

# NYBG BRONX GREEN-UP

February 2026

## Grow More Vegetables Certificate Course

The Grow More Vegetables Certificate Course is an edible gardening course designed to equip community gardeners, farmers, and educators learn the best techniques for growing vegetables safely and effectively in an urban setting. The program consists of six virtual classes and hands-on gardening instruction in the field. Each student will have the opportunity to design their own urban vegetable gardening project as a final component of the course.

### Required for Certification:

- Attend all 6 virtual workshops on Wednesdays, February 18 & 25; March 4, 11, 18, & 25
- Complete 8 hours of hands-on practice
- Complete a final project

Apply here: [bit.ly/4qRNHpK](http://bit.ly/4qRNHpK)

Application Deadline: February 11, 2026

\*Priority enrollment is given to Bronx community gardeners, farmers, and educators. All are welcome to apply if space permits.



## Tea Workshop

*Friday, February 6 / 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Castle Hill Community Center / 625 Castle Hill  
Community Center, Bronx, NY 10473*

Join us at the community center for a cozy, hands-on tea-crafting experience! Together, we will create a unique blend featuring calming chamomile, earthy sage, refreshing peppermint and more. You'll get to mix, smell, and explore each herb. And of course, we will have plenty of tea for taste testing. Come sip, blend, and enjoy a relaxing time with us! To register, email [Bronxgreenup@nybg.org](mailto:Bronxgreenup@nybg.org)



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## Climate Impact in Winter: Houseplant Edition

Wednesday, February 18 / 6 to 8 p.m.  
Online



Join us for a discussion on how climate change impacts houseplants. Presented by the New York Restoration Project in partnership with GreenThumb, join us in virtual discussion with Zoë Arcidiacono of Bronx Green-Up at the New York Botanical Garden, who will talk about the impact shifting environmental conditions has on the plants we grow indoors. Zoë will share practical tips on light, soil, watering, fertilization, and the importance of understanding the significance of a native environments. To register, click [here](#)

<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/2026/02/18/facing-climate-change-as-urban-gardeners-climate-impacting-p>

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## Urban Jungle 101: Houseplant Care Workshop

Saturday, January 31 / 1 to 3 p.m.  
Bronx River Art Center / 1087 East Tremont Avenue

Join Zoë at the Castle Hill Community Center for a fun and hands-on workshop where you'll learn all the secrets to keeping your houseplants happy by understanding their native environments, light preferences, soil types, watering needs, and fertilization basics. You'll also get step-by-step guidance on potting a plant to take home. Bring your questions and even your own houseplant for personalized advice. To register, email [bronxgreenup@nybg.org](mailto:bronxgreenup@nybg.org).

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## New Research on Beneficial Insects in NYC Community Gardens

Be a part of a new research project on beneficial insects (pollinators and pest predators) in New York City community gardens! This project is led by Aaron Sexton of Cornell University. For more information and to sign up, please visit <https://bit.ly/4k6fAaT>



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## Volunteer Opportunities in February



We have volunteer opportunities in February! Join us for hands-on gardening and composting at community gardens. To register for any of these volunteer opportunities, email [bronxgreenup@nybg.org](mailto:bronxgreenup@nybg.org).

### Garden Workdays at Karol's Urban Community Farm

Fridays, February 13, 20, 27 | 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Karol's Urban Community Farm | Havemeyer & Lacombe Avenue

### Home Gardening Center Compost Maintenance

Wednesday, February 18 | 10 to 12 p.m.

New York Botanical Garden | 2950 Southern Boulevard, Bronx

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To register, email [compost@nybg.org](mailto:compost@nybg.org) We ask that you register so we can communicate with you if we need to cancel an event due to inclement weather. However, you can just show up! But, please do check in with us if there is a weather event.

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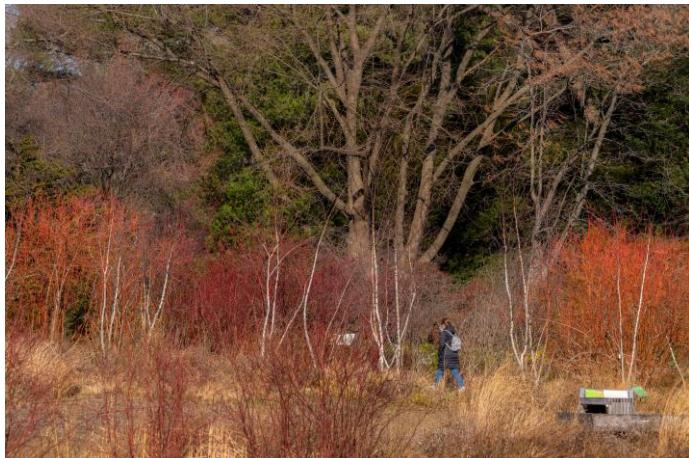
## Follow us on Instagram!



We're excited to announce our brand-new Instagram account, **@bronxgreenup!** Follow us to stay informed about upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, certificate programs, and more. Have an event at your community garden? Send it our way, and we'll share it! You'll also find volunteer and gardener spotlights and get to know our dedicated team. Don't miss out—hit that follow button to stay connected!



## Events, Grants, and Resources



For more information about other local gardening events, volunteer opportunities, employment opportunities and community trainings, please visit our Events and Resources Page at <https://www.nybg.org/gardens/bronx-green-up/events/>

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