

Events/Calendar Release

Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden

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Home for the Holidays at the Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden

Opening Night Preview Party
Cocktails at Hatheway, Friday, December 2nd



Suffield, CT – Visit the remarkable Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden, festively decorated for the holidays by Springfield floral designer Bob Whitney and members of the Suffield Garden Club at *Home for the Holidays* Suffield December 2nd, 3rd, and 4th!

The weekend begins with the opening night preview party, *Cocktails at Hatheway*, on Friday, December 2nd from 6 to 9 pm where attendees will enjoy catered hors d'oeuvres by The Federal, wine, a champagne toast, and a silent auction. Individual tickets for *Cocktails at Hatheway* are \$50; Patron Tickets are \$100. All proceeds benefit the Phelps Hatheway House & Garden. For tickets, contact Jamie-Lynn Fontaine Connell at (860) 247-8996 x 23 or visit www.ctlandmarks.org.

On Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd and 4th from 1 to 4 pm, experience the season's splendor at the Phelps-Hatheway House where Bob Whitney interweaves fresh floral design with family heirlooms - European accents with colonial charm. Children's activities will be offered throughout the weekend; light refreshments served. Weekend tour tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$10 for children ages 6-18 (under 6 free).

On Saturday, December 3rd, bring your beloved bear for a sweet treat and celebration of all things Christmas with a special children's **Teddy Bear Tea Party** at 11 am and 1 pm. Tea sandwiches, scones, Christmas cookies and a tasty herbal tea will warm the heart and body, and a short story dedicated to the bear you love will finish our time together. Tea Party tickets are \$5 per child, \$10 per adult, or \$20 for families (2 adults & children). Reservations requested, call (860) 668-0055 or email phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org to register.

Participate in our **Gingerbread House Competition** in three age categories: youth (12 & under), teen (13-18), & adult (19 & up). Children are encouraged to make their dream house! Bring your entry at noon for judging and awards at 12:30 pm. And, come try your hands (and feet!) in colonial dancing with **Reel Nutmeg** from 2 to 4 pm. For more information, visit www.ctlandmarks.org or email phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org.

Home for the Holidays Suffield is sponsored by First National Bank of Suffield, Old Hill Garden, and The Federal.

Bob Whitney has worked in the floral industry for over 39 years, recently retiring from the Springfield Floral Supply Co. He is a 28 year member of the American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD) & has curated numerous design shows for wholesale companies throughout New York & New England. He has participated in & judged the Springfield Museum's "Festival of Flowers", the Worcester Museum's "Flora in Winter" & AIFD & FTD programs throughout the region. Area garden clubs have sought his informative & entertaining lectures & instruction.

The **Suffield Garden Club** has beautifully maintained the Phelps-Hatheway Gardens for over 50 Years.

The **Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden** is located at: 55 South Main Street in Suffield, CT and is open for regular tours from May – October. For hours and more information, visit www.ctlandmarks.org; www.facebook.com/PhelpsHathewayHouseAndGarden, or call (860) 668-0055.

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