NYBG BRONX GREEN-UP

March 2020

Pre-registration is recommended.

To reserve your place, email **bronxgreenup@nybg.org** or call 718.817.8026.

Space is limited for some events; priority will be given to members of our sites in the Bronx.

THE ENTERPRISE GARDEN: SALES, FUNDRAISERS AND MARKETS with Kim Vallejo, NY State Department of Agriculture and Markets and NYC Parks GreenThumb

Tuesday, March 10 • 6–8 p.m.

New York Botanical Garden • 2950 Southern Boulevard • Watson Education Building, Room 102

Community gardeners are innovative growers, talented chefs, knowledgeable about herbal healing practices, and at the forefront of providing fresh, local food to their communities. In this workshop, learn how to leverage some of those skills to generate support for your garden and the broader community. We will discuss scaling up and navigating the NYC Parks concessions process, city and state licensing, food safety concerns, and how to develop markets and farm stands at your garden, all in alignment with GreenThumb guidelines.

STARTING SEEDS IN A GREENHOUSE OR INDOORS

Saturday, March 14 • 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Praxis Warren Residence • 4339 White Plains Road

Get gardening early by starting your seeds in a greenhouse or sunny window. We'll walk you through the steps of sowing, discuss what healthy seedlings need to grow into mature crops, and help you document the process by keeping good records. In partnership with NYC Parks GreenThumb, Praxis, and Urban Cultivated. Garden members who attend this workshop will be eligible for vegetable, flower, and herb seeds along with seed starting kits.



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NATIVARS RESEARCH PROJECT (BRONX)

Saturday, May 2 • 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Ross Lecture Hall • The New York Botanical Garden

Application deadline is March 15, 2020 Space is very limited for participation in this program

Native bees, butterflies, and other pollinators, prefer native wildflowers and trees. Nativars (cultivated varieties of native plants) can be different from their native parents in flower color, scent, timing, size of flowers, and more. Since these traits are very important to pollinators, we wonder if nativars might be more, or less, attractive to pollinators than the wild (native) species. Scientists need your help to answer this important question: Do nativars provide the same resources for pollinators as their wild cousins?

Apply to be a Nativars Research Project site in the Bronx with Project Budburst and Bronx Green-Up. Participating sites will receive a training for tracking and submitting information and plants for up to an 85 square foot planting area. Participating sites will be required to conduct pollinator observations weekly on data sheet or mobile device (about 10 minutes/week).

FRUIT TREE CARE WORKSHOP

Saturday, March 28 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Jardín de la Roca • Elton Avenue & East 160th Street

Have you ever wondered about what you can do to get a great harvest from fruit trees in your garden? This workshop will cover the basics of maintaining healthy fruit trees year-round with an emphasis on the current spring season. We will cover best practices for maximizing fruit production. Participants will have an opportunity to get hands-on practice in assessing and caring for fruit trees in a community garden. In partnership with NYC Parks GreenThumb. **Registration required:** To register, please email us at **bronxgreenup@nybg.org o**r call us at 718.817.8026.

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