

# BRONX COMMUNITY EVENTS & RESOURCES

Discover public resources for your community including events, volunteer opportunities, and more.

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### AFRICAN EGGPLANT PARTICIPATORY BREEDING KICKOFF • CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

*Thursday, March 5th • 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Join us to learn about the Cornell African Eggplant Research Project and learn how you can participate! African eggplant, also known as Bitterball, Garden Egg, Kittley and other names, is an important crop for many members of our community with heritage from regions such as sub-Saharan Africa, Southeast Asia, and Brazil. Since 2024, the Cornell African Eggplant Research Project has been collaborating with growers and community partners across New York to develop high-quality varieties adapted to the Northeast U.S. In this meeting, we will share information about growing and preparing African eggplant, highlight our research to date, and invite partners to collaborate with us in our 2026 participatory breeding and variety selection efforts!

[Learn More](#)

### LOCAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING • SOUTH BRONX UNITE

*Thursday, March 5th • 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.*

*South Bronx Unite • 127 Lincoln Avenue*

In 2024, the Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice (MOCEJ) released the EJNYC Report outlining the historical and ongoing environmental justice issues impacting New Yorkers. Building on this report, MOCEJ is now developing a citywide Environmental Justice Plan to address the inequities identified in that very report. At this meeting, the Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice will provide an overview of what the EJNYC Plan will be and proposals currently in development.

[Learn More](#)

### GREENWAY BIKE RIDE • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

*Saturday, March 7 • 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.*

*Shoelace Park • 219th Street*

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Enjoy a relaxed community ride along the beautiful Bronx River Greenway — perfect for families and anyone looking to get outside and ride together along the river. The ride is approximately 6 miles at a comfortable pace of about 7 mph.

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**MASTER COMPOSTER INFORMATION SESSION • LES ECOLOGY CENTER**

*Monday, March 9 • 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Do you have questions about the Master Composter program or community composting efforts in NYC? Join our virtual information session! The session will cover whether the Master Composter course is a good fit for you, what you can do with the certificate once completed, a tutorial on navigating Regpack, topics covered in each workshop, and recommendations on what order to take the workshops. Bring your questions!

**[Learn More](#)**

**VAN CORTLANDT NATURE GROUP WALK • VAN CORTLANDT PARK ALLIANCE**

*Sunday, March 15 • 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.*

*Van Cortlandt Nature Center • Van Cortlandt Park*

Take a slow walk in the park and learn about local flora and fauna with naturalist Debbi Dolan. In March we will be on the lookout for signs of Spring. Trees will begin to burst into vibrant green leaves. Pussy willows and Lenten roses will return to delight our eyes. Perhaps we will spot a killdeer or Eastern Phoebe, or we will find some yellow-bellied sapsuckers lapping up sweet sap beginning to flow with the spring thaw.

**[Learn More](#)**

**SPRING EQUINOX CELEBRATION • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE**

*Saturday, March 21 • 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.*

*Concrete Plant Park • 1370 Westchester Ave*

Join The Bronx River Foodway Team at Concrete Plant Park for a Spring Equinox Celebration! Welcome the start of spring with some fun activities for the family including a Foodway Tour led by Journei Bimwala, herbal exploration and teas tastings with herbs grown at the Foodway in 2025, arts and crafts and more! Register to learn more.

**[Learn More](#)**

**AGRICULTURE IMPACT SUMMIT • UPTOWN & BOOGIE HEALTHY PROJECT**

*Saturday, March 21st • 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

*The Forum at Columbia University • 601 West 125th Street, New York*

The Agriculture Impact Summit is a one-day event focused on agribusiness and small-scale agriculture. This summit will highlight how entrepreneurs, growers, and food-based businesses use innovative technology and sustainable practices to scale their operations. Through panels, workshops, and presentations, attendees will gain practical insight into business development, market access, and emerging opportunities in modern agriculture. Attendees will also receive complimentary professional headshots to support their career growth and brand visibility.

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# GENERAL RESOURCES

## YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PIPELINE • GREEN GUERILLAS

*Applications due March 5th*

The Youth Empowerment Pipeline (YEP) is a paid opportunity for NYC youth ages 17–21 who want to learn practical skills, work in community gardens, and be part of something rooted in care and justice. Participants gain hands-on experience, mentorship, and leadership skills while supporting food access and green spaces across the city. No prior experience is required—we meet you where you are and learn by doing. If you're looking for paid work that connects you to the community, the environment, and other young people, YEP may be a good fit. Applications close March 5th.

[Learn More](#)

## TREE GIVEAWAYS • NEW YORK RESTORATION PROJECT

*Register now for giveaways from April 4th to May 16th*

NYRP is proud to distribute 3,750 trees across all five boroughs from April 4-May 16, 2026. Sign up to claim your free tree! Available species include: Allegheny Serviceberry, American Hazelnut, American Persimmon, Arrowwood, Basswood, Beach Plum, Black Cherry, Black Gum, Eastern Redbud, Elderberry, Flowering Dogwood, Grey Birch, Highbush Blueberry, Northern Bayberry, Pagoda Dogwood, Pawpaw, Red Chokecherry, Sweetbay Magnolia, Sweet Birch, Virginia Sweetspire, White Fringetree, and Witchhazel.

[Learn More](#)

# TRAININGS

## NUTRITION 101 WEBINAR • NYC CENTER FOR HEALTH EQUITY & COMMUNITY WELLNESS

*Tuesday, March 10 • 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Nutrition 101 is a one hour easy-to-understand workshop designed to help people learn the basics of healthy eating. This workshop is perfect for anyone who wants to feel more confident about making healthy food choices in everyday life.

[Learn More](#)

## URBAN AGRICULTURE FOOD SAFETY WEBINAR • CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

*Wednesday, March 11 • 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Urban and small-scale producers are encouraged to join us for the Urban Ag Food Safety webinar, featuring speakers from Cornell Cooperative Extension and Cornell IPM. We will explore the 'why' behind food safety, providing a basic overview and diving into specific urban ag considerations including water, pest, rodent, and soil health challenges. We will touch on the regulation and marketing landscape and share resources for learning more.

[Learn More](#)

## POWER TOOLS 101 • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB

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*College Avenue Garden • 1420 College Avenue*

Learn to safely and confidently use power tools for DIY, home improvement, or crafting. This beginner-friendly course, designed for femme presenting people but open to all, covers tool types, safety, hands-on practice, and project tips. No experience needed—start tackling your projects today!

**[Learn More](#)**

RAT ACADEMY • NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

*Monday, March 9 • 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.*

*Wednesday, March 18 • 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.*

*Friday, March 27 • 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Learn about safe and effective methods for rat prevention in your community garden. This free two-hour course is open to anyone who wants to learn about rat management.

**[Learn More](#)**

OFFSHORE WIND CONSTRUCTION TRAINING INFORMATION SESSIONS • SOULFUL SYNGERY & NYSERDA

*Friday, March 6th • 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.*

*Wednesday, March 11th • 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Learn about the offshore wind construction training program! Program participants receive 180 hours of hands-on construction training, job placement support, and certifications, tools, and a \$1,500 stipend upon graduation. This program comes at no cost for NY residents.

**[Learn More](#)**

## **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 learn more about river stewardship.

**[Learn More](#)**

PARK RESTORATION • BRONX IS BLOOMING

Volunteer with Bronx is Blooming to restore neighborhood parks across the Bronx. Help maintain local greenspaces by caring for young trees, removing invasive species, planting, mulching, and more.

**[Learn More](#)**

COMMUNAL GARDENING PROJECT • BISSEL GARDENS & PRAXIS

Volunteer with the Bissel Gardens 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. Email [connect@urbancultivated.com](mailto:connect@urbancultivated.com) with any questions.

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### OPEN ACCESS GREEN SPACE STEWARDSHIP · CHESTNUT STREET GARDEN

Chestnut Street is a guerilla gardening experiment in open access, public green space. Join our weekly workdays on Sundays from 12pm until dusk to maintain the pollinator garden, remove weeds, and do general maintenance. Please keep in mind that the space is undergoing a lot of changes and may not always be accessible to all. Please email us at [chestnutstreetgarden@gmail.com](mailto:chestnutstreetgarden@gmail.com) with any questions.

### 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 through Friday 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](#)

### 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 [yyimjcj@aol.com](mailto:yyimjcj@aol.com).

[Learn More](#)

### SECOND SATURDAYS · LA FINCA DEL SUR

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!

[Learn More](#)

### 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](#)

### 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](#)

### 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.

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### "IT'S MY PARK" · PARTNERSHIPS FOR PARKS

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Volunteer with Partnerships for Parks and affiliated local park stewardship groups to beautify neighborhood green spaces through cleaning, painting, and gardening.

[Learn More](#)

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](#)

## **FARMERS MARKETS**

Our partners' farmers markets are closed for the season. For more information, visit the [GrowNYC Greenmarket Map](#), the [NYC Health + Hospitals Farmers Market Map](#), and the [Harvest Home Market Map](#).

## **JOB & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

For jobs and internship opportunities please visit our [Employment, Internship, and Volunteer Opportunities Guide](#).

## **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

For an annual schedule of funding opportunities, please visit our [Grants and Awards Guide](#).

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