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Some Fun Facts About This Year's Pittsburgh Home & Garden Show

LOCATION	<p>The Home & Garden Show is in its fourth decade at the Rafael Vinoli-designed Pittsburgh Convention Center.</p> <p><i>The Home & Garden Show was the first event in the Convention Center when it opened in 2003. That was before the building was even finished!</i></p>
WHAT TO DO	<p><i>See, touch, try, and buy the newest products and services for your home. Experts are available for consultation, so you do not have to do all the research yourself!</i></p> <p><i>Nearly 9 out of 10 show attendees (87%) make purchases while they are at the Show!</i></p> <p>The Home & Garden Show is divided into four product category areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Garden Pavilion 2. The Construction & Remodeling Center 3. The Home Interior Galleries 4. The Kitchen and Cooking Collection <p>Examples of this year's features are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tiny 'mother-in-law' house by Buckhorn Showcase ▪ Farm to Table Expo with dozens of small local growers and food producers sampling and selling the bounty of their harvests ▪ First weekend—March 6, 7, 8: Home Show favorite, celebrity appraiser Dr. Lori ▪ Second weekend—March 14 and 15: Emmy-winning TV celebrity Ty Pennington for his first Home Show appearance
WEEKEND CELEBRITIES	<p>The character of antiques appraiser Dr. Austin Raybourne—played by Martin Sheen in the 2024 film <i>Lost & Found in Cleveland</i>—was based on Dr. Lori!</p> <p>Dr. Lori has lectured on art, antiques, and design in 40 countries!</p> <p>Watch for Dr. Lori on an upcoming episode of the Drew Barrymore Show!</p>

	<p>Ty Pennington's birth name is Gary Tygert Pennington!</p> <p>Ty Pennington worked as a set production assistant on the 1995 film, <i>Leaving Las Vegas</i> starring Nicolas Cage!</p> <p>Twelve-year-old Ty Pennington designed and built a three-story treehouse!</p>
WHO SHOULD COME	<p>Everyone! Parents with their children! Couples in their first home! Seniors planning to age-in-place! And not just homeowners! Everyone can find what they need to improve their homes. <i>According to U.S. Census data, more than one in five Americans live in apartments!</i></p> <p><i>Everyone! Not just Allegheny County residents because less than half (43%) of Show attendees are from Allegheny County. More than half are from the surrounding counties of Beaver, Butler, Washington, and Westmoreland.</i></p>
DATES	<p>The Home Show runs 10 days—from Friday, March 6 through Sunday, March 15. The hours are 10 am to 9 pm on Fridays and Saturdays, 10 am to 6 pm on Sundays, and 4 pm to 9 pm Monday through Thursday.</p> <p><i>That's 80 hours when you can schedule visits to the Home Show!</i></p> <p><i>The second Saturday of the Show—Saturday, March 14—is the date of Pittsburgh's St. Patrick's Day Parade.</i></p>
TICKETS	<p>For adults, tickets are just \$12 at the door or \$10 in advance online. Kids 6 to 12, there is a reduced price of \$4 with kids under six getting in free!</p> <p><i>A special feature started in 2018 has become extremely popular with Home Show visitors—the Free Re-Entry to the Show pass. That means visitors can return to the Show as many times as they wish without paying admission after their first paid visit.</i></p>
STAFF	<p>Mark Moore, founder John DeSantis' son, is the executive director of the Pittsburgh Home & Garden Show, following in his father's footsteps. Mark worked on the show with John for more than thirty years before taking the reins. Sadly, the founder and former executive director of the Pittsburgh Home and Garden Show, John DeSantis, passed away on January 1, 2022.</p> <p>Shane and Riley Moore are the third generation of Show management. Although Shane and Riley have been attending the Show since they were in diapers, they are now part of the official staff, joining their dad, Executive Director Mark Moore.</p>