

MUSEUMS, PARKS, GARDENS, AND MORE

It's back to school season for many. At WCNY, education is critical to our mission in providing services and programs to the communities we serve. Learning doesn't always mean classrooms, textbooks, and calculators. In fact, *CONNECT's* Regional Guide this issue features great places that combine education and entertainment across WCNY's 19-county broadcast area.

Educational entertainment in CNY

BROOME COUNTY

Kopernik Observatory & Science Center

698 Underwood Rd.
Vestal, NY 13850
kopernik.org
(607) 748-3685
Open: March to
Mid-December
Fridays at 7:30 p.m.
January-February
Fridays at 6:30 p.m.
Cost: \$5 adult, \$3 seniors and students, members: free

View the stars every Friday and explore our planet. The observatory features various interactive areas, including a physics laser lab, earth science lab, and weather station.



Inventor of rural products using wire weaving, Chester F. Wickwire's estate holds historical artifacts from the 19-20th centuries. Explore the Wickwire factory mill, the servant's quarters, and of course, the house-museum.

DELAWARE COUNTY

Hanford Mills Museum

51 Co. Rd. 12
East Meredith, NY 13757
hanfordmills.org
(607) 278-5744
Open: Wednesdays-
Sundays
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
*Cost: Adults and teens \$9, senior citizens \$7
Veterans and first responders \$4.50
Free for children 12 and under, active duty military
and their families, and museum members*

Experience what it's like to use a historical mill. Woodworking shops are also available for all ages and experience, presenting a fun opportunity to build something together as a family or individually!



CAYUGA COUNTY

NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center

25 South St.
Auburn, NY 13021
historyshometown.com
(315) 258-9820
Open: Everyday
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Cost: Free

Dedicated to educate the public on New York State's efforts in fighting for equality, the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center uses interactive media to make learning about social movements a communal and engaging experience.



HERKIMER COUNTY

VIEW Arts Center

3273 NY-28
Old Forge, NY 13420
viewarts.org
(315) 369-6411
Open: Fall/Winter:
Monday-Saturday
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Summer: Monday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Tuesdays-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday Noon-4 p.m.
Cost: \$10 adults, free for members and children

Watch community performances and exhibitions all year round! Art classes are also available, offering anything from metalworking to glass classes.



CHENANGO COUNTY

Earlville Opera House

18 East Main St.
Earlville, NY 13332
earlvilleoperahouse.com
(315) 691-4111
Open: Various days
depending on event
*Cost: Depends on event and
membership*

The Opera House has remained an important rural developmental center for the arts. On select days, the opera house hosts instrumental performances, music camps for children, as well as songwriting workshops. It's also a Connect Card partner!



JEFFERSON COUNTY

Antique Boat Museum

750 Mary St.
Clayton, NY 13624
abm.org
(315) 686-4104
Open: May-October
Everyday
9 a.m.-5 p.m.
*Cost: General Admission is \$8 ages 7-17, \$14
for adults, \$12 for seniors ages 65+, and free for
members and children 6 and under*

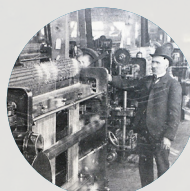
An area known for its waterfront and boating, Clayton hosts the Antique Boat Museum where boating events, boat rides, and boating education take place.



CORTLAND COUNTY

1890 House Museum

37 Tompkins St.
Cortland, NY 13045
the1890house.org
(607) 756-7551
Open: Thursdays-Saturdays
11 a.m.-5 p.m.
Closed January
*Cost: \$4-8 per person depending
on public/private tour*



DID YOU KNOW?

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The Antique Boat Museum in Clayton displays more than 300 boats.

LEWIS COUNTY

North American Fiddler's Hall of Fame and Museum

1121 Comins Rd.
Redfield, NY 13437
nysotfa.com
(315) 599-7009

Open: Select concert and event days
Cost: Free

Visitors can play the fiddle together in a small barn and learn to perform in front of others. If you'd rather be in the audience, there are also many fiddling concerts held by the community to watch.



MADISON COUNTY

Stone Quarry Hill Art Park

3883 Stone Quarry Rd.
Cazenovia, NY 13035
sqhap.org
(315) 655-3196

Open: Everyday, from dawn to dusk
Cost: Free

Lined with contemporary art made by artists in residence, visitors can wander around the park. A calming and meditative experience, the park also provides lovely walking trails and beautiful scenery. **Also a Connect Card partner!**



ONEIDA COUNTY

Munson-Williams-Proctor Arts Institute

310 Genesee St.
Utica, NY 13502
mwpai.org
(315) 797-0000

Open: Sunday 1 p.m.–5 p.m.
Monday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. in July and August
Tuesday–Saturday 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Cost: Free

The Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute offers many exhibitions and programs in the fine arts. Download your own audio tour to listen to on your mobile device.



ONONDAGA COUNTY

Erie Canal Museum

318 Erie Blvd E.
Syracuse, NY 13202
eriecanalmuseum.org
(315) 471-0593

Open: Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
Cost: Suggested donation of \$5

Study the history of the Erie Canal and its importance as a waterway. Interactive displays show the use of inventions and artifacts that helped to run the canal, and walking tours are provided.



ONTARIO COUNTY

Sonnenberg Gardens

151 Charlotte St.
Canandaigua, NY 14424
sonnenberg.org
(585) 394-4922

Open: Mondays–Fridays 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Cost: \$3 ages 4–12, \$8 ages 13–17,



\$13 for seniors 60+, and \$15 for adults ages 18–59, children 3 and under are free

The Sonnenberg Mansion is surrounded with gardens inspired by different parts of the world. Walk through the flowers as you enter the home of the Thompsons, who renovated an old farmhouse into the mansion you see today.

OSWEGO COUNTY

Children's Museum of Oswego

7 West Bridge St.
Oswego, NY 13126
cmoo.org
(315) 216-6387

Open: Tuesday–Friday 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

Cost: \$8 per person, free for members and children under 1

This museum provides activities to teach kids how to form healthy eating habits. The museum also features a small town-like setting for children to learn about farming and the roles of different jobs in society.



OTSEGO COUNTY

Baseball Hall of Fame

25 Main St.
Cooperstown, NY 13326
baseballhall.org
(607) 547-7200

Open: Everyday 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Cost: \$23 for adults 13+, \$15 for seniors 65+, \$12 for juniors ages 7–12, free for members and children 6 and under

From displays of baseball cards, bats, balls, and portraits of famous players, all ages can enjoy the baseball hall of fame and learn something about the sport as the collections of artifacts keep expanding.



SCHUYLER COUNTY

International Motor Racing Research Center

610 South Decatur St.
Watkins Glen, NY 14891
racingarchives.org
(607) 535-9044

Open: Monday–Friday 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Cost: Free

Car fans, gather around! Explore the history of racing and motorsports through public lectures, storage facility, and a collection room that contains more than 4,000 books on motor sports and cars.



SENECA COUNTY

Lively Run Dairy

8978 County Rd. 142
Interlaken, NY 14847
livelyrun.com
(607) 532-4647

Open: May 1–Oct. 31
Monday–Saturday 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday Noon–5 p.m.
Cheese tasting: \$5 per person, free for children ages 12 and under
Cheese tours: \$9
Goat cuddling tours: \$12



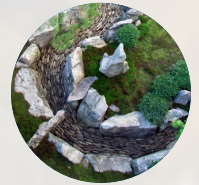
Family run since 1995, this farm features cheese-making and goat cuddling tours. In addition, the farm also makes goat milk gelato and goat cheese fudge, definitely worth a nibble or two!

TOMPKINS COUNTY

Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art

114 Central Ave.
Ithaca, NY 14853
museum.cornell.edu
(607) 255-6464
Open: Tuesdays–Sundays 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Cost: Free

Created to be both a museum and teaching facility, the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of art focuses on the art of global cultures including Asian, African, and European art, and provides classes to give visitors opportunities to learn more.



WAYNE COUNTY

Sodus Bay Lighthouse Museum

7606 North Ontario St.
Sodus Point, NY 14555
sodusbaylighthouse.org
(315) 483-4936

Open: May–October Tuesday–Sunday
May: Noon–5 p.m.
June–August: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
September–October: Noon–5 p.m.
Cost: Adults \$6, students K–12 children \$3, preschool children and members are free

A place of historical significance to the War of 1812, the Sodus Bay Lighthouse Museum presents artifacts that show the lives and struggles of American soldiers against the British.



YATES COUNTY

Yates County Arts Council Inc.

127 Main St.
Penn Yan, NY 14527
artscenteryatescounty.org
(315) 536-8226
Open: Mondays–Fridays 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Saturdays 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Cost: Fees vary for events

Featuring all things art, visitors are welcome to use the pottery studio, talk with artists in residence, and take workshops. They can also view the exhibition of local art in Yates County.



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