



THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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THE EDIBLE GARDEN TO FEATURE MULTIPLE EXHIBITS THROUGHOUT THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

June 27 – September 13, 2009

Set throughout The New York Botanical Garden's spectacular 250-acre landscape, *The Edible Garden* is a campus-wide, summer-long celebration of growing great food. Multiple exhibits will inspire visitors to grow, prepare, and eat garden-fresh produce and will offer opportunities for children and adults to better understand how plants provide the food and drink essential to maintain life and enhance wellness. Programming during the four months of *The Edible Garden* will include a number of activities sure to delight anyone with a passion for gardening, cooking, and entertaining, or even the casual summer visitor.

On select days ***Cooking Demonstrations in the Conservatory Kitchen***, an outdoor kitchen located on the Conservatory Lawn, provided by Viking and designed by National Kitchen & Bath Association, will showcase renowned and up-and-coming chefs using the latest in kitchenware from sponsor Anolon to entertain visitors with "farm to table" cooking, new and exciting ways of incorporating fresh produce and herbs into everyday meals, lectures, panels and "Meet Celebrity Chefs" events. In its splendid setting beside the Garden's iconic Victorian glasshouse, visitors can learn innovative and healthy recipes using a multitude of edible plants from around the world.

Exhibits of *The Edible Garden*

Tropical Fruits, Roots, and Shoots

in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory

This exhibition of tropical edibles will feature lush, elaborate displays of rare and beautiful vegetation, including everyday favorites like coffee, coconut, and cinnamon growing alongside more unusual fare like passion fruit, tamarind, and açai.

Martha Stewart's Culinary Herb Garden

in the Nancy Bryan Luce Herb Garden

Personally selected and designed by Martha Stewart and her team of gardening experts, this display of the finest culinary herbs highlights a rich selection of natural ingredients from common chives to savory curry plants and aromatic artemisia.

Vegetables and Kids

in the Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden, 1:30–6 p.m.

Young visitors and their families will be able to plant, tend, and harvest fruit, herbs, and vegetables all summer long. Various display gardens will creatively educate visitors on the ingredients in their favorite meals. Each month will feature a different programmatic theme: "Herbal Delights, Naturally!" in July, "Global Gardens" in August, and "Lenape Life" in September.

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Beginner's Vegetable Garden

across from the Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden

Visitors will discover a simple and easy-to-build raised bed overflowing with delicious, home-grown vegetables. The garden will prove that vegetables are easy to purchase and easy to maintain, and it will teach visitors how to grow an affordable, edible garden of their own.

Seed Savers Heirloom Vegetable Garden

in the Home Gardening Center

One of New York's best heirloom vegetable gardens, designed by garden and food author Rosalind Creasy in collaboration with Seed Savers Exchange, will feature a wide array of gorgeous and delicious heirloom vegetables, herbs, and edible flowers—all grown from seed.

Good Food Garden

in the Home Gardening Center

For many families, fresh fruits and vegetables are hard to find and expensive. *Good Food Gardens*, sponsored by Food Network, uses gardens as a nutrition-education tool that provides kids with affordable access to the healthy food they need to live active, healthy lives. After *The Edible Garden* ends, Food Network will donate this *Good Food Garden* as a teaching garden to continue to educate the public on the importance of fresh foods in the goal to end childhood hunger.

Be a Seed Saver

in the Bourke-Sullivan Display House of the Nolen Greenhouses for Living Collections

This exhibit will teach visitors how to both grow from seed and help save heirloom species. Seedling trays and interpretive signage explain methods for vegetable seed starting as well as seed saving techniques for the end of the season.

Farm to Table

in the Everett Children's Adventure Garden

A play station in the Bendheim Global Greenhouse for the youngest visitors allows children to pretend to be farmers, growing the fruits and vegetables to serve at a "cafe."

The Heirloom Tomato: An Exhibition of Photographs by Victor Schrager— Portraits of Historic Tomato Varieties from the Gardens of Amy Goldman

in the Arthur and Janet Ross Gallery

Thirty-four glorious color portraits by Victor Schrager will pay homage to the heirloom tomatoes grown by acclaimed food writer Amy Goldman.

Plants and Fungi: Ten Current Research Stories

in the Britton Science Rotunda and Gallery

Highlight some of the important work being done by scientists at the Botanical Garden's campus and around the world, visitors will learn about scientific research projects involving Brazil nuts, squashes, rice, and more.

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