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MEDIA ALERT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 13, 2022

**Author Tony Hillery Will Read from His Inspiring Children's Book *Harlem Grown* in a Special Story Time and Book Signing at NYBG's Everett Children's Adventure Garden**

**Wednesday, July 20, 2022; 2:30 p.m.**



Author Tony Hillery (left) will read from his inspiring children's book *Harlem Grown*, followed by a book signing, at NYBG's Everett Children's Adventure Garden on Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

## What

### ***Harlem Grown* Story Time and Book Signing**

In a special appearance at The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG), author Tony Hillery will read from his 2020 children's book *Harlem Grown* at NYBG's Everett Children's Adventure Garden. Illustrated by Jessie Hartland, *Harlem Grown* tells the inspiring true story of how the author started a community garden with schoolchildren in an empty Harlem lot in 2011. Since then, the not-for-profit organization Harlem Grown has blossomed into a network of local urban farms and garden-based development programs for Harlem youth. Mr. Hillery will share seed packets with young listeners to take home, and books will be available for purchase in English (\$17.99) and Spanish (\$18.99). A book signing will follow the reading.

The reading and book signing are part of "Around the Kid's Table," the Children's Adventure Garden component of the multi-faceted, garden-wide exhibition *Around the Table: Stories of the Foods We Love*, examining the art and science of foodways and food traditions and celebrating plants as foundational to all culinary customs.

For more information or to purchase tickets for *Around the Table: Stories of the Foods We Love*, please visit <https://www.nybg.org/event/around-the-table-stories-of-the-foods-we-love/>.

## When

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## Where

The New York Botanical Garden, 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York

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