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Established in 1978, NYC Parks GreenThumb is proud to be the nation’s largest urban gardening program, assisting over 550 gardens and over 20,000 volunteer gardeners throughout New York City. GreenThumb’s mission is to educate and support community gardens and urban farming across the five boroughs, while preserving open space. By providing free garden materials, technical assistance, educational workshops, and seasonal programs, GreenThumb supports neighborhood volunteers who steward community gardens as active resources that strengthen communities.
Fundraising Strategies for your Community Greening Projects
Citizens Committee for NYC, ioby, Grow to Learn, BBG Community Garden Alliance, and GreenThumb

Thinking about starting a crowd-funding campaign or writing grants to support your community or school garden but not sure where to start? Join ioby and Citizens Committee for NYC to discuss the options, strategies, and opportunities available to get you started. We'll share tips for becoming a confident, successful fundraiser and share resources for further support.

Tuesday, Dec. 5 / 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Brooklyn Botanic Garden, Room 236
1000 Washington Ave.
Train: 2/3 to Eastern Parkway/Brooklyn Museum, S to Botanic Garden, 2/3/4/5 to Franklin Ave.
Bus: B48 to Washington Ave./Montgomery St.

Info Session: Hosting Summer Youth Jobs in your Garden
GreenThumb and Grow to Learn

Are you interested in offering young people paid employment in your garden next summer? The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides New York City youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with paid summer employment for up to six weeks in July and August. Join us for an in-depth discussion about the Summer Youth Employment Program and how community gardeners have worked as host sites for summer jobs for young people.

Thursday, Dec. 7 / 5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office (Please bring photo ID)
100 Gold St., Third Floor
Grand Conference Room
Train: J/Z to Chambers St., 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/ City Hall, A/C or 2/3 to Fulton St., R to City Hall
Bus: M15, M22, QM7, QM8, QM11, QM25, X8, X14, X15 to Pearl St./Frankfort St.

Grant-Writing 101
Partnerships for Parks, Citizens Committee for NYC, Friends of the High Line, and GreenThumb

During this workshop and info session, we will demystify the grant-writing process by discussing tips for applying for community-oriented grants. We will also share detailed information about Citizens Committee for NYC’s Love Your Block and Neighborhood Grants, Partnerships for Parks’ Capacity Fund Grant, and other resources offered to community gardens with upcoming deadlines. This workshop is offered in collaboration with Friends of the High Line as part of the Community Parks Initiative.

Este taller se ofrecerá con traducción al Español.

Tuesday, Dec. 12 / 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
BRONX
St. Mary’s Recreation Center
450 Saint Ann’s Ave.
Train: 6 to Brook Ave., 5/2 to 3rd Ave./149th St.
Bus: Bx19 to E. 149th St./St. Ann’s Ave., Bx17 to St. Ann’s Ave./E. 146th St.

Thursday, Jan. 11 / 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
QUEENS
A.R.R.O.W. Field House
35-30 35th St.
Train: N/W to 36th Ave. Washington Ave., E/M/R to 36th St.
Bus: Q66 to 35th Ave./35th St.

Conservation Corps fellow enjoys freshly fallen snow at Joe Holzka Community Garden in Staten Island | Anthony Reuter, NYC Parks GreenThumb
Hydroponic Garden Tour
Grow to Learn and GreenThumb

Thinking about trying to start growing plants in water? This is the tour for you! We will be visiting sites that use hydroponic growing methods to grow food-producing plants and learn about how these systems work. We will also cover a quick and easy miniature hydroponic set up you use in your classroom, garden or at home to get first-hand experience using this technology.

**Saturday, Dec. 16 / 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.**
MANHATTAN
Harlem Grown
118 W. 134th St.
**Train:** 2/3 to 135th St., A/C to 135th St.
**Bus:** M7/M102 to Malcolm X Blvd./W. 135th St., Bx33 to Malcolm X Blvd./W. 135th St., M2 to Adam C. Powell Blvd./W. 135th St.

Organizing for Garden Success: Group Structure (Part 1 of 2)
GreenThumb

Disorganization creates dysfunction. 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 different examples of group structure and how they can help alleviate stressful decision-making.

Pre-registration required at greenthumbnyc.org or 212-602-5300.

**Saturday, Jan. 13 / 11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.**
MANHATTAN
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Grand Conference Room
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People Power within NYC Local Government
Just Food and GreenThumb

Learn about the roles and responsibilities of key City government departments and officials – in particular those who have funding and oversight on issues that impact the work of gardeners. Attendees will explore together how to influence key city government stakeholders from the ground up.

Este taller se ofrecerá con traducción al Español.

**Thursday, Jan. 18 / 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**
MANHATTAN
Pelham Fritz Recreation Center
18 Mount Morris Park West
**Train:** 1/2/3 to 125th St., 4/5/6 to 125th St.
**Bus:** M1 to Mount Morris Park West/W. 121st St., M7, M102 to Malcolm X Blvd./W. 122nd St.

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**NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS**

From community gardening and tenant organizing to school recycling drives and art projects, Citizens Committee awards grants of up to $3,000 to grassroots groups working on community-building projects across NYC.

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CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR NEW YORK CITY

APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 22, 2018
Crop Planning 101
NYC Compost Project hosted by Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden and GreenThumb

Grow more vegetables by planning ahead. Learn how to map out more than one season of bountiful harvests using planting calendars, knowledge of plant families, plant spacing charts, and more.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 / 6:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
STATEN ISLAND
Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden
1000 Richmond Terrace, Lobby of Building P
For directions visit snugharbor.org/visit/directions/
Train: To the Staten Island Ferry: 1 to South Ferry, 4/5 to Bowling Green, R to Whitehall
Bus: S40 at Gate D to Snug Harbor/Richmond Terrace/Sailors S H Gate

Meeting Facilitation Strategies
GreenThumb

Meetings are important and critical to your group’s health, especially when everyone’s voices are heard. This workshop will show 10 techniques to make your meeting fun, productive, and informative. Learn how to draw out opinions and insights from your members, turning them from spectators to stakeholders.

Tuesday, Feb. 6 / 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Brooklyn Queens Land Trust at NY State Senator Velmanette’s Office
30 3rd Ave.
Train: 2/3/4/5/N/R/D/Q/B to Atlantic Ave./Barclays Center
Bus: B63/B65 to Atlantic Ave./3rd Ave., B103 to 3rd Ave./State St.

Curriculum Development and the Garden Classroom
Grow to Learn and GreenThumb

Community gardens offer an escape from the concrete jungle where young people and adults can learn from nature. Whether you’re a community gardener looking to develop activities for kids or a school gardener deepening your skills with garden lesson plan development, this workshop will help you co-create and share garden-based lesson plans that you can use in your garden. Registered GreenThumb community gardeners may be eligible to receive garden curriculum and lesson plan books.

Wednesday, Feb. 7 / 4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Teacher’s College at Columbia University
525 W. 120th St.
Earth Friends Room
Train: 1 to 116th St./Columbia University, A/B/C/D to 125th St.
Bus: M11/M60-SBS to Amsterdam Ave./W. 120th St., M4/M104/M60-SBS to Broadway/W. 120th St.

Become an NYC Master Composter!

The NYC Compost Project Master Composter Certificate Program is an advanced composting course that trains a select group of New Yorkers every year to support, develop, and maintain community-based composting projects across all five boroughs.

Apply now for 2018 courses at on.nyc.gov/master-composter.
Applicants must be NYC residents and at least 18 years old.

Freshly shoveled sidewalks at 97th St. Block Association Garden in Queens | Courtesy of 97th St. Block Association Garden
TREECYCLE!

Take your tree to MulchFest 2018!

Saturday & Sunday
January 6 & 7
10am to 2pm

For more information and additional locations, visit www.nyc.gov and search for “MulchFest” or call 311.
GreenThumb Community Gardener Survey

2018 will mark GreenThumb’s 40th anniversary. The division, which is now a part of NYC Parks, was created in response to the City’s fiscal crisis in the 1970s that resulted in widespread abandonment of public and private property. Citizens through their own initiative began to take care of these properties turning them into community gardens. Since 1978, GreenThumb has provided programming and material support to community gardeners in New York City. On the advent of our 40th anniversary now is an opportune time to take “stalk” of where we have been and to look toward the future of community gardening in New York City.

Which community garden do you belong to?

__________________________________________________  ____________________________________________________

In which borough is your garden located?

_____ Bronx
_____ Brooklyn
_____ Manhattan
_____ Queens
_____ Staten Island

What do you grow in your garden?

☐ Fruits, vegetables, and/or herbs
☐ Ornamentals (flowers, non-edibles)
☐ Animals (chickens)
☐ Trees and shrubs
☐ Other: ________________________________

How long have you been a community gardener?

_____ More than 20 years
_____ 10-20 years
_____ 5-10 years
_____ 1-5 years
_____ Less than a year

This survey is available online:
bit.ly/GTgardener survey

Otherwise, please tear out and mail to:
NYC Parks
GreenThumb, Attn: Karyn Williams
Arsenal
830 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10065

What is your main motivations for being involved with your community garden? Select up to two:

☐ Access to healthy fruits and vegetables
☐ Enjoyment and opportunities to meet my neighbors
☐ Save money on fruits and vegetables
☐ Improve the physical environment in my community
☐ Gardening is a family tradition and/or hobby
☐ Spend more time in nature
☐ Opportunity to volunteer
☐ Participate in a program that is offered at a community garden
☐ Other: ________________________________

What do you see as GreenThumb’s role in community gardening in New York City?

☐ Provide technical assistance: growing food, pest management, garden design
☐ Secure access to land for gardening
☐ Mediate disputes
☐ Provide programming: events and workshops
☐ Provide supplies and materials
☐ Connection to other gardeners
☐ Community outreach and support
☐ Other: ________________________________

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How do you primarily interact with GreenThumb?
- [ ] Attend workshops and events
- [ ] Communicate with my outreach coordinator
- [ ] Website and or social media
- [ ] Go to GreenThumb’s main office
- [ ] I don’t interact with GreenThumb
- [ ] Other: ________________________________

Do you wish you had more support for the garden from GreenThumb?
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

If you answered yes, what type of additional support would you like?
- [ ] Supplies
- [ ] Technical assistance
- [ ] Maintenance of the garden
- [ ] Plant materials
- [ ] Workshops
- [ ] Connection to other gardeners
- [ ] Structures (sheds/gazebos)
- [ ] Financial resources
- [ ] Other: ________________________________

Do you get support from other agencies or organizations for your community garden?
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

If yes, which ones? ________________________________
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How would you describe your relationship with your fellow gardeners?
- [ ] Friendly, we get along well
- [ ] Cordial, we are polite
- [ ] I don’t interact with my fellow gardeners.
- [ ] Other: ________________________________
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Do you interact with gardeners from other community gardens in your neighborhood?
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] There are no other community gardens nearby

Any other thoughts on how GreenThumb can improve?
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Encuesta para Jardineros Comunitarios de GreenThumb

2018 marcará el aniversario número 40 de GreenThumb. La división, la cual ahora hace parte de NYC Parks fue creada en respuesta a la crisis fiscal de la Ciudad en la década de los 70s que ocasionó el abandono generalizado de la propiedad pública y privada. Ciudadanos a través de su propia iniciativa empezaron a cuidar de estas propiedades al convertirlas en jardines comunitarios. Desde 1978, GreenThumb ha ofrecido apoyo a través de programas y materiales a los jardineros de la Ciudad de Nueva York. En la llegada del aniversario 40 ahora es oportuno para reflexionar acerca del pasado y el futuro de la jardinería comunitaria en la Ciudad de Nueva York.

¿A qué jardín comunitario pertenece? (Si no pertenece a uno, escriba “ninguno”)
__________________________________________________
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¿En qué condado se ubica su jardín comunitario
- Bronx
- Brooklyn
- Manhattan
- Queens
- Staten Island

¿Qué cultiva en su jardín?
□ Frutas, vegetales, y/o hierbas
□ Ornamental (flores, no-comestibles)
□ Animales (gallinas)
□ Arboles y arbustos
□ Otro: ________________________________

¿Desde hace cuánto tiempo se dedica a la jardinería comunitaria?
- Más de 20 años
- 10-20 años
- 5-10 años
- 1-5 años
- Menos de un año

¿Cuáles son sus principales motivaciones para estar involucrado con su jardín comunitario? Seleccione hasta dos opciones.
□ Acceso a frutas y vegetales saludables
□ Placer y oportunidades para conocer a mis vecinos
□ Ahorro de dinero en frutas y vegetales
□ Mejoramiento del ambiente físico en mi comunidad
□ Jardinería es una tradición familiar y/o pasatiempo
□ Pasar más tiempo con la naturaleza
□ Oportunidad para voluntariar
□ Participar en un programa que es ofrecido en un jardín comunitario
□ Otro: ________________________________

¿Cuál cree que es el rol de GreenThumb en la jardinería comunitaria de la Ciudad de Nueva York?
□ Proveer asistencia técnica: cultivo de alimentos, manejo de pestes, diseño de jardines
□ Asegurar el acceso a tierras para la jardinería
□ Arbitrar disputas
□ Ofrecer programas: eventos y talleres
□ Ofrecer suministros y materiales
□ Conexión a otros jardineros
□ Apoyo y participación comunitaria
□ Otro: ________________________________

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Si respondió Sí, ¿qué tipo de apoyo adicional desearía?

| ☐ Suministros |
| ☐ Asistencia técnica |
| ☐ Mantenimiento del jardín |
| ☐ Plantas |
| ☐ Talleres |
| ☐ Conexión con otros jardineros |
| ☐ Estructuras (caseta, kiosko) |
| ☐ Recursos financieros |
| ☐ Otro: __________________________ |

¿Recibe apoyo de otras agencias u organizaciones para su jardín comunitario?

| ☐ Sí |
| ☐ No |

Si respondió Sí, ¿cuáles son? __________________________

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¿Cómo le gustaría describir su relación con otros jardineros?

| ☐ Amigable, nos la llevamos bien |
| ☐ Cordial, somos respetuosos |
| ☐ No interactúo con otros jardineros |
| ☐ Otro: __________________________ |

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Organizing for Garden Success: Bylaws (Part 2 of 2)

GreenThumb

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GreenThumb Office (Please bring photo ID)
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Grow More Vegetables Certificate Series

New York Botanical Garden – Bronx Green-Up

The Grow More Vegetables Certificate Series is an edible gardening course designed to equip community gardeners, teachers, and city residents with the best organic techniques for growing vegetables safely and effectively, particularly in an urban setting. The program consists of six classes, both in the classroom and with hands-on gardening instruction in the field. Each student will have the opportunity to design his or her own urban vegetable gardening project as a final component of the course. The projects are open-ended with two main goals: to grow more food and to pass on what will have been learned to an identified group in your community.

Apply by Jan. 30 at tinyurl.com/GrowMoreVeggies2018. You may also request a mailed application by emailing us at bronxgreenup@nybg.org, or calling us at (718) 817-8026.

Wednesdays, Feb. 14, 21, 28 and March 7, 14, 21 / 6:00–8:00 p.m.
BRONX
New York Botanical Garden
Watson Education Building
Enter via the Mosholu Gate, across the street from Metro-North Botanical Garden station.
Train: B, D, or 4 to Bedford Park Blvd.
Bus: Bx 26 to Kazimiroff/Botanical Gardens East

Mural Making in the Garden

Groundswell and GreenThumb

Learn the ins and outs of creating a mural at your community garden. Murals and public art not only beautify neighborhoods, but they can deepen community connections and spark public dialogue. We’ll hear from artists Raul Ayala, Claudie Mabry, and Brooke Singer, Jennifer Lantzas, Deputy Director of Public Art for NYC Parks, and community gardeners who have gone through the process of creating murals for their gardens. This event is co-hosted with Groundswell, a NYC-based organization which brings together youth, artists, and community organizations to use art as a tool for social change, for a more just and equitable world.

Thursday, Feb. 15 / 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Groundswell
540 President St #1A
Train: R to Union St.
Bus: B37 to 3rd Ave./Carroll St., B37 to 4th Ave./Union St.

Espalier Fruit Tree Pruning

GreenThumb

Learn how to prune and train young fruit trees to grow in interesting and beautiful patterns along walls and fences. Using espalier techniques to train a variety of fruit trees is a great way to save space while creating living sculptures.

Saturday, Feb. 17 / 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Know Waste Lands
1278 Myrtle Ave.
Train: M to Central Ave.
Bus: B38/B54 to Myrtle Ave./Dekalb Ave.

Crazy for Composting | 25 Years of Composting with NYC Compost Project

NYC Compost Project Hosted by The New York Botanical Garden

Are you passionate about composting but want more from your bin? This session provides the practical tips, advice, and encouragement you need to take composting to the next level, whether you are just starting out or have been digging in for years. Registration required; RSVP online at bit.ly/1SHcJ7D or call (718) 817-8543.

Saturday, Feb. 17 / 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.
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Watson Education Building
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Planting Design for Shady Gardens

Cindy Goulder, GreenThumb community gardener at Poplar Street Community Garden, Ecological Landscapes / Urban Gardens, and GreenThumb

Garden areas shaded by trees or buildings can be problematic but not impossible to plant, and they often can be beautiful as well as serviceable. We’ll look at plants and planting ideas for different types and degrees of shade, mostly with native plants.

Saturday, Feb. 24 / 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
McCarren Play Center McCarren Park
776 Lorimer St.
Train: L to Lorimer St., G to Nassau Ave.
Bus: B48 to Lorimer St./Bayard St.
Redacción de Propuestas para Fondos

*Partnerships for Parks, Citizens Committee for NYC, Friends of the Highline, y GreenThumb*

Durante este taller y sesión informativa, explicaremos el proceso de escribir propuestas para solicitar fondos para proyectos comunitarios. También compartiremos información detallada acerca de los fondos de Citizens Committee y Partnerships for Parks, y otros recursos que se ofrecen a jardines comunitarios.

**Martes, Dic. 12 / 6:00 pm–8:00 p.m.**
BRONX  
St. Mary’s Recreation Center  
450 St. Ann’s Ave.  
**Tren:** 6 a Brook Ave., 5/2 a 3rd Ave./149th St.  
**Bus:** Bx19 a E. 149th St./St. Ann’s Ave., Bx17 a St. Ann’s Ave./E. 146th St.

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Acción Comunitaria dentro del Gobierno Local de la Ciudad de Nueva York

*Just Food y GreenThumb*

Aprenda acerca de las responsabilidades y roles de los funcionarios y departamentos gubernamentales de la ciudad – en particular aquellos quienes tienen fondos y responsables de aspectos que impactan el trabajo en los jardines. Participantes explorarán las maneras cómo influenciar a agencias de la ciudad desde la acción comunitaria.

**Jueves, Enero 18 / 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**
MANHATTAN  
Pelham Fritz Recreation Center  
18 Mount Morris Park West  
**Tren:** 1/2/3 a 125th St., 4/5/6 a 125th St.  
**Bus:** M1 a Mount Morris Park West/W. 121st St., M7, M102 a Malcolm X Blvd./W. 122nd St.

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Creación de Murales en el Jardín

*Groundswell y GreenThumb*

Aprenda todos los detalles de la creación de un mural en su jardín comunitario. Murales y arte público no solo embellece barrios, pero pueden profundizar las conexiones comunitarias y contribuir al dialogo. Escucharemos de los artistas Raul Ayala, Claudie Mabry, y Brooke Singer, Jennifer Lantzas, subdirectora de Arte Público de NYC Parks, junto a jardineros comunitarios quienes han pasado por el proceso de crear murales en sus jardines. Este evento es presentado en conjunto con Groundswell, una organización radicada en Nueva York la cual trabaja con jóvenes, artistas, y organizaciones comunitarias para utilizar el arte como herramienta para el cambio social y un mundo más justo y equitativo.

**Jueves, Feb. 15 / 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.**
BROOKLYN  
Groundswell  
540 President St. #1A  
**Tren:** R a Union St.  
**Bus:** B37 a 3rd Ave./Carroll St., B37 a 4th Ave./Union St.

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Poda de Árboles Frutales en Espaldera

*GreenThumb*

Aprenda a cómo podar y preparar árboles frutales jóvenes para que crezcan de manera interesante y hermosa a lo largo de paredes y cercas. Al utilizar las técnicas de espaldera para preparar una variedad de árboles frutales es una gran manera de utilizar mejor el espacio mientras se crean esculturas vivientes.

**Sábado, Feb. 17 / 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.**
BROOKLYN  
Know Waste Lands  
1278 Myrtle Ave.  
**Tren:** M a Central Ave.  
**Bus:** B38/B54 a Myrtle Ave./DeKalb Ave.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

GreenThumb GrowTogether 2018: GreenThumb Turns 40!
Save the date: March 31, 2018
Get your tickets at greenthumbnyc.org starting Nov. 13

NEW LOCATION: Borough of Manhattan Community College
199 Chambers St.
MANHATTAN
Train: 1/2/3 to Chambers St., 1 to Franklin St.,
A/C/E to Chambers St.
Bus: M20 to Harrison St./West St., X7/X9 to West St./N. Moore St.

GreenThumb GrowTogether 2018: ¡GreenThumb Cumple 40 años!
Marca esta fecha en tu calendario: Marzo 31, 2018
Compra tus entradas en greenthumbnyc.org a partir del 13 de noviembre

NUEVO LUGAR: Borough of Manhattan Community College
199 Chambers St.
MANHATTAN
Tren: 1/2/3 a Chambers St., 1 a Franklin St.,
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Winter Reminder
The removal of snow and ice from sidewalks following a winter weather event is the responsibility of GreenThumb gardeners. A failure to clear the sidewalks in front of gardens located on City-owned property is a violation of GreenThumb rules and the GreenThumb license (Section C.ii). Garden maintenance reflects on us all as members of the gardening community. Please be sure to dress warmly, take breaks, work in teams, and stay safe when clearing sidewalks. If your garden group would like assistance in developing a snow and ice removal plan, please contact your Outreach Coordinator, who will be glad to provide assistance. GreenThumb will again distribute snow shovels, calcium chloride, and ice breakers at the Winter Supply Distribution on November 4 and 8. Thank for your continued dedication to stewarding safe and inviting open spaces throughout New York City.

Recordatorio de Invierno
La limpieza del hielo y la nieve de los andenes después de un evento invernal es responsabilidad de los jardineros de GreenThumb. El incumplimiento de la limpieza de los andenes frente a los jardines de propiedad de la ciudad es una violación de las reglas y la licencia de GreenThumb (Sección C.ii). El mantenimiento de los jardines recae en los miembros de la comunidad de jardineros. Por favor asegúrese de estar abrigado, tomar descansos y no excederse al momento de limpiar los andenes. Si su grupo de jardinería desea asistencia para crear un plan de limpieza de hielo y nieve, por favor contacte a su Coordinador Comunitario, quien amablemente podrá asistirlo. GreenThumb distribuirá nuevamente palas de nieve, cloruro cálcico (sal), y picas para romper el hielo durante la Distribución de Materiales de Otoño el 4 y 8 de noviembre. Gracias por su dedicación para mantener estos espacios públicos seguros y acogedores a lo largo de la Ciudad de Nueva York.

All of us at NYC Parks GreenThumb are looking forward to seeing you at GreenThumb GrowTogether 2018! | Malcolm Pinckney, NYC Parks
Uprooting Racism with Soul Fire Farm – Please Apply!

GreenThumb and NYC Center for Health Equity

Uprooting Racism will be a theory and action training for community garden leaders to uproot systemic racism. We will delve deep into the history of our community gardens and examine our personal and collective roles as stewards of the land and as facilitators. Much of the time will be spent developing tangible action plans for uprooting these oppressions within our own gardens. Preference for this training will be given to registered GreenThumb community gardeners. Facilitated by Leah Penniman, Soul Fire Farm.

For more information and to apply, please visit bit.ly/GTuprootingracism. The application deadline has been extended to 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 8th.

Program dates: Saturdays, Jan. 20 & 27, 2018 / 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The location will be provided to participants once they are accepted into the program.

Arrancar de Raíz el Racismo con la Granja Soul Fire

Arrancar de Raíz el Racismo será un entrenamiento teórico e interactivo para líderes de jardines comunitarios para arrancar de raíz el racismo sistemático. Profundizaremos en la historia de nuestros jardines comunitarios y examinar nuestros roles personales y colectivos como facilitadores y cuidadores de la tierra. La mayor parte del tiempo será dedicado a desarrollar planes de acción tangibles para arrancar de raíz estas opresiones dentro de nuestros jardines. La preferencia para este entrenamiento será para los jardineros comunitarios de GreenThumb. Facilitado por Leah Penniman, Soul Fire Farm.

Para más información y para aplicar, por favor visite bit.ly/GTuprootingracism. La fecha límite para las aplicaciones ha sido extendida hasta el Viernes, Diciembre 8.

Fechas del programa: Sábados, Enero 20 y 27, 2018 / 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. El lugar para el programa se compartirá con los participantes una vez sean aceptados en el programa.

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Thank you Jenny Benitez (center) for dedicating so many years to the community gardening movement in NYC | Bernadette Woods, NYC Parks GreenThumb

NYC Parks Commissioner Mitchell Silver stands with the 2017 Fresh Chef contestants. Congratulations to Traci Nottingham (right) of Prospect Heights Community Farm in Brooklyn for winning first place! | Bernadette Woods, NYC Parks GreenThumb
There are 553 community gardens registered with GreenThumb across the five boroughs.

Snow shoveling selfie fun in the Bronx | Salvador Dominguez, GreenThumb community gardener at Jardín de la Roca.