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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**ELLWANGER GARDEN OPEN TO PUBLIC SELECT DAYS  
DURING LILAC FESTIVAL**

ROCHESTER, NY May 2, 2015 — Escape the crowds at the Lilac Festival for a little while and stroll over to The Ellwanger Garden at 625 Mt. Hope Avenue. Rochester's "secret garden," filled with colorful perennials, The Ellwanger Garden is maintained by The Landmark Society of Western New York. It will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Lilac Festival weekends of May 9-10 and 16-17. Look for signs directing you to nearby off-site parking. Admission is free; a suggested \$5 donation is appreciated to help maintain the Garden.

***About The Landmark Society:** The Landmark Society of Western New York, Inc. is one of the oldest and most active preservation organizations in America, serving nine Western New York counties. Formed in 1937, The Landmark Society continues to protect the unique architectural heritage of our region and promote preservation and planning principles that foster healthy and sustainable communities. For additional information about The Landmark Society, visit [www.landmarksociety.org](http://www.landmarksociety.org). The Landmark Society is supported in part by New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.*