

NYBG BRONX GREEN-UP

March 2026

Fungi 101: Exploring the Hidden Kingdom Beneath Our Feet

*Thursday, March 12 / 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Online*

Step into the fascinating world of fungi in this beginner-friendly webinar designed to introduce you to one of Earth's most misunderstood and essential kingdoms of life. In Fungi 101, we'll start with the basics, like what fungi are (and aren't) and what makes them unique, explore fungal ecology and the vital roles fungi play in ecosystems around the globe, and we'll dip our toes into the Fungal Tree of Life by introducing the major groups and lineages that shape the kingdom. Whether you're a curious beginner, a gardener, a nature enthusiast, or simply fungi-curious, this class will give you a solid foundation and a deeper appreciation for the hidden networks that sustain life on Earth. To Register, <https://www.nybg.org/event/fungi-101-exploring-the-hidden-kingdom-beneath-our-feet/>



Seed Starting: At Praxis



*Saturday, March 14 / 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Praxis Warren Residence // 4339 White Plains Road*

Join us at Praxis for a hands-on seed-starting workshop and get a jump on this year's garden season! The session will be led by Che from Bronx Green-Up. Come learn, connect with fellow growers, and cultivate community as we kick off the season together.

To register, <https://www.nybg.org/event/starting-seeds-in-a-greenhouse/>

Bronx Green-Up Eco-Gardening Course

In this certificate course, we'll explore how our garden spaces are deeply connected to the local ecology through five virtual, interactive two-hour modules, complemented by eight hands-on hours. Together, we'll journey through time, examining historical Bronx landscape maps, analyzing the impact of climate change on the borough, and discovering the diverse plants and animals that call the Bronx home. We'll also dive into strategies for conserving and protecting our local waterways. This workshop is designed to equip individuals and communities with the knowledge and tools to explore, protect, and nurture their local ecosystems—whether in community gardens, urban farms, or other green spaces.



Required for Certification:

- Attend 5 virtual classes (April 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13 | 6 to 8 p.m.)
- 8 hands-on activity hours
- Completion of Action Plan Project Priority will be given to Bronx community gardeners, but others are welcome if space allows.

Priority will be given to Bronx-based community gardeners, urban farmers, and educators with a demonstrated interest in community composting, urban farming/gardening, and environmental justice. Capacity for each cohort is limited.

Apply here: <https://www.nybg.org/event/eco-gardening-certificate-course/>

Application Deadline: April 13, 2026

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

Orchid Show Tour & Seed Giveaway

Thursday, March 26 • 4:30 to 6 p.m.

New York Botanical Garden • Haupt Conservatory

Join Bronx Green-Up for NYBG's annual Orchid Show and kick off the growing season with a special seed giveaway—one set per Bronx community garden!

Registered participants will enjoy a free guided tour of The Orchid Show: Mr. Flower Fantastic's Concrete Jungle and have the opportunity to select seeds for their garden. Don't miss this chance to explore stunning orchids and gather essentials for your community garden



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Crazy for Composting 2026



Saturday, April 4 • 4:30 to 6 p.m.

New York Botanical Garden • Ross Hall

Where compost enthusiasts, environmental advocates, and community leaders come together to celebrate and explore the power of community composting! This year's theme, "Composting as Resilience: Community Composting for Our Collective

Future," will highlight how local composting efforts build stronger, more sustainable communities in the face of climate change and environmental injustice.

To register, <https://www.nybg.org/event/crazy-for-composting-2026/>

Gazebo Ribbon Cutting & Celebration

Fridays, March 27 | 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Karol's Community Farm | Havemeyer & Lacombe Avenue, Bronx

Join Us at Karol's Urban Community Farm! We're kicking off exciting new beginnings and celebrating with a ribbon-cutting for our brand-new gazebo, the newest gem on the farm! Come share in the fun, laughter, and good company- don't forget to take a tour of Karol's Farm, sow seeds and transplant flowers to start off the 2026 season! To RSVP email Bronxgreenup@nybg.org



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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.**

Workdays at Karol's Urban Community Farm

Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Karol's Urban Community Farm | Havemeyer & Lacombe Avenue

Compost Workday at Van Cortlandt Park

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

Van Cortlandt Park | 2950 Southern Boulevard, Bronx

Garden Workday at Ujamaa

Saturday, March | 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Ujamaa Garden | 1149 Broadway, Bronx, NY 1000

St. Stephen's Church Community Garden Workday

Saturday, March 28 | 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

435 E 238th St, Bronx, NY 10470

To register, email 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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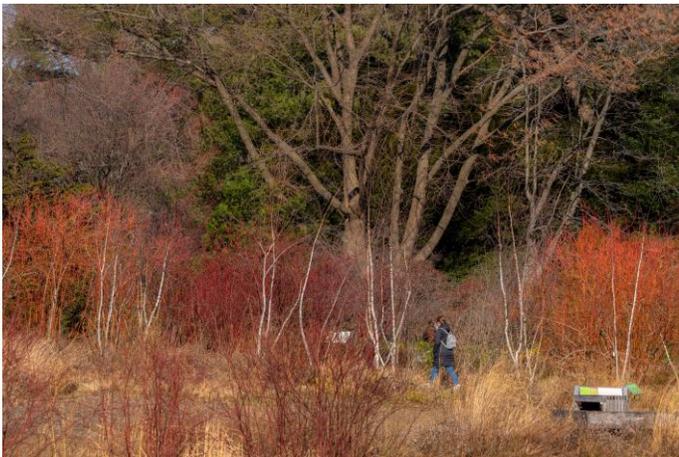
Follow us on Instagram!



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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