
Bronx Community Events & Resources

Discover public resources for your community including grants, job openings, and internships.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

THE AUXILLIARY FARMER PROJECT • IRIDESCENT EARTH COLLECTIVE

AFP is the volunteer program hosted by Iridescent Earth Collective in Delaware County NY. It is made up of members from Delaware county to the Bronx. The goal is to provide short term, noncommittal opportunities for folks to directly contribute to alternatives for how our food is grown and produced. It is also an opportunity for collective skill sharing, local and regional organizing and community healing. Learn more at: <https://tinyurl.com/3ytsk3jd>

RESTORE THE RIVER CORRIDOR • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

Volunteer with the Bronx River Alliance to protect and restore the Bronx River ecosystem! Clean up debris in Starlight Park, plant trees in the Bronx River Forest, maintain rain gardens, and more while learning about river stewardship. Learn more at: <https://bronxriver.org/visit-the-river/calendar>

YOUTH-LED PARK RESTORATION • BRONX IS BLOOMING

Volunteer with Bronx is Blooming to restore neighborhood parks across the Bronx while supporting a culture of youth leadership and environmental stewardship. Help maintain local greenspaces by caring for young trees, removing invasive species, planting, applying mulch, and more. Learn more at: <https://www.bronxisblooming.org/upcomingevents>

COMMUNAL GARDENING PROJECT • BISSEL GARDENS & PRAXIS

We INVITE YOU to our Communal Gardening Project. We'll share the sowing, maintaining and the harvest! We'll grow for ourselves and for others, and you'll be a part of it. Don't like to dig but like to participate in community activities? We've got you covered, there's a variety of garden maintenance that doesn't involve digging, and we also need help with social media. We're in two Wakefield locations in the Bronx. To learn more, contact: connect@urbancultivated.com

FOREST & WETLAND RESTORATION • NYC PARKS STEWARDSHIP

Volunteer with NYC Parks Stewardship to support forest and wetland restoration across the city. Help plant and prune street trees, propagate native seeds, and monitor local wildlife while learning more about the city's natural landscape. Want to lead your own stewardship projects? Volunteering is the first step to become a Super Steward. Learn more at: <https://www.nycgovparks.org/reg/stewardship>

GARDEN & PARK RENOVATION • NEW YORK RESTORATION PROJECT

Volunteer with New York Restoration project to renovate gardens, restore parks, plant trees, promote urban agriculture, and build a greener, more resilient city. Find a community garden near you, or register online to assist with forest stewardship, wetland stewardship, gardening, composting, and litter removal in focus parks. Learn more at: <https://www.nyrp.org/en/get-involved/#events>

"IT'S MY PARK" • PARTNERSHIPS FOR PARKS

Volunteer with Partnerships for Parks and affiliated local park stewardship groups to beautify neighborhood green spaces through cleaning, painting, and gardening. Learn more at: <https://cityparksfoundation.org/volunteer-its-my-park/>

FOREST RESTORATION & TRAIL WORK • VAN CORTLANDT PARK ALLIANCE

Van Cortlandt Park Alliance works with over 2,000 volunteers a year to complete community stewardship projects throughout the 1,146 acres of Van Cortlandt Park. Search for upcoming volunteer opportunities and event here, <https://vancortlandt.org/calendar-of-events/>

PARK AND PLAYGROUND CARE • FRIENDS OF MOSHOLU PARKLAND

Contribute to the parkland, edible garden, and community by volunteering for compost duties, pruning, weeding, harvesting, cleaning, trash pickup, and maintenance. Volunteer at the Edible Garden Monday thru Friday (contact for weekend hours) and for playground patrol at Kossuth Playground, Mosholu Playground, Whalen Playground, Williamsbridge Oval Playground, Knox-Gates Playground, French Charley's Playground, and Frisch Baseball Field. For more information, please visit <https://www.mosholuparkland.org/howtovolunteer/>

GET YOUR HANDS DIRTY • THE MISSION CONTINUES

Volunteer with The Mission Continues to support community gardens across the Bronx! The Bronx Operation's focus is on environmental restoration and preservation to support improvements along the waterfront and underused green spaces in the South Bronx area. Partners include Rincon Criollo Community Garden, Bronx Sunshine Garden, and The Bronx County Historical Society. Learn more at: <https://www.missioncontinues.org/service-platoon/New-York/>

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SPRING JUBILEE & SEED SWAP • JAMES BALDWIN OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER & TRAIN PARK GARDEN

Sunday, May 5 • 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

Train Park Garden • Intersection of Orloff Avenue & Gale Place

The third annual Spring Jubilee will feature live music, open mic, family art activities, and tabling from environmental organizations. JBOLC and Train Park Garden are also hosting an exchange of garden items for neighbors and local community gardeners. So, please bring and agree to swap: seeds (vegetables, herbs, flowers, non-organic, organic, heirloom), seedlings, plants (indoor/outdoor), compost, plant pots, garden gloves, garden tools, garden books, T-shirts, sun hats, etc.

BRING ON THE BULBS • GREENTHUMB

Wednesday, May 15 • 6–7:30 p.m.

Melrose Houses Community Garden (NYCHA) • 345 East 153rd Street, Bronx

Spring-flowering bulbs, such as tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths have finished flowering. It's a great time to plant summer-flowering bulbs such as dahlia, gladiolus, canna, tuberous begonia, calla, and caladium. Plant them in beds, borders, or containers. To register, go to

<https://www.nycgovparks.org/reg/greenthumb-workshops/14788/register>

PUBLIC SOIL TESTING EVENT • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

Saturday, May 11 • 12–3 p.m.

Shoelace Park • Bronx Park & 219th Street

Join us at Councilman Riley's Family Day in Shoelace Park as we offer free drop by soil testing.

Bring a soil sample to have analyzed for toxic metals like lead using our XRF machine. Learn how to use this simple, yet powerful tool and how to keep yourself safe when gardening! For more information on how to prep your soil sample, go to

<https://bronxriver.org/event/public-soil-testing-event>

TRAININGS

IS THIS A TREE OR A WEED? • GREENTHUMB

Thursday, May 9 • 12–1 p.m.

Virtual Event

Some trees love to spread their seeds. But in just a few years, small bushy saplings can turn into large trees, shading out your garden. Learn how to identify and remove saplings before they get too big. To register, go to

<https://www.nycgovparks.org/reg/greenthumb-workshops/14787/register>

RAT ACADEMY • NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Virtual Event • Tuesday, May 14 • 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Virtual Event • Tuesday, May 21 • 5–7 p.m.

In-Person • Thursday, May 23 • 5:30–7:30 p.m. • 1554 Minford Place, Bronx

Learn about rat prevention methods from the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. To register, go to: <https://www.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/rats-control-training.page>

MATERIALS & TOOLS

2024 TREE GIVEAWAY • NEW YORK RESTORATION PROJECT

The 2024 NYRP free tree giveaway season kicks off on Saturday, April 13 and will continue on Saturdays and Sundays through Sunday, May 12. If you have received a tree from NYRP in the past, you may be eligible to register for the tree you want this season before 2024 general registration opens to the public. Learn more here: <https://www.nyrp.org/en/get-involved/tree-giveaways>

FOOD SCRAP DROP-OFFS

Volunteer-operated Food Scrap Drop-Off locations are open. For more information and sites in other boroughs, visit <http://nyc.gov/dropfoodscraps>

LEHMAN COLLEGE VOLUNTEERS

Mondays • 8 a.m.–12 p.m. • Year Round
Lehman College • 250 Bedford Park Blvd West

DREW GARDENS

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays • 4–7 p.m. • Year Round
Drew Gardens • 1070 East Tremont Avenue

PADRE PLAZA COMMUNITY GARDEN

Mondays • 12.–5 p.m. • Year Round
Padre Plaza Community Garden • 541 East 139 Street

NEW ROOTS COMMUNITY FARM

Fridays • 8 a.m.–12 p.m. • Year Round
New Roots Community Farm • 670 Grand Concourse

FORDHAM PLAZA GREENMARKET

Fridays • 8–11:30 a.m. • Year Round
East Fordham Road between Webster Avenue and Third Avenue

KELLY STREET GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

Saturdays • 10 a.m.–2 p.m. • Year Round
Kelly Street Garden • 924 Kelly Street

FARMERS MARKETS

JAMES BALDWIN OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER FARMERS MARKET

Saturdays • 10 a.m.–3 p.m. • June to October
Corner of Goulden and Sedgwick Avenues and Mosholu Parkway South, Bronx

BRONX PARK EAST (BxPE) FARMERS MARKET

Sundays • 9 a.m.–4 p.m. • June 2nd to November 24th
Brady Playground • 2045 Bronx Park East, Bronx

WHITE PLAINS ROAD FARMERS MARKET

Sundays • 9 a.m.–3 p.m. • June 1st to November 23rd
Williamsbridge Square • White Plains Road, E211 St &, E 212 St, Bronx

RIVERDALE Y SUNDAY MARKET

Sundays • 9 a.m.–2 p.m.
Riverdale Temple • 4545 Independence Avenue, Bronx

JOB & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

For current jobs and internship opportunities please visit the list at <http://bit.ly/1XMZdiB>

YEAR-ROUND and ONGOING RESOURCES

For resources available year-round, please visit our 2023 Resource Page at <https://bit.ly/34AlihY>

GRANTS AND AWARDS

For an annual schedule of funding opportunities, please visit our 2023 Grants and Awards page <https://bit.ly/3XdNUFM>