

## **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

### **Compost Project Coordinator, NYC Compost Project in the Bronx**

The NYC Compost Project, created by the NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) in 1993, provides compost outreach and education to New Yorkers in all five boroughs. NYC Compost Project programs and staff are funded and managed through the DSNY Bureau of Waste Prevention, Reuse and Recycling (BWPRR). The NYC Compost Project is a collaboration between the New York City Department of Sanitation, the city's botanical gardens, and the Lower East Side Ecology Center. The Compost Project Coordinator for the Bronx is based out of The New York Botanical Garden and is responsible for a range of administrative tasks associated with the project. The Project Coordinator helps coordinate various outreach events in the Bronx; must be able to lead demonstrations, workshops, and trainings; manages volunteers; and helps build overall programmatic efforts. For more information, please visit

[http://www.nybg.org/employment/listing.php?id\\_employment\\_listings=831](http://www.nybg.org/employment/listing.php?id_employment_listings=831)

## **COMMUNITY & GARDENING EVENTS**

### **Farmers Markets at Bronx Community Gardens**

Farmers markets have started up for the season! Please visit <http://www.justfood.org/city-farms/city-farms-markets/market-schedules> for dates and locations. For information about these markets or the City Farms program, call Nadia at 212.645.9880 ext. 237, or e-mail [nadia@justfood.org](mailto:nadia@justfood.org)

### **Greenmarket at The New York Botanical Garden Sustaining Farms, Sustaining Nature, Sustaining You**

The New York Botanical Garden's popular Greenmarket is in its eighth season. Purchase some of the best and freshest homegrown produce, homemade treats, and other wholesome delights from regional farmers and vendors. Enjoy a wide array of seasonal produce and delicious baked goods throughout the summer and fall. Look for fun Heart Smart Program materials at the market information booth and healthful cooking demonstrations at the Conservatory Kitchen. *Organized in conjunction with Greenmarket, a program of GrowNYC. The [Heart Smart Program](#), part of The MetLife Foundation Healthy Families Program at The New York Botanical Garden, is funded in part by the American Heart Association.*  
*Every Wednesday, through November 24 • 9 a.m.–3 p.m. • The New York Botanical Garden • The Greenmarket is located just inside the Mosholu Gate, and admission is free.*

### **Home Gardening Demonstration: Tempting Tomatoes**

Tomatoes are among the all-stars of the vegetable garden. They are easy to grow, rewarding, and delicious. Learn tips on growing tasty tomatoes.

*Saturday, August 7, and Sunday, August 8 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden's grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)*

### **Rodent Management Training**

The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has developed a valuable course in preventing rats on your property. The half-day training is targeted to superintendents, property managers, homeowners, interested tenants, and the local business community. All Bronx participants who complete the training will leave with a custom rat management plan, rat management certificate, and rat-resistant trash can. To register go to [www.aeanyc.org](http://www.aeanyc.org), click on the “Events & Calendar tab,” and search by date.

*Wednesday, August 11 • 9 a.m.–1 p.m. • AEA Energy Management Training Center • 105 Bruckner Boulevard*

### **Home Gardening Demonstration: Late Season Crops**

Now is a good time to plant cool weather crops. It’s also a good time to reassess the vegetable garden, review pest and disease problems, and set a game plan for next year.

*Saturday, August 21, and Sunday, August 22 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden’s grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)*

### **Home Gardening Demonstration: Grow Organic**

These days organic gardening is all the rage. Learn basic principles on organic gardening and simple, sustainable guidelines.

*Saturday, August 28, and Sunday, August 29 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden’s grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)*

## **RESOURCES & GRANT INFORMATION**

### **Open Meadows Foundation, deadline August 14**

The Open Meadows Foundation is a grant-making organization for projects that are led by and benefit women and girls. The foundation offers grants, up to \$2,000 each, to projects that are designed and implemented by women and girls; reflect the diversity of the community served by the project; promote community power as well as racial, social, economic, and environmental justice; and have limited access to financial resources. Small and start-up organizations are strongly encouraged to apply. For complete program information and examples of funded projects, visit <http://www.openmeadows.org/>

### **Building Healthy Communities Grant Program**

Grants of up to \$2,500 are available to registered nonprofit organizations, public schools, or tax-exempt public service agencies in the United States that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their community. Grants are made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools or materials; visit <http://corporate.homedepot.com/wps/portal/Grants>

### **Connect to Local Environmental Projects**

Ioby.org (pronounced *eye-OH-be* and standing for “in our backyards”) believes that environmental knowledge, innovation, action, and service begin and thrive at the local level. To connect to important environmental projects in your neighborhood, or to post a great idea for a local environmental project, visit [www.ioby.org](http://www.ioby.org)

### **Grant Wrangler Funding Directory**

This free grants listing service makes it easy for teachers to find funding. To see the full list of funding opportunities and to subscribe to the monthly e-newsletter, visit

[www.grantwrangler.com](http://www.grantwrangler.com)

### **Recycle Forward**

Digital Wish and Cartridges for Kids are offering Recycle Forward, an approach to getting new technology for preK–12 classrooms by collecting and recycling used electronics and ink cartridges for cash. Anyone can participate in Recycle Forward. Teachers may start their own collection and get their local community involved by approaching local businesses and reaching out to community members and parents. Visit:

[http://www.digitalwish.com/dw/digitalwish/recycle\\_forward?p=overview](http://www.digitalwish.com/dw/digitalwish/recycle_forward?p=overview)

### **The New York State Urban and Community Forestry Council**

New York State's Urban and Community Forestry program is a partnership of public, private, and volunteer organizations and individuals that fosters comprehensive planning, management, and education throughout New York to create a healthy urban and community forest and enhance quality of life. It envisions that every community in New York State will recognize the value of trees and maximize the use of trees to help improve the community's quality of life. Visit: <http://nysurbanforestrycouncil.com/index.asp>