COMMUNITY & GARDENING EVENTS

Greenmarket at The New York Botanical Garden Sustaining Farms, Sustaining Nature, Sustaining You

The New York Botanical Garden's popular Greenmarket returns for its eighth season. Purchase some of the best and freshest homegrown produce, homemade treats, and other wholesome delights from New York State farmers and vendors. Enjoy a wide array of seasonal produce and delicious baked goods throughout the summer and fall. Look for fun Heart Smart Program materials at the market information booth and healthful cooking demonstrations at the Conservatory Kitchen. Organized in conjunction with Greenmarket, a program of GrowNYC. The Heart Smart Program, part of The MetLife Foundation Healthy Families Program at The New York Botanical Garden, is funded in part by the American Heart Association. Every Wednesday, through November 24 • 9 a.m.–3 p.m. • The New York Botanical Garden • The Greenmarket is located just inside Mosholu Gate, and admission is free.

Herbs and Edibles

Join The New York Botanical Garden's Gardener for Public Education, Sonia Uyterhoeven, in exploring the array of tantalizing herbs that can be used to make herbal butters, pesto, tasty vinegars and soothing teas.

Saturday–Monday, July 3–5, 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden's grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)

Garden and Compost Crew Volunteer Day

Join the Friends of Van Cortlandt Park in growing vegetables to donate to POTS (Part of the Solution), a local soup kitchen and homeless shelter. Help pull weeds, turn and sift compost bins, and tend to plants. Volunteers are welcome to come once or several times throughout the summer.

Thursdays, July 8 through August 26 • 10 a.m.–1 p.m. • Van Cortlandt Park, Broadway near Mosholu Avenue

The Green Kitchen

Join The New York Botanical Garden's Gardener for Public Education, Sonia Uyterhoeven, for tips on how to grow what's on your grocery list and bridge the gap from the garden to the kitchen table.

Saturday, July 10, and Sunday, July 11 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden's grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)

Rodent Management Training

The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has developed a valuable course in preventing rats on your property. The half-day training is targeted to superintendents, property managers, homeowners, interested tenants, and the local business community. All Bronx participants who complete the training will leave with a custom rat management plan, rat management certificate, and rat-resistant trash can. To register go to www.aeanyc.org, click on the "Events & Calendar tab," and search by date. *Wednesday, July 14 • 9 a.m.–1 p.m. • AEA Energy Management Training Center • 105 Bruckner Boulevard*

Vertical Gardening

Allow your vegetable garden to soar to new heights. Join The New York Botanical Garden's Gardener for Public Education, Sonia Uyterhoeven, as she discusses techniques for raising your vegetables off the ground.

Saturday, July 17, and Sunday, July 18 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden's grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)

Heavenly Hydrangeas

Hydrangeas are always the rage. Join The New York Botanical Garden's Gardener for Public Education, Sonia Uyterhoeven, as she explains the general maintenance of these floriferous garden work horses.

Saturday, July 24, and Sunday, July 25 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden's grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)

Tremont Community Garden Flea Market

Shop for clothes, shoes, handbags, jewelry, crafts, books, accessories, and much more. If you'd like to rent a table for \$25, contact Elizabeth Butler at 718.731.7315 before July 10. *Saturday, July 31 • 10 a.m.–6 p.m. • Tremont Community Garden • East 178th and LaFontaine Avenue*

Butterfly Bonanza

Join The New York Botanical Garden's Gardener for Public Education, Sonia Uyterhoeven, as she demonstrates how you can create colorful garden habitats that will attract butterflies. Learn which plants will help you entice these magnificent creatures into your garden. *Saturday, July 31, and Sunday, August 1 • 2 p.m. each day • The New York Botanical Garden • Home Gardening Center (Admission to the Garden's grounds is free from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturdays.)*

RESOURCES & GRANT INFORMATION

Farmers Markets at Bronx Community Gardens

Farmers Markets are starting up for the season! Visit <u>http://www.justfood.org/city-farms/city-farms-markets/market-schedules</u> for dates and locations. For information about these markets or the City Farms program, call Nadia at 212.645.9880 ext. 237, or e-mail her at <u>nadia@justfood.org</u>.

School Garden Wizard

Gardening and plant-based learning open a door to discovery of the living world for America's K-12 school community. Visit the School Garden Wizard at http://www.schoolgardenwizard.org/ for resources and information on starting, maintaining, and building support for a garden that help kids achieve learning goals in ways recommended by the National Science Standards.

Ag in the Classroom

This initiative provides information about the role of agriculture in society to K–8 students and teachers. The Web site has many useful resources, including lesson plans for grades K–12. Visit <u>http://www.agclassroom.org/</u>.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Multiple Seasonal Job Openings at GrowNYC

This privately funded citizens' organization in the Office of the Mayor promotes environmental awareness and urban stewardship. Seasonal positions include: School Garden Coordinator, Assistant Director, and Stapleton Youthmarket Manager. For job descriptions and requirements, visit <u>www.grownyc.org/about/careers</u>.

Bronx River Alliance Greenway Coordinator

The Bronx River Alliance is a partnership of more than 100 organizations and agencies that work collaboratively to protect, improve, and restore the Bronx River. The Bronx River Greenway Coordinator is responsible for interagency and group coordination for greenway capital design, planning, and construction projects. The Coordinator convenes and supports the Bronx River Alliance Greenway Team that serves as a standing community and technical advisory committee. The Coordinator will report to the Deputy Director, and will work closely with other staff to integrate the Alliance principles into the implementation of the greenway. For more information about the position, visit

http://www.bronxriver.org/?pg=content&p=calendarandnews&m1=55

Bronx River Alliance Director of Development

The Bronx River Alliance is seeking a part-time Director of Development to guide and implement fundraising strategies to support the Alliance's programs and activities. The ideal candidate has experience in cultivating donors from government and foundation sources, excellent writing and communications skills, an interest in community and environmental issues, and the ability and eagerness to thrive in a team environment. For more information about the position, visit

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