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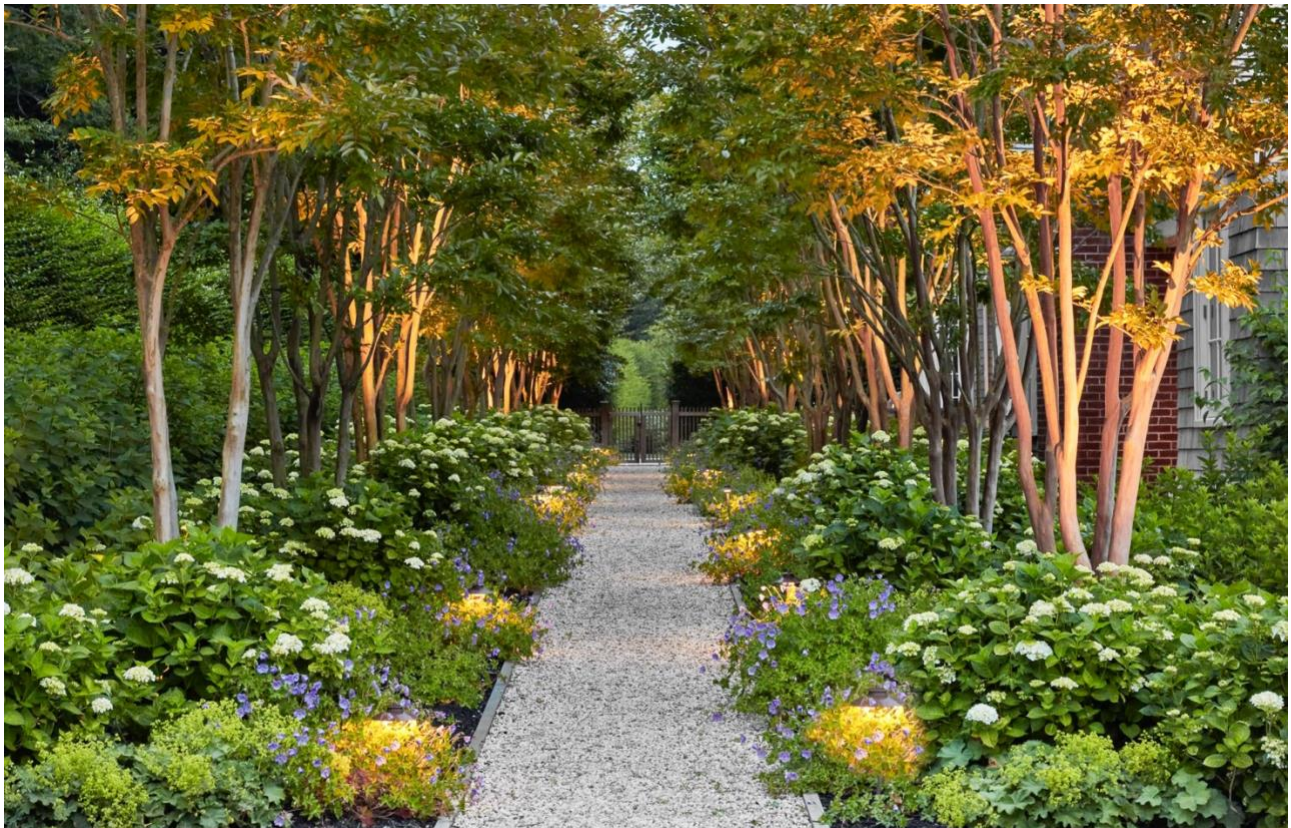
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GUILD HALL'S GARDEN AS ART EVENT RETURNS SATURDAY, JUNE 24

Featuring Four Stunning East Hampton Village Gardens and a Talk by Vincent Simeone



Pondside Garden, designed by Hollander Design Landscape Architects and building by Peter Pennoyer Architects. Photo: Neil Landino Photography

East Hampton, NY (June 16, 2023)— Guild Hall (158 Main Street, East Hampton, NY) has announced the return of **Garden as Art** on **Saturday, June 24**. The event will begin with a 10 AM talk at the East Hampton Library with garden expert Vincent Simeone and will continue from 12-4 PM with self-guided tours of four of the most spectacular private gardens in the Hamptons. Supporters at the Patron ticket level and above will be invited for a cocktail prolongé from 7:30-11 PM hosted by Cornelia and Ralph Heins at their exquisite garden, featuring a performance by Guild Hall William P. Rayner Artists-in-Residence, The Beatbox House.

PROGRAM

10 AM TALK: “Great Gardens of the World” by Vincent Simeone

Since 1998, Simeone has had the pleasure of traveling to some of the most breathtaking gardens in the world. The countries visited include Canada, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa. This lecture provides detailed information on a wide variety of unusual and exotic species of plants, picturesque views of natural and cultivated areas, and helpful information on garden design and popular trends. Come along for a train ride through the Canadian Rockies, a hiking trip into the wild bush of New Zealand, a whale-watching expedition to Cape Town, and a visit to a 15th-century abbey in jolly old England. Don't miss this unique and inspiring journey around the globe!

12 PM to 4 PM: GARDEN TOURS

Linden Hill

Designed by Hollander Design Landscape Architects with architecture by Kligerman Architecture and Design

The moment the designer first visited the site of this home, they knew that its ancient trees and geology would have a major influence on the location and design of its new home and landscape. Massive copper beech, fern leaf beech, lindens, and Japanese cypress punctuated the property like a constellation. The landscape design turns these trees and a remnant dune running through the property into focal points and destinations, anchors, and horizon views. The home's buildings, entry drive, tennis court, pool, and gardens are all organized around giant trees, which give the landscape its sense of timelessness.

Pondside

Designed by Hollander Design Landscape Architects with architecture by Peter Pennoyer Architects

The task at this long, narrow property was to create outdoor living areas that expressed the family's capacity for surprise, delight, and adventure. Once through the gate, the drive proceeds, winding its way under two majestic old plane trees as though it had been there forever. The driveway's soft circuitous route celebrates the site's existing trees and its peaceful, pastoral character. Here, they added groves of trees with seasonal presence that welcome spring, flower during the summer, and turn orange, yellow, and bronze in the fall. Broad blue stone terraces at the back of the house beckon with places to sit and enjoy the cool summer breezes. A tantalizing allée of crepe myrtles lined with hydrangeas and astilbes gives a peekaboo view down to the pond and acts as a draw towards the water.

Gardens on West End Road

Designed by Harmonia Inc.

This spectacular double property is set on a beautiful span of Georgica Pond. A romantic entry greets you as you walk the stone path through three large islands of mature Crape Myrtles underplanted with colorful lace cap hydrangea. A 6' "old-world charm" brick wall constructed of handmade bricks with a bell cap separates the Crab Apple allee driveway entrance from the privacy of the pool and gardens. On the adjacent parcel, a 23' tall sculpture titled 97.5° Arc x 9 commissioned by Bernar Venet is the centerpiece amongst the many mature towering specimen trees.

Garden on Egypt Lane

Designed by Frederico Azevedo, Unlimited Earth Care, Bridgehampton

This garden was sensitively designed with native and well adapted plants. Meadows were designed to bring movement and life into the landscape, and they feel sort of impromptu, even though I carefully designed the textures and color pallet to elevate their effects. They are essentially designs that center plants and flowers that aid the environment and support the pollinator populations.

7:30 PM to 11 PM: Cocktail Prolongé

Guests at the Patron-level and above (\$500+) will celebrate at a cocktail prolongé, hosted by Cornelia and Ralph Heins at their exquisite garden in Sagaponack, featuring an electrifying performance by Guild Hall William P. Rayner Artists-in-Residence, The Beatbox House. Based out of New York City, The Beatbox House is a collective of five World Champion Beatboxers, Gene Shinozaki, Kenny Urban, NaPoM, Amit, and Chris Celiz. The Beatbox House comes to the William P. Rayner Artist-in-Residence through an ongoing partnership with Works & Process at the Guggenheim.

Tickets start at \$200 (\$150 for Members) and can be purchased at GuildHall.org/GardenAsArt.

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ABOUT GUILD HALL

Guild Hall is the cultural heart of the East End: a museum, performing arts, and education center, founded in 1931. We invite everyone to experience the endless possibilities of the arts: to open minds to what art can be; inspire creativity and conversation; and have fun.

Guild Hall has served four generations and introduced audiences to the most storied artists and performers of our time. Now as we approach our centennial, we have embarked on a state-of-the-art renovation to match the caliber of our artistry for twenty-first-century audiences. The facility-wide Capital Improvements Project & Campaign includes top-of-the-line physical and technological enhancements to better deliver on our mission as an artist-driven, interdisciplinary institution.

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