



## *Leap Into These Great March Events in Oldham County*

All March Events can be found at <https://touroldham.com/calendar/>

Follow the rainbow to Oldham County where you will find **over20 great March events**. You're sure to find something for every age and every interest when it comes to art, nature and gardening. You can get your green thumb on, take in a scavenger hunt, or enjoy some fine dining at Barn8 Restaurant at Hermitage Farm. Whatever you choose to do, you won't be disappointed. Your pot of gold is waiting for you **ONLY** in Oldham County!

### *A Rainbow of Arts & Crafts*

**Gallery 104** in La Grange will be hosting two shows in March. The first, **Oldham County Schools Student/Teacher Art Show**, will take place **on March 4th - 22nd**. Stop by the gallery and check out some great art by Oldham County students and teachers! This 3 week exhibit will showcase the work of students and teachers in a non-competitive environment to celebrate individual art disciplines in a wide variety of mediums. FREE admission.

March is also the month for **Trading Places**, an exhibit at the gallery from **March 26th-April 20th**. This exhibit is an exchange show open to all mediums between the **Oldham County Arts Association** (AAOC/La Grange) and the Shelby Regional Arts Guild (SRAG/Shelbyville). It is only open to member artists of either organization in all mediums and will display work by some amazingly talented artists in each-others venues, allowing artists the opportunity to exhibit and sell their work in a different venue and community. An Opening Reception will be held at Gallery 104 on **Thursday, March 28, 6:30-8pm**. An Opening Reception will be held at the Dogwood Gallery on **Friday, April 5, 6:30 - 8 pm**. FREE admission.

Springtime and eggs just go together. Join staff at the **Oldham County Public Library, Crestwood Branch** on **March 6th** from **10:30 – 11:30 am** for **Celebrations - Springtime** as they try a technique of decorating Easter eggs using nail polish. FREE/For Adults.



**Handmade Creations - Spring Wreath** will be held on **March 7th** from **11:30 am – 1 pm** at the **Oldham County Public Library, La Grange Branch**. Staff will instruct participants on how to make a beautiful spring wreath out of yarn. Hanging these wreaths on your front door is a great way to welcome springtime. FREE/For Adults.

Get creative and paint a cute **Bunny Porch Ornament** on **March 17th** from **2 - 5 pm** at the **John W. Black Community Center** at Wendell Moore Park. All materials will be supplied for this fun and creative class. Grab your friends and make a fun afternoon of it! \$45 + tax per person.

Held in conjunction with **Main Street Derby**, a Derby-themed event on **Main Street La Grange, Goin' to Market: Win, Place, Artisan Show** at CityPlace on **March 30th** from **10 am – 4 pm** will showcase artisans, small businesses, boutiques, crafters and food trucks. Come shop, eat and explore all there is to do in Oldham County! Canned good donations for Highpoint Charity will enter you into door prize drawings. FREE admission.

### **St. Patty's Day Fun in Oldham County!**

The **South Oldham Rotary Club**, in conjunction with **3rd Turn Oldham Gardens**, presents the 4th Annual South Oldham Rotary Club **Chase the Rainbow Scavenger Hunt** on **March 9th** from **2 – 9 pm**. Participants answer clues taking them around Oldham County, as they “Chase The Rainbow” to their final destination. \$250 Grand Prize awarded to the best St Patrick’s themed car and passengers who complete the entire course. An after party will be held at 3<sup>rd</sup> Turn starting at 4 pm. Bounce Houses, Corn Hole, Music, and Face Painting. 100% of proceeds benefit graduating seniors who live in Oldham County. \$25 carload. Beverage & Participation Cost: \$50/carload and includes four 3<sup>rd</sup> Turn Beverage Tokens.

It’s time for the annual **Oldham Gardens St. Patrick Day Celebration** at **3<sup>rd</sup> Turn Oldham Gardens** in Crestwood! The Gardens will be open on **March 16th** from **2 - 11 pm** for some Luck of the Irish fun! Guests will have plenty of time to enjoy a fish fry and green beer. Enjoy live music all day! FREE admission/cost for food and drinks.

### **Get Egg-cited About These Events**

City Hall invites you to participate in the **2024 Easter Egg Dash** - a week of egg hunting in **La Grange’s** city parks! Each day from **March 25th – 28th**, a golden egg will be hidden in one of the participating parks. Hunt for it from dawn to dusk because whoever finds it must turn it in to City Hall to redeem their prize. March 25th – Eddie Mundo, Jr. Park; March 26th – Wilborn Park; March 27th – Walsh Park; March 28th – Springs Park.

### **Hear & See Springtime All Around**

Join staff at **Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve** for a relaxing **Winter Sound Walk** on **March 2nd** from **10 am – 12 pm**. This hike will let you journey into the preserve’s forests and meadows to listen for the many sounds of nature. Naturalist Jacob Crider will teach participants about natural acoustics, the sounds to

animals, and dive into the valley of Little Huckleberry Creek. Donation: \$10/person, \$5/members, Children 6 and younger are FREE.

A **Spring Kick-Off for Garden Volunteers** will take place on **March 15th** from **10 am – 12 pm** at **Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve**. This is a great FREE event for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer and having an interest in gardening. All levels of gardeners, from beginning to advanced, are welcomed. This event will offer beverages and treats. RSVP required.

With the Vernal Equinox approaching, many flowers bloom in late winter such as native wildflowers like Harbinger of Spring, Cutleaf Toothwort, and Spring Beauty. Join staff at **Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve** for a serene hike for **Winter Blooms** on **March 16th** from **10 am – 12 pm**. Follow paths through the Woodland Garden and in the forest to see a few special patches of native ephemeral wildflowers. Donation: \$10/person, \$5/members, Children 6 and younger are FREE.



The best day of the year at **Yew Dell Botanical Gardens** is **Opening Day** on **March 30th** from **10 am - 4 pm**. While at Yew Dell, shop the traditional hellebore and spring ephemerals plant sale, get a bite to eat from Martha Lee's Kitchen's spring menu, or sign up for any or all of Yew Dell's special Back to Basics – Horticulture 101 workshop series. Admission: Members are FREE/Adults \$9/Seniors 65+ & Ages 6-17 are \$5/Children 5 & Under are

FREE/Veterans, Active & Retired Military with ID are FREE.

### **Enjoy A Magical March Evening**

Experience **"A Night of Brunello"** at **Hermitage Farm's Barn8** on **March 7th** from **6 - 9 pm**. Delight in an exclusive 4-course dinner featuring the remarkable wines of Uccelliera, ranging from Rosso di Montalcino to Brunello di Montalcino. A carefully crafted menu compliments these exquisite wines, offering a genuine taste of Italy's terroir. Secure your seat for an intimate evening where wine passion and gastronomy come together. \$175 per ticket.

**Oldham County Parks** will present a night of intrigue with a **"Who Done It" Mystery Dinner** on **March 16th** from **6 – 9 pm** at the John W. Black Community Center. Enjoy a special interactive dinner theater in cooperation with Theater Downstream. Includes a catered three course meal, with a choice of two alcoholic beverages (beer or wine), soft drinks, tea or coffee. Doors open at 6 pm and dinner is served at 6:30 pm. Attire: Cocktail/Semi-formal (have fun with it). Must be 21 years of age or older to attend. Deadline to register is March 12th. \$65 per person/\$120 per couple.

The **Whiskey Files** returns to **Hermitage Farm!** **Carson Taylor of Peerless Distilling Co.** will talk about how he and his son Corky have revived the Peerless heritage, now in its fifth generation, on **March 21st** from **7 – 8:30 pm**. Enjoy some great bourbon, food and company for this special event. The Whiskey Files events are unique, discussion-based sittings with guest speakers from all across the whiskey industry of America. Cost.

### **Spring is More Fun with Friends**

Don't miss the **Oldham Gardens Silent Disco** experience on **March 2nd** from **7 - 10 pm**. Three channels of music – Decades on red, Hip/Hop on Blue and Pop, top 40 on Green. Dance takes place in the outdoor covered space which is heated. If you've never been to a silent disco then you are in for a treat! Bring a friend and dance the night away! \$10 per person/cost for food and drinks.

Tease your brain and sign up to win prizes at **Oldham Gardens Trivia Night!** Thursday nights will never be the same - **March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th** at **6 - 8 pm**. Enjoy drinks and snacks from Backside Grill while there. FREE admission/cost for food and drinks.

Join in the fun for a **Friday Night Skate Party** on **March 15th** from **6 pm - 8 pm**, hosted by **La Grange Parks & Rec!** Skate away the night as the La Grange Community Center is transformed into a roller-skating rink complete with party lights. Free water provided. Please bring your own skates.

**"My Friend Gov. Richard James Oglesby"** will be presented by Abraham Lincoln as portrayed by Larry Elliott. Learn a little local history at the **Oldham County History Center** on **March 23rd** from **11:30 am - 1:30 pm** as Abraham Lincoln talks about his friendship with Oldham County native and Illinois Governor Richard James Oglesby. Register through Eventbrite.

Pat Day, all-time winning jockey at the legendary Churchill Downs, will be the featured guest at the **Main Street Derby** this year on **March 30th** from **11am - 4 pm**. The event will begin on **Main Street in La Grange** with kids crafting pool-noodle horses for a Kids' Derby Race at 12:15 pm. Pay Day will shoot off the confetti gun to start the race. At 1 pm families and friends are invited to a Main Street Dance party. Don't miss the Fashion Show at 2 pm which will include fashions across the decades to highlight our county's bicentennial celebration. This event is sponsored by Judith M Millinery, La Grange Tourism, and the La Grange Main Street Program.

### **Back to Basics - Horticulture 101**

Jeff Margreiter, Nursery and Greenhouse Manager at **Yew Dell Botanical Gardens**, leads a **Seed Starting Workshop** for those brand-new to seed starting or folks who want a refresher on **March 16th** from **10:30 am - 12 pm**. Jeff will discuss germination soil, light requirements, sowing depth, and watering techniques, among other topics. Workshop will be a blend of lecture and hands-on. You will "take the greenhouse home" with a reusable seed flat, tray, and dome, as well as small pots with your transplants. \$60 - \$70 per person.

**Feed the Soil, Not the Plants Workshop** at **Yew Dell Botanical Gardens** will be held on **March 30th** from **10:30 - 11:30 am**. It's time to totally rethink how you approach the fertilizer question in your garden. Join staff for a deep dive into creating healthy soils that naturally feed your plants just what they need, just when they need it. This workshop includes admission to Opening Day 2024. \$25 - \$35 per person.



**Pruning Best Practices Workshop** at **Yew Dell Botanical Gardens** will discuss a few basic rules for pruning for shape, yield, structure or overall plant health, and attempt to demystify the often confusing questions about pruning. Bring along your pruners (if you have some) for a walk and talk and prune on **March 30th** from **11:30 am - 12:30 pm**. This workshop includes admission to Opening Day 2024. \$25 - \$35 per person.

Often underappreciated and rarely examined closely enough, your soil is a bit like the foundation of your house. If it's not in good shape, nothing you build on top of it will be worth much. Spend some time in the garden with **Yew Dell** horticulture staff as we dig deep and help set you up for a great season in your own garden in **It Ain't Just Dirt Workshop** on **March 30th** from **12:30 - 1:30 pm**. This workshop includes admission to Opening Day 2024. \$25 - \$35 per person.

For more information about these exciting **March events**, to book a stay and plan your itinerary in Oldham County, contact Kim Hydes, Executive Director of Oldham County KY Tourism & Conventions, at (502) 222-0056 or by email at [Director@TourOldham.com](mailto:Director@TourOldham.com), or visit [TourOldham.com](http://TourOldham.com).

*Photos provided by Oldham County Tourism & Conventions for media purposes only. Contact Kim Hydes for more promo photos or interviews.*



**Kim Hydes, Executive Director**  
**Oldham County Tourism & Conventions**  
**6826 W. State Highway 22**  
**Crestwood, KY 40014**  
**(502) 222-0056 | Cell (502) 817-6043**  
**[Director@TourOldham.com](mailto:Director@TourOldham.com) | [www.TourOldham.com](http://www.TourOldham.com)**