

# Cayuga Landscape Company, Inc.

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## Request for Fall Service

Date:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing (if Different): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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FALL CLEANUP & PLANT CARE:

Checklist & Notes:

- Rake or blow leaves in Oct. for 1st. time, \_\_\_\_\_
- Rake or blow leaves in Nov. for 2nd. time (or only time) -
- Leaf Piles: Haul away? \_\_\_\_\_
- On-site compost or brush area? \_\_\_\_\_
- Village curbside pick-up? \_\_\_\_\_
- Clip perennials to ground & rake up beds \_\_\_\_\_
- Clip back ornamental grasses & perennials -
- Alternate: clip in spring & leave for winter interest?* -
- Prune excess growth & remove brush -
- Beds & plants: Apply Hollytone or Slow-release fertilizer -
- Beds & plants: Re-mulch beds before winter \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean out pools & put away pond filters \_\_\_\_\_
- Lawns: Fall feed - late season fertilization -

WINTER PROTECTION:

- Trunk guards: Install on trees up to 6" caliper trunk size -
- Deer Fencing: Install 8' steel stakes & Tenax Fencing -
- Deer Netting: Install with 1" x 1" wood stakes -
- Rabbit Protection: 1" mesh chicken wire 24-48" high -
- Ground Covers: Install horizontal netting on short stakes -
- Burlap: Wrap individual plants as needed -
- Spray Wilt-Pruf anti-dessicant to prevent windburn -
- Deer Repellent Spray: winter mix with spreader-sticker -
- Snow Removal Service: (Cayuga Hts. & Northeast) \_\_\_\_\_

FALL PLANTING:

- Evergreen trees & shrubs (early to mid-fall is best) \_\_\_\_\_
- Deciduous trees & shrubs (through December) -
- Bulbs: Daffodils, Tulips, Hyacinths & more (**all 25% off**) -
- Daffodils are a long-term, deer-resistant investment!

CONSTRUCTION:

- Flagstone or brick-paver walks and terraces \_\_\_\_\_
- Stone, quarry block, or timber retaining walls \_\_\_\_\_
- Wood fences, arbors, trellises, or decks \_\_\_\_\_
- Garden lighting, water features, drainage improvements \_\_\_\_\_

**New Garden project? Special Request? Prefer e-mail ? Please describe here:**

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## **Horticultural Services for the Fall Season:**

-Dormant pruning of fruit trees, ornamental trees, and woody shrubs such as Spirea, Burning Bush, and Hydrangea. There are no flower buds on summer flowering shrubs and all is an excellent time to prune them back for size control. Late Fall is also a great time to selectively remove old stems or crossing branches to rejuvenate overgrown trees and shrubs, such as crabapples and lilacs.

-Shearing and shaping of evergreen shrubs, such as boxwoods and junipers. It's best to prune them back early before they bud out in May. So this task can be done now or in the spring. If you let a shrub expand only 4" per year, it will be two feet taller in only 6 years. Prune in now or in April for size control. Shearing back of boxwoods also helps control Boxwood Leaf Miners without chemicals. -Fertilization of gardens and ornamental plants with organic Holly-tone or Plant-tone. Slow release fertilizers stimulate plant growth throughout the season, without the risk of burning.

-Mulching for plant protection from extreme cold. This is especially important for semi-hardy plants such as roses, some hydrangeas, and some perennials and ornamental grasses. Mulching will also help next season with weed control and appearance. We prefer all natural dark (undyed) bark mulch. But for ultra-low maintenance you might consider gravel and cobbles on a weed barrier cloth. Weed barrier cloth is not recommended under bark.

-Fall Planting has many advantages, but the chief advantage is that much less follow-up watering is required. Temperatures are cool and the soil remains moist. By next spring any plantings made in the fall have rooted in enough that the watering requirements are greatly reduced. Deciduous trees and shrubs do especially well with fall planting. Perhaps this is the season to add a flaming red Autumn Blaze Maple or a flowering tree for next spring.

-Dutch Flower Bulbs: Every spring I wish we had planted more daffodils and tulips for a dazzling spring display. We offer a 25% discount after mid-October on all bulbs.

-Lawn restoration and maintenance: This is still a good time to spot seed bare areas. The best seed for late applications is "Tri-rye", which is a blend of 3 top Perennial Ryegrass varieties. Cornell has touted the value of a very late lawn fertilization, even in mid-November, for many years now. Your lawn grasses will be primed for spring growth with fall fertilization.

## **Hardscape Services for the Fall-Winter Season:**

-Drainage solutions: Our resume of services includes French drains, catch basins, diversion swales, and more. We have the expertise and specialized equipment to handle these jobs.

-Fencing for security and beauty: We specialize in wood fencing, such as rustic post and rail or nicely crafted board and picket fencing. We also install various types of deer fencing.

-Wood Structures, such as Arbors and Trellises: we use rot-resistant Western red cedar lumber.

-Natural stone patios, walks, stairs, and walls, with a specialty in sawn and thermalled bluestone. We have five masonry crews that specialize in stonework, including dry-laid or mortared stonework for entertainment areas, front entries, or land terracing.

Fall is a great time to re-level or repair older stone features in your yard.

-Seneca Stone quarry slab retaining walls: We set these large stones with an excavator and they are one of the most cost-efficient and durable retaining walls available. While they look "jumbo-scale" initially, they look great after they are half ivy-covered and weathered.

-Modular concrete block paving and walls: We install Unilock, Techobloc, Belgard, Hanover, and Cambridge products, among others. We have some stunning photos of "brick" driveways and outdoor living areas we've installed recently.

-Gravel and Crushed Stone driveways and walkways. Great time to resurface for the season.

-Special Features: Water features, fire pits, outdoor fireplaces or grills, and outdoor kitchens. We also install high-quality landscape lighting systems by Kichler, Unique, and others.

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### LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE:

### Checklist and Notes:

Spring Cleanup

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Storm damage pickup, downed limbs, brush

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Shrub or small tree pruning

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Clip back ornamental grasses & perennials

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Fertilizing trees, shrubs & bulbs

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Edging & mulching plant-beds (single or doubleground bark)

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Removal and storage of deer protection & trunk guards

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Top-dress gravel driveway or walkways

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Pond and filter cleanout

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### LAWN WORK:

Lawn mowing service: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Lawn fertilization or aeration

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Lawn repair, reseeding, or topdressing

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New lawns: rock-hounding, hydroseeding, sodding

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Low-Mow Meadow Installation

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### GARDEN DESIGN AND PLANTING:

New garden project (describe please)

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Shade and flowering trees, conifers, shrubs

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Perennial gardens or annual color beds

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Restoration with native plants

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### CONSTRUCTION:

Flagstone or brick-paver walks, steps and terraces

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Stone, quarry block, or timber retaining walls

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Wood fences, arbors, trellises, or decks

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Garden lighting, water features

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Drainage Improvements

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### DELIVERIES:

Bark mulch in bulk (single or doubleground)

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Screened topsoil or compost

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Cornell planting soil blend (sand, topsoil, compost)

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Gravel, crushed stone, sand, and boulders

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-Planting to replace deer eaten shrubs or to brighten a drab corner of your yard. Some neighborhoods now have dramatically fewer deer and it's now safe again to establish a dazzling bank of Rhododendrons or an small orchard of Dwarf Fruit Trees. If you do have a deer problem, ask us about our palette of resistant plants for a beautiful and "safe" garden.

-Lawn restoration to relevel or reseed poor turf areas. Dr. Frank Rossi, of Cornell's Turfgrass Maintenance: recommends the newer fine-bladed Tall Fescue turf blends for the lowest maintenance. For decades we seeded with Bluegrass blends, but they require more water and fertilizer. See us for low maintenance turf suggestions and services.

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