# **Bronx Community Events & Resources**

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## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

NO CROSS BRONX EXPANSION PUBLIC UPDATE MEETING • NO CROSS BRONX EXPANSION COALITION *Thursday, May 1* • 6:30–7:30 p.m. *Virtual Event* Join the No Cross Bronx Expansion coalition for important updates about the status of NY State Department of Transportation's 5 Bridges project, the community campaign to prevent this project from becoming a highway widening, and ways to stay involved as we approach the project's Public Comment Period!

Register Here

#### COMPOSTING WITH BIG P • NEW ROOTS COMMUNITY FARM

Saturday, May 3 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

New Roots Community Farm • 670 Grand Concourse

Get down to earth with Big P! Join us for a free hands-on composting workshop where you'll learn the science behind composting, how to reduce food waste, and build healthier soil. Whether you're a beginner or looking to level up your sustainability game, this workshop is for you! No RSVP Required, learn more <u>@newrootsbronx</u>.

MORGAN'S BRONX RIVER WALKING TOUR • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

Saturday, May 3 • 12-3 p.m.

West Farms Rapids • 1087 East Tremont Avenue

Join historian Terrell L Armistead in a special tour along the Bronx River at West Farms Rapids Park as they share the ecological stories and community histories of the Bronx River. Led in honor of Morgan Powell a founding member of the Bronx River Restoration and a passionate advocate for the reclamation of the Bronx River. His research has been fundamental in sharing the lesser known histories of Black and Brown Bronxites and their contributions to the ecocultural history of NYC.

**Register Here** 

PINKSTER FESTIVAL • VAN CORTLANDT PARK ALLIANCE



#### Saturday, May 3 • 12–4 p.m.

#### Van Cortlandt House Museum Lawn • 6036 Broadway

Celebrate the rich cultural heritage of Pinkster at this year's Pinkster Festival hosted by the Van Cortlandt Park Alliance, Van Cortlandt House Museum, and Kingsbridge Historical Society. Join us on the picturesque lawn of the Van Cortlandt House Museum for a day filled with vibrant festivities, live music, engaging performances, and immersive experiences. **Register Here** 

MORNING GLORY GARDEN COMMUNITY WORKDAYS • MORNING GLORY GARDEN Sundays, May 4 & 18 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Morning Glory Garden • 1219 Hoe Avenue

Join Morning Glory Garden to help steward the garden! Learn more about vegetable growing, composting, and sustainable garden infrastructure.

#### **Register Here**

SECOND SATURDAYS • LA FINCA DEL SUR

Saturday, May 10 • 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

La Finca Del Sur • 110 E 138th St.

Join La Finca Del Sur for monthly community workdays, held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the second Saturday of every month. Care for the farm, gain hands-on gardening and composting practice, build community, and more!

#### **Register Here**

YOGA MIND -N- BODY 8 WEEK RESET • FRIENDS OF SETON FALLS PARK Saturdays, May 10, 17, 24, & 30 • 9–11 a.m.

Stars & Stripes Playground (Crawford Street & Palmer Avenue) • Seton Falls Park Join Friends of Seton Falls Park for a Mind-N-Body 8 Week Reset, featuring yoga facilitated by Samantha Richardson and reflection facilitated by Anieto Henville. The sessions will take place every Saturday in May and June at the Stars and Stripes Playground behind Sousa Junior High School in Seton Falls Park, otherwise known as the Siwanoy Forest. **Register Here** 

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THE AMAZING BRONX RIVER FLOTILLA • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

Saturday, May 10 • 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

Shoelace Park Boat Launch • 219th Street & Bronx Boulevard

Our Annual Amazing Bronx River Flotilla is our unique fundraising event where participants embark on a four-mile journey down the Bronx River. These funds are then used to keep our river accessible to over 1,000 Bronx children and families by funding our free and low-cost community paddles. We will also be hosting a celebration at the end location at River House in Starlight Park, with music, dance, food, and more!

### Register Here

MAYORAL FORUM ON COMMUNITY GARDENS AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY IN NYC • NYC COMMUNITY GARDEN COALITION & LOISAIDA UNITED NEIGHBORHOOD GARDENS Saturday, May 24 • 12–2 p.m.

#### St. Mark's Church in-the-Bowery • 131 East 10th Street

The New York City Community Garden Coalition (NYCCGC) and Loisaida United Neighborhood Gardens (LUNGS) will host a Community Gardens' Mayoral Forum on Saturday, May 24th, 12 pm to 2 pm, at St. Mark's Church-on-the-Bowery, 131 E 10th St, New York, NY 10003. The event will highlight the role of community gardens in New York City's sustainability and environmental future. The forum, moderated by internationally acclaimed food justice advocate Karen Washington.

#### **Register Here**



#### BLACK BIRDERS WEEK: BIRDING AT THE BRONX RIVER FOREST • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

Saturday, May 31 • 9-11 a.m.

Burke Avenue Bridge • Bronx Park

Join NYC Bird Alliance and Bronx River Alliance for a FREE bird outing in the Bronx River Forest! Extending south into the New York Botanical Garden, The Bronx River Forest is a remnant of the original forests and floodplains that once blanketed the Bronx River corridor. Recent projects led by NYC Parks and the Bronx River Alliance to restore the river's corridor and increase habitat have made it a perfect place to spot birds and other wildlife! **Register Here** 

# TRAININGS

### **EL HUERTO URBANO • RUTGERS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION**

Miércoles 14 y 28 de Mayo (Wednesday, May 14 & 28) • 7-8:15 p.m. Seria Virtual (Virtual Series)

El Servicio de Extensión Agrícola de la Universidad de Rutgers de los Condados de Hudson y Essex se complacen en invitarte a nuestra seria virtual en español, El Huerto Urbano. Esta seria consiste en seminarios web en vivo en los que colegas del Servicio de Extensión Agrícola de New Jersey mas expertos de USDA NRCS (Servicio de Conservación de Recursos Naturales) ofrecerán técnicas y consejos sobre un tema de jardinería diferente en cada sesión. Esta seria está dirigida a principiantes, personas interesadas en aprender a cultivar hortalizas y hierbas en espacios urbanos. (Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Hudson and Essex Counties is excited to present an urban gardening webinar series in Spanish, titled "El Huerto Urbano." This series consists of live webinars in which colleagues from the New Jersey Agricultural Extension Station and experts from other organizations will offer advice for beginner gardeners with a different gardening topic each session. This is a series geared towards beginner gardeners interested in learning how to grow a vegetable and herb garden in urban spaces.)

Registrate aquí (Register Here)

#### **BUILDING A GUTTER SYSTEM FOR RAINWATER HARVESTING • NYC PARKS** GREENTHUMB

### Saturday, May 3 • 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

#### Vogue Community Garden • 431 East 156th Street

Join us for a hands-on workshop where you will learn how to install a functional gutter system for garden tool sheds and pavilions. This workshop provides an opportunity to learn about rainwater harvesting techniques and their applications in urban gardens. As part of the workshop, participants will receive an 8-foot-long gutter system kit to take home and implement in their own GreenThumb gardens.

**Register Here** 

### **GARDEN CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION CIRCLE • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB**

Monday, May 12 • 6-7:30 p.m.

#### Virtual Event

Conflict is natural and can happen even in the most well-organized garden group or with the best of friends. How can we hold space for and resolve conflict within our groups? In these monthly sessions, mediators Skye Roper-Moses and Michelle Jackson will facilitate discussion circles for community gardeners to bring their challenges to the group and collectively generate solutions. The facilitators will model skills for holding space that gardeners can bring back to their groups to develop a practice for addressing and transforming conflict in the garden; this will be a confidential space that is not recorded.



#### **Register Here**

#### **RAT ACADEMY TRAINING • NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Monday, May 5 • 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Thursday, May 8 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Virtual Event

You can learn about safe and effective methods for rat prevention in your home and community at one of our scheduled free trainings. This free two-hour course is open to anyone who wants to learn about rat management.

**Register Here** 

# **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 Here** 

#### **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, mulching, and more. Learn More Here

#### 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, email <u>connect@urbancultivated.com</u>.

#### 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. Learn More Here

#### SOUNDVIEW PARK CLEAN-UP • FRIENDS OF SOUNDVIEW PARK

Help steward Soundview Park with Friends of Soundview Park! Join clean-up and stewardship sessions every Tuesday from 10am-2pm, meeting at Lafayette Avenue and Colgate Avenues. For details, email <u>yyimjcj@aol.com</u>.

### Learn More Here

#### 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 Here

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#### **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 Here

#### 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 Here

#### **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 Here

#### **"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 Here

#### 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. Learn More Here

### FOOD SCRAP DROP-OFFS

Food Scrap Drop-Off locations are open across the Bronx. For more information and sites in other boroughs, visit the <u>DSNY FSDO Map</u> or <u>Big Reuse FSDO Map</u>.

BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE *Fridays* • *9 a.m.*–*12 p.m.* • *Year Round* Starlight Park • 1490 Sheridan Blvd

BRONX PARK EAST FARMERS MARKET Sundays • 9 a.m.–2 p.m. • June to November Starlight Park • 1490 Sheridan Blvd



JAMES BALDWIN OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER Saturdays • 10 a.m.–3 p.m. • Spring to Fall Meg's Community Garden • 100 W Mosholu Pkwy S

KAROL'S COMMUNITY URBAN FARM *Fridays* • 10 a.m.–1 p.m. • March to November Karol's Community Urban Farm • Across from 2238 Lacombe Ave

KEEPER'S HOUSE EDIBLE GARDEN 24/7• Year Round Keeper's House Edible Garden • 3400 Reservoir Oval East

KINGSBRIDGE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER *Tuesdays-Fridays* • *12–3 p.m.* • *Year Round* Kingsbridge Heights Community Center • 3101 Kingsbridge Terrace

LEHMAN COLLEGE Mondays • 9 a.m.–12 p.m. • Year Round Lehman College • 250 Bedford Park Blvd West

MUSEUM OF BRONX HISTORY *Alternating Tuesdays* • *11 a.m.–3 p.m.* • *July to September* Museum of Bronx History • 3266 Bainbridge Ave

NEW ROOTS COMMUNITY FARM Monday-Friday • 9 a.m.–2 p.m. • Year Round Saturday • 10 a.m.–3 p.m. • Year Round New Roots Community Farm • 670 Grand Concourse

NEW SETTLEMENT COMMUNITY CENTER *Thursday, Friday* • 1–5 p.m. • Year Round *Saturday* • 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. • Year Round New Settlement Community Center • 1501 Jerome Ave

RIVERDALE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE Every Day • 9 a.m.–6 p.m. • Year Round Riverdale Neighborhood House • 5522 Mosholu Ave

SPUYTEN DUYVIL PRESCHOOL Monday-Friday • 7:30 a.m.–6 p.m. • September to June Spuyten Duyvil Preschool • 3041 Kingsbridge Ave

PADRE PLAZA COMMUNITY GARDEN Mondays, Wednesdays • 12–5 p.m. • Year Round Padre Plaza Community Garden • 541 East 139 Street

### **FARMERS MARKETS**

Our partners' farmers markets have not opened for the season. For a list of citywide farmers markets, including markets open year-round, please see the <u>NYC Department of Health</u> <u>Farmers Market Map</u>.



# **JOB & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

For jobs and internship opportunities please visit our <u>Employment, Internship, and Volunteer</u> <u>Opportunities Guide</u>.

# YEAR-ROUND RESOURCES

For resources available year-round, please visit our Resource Page.

# **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

For an annual schedule of funding opportunities, please visit our Grants and Awards Guide.

