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# Bronx Community Events & Resources

Discover public resources for your community including grants, job openings, and internships.

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## 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 at: <https://bronxriver.org/visit-the-river/calendar>

### 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, applying mulch, and more. Learn more at: <https://www.bronxisblooming.org/upcomingevents>

### 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, contact: [connect@urbancultivated.com](mailto:connect@urbancultivated.com)

### 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 at: <https://www.mosholuparkland.org/howtovolunteer/>

### 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 at: <https://tinyurl.com/3ytsk3jd>

### 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 at: <https://www.missioncontinues.org/service-platoon/New-York/>

### 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 at: <https://www.nycgovparks.org/reg/stewardship>

### 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 at: <https://www.nyrp.org/en/get-involved/#events>

### "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 at: <https://cityparksfoundation.org/volunteer-its-my-park/>

### 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 at: <https://vancortlandt.org/calendar-of-events/>

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL COMMUNITY BANQUET • BRONX RIVER ALLIANCE

*Saturday, November 2 • 12 p.m.–3 p.m.*

*Concrete Plant Park • 1370 Westchester Ave*

The Community Banquet is a grassroots tradition that highlights the plants and people of the Bronx River. We're excited to invite partners to share back lessons learned from the season that reconnect people back to the land. These can include FREE food + drink tastings, herbalism, educational workshops, art, music, and more. For questions or concerns, email Nathan Hunter at [Foodway@bronxriver.org](mailto:Foodway@bronxriver.org) or by calling 718-542-4124. Learn more here:

<https://bronxriver.org/event/3rd-annual-community-banquet>

ROOTS & WATER • CITY AS LIVING LABORATORY & JAMES BALDWIN OUTDOOR LEARNING ALLIANCE

*Saturday, November 2 • 1 p.m.–3 p.m.*

*Meg's Garden and Edible Forest • 100 West Mosholu Parkway*

The cultural history of the Northwest Bronx will be highlighted through art, nature, and storytelling during this transformative workshop led by renowned artist Dennis RedMoon Darkeem. In collaboration with artist and Wampum carver Tecumseh Caesar, participants will explore Algonquian languages and the deep-rooted Indigenous histories of the region. During this participatory program, attendees will gather plants and herbs from the garden's vibrant ecosystem to create their own Native medicine bag. Learn more and register here:

<https://www.cityaslivinglab.org/eventscalendar/rootsandwaterwalk>

CELEBRATING INDIGENOUS WATER CONNECTIONS AT CRESCENT PARK • CITY AS LIVING LABORATORY & JAMES BALDWIN OUTDOOR LEARNING ALLIANCE

*Saturday, November 9 • 1 p.m.–3 p.m.*

*Crescent Park • Albany Crescent*

Celebrate the vital connections between water, land, and community in this engaging afternoon led by artist Dennis RedMoon Darkeem. In this hands-on workshop, participants will delve into the cultural and environmental significance of water through creative activities, storytelling, and performances that highlight Indigenous knowledge and traditions. Focusing on water as a source of life and spiritual sustenance, this program invites community members of all ages to explore the sacred bond between people and nature. The event is a celebration of the Crescent Park community, fostering a deeper sense of togetherness while honoring Indigenous environmental practices. Learn more and register here:

<https://www.cityaslivinglab.org/eventscalendar/waterconnections>

FIRESIDE NATURE MEDITATION • NYC PARKS URBAN PARK RANGERS

*Sunday, November 10 • 12 p.m.–3 p.m.*

*Concrete Plant Park • 1370 Westchester Ave*

Join the Urban Park Rangers at the for an afternoon of meditative exercises by the warmth of a fire. Connect your senses with nature and immerse yourself in tranquility. Learn more here:

<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/2024/11/10/fireside-nature-meditation>

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE YOUTH SYMPOSIUM • NOS QUEDAMOS

*Saturday, November 16 • 9:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.*

*ASPIRA • 345 Brook Ave*

Join Nos Quedamos for an Environmental Justice Youth Symposium this November! Activities will include an intergenerational panel on environmental justice, arts and crafts, stories of the south Bronx, roundtable discussions, and a closing concert. Please use this link to register by November 4, 2024:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgbLQm4-zcyhP6iE3GPT8xXt17ASub8zTRmgSvti92ripYBg/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgbLQm4-zcyhP6iE3GPT8xXt17ASub8zTRmgSvti92ripYBg/viewform?usp=send_form)

FACING CLIMATE CHANGE AS URBAN GARDENERS • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB

*Wednesday, November 20 • 6 p.m.–7:30 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Face climate despair head-on in these monthly, peer-to-peer meet ups. Meet other community gardeners and land stewards to learn and exchange tips for gardening with climate change and workshop community preparedness in your neighborhood. Learn more here:

<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/2024/11/20/facing-climate-change-as-urban-gardeners>

## TRAININGS

## ORGANIZING FOR GARDEN SUCCESS (PART 1 OF 2) • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB

*Wednesday, November 6 • 6 p.m.–8 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

This two-part workshop series is designed to help your garden group build a strong foundation for your group's leadership and decision-making structures. In this webinar, we will discuss different styles of group structure and share examples with one another around the good, the bad, and the ugly of garden governance issues. To register, go to:

**<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/2024/11/06/organizing-for-garden-success-group-structure-part-1-of-2>**

## RAT ACADEMY TRAINING • NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

*Wednesday, November 13 • 5 p.m.–7 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

Learn about rat prevention methods from the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. To register, go to: **<https://www.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/rats-control-training.page>**

## ORGANIZING FOR GARDEN SUCCESS (PART 2 OF 2) • NYC PARKS GREENTHUMB

*Tuesday, November 19 • 6 p.m.–8 p.m.*

*Virtual Event*

This two-part workshop series is designed to help your garden group build a strong foundation to deal with the many issues that arise in a community space. In this workshop, we will discuss writing garden bylaws that outline processes for decision-making and garden governance, and that will satisfy the GreenThumb requirement for bylaws. To register, go to:

**<https://www.nycgovparks.org/events/2024/11/19/organizing-for-garden-success-bylaws-part-2-of-2>**

## FOOD SCRAP DROP-OFFS

Volunteer-operated Food Scrap Drop-Off locations are open. For more information and sites in other boroughs, visit **<http://nyc.gov/dropfoodscraps>**

### LEHMAN COLLEGE VOLUNTEERS

*Mondays • 8 a.m.–12 p.m. • Year Round*

Lehman College • 250 Bedford Park Blvd West

### DREW GARDENS

*Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays • 4–7 p.m. • Year Round*

Drew Gardens • 1070 East Tremont Avenue

### PADRE PLAZA COMMUNITY GARDEN

*Mondays • 12–5 p.m. • Year Round*

Padre Plaza Community Garden • 541 East 139 Street

### NEW ROOTS COMMUNITY FARM

*Fridays • 8 a.m.–12 p.m. • Year Round*

New Roots Community Farm • 670 Grand Concourse

### FORDHAM PLAZA GREENMARKET

*Fridays • 8–11:30 a.m. • Year Round*

East Fordham Road between Webster Avenue and Third Avenue

### KELLY STREET GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

*Saturdays • 10 a.m.–2 p.m. • Year Round*

Kelly Street Garden • 924 Kelly Street

## FARMERS MARKETS

BRONX PARK EAST (BxPE) FARMERS MARKET  
*Sundays • 9 a.m.–4 p.m. • June 2nd to November 24th*  
*Brady Playground • 2045 Bronx Park East, Bronx*

WHITE PLAINS ROAD FARMERS MARKET  
*Sundays • 9 a.m.–3 p.m. • June 1st to November 30th*  
*Williamsbridge Square • White Plains Road, E211 St &, E 212 St, Bronx*

## JOB & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

For jobs and internship opportunities please visit the list at <http://bit.ly/1XMZdiB>

## YEAR-ROUND and ONGOING RESOURCES

For resources available year-round, please visit our Resource Page at <https://bit.ly/34AlihY>

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

For an annual schedule of funding opportunities, please visit our 2023 Grants and Awards page <https://bit.ly/3XdNUFM>