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Touring Tips

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It's officially spring and warmer weather means more hiking! Throw on those hiking boots, get on the trails, and enjoy some fresh air. Stop by Finger Lakes Visitors Connection for your free hiking and biking kit. Finger Lakes Visitors Connection, 25 Gorham Street, Canandaigua, 14424. 585-394-3915. www.visitfingerlakes.com.

If you're looking to get out and explore great places in Geneva, the monthly **Geneva Night Out** is a perfect way to do so! On Friday, April 7 from 5 to 8 p.m. follow the self-guided walking map around downtown Geneva and visit participating venues where you will find performing artists, exhibits, and activities. For a map and more information on participating venues, visit www.genevanightout.org.

Celebrate **Mother Earth Week** April 14 - April 21 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. each day at the **Seneca Art & Culture Center at Ganondagan**. Great for families on school breaks! April 14, 18, and 20 learn about the traditional Pigeon Dance, make felt bird ornaments, and hear the history of pigeon hunts in Warren, PA. April 19 and 21 will feature the thrilling Wild Wings program at Ganondagan. See live birds of prey up close! Free with museum admission. Seneca Art and Culture Center, 7000 County Road 41, Victor, 14564. For more information call (585) 942-5848 or visit www.ganondagan.org.

Spring is finally here! Nothing is better proof of that than the spring flowers on display at **Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion State Historic Park**. Attend the **Spring Wildflower & Orchid Show** and stroll through gardens laden with early spring flowers as well as orchid displays in the greenhouses. The show will take place April 21-23, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person, \$5 for ages 4 – 16 and free for children three and under. Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion State Historic Park, 151 Charlotte Street, Canandaigua, 14424. For more information call (585) 394-4922 or visit www.sonnenberg.org.

Have a craving for a local live music experience? We've got you covered!

On Wednesday, April 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. catch award winning song writer **Austic McRae** perform in the large meeting room at the Clifton Springs Library as part of the Tunes by the Tracks series. Free, though a \$5 donation is suggested. Clifton Springs Library, 4 Railroad Avenue. Clifton Springs, 14432. For more information call (585) 362-3519.

The Singer/Songwriters in the Side Room concert series at **Buffalo Bills Family Restaurant & Tap Room** features local music artists with their own flair. You'll only find original songs at this performance! Enjoy food or drinks from Buffalo Bills while you listen. This month the series will feature Lisa Bigwood on April 6 and Perry Cleavland and Paul Swiatek on April 20. Performances are free but donations are accepted. Buffalo Bills Family Restaurant & Tap Room, 19 West Main Street, Shortsville 14548. For more information call (585) 289-4104.

On Fridays during April catch live acoustic music at the **New York Wine & Culinary Center's Upstairs Bistro**. Hang out by the bar and partake of New York State beverages or grab a bite to eat while you enjoy the performance. Performances are scheduled for April 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 6 to 9 pm each day! The New York Wine & Culinary Center, 800 South Main Street, Canandaigua, 14424. For more information call (585) 394-7070 or visit www.nywcc.com.

On Saturdays bask in live local music at **Brew & Brats**! The lineup currently calls for Secondhand Sidekicks on April 1, Meyer & McGuire on April 8, Bob Dugan on April 15, and Men Behaving Badly on April 22. All performances start at 6 pm. Grab a savory brat or rich local beer while you take in the show. Brew & Brats at Arbor Hill, 6461 BB State Route 64, Naples, 14512. For more information call (585) 531-4113 or go online to www.brewandbrats.com.