



THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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**Enjoy Three Summer Evenings
with Classical, Jazz, and Bluegrass Concerts and
Sage Advice from Good Food Experts at *The Edible Garden*
August 5, 12, 19, 6–9 p.m.**

During the first three Thursday evenings in August, visitors can enjoy *The Edible Garden* and hear great musical performances, preceded by an engaging look into our food culture and food choices. Until 7 p.m., see highlights of *The Edible Garden*, a celebration of growing and preparing good food. Stroll through the Celebrity Kitchen Gardens and Trial Beds in the Home Gardening Center, the Conservatory Container Garden, and Martha Stewart's Culinary Herb Garden. Then, from 7–9 p.m., visitors can experience the evenings' main attraction, ***Food for Thought, featuring the Waterlily Concert Series***. Purchase a chef-inspired picnic and a glass of wine from the Garden Café to enjoy at the lawn and listen to thoughtful commentary about the importance of food choices in our lives followed by a delightful summer concert.

***Food for Thought, featuring the Waterlily Concert Series* will take place rain or shine under the tent at the Conservatory Kitchen stage.**

August 5:

7 p.m.: **Mario Bosquez**, host, *Living Today* on Martha Stewart Living Radio

8 p.m.: Classical music performance by **Brooklyn Chamber Players**

Special dance performance by **Tricia Brouk**

August 12:

7 p.m.: **Jerusha Klemperer**, Slow Food USA

8 p.m.: Jazz performance by **David Grossman Trio**

August 19:

7 p.m.: **Michael Hurwitz**, Director, Greenmarket Program, GrowNYC

Anna Lappé, author, *Diet for a Hot Planet: The Climate Crisis at the End of Your Fork and What You Can Do About It*

8 p.m.: Bluegrass performance by **M Shanghai String Band**

Tickets for *Food for Thought, featuring the Waterlily Concert Series* are \$10 for adults, \$9 for students and seniors, \$4 for children 2–12 years old, and free for children under 2 and for Members of The New York Botanical Garden.

Generous support for the Waterlily Concert Series has been provided by Vivian and Edward Merrin. Proceeds from *The Edible Garden* benefit the Children's Gardening program.

Note: The Enid A. Haupt Conservatory is temporarily closed through the fall for planned structural and interpretive refurbishment. During the summer, the Conservatory Container Garden on Conservatory Terrace will feature plants of *The Edible Garden*. The refurbished Conservatory will showcase the *Holiday Train Show* starting November 19.

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The New York Botanical Garden is a museum of plants located at Bronx River Parkway (Exit 7W) and Fordham Road. It is easy to reach by Metro-North Railroad or subway. The Botanical Garden is open year-round, Tuesday through Sunday and Monday federal holidays. **ADMISSION PRICES FOR THE EDIBLE GARDEN: Weekends Featuring Celebrity Chefs – Adults \$20, Seniors/Students \$18, Children \$8, Children Under 2 and Members Free; Weekends – Adults \$15, Seniors/Students \$13, Children \$8, Children Under 2 and Members Free; Weekdays – Adults \$10, Seniors/Students \$9, Children \$4, Children Under 2 and Members Free.** Proceeds benefit the Children's Gardening program. Discounts available for groups of 15 or more; contact Group Tours, 718.817.8687. Grounds-only admission is free all day on Wednesdays and from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. For more information, please call 718.817.8700 or visit www.nybg.org Read the Botanical Garden's popular blog, *Plant Talk: Inside The New York Botanical Garden* at nybg.org/wordpress

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