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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 on 100 combined acres of open space throughout New York City. GreenThumb's mission is to educate and support community gardens 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.
**DECEMBER**

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您可以请求为任何 GreenThumb 工作室提供任何语言的翻译服务，但需要至少提前三周，邮箱地址：greenthumbinfo@parks.nyc.gov 。

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For More Workshop Information
If you would like to reserve space at a GreenThumb workshop for a group of six or more, or if you would like to propose a workshop for your community garden, please contact Mara.Gittleman@parks.nyc.gov or (212) 602-5318 in advance. Workshop cancellations will be posted at nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb and in our social media channels.

Working with Youth in the Garden
GreenThumb
Are you interested in offering young people opportunities to either volunteer or work regularly in the garden? Join us for an in-depth discussion about ways you can host youth at your site. Several programs, including the Summer Youth Employment Program (with the NYC Dept. of Youth and Community Development) and GreenThumb’s Youth Leadership Council program, allow for youth to be able to get into the garden and experience it firsthand either as volunteers or as employees. This workshop will cover some best practices for hosting youth in gardens and also provide some clear guidelines for specifically working in GreenThumb gardens with youth.

Thursday, Dec. 5 / 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Tony Dapolito Recreation Center
Media Lab
1 Clarkson St.
Train: 1 to Houston, C to Spring St.
Bus: M20 to 7th Ave. S/Clarkson St., M21/SIM7/SIM9/SIM33 to W. Houston St./Varick St., M55 to Ave. of the Americas/W. Houston St.

Make It Rain: Grants for Your Green Space
Partnerships for Parks, Citizens Committee for NYC, and GreenThumb
Are you working to improve your local park, community garden, street trees, or other green space in your neighborhood? Come hear from Citizens Committee for NYC and Partnerships for Parks, who provide grants of up to $3,000 for community green space projects. Learn about the financial resources they offer and tips to secure funding for your 2020 projects.

Tuesday, Dec. 10 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Brooklyn Public Library – Central Branch
Info Commons Lab
10 Grand Army Plaza
Train: 2/3 to Grand Army Plaza, B/Q to 7th Ave.
Bus: B41 to Flatbush Ave./Grand Army Plaza, B69 to Vanderbilt Ave./Plaza St. E., B45 to Washington Ave./Sterling Pl.

Tuesday, Dec. 17 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
BRONX
St. Mary’s Recreation Center
450 St. Ann’s Ave.
Train: 2/5/6 to 3rd Ave. – 149th St.
Bus: Bx15 to Willis Ave./E. 144th St.

Wednesday, Jan. 8 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
QUEENS
Queens Library Central
89-11 Merrick Blvd, Jamaica
Train: F to 169 St.
Bus: Q30/Q31 to 169 St./89 Ave., Q25/Q34 to Parsons Blvd./89 Ave., Q65 to 164 St./Hillside Ave. Numerous buses go to the 165 St. bus terminal.

For More Information
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Community gardener Grisel and YLC participant Charlie getting their hands in the soil at Jardin la Roca in the Bronx | Photo by GreenThumb

Participants at a past “Make It Rain” workshop discuss grant proposal ideas | Photo by Mara Gittleman, GreenThumb
The Enterprising Garden: Sales, Fundraisers, and Markets

Kim Vallejo (NY State Dept. of Agriculture and Markets) and GreenThumb

Community gardeners are innovative growers, talented chefs, knowledgeable about herbal healing practices, and at the forefront of providing fresh, local food to their communities. In this workshop, learn how to leverage some of those skills to generate support for your garden and the broader community. We will discuss scaling up and navigating the NYC Parks concessions process, city and state licensing, food safety concerns, and how to develop markets and farm stands at your garden, all in alignment with GreenThumb guidelines.

Please bring a photo ID and allow time to get through security.

Wednesday, Dec. 11 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office
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.

DIY Garden Swag: Screen Printing

Essye Klempner (Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop) and GreenThumb

Learn how to screen print your own tote bags, t-shirts, and more for your community garden. Bring a design or your garden's logo to trace, or create something new at the studio. Participants will be able to take home the screens they make so they can re-use them to make more garden swag. Pre-registration required. Space is limited, and priority will be given to members of registered GreenThumb community gardens.

Saturday, Dec. 14 / Noon – 4:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop, Second Floor
323 West 39th St.
Train: 1/2/3/N/D/R/S/7 to Times Sq. – 42nd St., A/C/E to 34 St. – Penn Station
Bus: M20 to 8 Ave./W. 39 St.

Open Orchard School:
Winter Fruit Tree Pruning Basics

The Trust for Governors Island, Sam Van Aken (The Open Orchard), Trees New York, and GreenThumb

Pruning trees over the winter can lead to an abundant harvest in the summer. Join Sam Van Aken, fruit tree expert and the artist behind The Open Orchard to learn basic fruit tree pruning techniques that are key to keeping trees healthy and productive.

This workshop is part of the Open Orchard School, a year-long series of educational programs co-presented by NYC Parks GreenThumb and The Trust for Governors Island. For more information about the project and workshop series, please see the announcements section on page 10 or visit bit.ly/GreenThumbTrainings.

Sunday, Jan. 12 / 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Generation X Cultural Garden
272 E. 4th St.
Train: F/M/J to Essex St./Delancey St., F to 2nd Ave.
Bus: M9 to Ave. C/E. 3rd St., M9/M21 to E. Houston St./Ave. B
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 styles of group structure and how they can help alleviate stressful decision-making and garden governance issues. Registered GreenThumb gardeners who attend both sessions will be eligible to receive a free book to share with their garden group (one per garden group, while supplies last).

Please bring a photo ID and allow time to get through security.

Thursday, Jan. 16 / 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office
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.

Community Garden Murals: History and How-To

GreenThumb

Have you been staring at that blank wall in your community garden for years, thinking to yourself, “this would be a perfect place for a mural!” but don’t know where to start? Come learn about partnering with a local artist, developing a design, preparing the space, and installing murals. We will also walk through what kinds of permits and permissions are needed, as well as recommendations on how to engage your neighbors or create the mural yourself.

Wednesday, Jan. 22 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Tony Dapolito Recreation Center
1 Clarkson St.
Train: 1 to Houston, C to Spring St.
Bus: M20 to 7th Ave. S/Clarkson St., M21/SIM7/SIM9/SIM33 to W. Houston St./Varick St., M55 to Ave. of the Americas/W. Houston St.

Enroll Your Garden In Curbside Composting!

Don’t let your leaves or garden trimmings rot in a landfill—make compost, not trash!

Enroll at nyc.gov/request-organics

Citizens Committee for New York City
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.

APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 20, 2020

No experience writing a grant proposal? No problem. Our application is simple.

LEARN MORE AND GET STARTED:
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Crop Planning 101  
*Shephali Patel (Just Food) 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. Members of registered GreenThumb community gardens will receive seeds for their garden groups.

This workshop is offered in partnership with the Brooklyn Public Library Seed Library. Find out more at bklynlibrary.org/locations/central/seedlibrary.

**Tuesday, Jan. 28 / 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**  
BROOKLYN  
Brooklyn Public Library – Central Branch  
Info Commons Lab  
10 Grand Army Plaza  
**Train:** 2/3 to Grand Army Plaza, B/Q to 7th Ave.  
**Bus:** B41 to Flatbush Ave./Grand Army Plaza, B69 to Vanderbilt Ave./Plaza St. E., B45 to Washington Ave./Sterling Pl.

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Blossoming Before Burnout  
*Sacred Vibes Apothecary and GreenThumb*

Get grounded before the 2020 gardening season, and learn strategies for de-stressing, self-care, and avoiding burnout. In this workshop, herbalists from Sacred Vibes Apothecary will lead a discussion around where burnout comes from, how to take steps to keep gardening stress-free, and a few plant allies that can help along the way.

**Tuesday, Feb. 11 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
BROOKLYN  
Brooklyn Botanic Garden  
Lilly Pool Room  
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.

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Rat Academy: Keeping the Garden Rat-Free  
*NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and GreenThumb*

Learn Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategies for keeping rats from wrecking your garden. In this workshop, participants will learn proper rat prevention measures, how to look for signs of rats, and how to correct the conditions that attract rats.

Community gardeners may be eligible to pick up a rat-proof trash can at this workshop to bring back to their community garden. Please email greenthumbinfo@parks.nyc.gov for more info.

**Wednesday, Feb. 5 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
BRONX  
St. Mary’s Recreation Center  
450 St. Ann’s Ave.  
**Train:** 2/5/6 to 3rd Ave. – 149th St.  
**Bus:** Bx15 to Willis Ave./E. 144th St.

**Wednesday, Feb. 26 / 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
BROOKLYN  
United Community Center  
613 New Lots Ave.  
**Train:** 3 to Van Siclen Ave.  
**Bus:** B15 to New Lots Ave./Schenck Ave., B6/B84 to Ashford St./New Lots Ave.

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Organizing for Garden Success: Bylaws (Part 2 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 writing garden bylaws that outline processes for decision-making and garden governance, and that will satisfy the GreenThumb requirement for bylaws. Registered GreenThumb gardeners who attend both sessions will be eligible to receive a free book to share with their garden group (one per garden group, while supplies last).

Please bring a photo ID and allow time to get through security.

**Thursday, Feb. 13 / 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
MANHATTAN  
GreenThumb Office  
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.
GreenThumb Garden Recognition Awards

On Oct. 3, 2019, we gathered for the fourth GreenThumb Garden Recognition Awards Ceremony. It was a lovely evening where we honored and celebrated community gardeners and longtime supporters. Congratulations to all the honorees and thank you for your hard work stewarding community gardens across the city!

- **Greening Partner**
  - NYBG Bronx Green-Up
- **Lifetime (Individual)**
  - Mr. Fossie Herbert – All People’s Church of the Apostolic Faith Community Garden
- **Lifetime (Garden)**
  - LaGuardia Corner Community Garden
- **Urban Agriculture**
  - Phoenix Community Garden
- **Sustainability**
  - Q Gardens
- **Public Art**
  - Creative Little Garden
- **Rookie of the Year Award**
  - Hill Street Community Garden
- **Community Engagement**
  - Red Shed Community Garden
- **Youth Programming**
  - Dorothy K. McGowan Memorial Garden
- **Landscape Design**
  - Project Eden
GreenThumb Announcements

Winter Reminder
GreenThumb gardeners are responsible for removing snow and ice from sidewalks following a winter weather event. Failure to clear the sidewalks in front of gardens located on city-owned property is a violation of GreenThumb rules and the GreenThumb license. 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.

Contact your Outreach Coordinator for assistance in developing a snow and ice removal plan. Thank you for your continued dedication to stewarding safe and inviting open spaces throughout New York City.

Seeking Volunteers for Garden Projects
Join hands with GreenThumb gardeners across the city with your corporate, school, or other community group as a volunteer! Volunteer groups can help strengthen community gardens by weeding, spreading woodchips, planting flowers, bulbs or shrubs, hosting garden clean ups, building raised beds, providing general maintenance within the gardens, and other special projects. By working with gardens, volunteers can participate in sustainability, valuable placemaking, and enriching the cultural fabric of NYC.

For more information or to volunteer with your group at a GreenThumb garden, contact Project & Design Coordinator Babbie Dunnington at Babbie.Dunnington@parks.nyc.gov or call (212) 602-5330.

GreenThumb gardens can request a volunteer workday by contacting their Outreach Coordinator. For more information, email greenthumbinfo@parks.nyc.gov or call (212) 602-5300.

Mulchfest 2020
After the holidays, send your tree off in style at Mulchfest with NYC Parks. Bring your evergreen tree to the nearest dropoff location from Dec. 26, 2019 through Jan. 11, 2020, and we’ll convert it into mulch to make NYC even greener. For locations and more information, visit nyc.gov/parks/mulchfest

2019-2020 GreenThumb Youth Leadership Council Program
The GreenThumb Youth Leadership Council (YLC) is now accepting applications from youth ages 12-21 who are interested in gardening, community organizing, and civic leadership! Learn firsthand from community gardeners in New York City how to maintain and grow a healthy garden through various projects like carpentry, composting and more.

In past years, the graduation celebration has been held at the United Nation Headquarters.

Visit bit.ly/YLCYouth20 to apply to join the YLC today. For more information about this program, contact Rasheed Hislop at (212) 602-5308 or Rasheed.Hislop@parks.nyc.gov.

GreenThumb GrowTogether 2020: Sowing and Growing Neighborhoods
TWO DAYS! Saturday, April 4 and Sunday, April 5, 2020
CUNY Graduate Center
365 Fifth Ave.
Manhattan

Details and more information will be announced on our social media pages and website, so stay tuned!

Interested in facilitating a workshop or meet-up at the 36th Annual GreenThumb GrowTogether Conference? Apply with your ideas at bit.ly/GTGTWorkshops2020 by Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020. We are looking for a wide variety of workshops on topics related to gardening, composting, food and racial justice, medicinal plants, group development, community organizing, and more.

Neighbors brought their holiday trees to UCC Youth Farm during Mulchfest 2019 | Photo by Bill Pape, GreenThumb
GreenThumb Trainings in 2020

Dig deep and further your gardening knowledge and leadership skills with GreenThumb! In 2019 and 2020, GreenThumb will offer a number of free educational trainings. Most (but not all) of these trainings are reserved for members of registered GreenThumb community gardens.

Please review each program for details, dates, and application requirements at bit.ly/GreenThumbTrainings or by calling (212) 602-5300.

GreenThumb Leadership Academy
Through a series of eight intensive trainings, GreenThumb will offer support and guidance for community gardeners in leadership positions in their gardens. These trainings will include topics such as conflict resolution, meeting facilitation, navigating city government, addressing racism and oppression, and democratic decision-making skills.

Uprooting Racism with Soul Fire Farm
Uprooting Racism is 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.

Tackling Tough Conversations with New York Peace Institute
Conflict is stressful, but it also offers opportunities to strengthen and repair relationships. New York Peace Institute (NYPI) trainings build your dispute resolution skills, helping to improve team cohesion and resolve differences in the garden. With a focus on mediation skills, NYPI helps you navigate difficult conversations, manage disagreements, and address challenges creatively.

Responsible Urban Beekeeping
GreenThumb is sponsoring a limited number of seats in NYCbeekeeping.org’s longstanding training program. Gardeners who complete this full-season training will receive a kit with everything they need to start a sustainable community garden apiary, and will be eligible to join the NYCbeekeeping.org Bee Health Group for ongoing mentoring and mutual aid.

Open Orchard School with the Trust for Governors Island
The Open Orchard School is a year-long series of educational programs co-presented by NYC Parks GreenThumb and the Trust for Governors Island. The Open Orchard school is an extension of The Open Orchard, an expansive new artwork by Sam Van Aken on Governors Island – a public orchard of 50 hybrid fruit trees. Community gardeners and members of the public are invited to learn practical skills such as tree care, cultivation, planting and grafting.

In the fall of 2020, garden groups that have sent representatives to at least four of the eight workshops will be eligible to receive one or more multi-grafted fruit trees from The Open Orchard to plant in their gardens. Subject to approval from GreenThumb.

GreenThumb Pruning Brigade with Trees New York
GreenThumb has reserved a limited number of seats for community gardeners to get certified as Citizen Pruners through the Trees New York Citizen Pruner course. After getting certified, GreenThumb citizen pruners will be asked to complete eight supervised volunteer hours to help with minor pruning needs at other community gardens. Gardeners who get their certification and complete the eight hours will receive a set of pruning tools and a hard hat, and be asked to join a new group of GreenThumb volunteers dedicated to helping with the pruning needs of community gardens throughout the city.

We are continuing to develop more new and exciting programming for 2020. Additional GreenThumb Trainings will be posted at bit.ly/GreenThumbTrainings on an ongoing basis.
Easy, Healthy Winter Salads
Maureen O’Brien and Brooklyn Urban Gardener Volunteer (Brooklyn Botanic Garden)

Hankering to transform your fresh, fall bounty into tasty creations? From garden plot to plate, get tips on harvesting while you polish basic knife skills. Together, we’ll make delicious “massaged” salad and seasonal salsa.

Thursday, Jan. 9 | 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Brooklyn Botanic Garden
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.

Pruning Certificate Series
Bronx Green-Up of The New York Botanical Garden

The Pruning Certificate course has been designed to help you learn to prune properly and improve your community garden. This course is ideal for community gardeners who want to keep their gardens in good shape. The focus of the class will be on pruning small trees and shrubs, with a full class devoted to fruit tree pruning. To receive a pruning certificate you must attend the four classes listed below and demonstrate your pruning skills through six hours of practice at community garden workdays.

Applications are due by Dec. 30. Priority will be given to Bronx community gardeners, but others are welcome if space allows. For an application or more information, call (718) 817-8026 or email bronxgreenup@nybg.org.

Members of GreenThumb community gardens who complete the Pruning Certificate may be eligible to join the GreenThumb Pruning Brigade and receive a set of pruning tools for their garden. Contact your Outreach Coordinator for details.

Thursdays, Jan. 30 and Feb. 6, 13, and 20 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
New York Botanical Garden – Watson Education Building
Enter through the Mosholub Gate entrance
BRONX
Train: B/D/4 to Bedford Park Blvd or Metro-North Harlem local line to Botanical Garden
Bus: Bx26 to Kazimiroff Blvd./Botanical Gardens

Crazy for Composting
NYC Compost Project hosted by the New York Botanical Garden

Are you passionate about composting but want more from your bin? These sessions provide 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. Join us for beginner and advanced workshops, resources, refreshments, ordering compost, and more!

Registration required. To RSVP visit nybg.org/gardens/bronx-green-up/nyc-compost-project or call (718) 817-8543.

Saturday, Feb. 15 / 10:00 a.m. – Noon and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
BRONX
New York Botanical Garden
Watson Education Building
Enter via the Mosholub Entrance, 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

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 their 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.

Applications are due by Feb. 3. Priority will be given to Bronx community gardeners, but others are welcome if space allows. For an application or more information, call (718) 817-8026 or email bronxgreenup@nybg.org.

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1 and 8 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
BRONX
New York Botanical Garden Watson Education Building
Enter via the Mosholub 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
Recordatorio para el invierno
Los jardineros de GreenThumb son responsables de remover la nieve y el hielo de las aceras después de un acontecimiento climático invernal. No limpiar las aceras frente a los jardines bajo la jurisdicción de la ciudad constituye una violación a las reglas y a la licencia de GreenThumb. El mantenimiento de jardines se refleja en todos nosotros como miembros de la comunidad de jardineros. Asegúrese de vestirse abrigado, tomar descansos, trabajar en equipo y de cuidarse cuando esté limpiando las aceras.
Comuníquese con su Coordinador Comunitario, para asistencia en el desarrollo de un plan de remoción de nieve y hielo. Gracias por su continua dedicación a la administración de espacios abiertos, seguros y acogedores en toda la ciudad de Nueva York.

Búsqueda de voluntarios para proyectos de jardinería
¡Únase como voluntario a los jardineros de GreenThumb en toda la ciudad ya sea con su empresa, escuela u otro grupo comunitario! Los grupos de voluntarios pueden ayudar a fortalecer jardines comunitarios a través de actividades como sacar la maleza; esparcir astillas de madera, sembrar flores, bulbos o arbustos; limpiar jardines; crear camas elevadas; proporcionar mantenimiento general dentro de los jardines; y otros proyectos especiales. Al trabajar con los jardines, los voluntarios pueden participar en sostenibilidad, planificación valiosa y enriquecimiento de la estructura cultural de la ciudad de Nueva York.
Para obtener más información o para ser voluntario con su grupo en un jardín de GreenThumb, póngase en contacto con la coordinadora de proyectos y diseño Babbie Dunnington por el correo electrónico Babbie.Dunnington@parks.nyc.gov o por el (212) 602-5330.
Los jardines GreenThumb pueden solicitar un día de trabajo voluntario poniéndose en contacto con su Coordinador Comunitario.

GreenThumb GrowTogether 2020: Sembrando y Cultivando Barrios
¡DOS DÍAS! Sábado 4 de abril y domingo 5 de abril de 2020
CUNY Graduate Center
365 5th Ave.
Manhattan
Detalles y más información serán anunciados en nuestra página web y redes sociales.

Mulchfest 2020
Después de las festividades, envíe su árbol al Mulchfest. Traiga su árbol al jardín designado más cercano y lo convertiremos en mantillo para hacer NYC más ecológico. Deje su árbol cualquier día entre el 26 de diciembre de 2019 hasta el 11 de enero de 2020. Para más información y ubicaciones, visite nyc.gov/parks/mulchfest.
**Haz que Llueva: Subsidios Para tu Espacio Verde**

*Partnerships for Parks, Citizens Committee for NYC, y GreenThumb*

Venga a escuchar al Citizens Committee for NYC y a Partnerships for Parks, quienes financian proyectos comunitarios de espacios verdes. Obtenga información sobre los recursos financieros que ofrecen y los consejos para garantizar la financiación de sus proyectos para 2020.

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**Martes, Dic. 10 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**BROOKLYN**

Brooklyn Public Library – Central Branch
Info Commons Lab
10 Grand Army Plaza
**Tren:** 2/3 a Grand Army Plaza, B/Q a 7th Ave.
**Bus:** B41 a Flatbush Ave./Grand Army Plaza, B69 a Vanderbilt Ave./Plaza St. E., B45 a Washington Ave./Sterling Pl.

**Martes, Dic. 17 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**BRONX**

St. Mary’s Recreation Center
450 St. Ann’s Ave.
**Tren:** 2/5/6 a 3rd Ave. – 149th St.
**Bus:** Bx15 a Willis Ave./E. 144th St.

**Miércoles, Ene. 8 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**QUEENS**

Queens Library Central
89-11 Merrick Blvd, Jamaica
**Tren:** 4/5 a 59 St./Lexington Ave.
**Bus:** Q30/Q31 a 169 St./89 Ave., Q25/Q34 a Parsons Blvd./89 Ave., Q65 a 164 St./Hillside Ave.

**El Jardín del Emprendedor: Ventas, Recaudación de Fondos y Mercados**

*Kim Vallejo (NY State Dept. of Agriculture and Markets) y GreenThumb*

Los jardineros comunitarios son cultivadores innovadores, cocineros talentosos, conocedores de las prácticas curativas a base de hierbas, y están a la vanguardia en el suministro de alimentos locales frescos a sus comunidades. En este taller, aprenda a aprovechar algunas de esas habilidades para generar apoyo para su jardín y la comunidad en general. Discutiremos la ampliación y la navegación del proceso de concesiones de NYC Parks, las licencias de la ciudad y el estado, las preocupaciones sobre la seguridad de los alimentos y cómo desarrollar mercados y puestos de cultivo en su jardín, todo ello de acuerdo con las pautas de GreenThumb.

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**Miércoles, Dic. 11 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**MANHATTAN**

Oficina de GreenThumb (Por favor traiga identificación con foto)
100 Gold St., Tercer Piso Grand Conference Room
**Tren:** J/Z a Chambers St., 4/5/6 a Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, A/C or 2/3 a Fulton St., R a City Hall
**Bus:** M15, M22, QM7, QM8, QM11, QM25, X8, X14, X15 a Pearl St.

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Los participantes aprenden consejos acerca de la recaudación de fondos en el taller “Haz que Llueva” | Foto por Mara Gittleman, GreenThumb

Jardineros comunitarios vendiendo vegetales y frutas en East New York Farms! en Brooklyn | Foto por Mara Gittleman, GreenThumb
Escuela Open Orchard: Conceptos Básicos de la Podación de Árboles Frutales en Invierno

The Trust for Governors Island, Sam Van Aken (The Open Orchard), y GreenThumb

La poda de árboles durante el invierno puede dar lugar a una cosecha abundante en el verano. Únase a Sam Van Aken, experto en árboles frutales y el artista detrás de The Open Orchard para aprender técnicas básicas sobre la poda de árboles frutales que son la clave para mantener los árboles saludables y productivos.

Este taller es parte de la Escuela Open Orchard, una serie de programas educativos de un año presentado en conjunto con NYC Parks GreenThumb y The Trust for Governors Island. Para obtener más información sobre el proyecto y la serie de talleres, consulte la sección de anuncios en página 10 o visite bit.ly/GreenThumbTrainings.

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Domingo, Ene. 12 / 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Generation X Cultural Garden
272 E. 4th St.
Tren: F/M/J a Essex St./Delancey St., F a 2nd Ave.
Bus: M9 a Ave. C/E. 3rd St., M9/M21 a E. Houston St./Ave. B

Muros de los Jardines Comunitarios: Historia y Procedimientos

GreenThumb

¿Ha estado mirando esa pared en blanco en su jardín comunitario durante años, pensando: “¡este sería un lugar perfecto para un mural!”, pero no sabe por dónde empezar? Venga y aprenda sobre cómo asociarse con un artista local, desarrollar un diseño, preparar el espacio y colocar murales. También lo guiamos a través de los tipos de permisos y autorizaciones necesarios, así como las recomendaciones sobre cómo involucrar a sus vecinos o crear el mural usted mismo.

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Miércoles, Ene. 22 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Tony Dapolito Recreation Center
1 Clarkson St.
Tren: 1 a Houston, C a Spring St.
Bus: M20 a 7th Ave. S/Clarkson St., M21/SIM7/SIM9/SIM33 a W. Houston St./Varick St., M55 a Ave. of the Americas/W. Houston St.

Fanáticos del compostaje

Proyecto de compostaje de Nueva York organizado por el Jardín Botánico de Nueva York

¿Le apasiona el compostaje pero desea que su contenedor le permita obtener una mayor cantidad? Estas sesiones proporcionan los consejos prácticos, el asesoramiento y el estímulo que necesita para llevar el compostaje al siguiente nivel, ya sea que recién esté comenzando o haya estado trabajando en ello durante años. ¡Únase a nosotros en nuestros talleres para principiantes y avanzados, recursos, refrigerios, pedidos de compostaje y más!

La inscripción es obligatoria.
Confirme su asistencia en línea en nybg.org/gardens/bronx-green-up/nyc-compost-project o llame al (718) 817-8543.

Sábado, Feb. 15 / 10:00 a.m. – mediodía y 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
BRONX
New York Botanical Garden
Watson Education Building
Ingrese por la entrada de Mosholu, frente a la estación de Metro-North Botanical Garden.
Tren: B, D, o 4 a Bedford Park Blvd.
Bus: Bx 26 a Kazimiroff/Botanical Gardens East
Academia de Ratas (Rat Academy): Mantener el Jardín Libre de Ratas

Departamento de Salud e Higiene Mental de la Ciudad de Nueva York y GreenThumb

Aprenda estrategias de Manejo Integrado de Plagas (Integrated Pest Management, IPM) para evitar que las ratas destruyan su jardín. En este taller, los participantes aprenderán las medidas adecuadas para prevenir la proliferación de ratas, así cómo encontrar las señales de la existencia de ratas y cómo corregir las condiciones que las atraen.

En este taller, los participantes pueden ser elegibles para recoger un bote de basura a prueba de ratas y llevarlo a su jardín comunitario. Envíe un correo electrónico a greenthumbinfo@parks.nyc.gov para obtener mayor información.

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Miércoles, Feb. 5 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
BRONX  
St. Mary’s Recreation Center  
450 St. Ann’s Ave.  
Tren: 2/5/6 a 3rd Ave. - 149th St.  
Bus: Bx15 a Willis Ave./E. 144th St.

Miércoles, Feb. 26 / 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
BROOKLYN  
United Community Center  
613 New Lots Ave.  
Tren: 3 a Van Siclen Ave.  
Bus: B15 a New Lots Ave./Schenck Ave., B6/B84 a Ashford St./New Lots Ave.

Florecer Antes del Agotamiento Físico

Sacred Vibes Apothecary y GreenThumb

Prepárese antes de la temporada de jardinería 2020 y aprenda estrategias para aliviar el estrés, cuidarse y evitar el agotamiento físico. En este taller, los herbolarios de Sacred Vibes Apothecary dirigirán una discusión sobre el origen del agotamiento físico, cómo tomar medidas para hacer que la práctica de la jardinería sea libre de estrés y algunos aliados de las plantas que pueden servir de ayuda.

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Martes, Feb. 11 / 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
BROOKLYN  
Brooklyn Botanic Garden  
Lilly Pool Room  
1000 Washington Ave.  
Tren: 2/3 a Eastern Parkway/Brooklyn Museum, S a Botanic Garden, 2/3/4/5 a Franklin Ave.  
Bus: B48 a Washington Ave./Montgomery St.

Partnerships for Parks makes small grants of up to $3,000 to support community groups dedicated to parks for projects to build their capacity.

For more information, contact: Grants@cityparksfoundation.org or (212) 602-5349

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Garden Highlight: Model T Community Garden

The Model T Community Garden in Charlotte Gardens, Bronx, is an urban oasis for gardeners and community members alike. Not only is it a place to convene and connect with the earth, but the gardeners also produce hundreds of pounds of produce during the growing season! The gardeners, long-term community residents with ties to the Caribbean and West Africa, tend their plants daily and speak to visitors about the spiritual connection they have with their crops.

Much of the food harvested is prepared in the garden, and often provides sustenance to 30 or more individuals who stop by on any given evening. The food is low in sodium and fat, but is bursting with flavor from the garden’s fresh herbs. Every inch of space is maximized through a system of intercropping and trellising. Garden members speak fondly of the gardens their elder family members maintained in their home countries, and talk often about how to continually improve the special slice of paradise they’ve created.