of 20th-century paintings and sculpture, and Burchfield Penney Art Center’s elegant home. Break for lunch and shopping in Elmwood Village or the Walden Galleria, or check out new developments along the waterfront.

**Chautauqua Institution**

chq.org/Thousands

Visit Chautauqua in the summer for intellectual and spiritual events and lectures. The educational center’s Victorian buildings, along with charming rooming houses and inns, are in a national historic district. Located on the shores of Chautauqua Lake in southwestern New York, Chautauqua was founded in 1874 as a place to learn about politics, religion, literature and science. The arts are alive here too, in the form of a symphony orchestra, ballet, conservatory theater and opera company. Take a stroll or bike ride on the peaceful, 750-acre campus.

**Chimney Bluffs State Park**

waynecountytourism.com

The steep cliffs at Chimney Bluffs are a surprise to some visitors. They tower over Lake Ontario about 45 miles east of Rochester. This is a great place to see Upstate New York’s seafaring side. Geologists say the steep bluffs are chopped-off drumlins. They look like waves of chocolate icing whipped up to a point.
Relentless Great Lakes winds chisel away at the land, accounting for the vertical shapes. From Rochester, take Route 104 east to Lake Bluff Road north, which turns into Garner Road. You can park in a lot by the road.

**Cooperstown**
thisiscooperstown.com/The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is a perennial attraction in this village. That is reason enough to visit. But Cooperstown has many more things to see and do, from the arts to microbreweries. Glimmerglass Opera’s summer season collaborates with the New York City Opera. The Farmers’ Museum is a hands-on history center devoted to agriculture and rural life. The area’s natural beauty draws hikers and campers. The town itself, with well-kept Victorian homes and tidy shops, sits on the shores of Otsego Lake; author James Fenimore Cooper waxed eloquent about the lake’s glimmerglass quality in “The Leatherstocking Tales.”

**Corning**
corningfingerlakes.com
Home of the international company that shares its name, the city of Corning draws visitors from all over the world to the Corning Museum of Glass. You’ll see glass-blowing demonstrations, exhibitions of art glass and other attractions that delve into the science, history and art of glass. The Rockwell Museum of Western Art explores American Western and Native American art in a mix of traditional and contemporary exhibits. Take a drive to antique shops and wineries, or visit nearby aviation museums. Stretch your legs on a walking tour of town, and then stop for a bite to eat on historic Market Street.
East Aurora
www.east-aurora.ny.us
It was here that Elbert Hubbard fashioned an American version of William Morris’ English crafts complex. The Roycrofters—artisans who worked on leather crafts, furniture, copperware and fine books in the Roycroft community—made a significant mark on the arts and crafts movement in this country. The stock market crash of 1929 and the Depression closed the campus; renewed interest in the Roycrofters brought it back to life. You can visit the restored 14-building campus, now a national historic landmark, and dine or stay overnight at the Roycroft Inn across the street. The Millard Fillmore House, built by the 13th president, and the Roycroft Museum, in a craftsman-style bungalow, are open for tours. Village eateries and bars offer evening entertainment.

Finger Lakes
fingerlakes.org; fingerlakestravelny.com
Rochester is the western gateway and “front door” to the award-winning and picturesque Finger Lakes wine region. Best known for its 100-plus wineries, the area also has chef-inspired restaurants and lots of antiques and crafts shops. The villages of Hammondsport and Watkins Glen have been named among the Coolest Small Towns by Budget Travel. Watch a NASCAR race at Watkins Glen International. Visit the birthplace of women’s rights in Seneca Falls; in Auburn, visit the homes of abolitionist Harriet Tubman and Secretary of State William Seward, who served under President Lincoln. State parks dot the region, with plenty of places to fish, ski, hike, bike, row and camp.

Ithaca
visitithaca.com
Home of Cornell University and Ithaca College, this small city in Central New York has an activist zeal, deep gorges, waterfalls and culture. You’ll find organic, healthy restaurants (including the famed Moosewood), shops that sell artwork and crafts, and numerous bed-and-breakfasts. Wineries of the Finger Lakes are a scenic drive up Cayuga Lake. Great places for hiking include Cornell Plantations, an arboretum and botanical garden; Buttermilk Falls State Park; and Taughannock Falls State Park. Pick up fresh fruit and vegetables at the Ithaca Farmers Market and Cornell Orchards, a research and teaching orchard and sales room.

Letchworth State Park
fingerlakeswest.com Before the north-flowing Genesee River reaches Rochester, it cuts a 17-mile swath through Letchworth, nicknamed the Grand Canyon of the East. Sixty-six miles of trails, both paved and natural, wind along the scenic gorge and take hikers near three major waterfalls. The views are breathtaking. Be sure to visit the overlook for the Mount Morris Dam; since 1952, this major structure has prevented flood disasters that once plagued Rochester downstream. Besides hiking, Letchworth offers, whitewater rafting, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, biking, kayaking and hot-air ballooning. A new nature center and two smaller museums tell the park’s story. The Glen Iris Inn has dining and overnight accommodations. Cabins, campsites and a lodge also are available.
Niagara Region
niagarafallsusa.com

Nik Wallenda of the Flying Wallendas, a world-famous family of circus performers, crossed the falls on a tightrope in 2012, but there’s more to Niagara Falls than the occasional daredevil. While you’re here, take a side trip to Old Fort Niagara. France and Britain controlled Niagara 300 years ago from this imposing structure. In Lockport, check out the 100 American Craftsmen Festival in early June at the Kenan Center—celebrating its 50th anniversary this year—as well as that village’s underground caves and five restored Erie Canal locks. ArtPark in Lewiston has theater and musical performances, festivals and places to hike and fish. And don’t miss the Niagara Power Project Visitors Center, known as Power Vista. It is four miles downstream from the falls in the Niagara River Gorge. State-of-the-art interactive exhibits teach about hydroelectricity and its role in the area’s history.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada
niagaraonthelake.com

This picturesque Canadian town is the home of the Shaw Festival, one of the largest repertory theaters in North America. The festival stages the plays of George Bernard Shaw and his contemporaries in four theaters from April to November. Proud old homes and tree-lined streets attest to the town’s history as a prosperous shipbuilding center. Shops and restaurants fill 19th-century commercial buildings and converted residences. Wineries and historic sites, such as Fort George, are nearby. The area has plenty of shopping and golf courses, and Niagara Falls is a 20-minute drive away.

Seneca Falls
fingerlakesgateway.com

The women’s rights movement began in 1848 in this central New York village. Today the Women’s Rights National Historical Park commemorates it. Four properties and a visitor center tell the story of how everyday people began the struggle for equal rights for women, including the legal right to vote. The National Women’s Hall of Fame honors outstanding leaders, including Madeleine Albright, Rosa Parks and Maya Angelou. Fans of “It’s a Wonderful Life” will want to visit the museum of the same name; Bedford Falls is said to have been inspired by Seneca Falls.

Skaneateles
skaneateles.com

This cozy village lies on the shore of a Finger Lake with the same name. Enjoy the Skaneateles Antique and Classic Boat Show in late July. Dickens’ Christmas brings out carolers, sleigh rides and roasted chestnuts. Skaneateles also is the northeastern gateway to the Finger Lakes wine region,
and it sits along Route 20, one of the best antiquing routes around. The village has many shops and places to eat. If you find yourself rolling through in August, take in the chamber music festival.

Sodus Point
greatsodusbay.org; waynecountytourism.com

Catch a Great Lakes breeze in Sodus Point, Wayne County, a port on the southern shore of Lake Ontario. Settled in 1794, Sodus Bay was a major Great Lakes shipping port; today it is a popular gathering spot for boaters. History buffs will find unique cobblestone homes, War of 1812 and Shaker community sites, and a lighthouse museum. Chimney Bluffs State Park is nearby. Besides boating, outdoor recreation of all kinds is big here.

Syracuse
visitsyracuse.com

New York’s central city played a leading role in the arts and crafts movement in the early 20th century; Stickley, Audi & Co. still operates a factory in Manlius. The Division I Syracuse Orange play in the Carrier Dome on campus before more than 30,000 screaming fans. The Erie Canal Museum, housed in the canal’s only remaining weighlock building, has hands-on exhibits and collections related to the famous waterway. Last year more than 1.1 million people attended the Great New York State Fair, held annually along the shores of Onondaga Lake just outside the city. Shoppers will enjoy Destiny USA, New York State’s largest shopping, dining and entertainment mega-plex.

Toronto
www.seetorontonow.com

Just a three-hour drive from Rochester, Canada’s biggest city boasts high-end hotels and restaurants. But it’s still known as a family-friendly destination. Canada’s Wonderland has the Leviathan, the country’s largest and fastest roller coaster, and Dinosaurs Alive, a seven-acre animatronic dinosaur park. Ripley’s Aquarium of Canada is downtown. EdgeWalk at the CN Tower is the world’s highest full-circle, hands-free walk. The Toronto Zoo is huge and includes habitats for endangered species, including giraffes and gorillas.
Accommodations

Bed & Breakfasts and Luxury Rentals

7 on Strath: 461-5010; www.7onstrath.com
A B&B at The Edward Harris House Inn: 473-9752; www.edwardharrishouse.com
An Inn at Reen’s (Bed & Breakfast): 458-9306; www.stayatreens.com
Canaltown Bed & Breakfast: (315) 597-5553; www.canaltownbb.com
Farmer’s Creekside Tavern & Inn: 789-6007; www.farmerscreekside.com
Finger Lakes Premier Properties: (315) 536-2201; www.fingerlakespremierproperties.com
Genesee Country Inn: 538-2500; www.geneseecountryinn.com
Inn on Church: 678-1106; www. theinnonchurch.com
Maxwell Creek Inn Bed & Breakfast: (315) 483-2222; www.maxwellcreekinnbnb.com
RentRochester.com: 325-3640; www.rentrochester.com
Rose Garden Bed & Breakfast: 723-9938; rosegardenbedandbreakfastny.com/
The Ellwanger Estate: 546-5103; www.ellwangerestate.com

Hotels

384 East Avenue Inn & Suites: 325-5010; www.eastaveinn.com
Avalon Suites: 671-4421; www.avalonsuitesorchester.com
Belhurst Castle: (315) 781-0201; www.belhurst.com
Best Western Plus Victor Inn & Suites: 924-3933; www.bestwestern.com
Best Western Rochester Marketplace Inn: 427-2700; www.bestwestern.com
Comfort Inn & Suites of Rochester/Henrietta: 334-6620; www.comfortsuites.com
Country Inn & Suites By Carlson – Rochester/Henrietta: 334-6620; www.countryinns.com
Country Inn & Suites Rochester Airport-University Area: 427-0131; www.countryinns.com
Courtyard by Marriott/Brighton: 292-1000; www.marriott.com/ROCCH
Courtyard by Marriott/Penfield: 385-1000; www.marriott.com/ROCCY
Del Monte Lodge - A Renaissance Hotel & Spa: 381-9900; www.renaissancedelmonte.com
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