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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**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](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](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

**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, Moshulu 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/](https://www.mosholuparkland.org/howtovolunteer/)

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THE AUXILIARY 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

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/

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/

COMMUNITY EVENTS

JAMES BALDWIN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION • JAMES BALDWIN OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER
August 3 • 10 a.m.—4 p.m.
James Baldwin Outdoor Learning Center • 100 West Mosholu Parkway South
Join us for our James Baldwin Centennial Celebration, featuring the MORE Opera Community Chorus, Bronx Bound Books, a block party with Sherema Fleming of Cultured Movement, a community poetry jam, and much, much more! Learn more at: jamesbaldwinoutdoorlearningcenter.org
FREE COMMUNITY PADDLING IN STARLIGHT PARK • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE
August 3, 16, 23 • 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
Concrete Plant Park Boat Launch
Join us for a Free Community Paddle at Starlight Park from 11 AM to 3 PM. This is a great activity for beginners and families to join. Canoes will be available for partners and families, and kayaks will be available for solo paddlers. Please note that this event is first come, first served, and no sign up is required. All participants are required to fill out waivers at the time of sign-up. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult guardian. Learn more here: https://bronxriver.org/visit-the-river/calendar

ROWBOATING ON THE MILL POND • VAN CORTLANDT PARK ALLIANCE
August 3 • 12 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
Village community Park Boathouse • Van Cortlandt Park South and Bailey Avenue
Village Community Boathouse is back with FREE rowboating on Hester and Piero’s Mill Pond. Rowboats for small groups will be available to paddle around the lake. Children must be accompanied by adults. First come first served. Learn more here: https://vancortlandt.org/event/rowboating-on-the-mill-pond-2/2024-08-03/

THE STORY GARDEN WITH CARLOS MATIAS • BRONX RIVER COMMUNITY GARDEN
August 11 • 12 p.m.–1:30 p.m.
Bronx River Community Garden • Corner of East 180th Street & Devoe Avenue
Join author Carlos Matias and Wilde, Flowers, and Books to enjoy a reading of “Emergency Quarters”, nature-inspired arts and crafts, and literary-inspired planting activities. Each family will receive a free book and free plant of their very own on a first-come, first serve basis. Learn more and register here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdwOEMPtgoTcpA9nuIr_4nA7rJngAkrrJztwrq4Nrl6Arpcng/viewform

SOUND BATH IN THE PARK • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE
August 17 • 11 a.m.–12 p.m.
Soundview Park – Butterfly Meditation Garden
Join Alexis of Alektrik Wellness for a rejuvenating sound bath session in the park! Experience the calming power of sound therapy, designed to reduce stress, improve mental clarity, and promote overall well-being. No prior experience needed – just bring a yoga mat or a blanket, relax, and let the sounds guide you to a state of tranquility. RSVP is required! Learn more here: https://bronxriver.org/event/sound-bath-in-the-park-2

TRAININGS

ORGANIZING FOR GARDEN SUCCESS: GROUP STRUCTURE (PART 1 OF 2) • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB
Thursday, August 1 • 6–8 p.m.
Virtual Event
In this webinar, we will discuss different styles of group structure and share examples with one another around the good, the bad, and the ugly of garden governance issues. To register, go to: https://www.nygcovparks.org/events/2024/08/01/organizing-for-garden-success-group-structure-part-1-of-2
RAT ACADEMY • NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Friday, August 9 • 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Wednesday, August 21 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Virtual Event
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

ORGANIZING FOR GARDEN SUCCESS: BYLAWS (PART 2 OF 2) • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB
Thursday, August 15 • 6–8 p.m.
Virtual Event
In this workshop, we will discuss writing garden bylaws that outline processes for decision-making and garden governance, and that will satisfy the GreenThumb requirement for bylaws. To register, go to: https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/2024/08/15/organizing-for-garden-success-bylaws-part-2-of-2

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

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LA FINCA DEL SUR FARMERS MARKET
Second Saturdays • 10 a.m.–3 p.m. • June to October
La Finca Del Sur • 110 East 138th Street, 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 30th
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

YOUTH RUN FARMSTAND
Wednesdays • 2–7 p.m. • July 10th to October 30th
Van Cortlandt Park Alliance • Corner of Orloff Avenue and Gale Place, Bronx

NEW ROOTS COMMUNITY FARM STAND
Tuesdays • 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
New Roots Community Farm • 670 Grand Concourse

JOB & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
For 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

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