Discover the Fells Historic Estate and Gardens, the 1891 summer retreat of American statesman John Hay (1838-1905) and three generations of the Hay family. John Hay’s influence and impact, spanning five decades of devotion to the nation, includes serving as private secretary to President Abraham Lincoln, Ambassador to Great Britain, and Secretary of State in the William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt administrations.

Learn the Hay legacy during historic tours of the 22-room Colonial Revival home on Lake Sunapee; explore the renowned gardens; hike the woodland trails; enjoy art and history exhibits; and attend special events.

**Hours**
- **Trails**: Open year-round, 9am-5pm
- **Gardens**: Open seasonally, 10am-4pm
- **House**: Open seasonally, 10am-4pm; Wednesday-Sunday and Holidays, June 19-September 2
- **Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays, September 7-October 14**
For private group tour information, contact the Education Director at 603-763-4789 x5.

**Self-Serve Plant Stand**
Open May-October

**Admission**
- $10 Adults
- $4 Children (ages 6-18)
- Discounts for seniors, veterans, students & families
- Members admitted free

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**Art Exhibits**
- **Bringing the Outside In**
  The First Floor Gallery features select artists who have participated in the Vermont Institute of Science (VINS) plein air Festival and/or Artists Weekend at The Fells. We have brought these two wonderful organizations together to highlight their work with our natural environment.
- **Painting at The Fells: Then and Now**
  The exhibit on the second floor tells the story of The Fells through paintings, photos, and words. Many of the paintings have been done during past Artists Weekends.

**History Exhibit**
**The Hay Family at The Fells: A Hundred Years of Documents and Correspondence**

**Ecology Exhibit**
**Listening to the Land**
In his book *A Beginner’s Faith in Things Unseen*, environmentalist and nature writer John Hay encourages us to listen to nature in order to discern our connection with all of life. Through ecology programs, interactive exhibits, journaling opportunities, and even “Forest Bathing”, we will teach our visitors how to listen to the land at The Fells and in their own backyards.

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Fairy House Festival and Tea Party
Sunday, July 28, 1-4pm

This celebration includes building fairy habitats in the Fairy Village, crafts and a whimsical Tea Party on the Veranda.

Gala Auction
Saturday, August 3, 5-8pm
This live and silent auction will be held in The Fells NEW Pavilion; Enjoy delicious hors d’oeuvres, sip champagne, and bid on fabulous experiences, gifts, trips, gourmet dinners, wines and so much more! $100 per person.

Hay Day Family Festival
Sunday, August 4, 10am-2pm
A fun-filled day for all ages with old-fashioned games, craft demonstrations, children’s art projects, petting zoo, storytelling, face painting and much more.

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Plant Sale
Annual Plant Sale: Early Bird for Members, 4:00-5:00pm
Permaculture Gardening Workshop, 10:00am-noon
Birding by Sight and Sound, 7:30-9:00am
Historic Wallpaper at The Fells, 1:00pm

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A Murder Mystery Evening: Dinner, Death and Dessert
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Enjoy an evening of bribery, extortion, murder and mayhem at The Fells. Dress in period clothing or black tie and you may be included as a “character” at the dinner party given by Alice and Clarence Hay at the Estate in 1925. $100 per person.