



# THE CLEVELAND CULTURAL GARDENS FEDERATION E Newsletter

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## GARDEN WEB SITES:

### Cultural Gardens Site

[www.culturalgardens.org](http://www.culturalgardens.org)  
also

[www.tccgf.org](http://www.tccgf.org)

### Czech Garden

[czechculturalgarden.webs.com](http://czechculturalgarden.webs.com)

### Irish Garden

[www.irishgardenclub.org](http://www.irishgardenclub.org)

### Hungarian Garden

[hungarianculturalgarden.org](http://hungarianculturalgarden.org)

## Special

acknowledgement to  
[ClevelandPeople.com](http://ClevelandPeople.com)

## Summer of culture is here

As the summer of 2010 slipped in, the Federation rolled out the events scheduled for the Cultural Gardens this season.

Starting with the **Conrad Mizer / Karl Wolfram Concert** in the German Garden on Sunday, July 11 from 1:00 to 3:00pm, this free concert features traditional German brass band. This is their second appearance in the Gardens. Please come this coming Sunday and enjoy the music.

Also this month, the Italian Garden will once again feature **Opera in the Gardens** on Sunday, July 25 at 6:00pm. This free concert will feature “*Opera Per Tutti*” (Opera for All), a group that has dedicated themselves to bringing opera to the general public. While some seating will be provided, attendees are urged to bring lawn chairs as the seating goes quickly.

To expand your visit to the gardens on July 25<sup>th</sup>, you can attend a **presentation in the Czech Garden**. The numerous personalities depicted by the way of busts in the Czech and Slovak Gardens will be discussed. Refreshments will be provided. This 4:00pm presentation will be given by the local chapter of Czech and Slovak Society of Arts and Sciences, a group dedicated to preserving and advancing Czech and Slovak culture. After the presentation you can have a very short walk to the Italian Garden for the Opera performance.

The Hungarian Garden will be hosting another **Liszt Concert** on Sunday, August 15 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Franz Liszt, 1811 – 1886, is a well known composer of classical music. This will be the second time his music will resonate through the Gardens.

September 19<sup>th</sup> will be the date of the expanded **One World Day** celebration – keep the date open! At 1:00pm the unveiling of a sculpture in the new Armenian Garden will start the day, followed by a variety of performances, including dancing in the Irish, poetry in the British and more dancing in the Hungarian Gardens. The traditional Parade of Flags will go from the Armenian Garden to the Hungarian Garden, where the One World Day program, including the swearing in of new US citizens, will take place at 4:00pm.

Summer in the Cleveland Cultural Gardens will be enjoyable and educational. Please make plans to attend these events and support the sponsoring groups. And do bring a friend or two to show off our beautiful park.



A wreath is placed in the Italian Garden by Marco Nobili, Consul of Italy

## Italian Gala

The Italian community celebrated their Independence Day Gala at the Garden. The 64<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Republic of Italy was recognized on June 5<sup>th</sup>. In attendance were numerous dignitaries including Cleveland Mayor Frank G. Jackson and Marco Nobili, Council of Italy in Detroit.

The event was skillfully organized by Joyce Mariani, Executive Director of Italian Cultural Garden Federation. Gino Colage and Tom Antonelli were busy assisting with the chores. The program included live music and refreshments. The weather held off and the event went well. The Garden looked splendid.

## Juneteenth Celebration

The African American community once again celebrated the Juneteenth event. This event celebrates the delayed recognition of abolition of slavery that did not reach parts of Texas until the teen days of June; thus the Juneteenth Celebration. The proposed African American garden site is nicely planted bringing color to the park and to all those passing by on MLK Blvd.

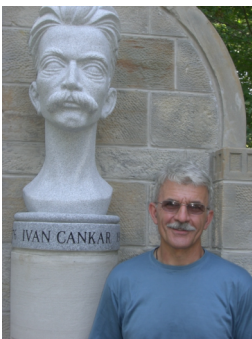


Estonians celebrate Voidupuha-Jaanipaeva in the Estonian Garden,

## The Estonians Celebrate

Voidupuha-Jaanipaeva was celebrated in the Estonian Garden on June 27. It is a celebration of the shortest night in the year, i.e. mid-summer, traditionally significant to the farmers who enjoyed a respite between planting and harvest. It also served as a covert celebration of Estonian patriots which was forbidden by the Soviet Union during the period of communist domination.

Immediately after the event the Estonian Garden was excavated as the renovation planned for this year began. Congratulation to the Estonian community on both the 44 continuous celebrations of Voidupuha-Jaanipaeva in the Garden and also on implementing a significant improvement to the Garden this year!



Cankar bust and sculptor Ted Storie

## Slovenians re-dedicate a bust

On June 18, the Slovenian community dedicated a bust of Ivan Cankar, Slovenian writer and playwright. The attendees included several representatives of the Slovenian Parliament: Miro Petek, Gvido Kres, mag. Vasja Klavora, Drs. Katja Jerman and Breda Mulec. The presentations were made both in Slovenian and in English. The bust was carved out of granite by a local sculptor Teodor (Ted) Storie, who was at the ceremony. Congratulations to Ron Jaksic who spearheaded the effort, and all the Slovenians.

## Upcoming Events

July 11 – Mizer/Wolfram  
Concert in German Garden

July 25 – Opera in the  
Italian Garden

August 15 – Liszt Concert  
in the Hungarian Garden

September 19 – One  
World Day in Armenian  
and Hungarian Gardens

## CCGF Meetings

July 13 – General  
membership

August 10 – Executive  
Board

Meetings are held at  
Judson Manor, 1890  
East 107 Str.

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## Romanian flag pole installed

After long absence, the Romanian flag flies again! Thanks to Bill Jones, CCGF Vice President, who followed up on this issue after the original flag pole was knocked down by an automobile several years ago.

Efforts were made at first to recover the pole, and then the cost of re-installation, but in the end the Federation approved the funds to replace the pole. The flags are replaced by the Federation bi-annually with funds generated by the annual fundraiser – so please remember that in the fall when the fundraiser invitation arrives. The flags are kept up during the winter months. The Federation received many encouraging comments about the flags being up in the winter as the color of the flags stands out in the snow covered park.



New Romanian flag and flag pole.

## Free web site for Gardens

Some gardens have already established a web site, many others did not have the opportunity. We have identified a free, easy to set up web site for simple installation. *Webs.com* provides a platform for creating a simple web site by following a template. No special skills are required, if you now how to e-mail or use “word” you are good to go. The Czech Garden recently established a site, while it is still being developed you can view it at [czechculturalgarden.webs.com](http://czechculturalgarden.webs.com).

Also, you can view [avongardenclub.webs.com](http://avongardenclub.webs.com) for similar more developed site.

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for the CCGF. **Feel free to pass it on!**