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### **Spencertown Academy Twilight in the Garden Party**

Spencertown, New York–Spencertown Academy Arts Center presents Hidden Gardens: Twilight in the Garden Party on Saturday, June 26, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm (rain date: Sunday, June 27 from 4:30pm to 6:30pm) at Austerlitz Historical Society’s Old Austerlitz grounds (GPS 11550 NY-22 Austerlitz, NY 12017). The Academy’s traditional summer kick-off fundraiser will feature pre-packed baskets filled with wrapped homemade and locally sourced snacks, as well as festive beverages, a silent auction, and live music by Rob Fisch. Tickets range from \$100 to \$250 with an array of perks. For details, please see [www.spencertownacademy.org](http://www.spencertownacademy.org).

“This year, more than ever, we look forward to raising a glass with friends and neighbors, old and new, we hope you will join us!,” says Madaline Sparks, Academy board member and co-chair of Hidden Gardens. “Our neighbor, the Austerlitz Historical Society, has graciously offered the bucolic Old Austerlitz grounds to host the festivities. In this ever-changing world, NYS COVID protocols will be observed. There will be a variety of seating and gathering options, but please feel free to bring picnic blankets and lawn chairs if you prefer to create your own.”

The 17th annual Hidden Garden Tour will take place on August 28, 2021. In addition to private properties with beautiful landscapes and flower gardens, this year’s tour will feature various vegetable gardens.

Founded in 1972, Spencertown Academy Arts Center is a cultural center and community resource serving Columbia County, the Berkshires, and the Capital region. Housed in a

landmark 1847 Greek Revival schoolhouse, the Academy is located at 790 State Route 203 in Spencertown, New York. For more information, please contact [info@spencertownacademy.org](mailto:info@spencertownacademy.org).