

## Where to explore in Ithaca before and after the Arachnology meetings

**Ithaca's Farmers Market** – Large lively farmers market with food, produce, artisans, and musicians next to Cayuga Lake. Lake cruises. <https://ithacamarket.com/> ;  
<https://ithacamarket.com/markets/discover-cayuga-lake/>  
Saturday 9 – 3pm, Sunday 10 - 3pm

**Cornell Botanic Gardens and arboretum** – Extensive wild and formal gardens. Well worth the effort. Easy walk from dorms, Call Auditorium, and downhill from the Dairy Bar.  
<https://cornellbotanicgardens.org/>

**Museum of the Earth** - <https://www.museumoftheearth.org/>

**Ithaca Reggae Fest** – Stewart Park on Cayuga Lake. Saturday, 24 June. 9am – 10pm.  
<https://www.ithacareggaefest.com/>

**Lab of Ornithology** – Sapsucker Woods with trails, view over nice pond. Visitors center closed. <https://www.birds.cornell.edu/>

**State Parks** – Watkins Glen State Park - <https://parks.ny.gov/parks/watkinsglen/>

Robert Treman State Park

Taughannock Falls SP & Buttermilk Falls – on field trip

**Hangar Theatre** – Good regional theatre, adult and kids theatre.

<https://hangartheatre.org/event/what-the-constitution-means-to-me/>

Adults – What the constitution means to me. Play.

Kids theatre – Crossing the Galaxy at the speed of light for a hug.

**Sciencenter** – Amazingly good science center with appeal for kids and adults. Plus, our rainbow boa now lives there, along with other herps, and interactive displays.  
<https://www.sciencenter.org/>.

**Note: Be extremely careful** near the gorges, waterfalls, lake, or on the rim hike near Taughannock Falls! Don't swim in these areas. Every year, people drown in these inviting looking areas.  
<https://news.cornell.edu/stories/2023/06/cornell-urges-safe-practices-gorges>

## Favorite Restaurants in Commons, Collegetown, and relatively near Campus

\$ - Viva Taqueria (Mexican), Luna's (diverse), Ithaca Bakery/ Collegetown bagels (sandwiches), Ithaca Ale House (Burgers), Saigon Kitchen (Vietnamese) Purity Ice cream, Hot Pot (Chinese), Mehak (Indian)

\$\$ - Hawi (Ethiopian), Sumo (Japanese)

\$\$\$ - Maxi's (New Orleans), Cent Dix (French), Mia's on the Commons (Asian Fusion), Gola Osteria (Italian)