Seed giveaway at the 2012 GreenThumb GrowTogether. Photo by Malcolm Pinckney.
This year over 1,200 people attended the 2012 GreenThumb GrowTogether! Gardeners from all five boroughs (and even more places!) attended.

Does your garden need any of the following supplies? Look inside for details...

- Garbage bags, Shovels, Hoes, Brooms, Rakes, Hydrant wrenches, Hydrant caps
- Herbs
- Chicken Guides
- Pathmark Vouchers

Please note that garden members must attend workshops to receive supplies. All workshops are free and open to the public, with no pre-registration (unless otherwise noted). Workshops are rain or shine, cancelled only in the event of lightning or other dangerous conditions. All supplies are for registered gardens only and are available first come, first served, while supplies last.
Summer Supply Giveaway
GreenThumb Staff

Pick up basic gardening and maintenance supplies for your garden. One pickup per garden group. Please carpool with other garden groups that may not have access to transportation.

If another garden group is picking up for your group, please call the GreenThumb office beforehand to confirm details. No one will be allowed to pick up for two groups unless it is arranged with GreenThumb.

Supplies: garbage bags, shovels, hoes, brooms, rakes, hydrant wrenches, hydrant caps

Saturday, June 2nd          10am - 2pm
Queens
GreenThumb/LRP Compound
Queens Plaza South and 10th street

Directions to the GreenThumb/LRP Compound

Remember to check MTA weekend work schedules

By Subway
F TRAIN: to 21st St./Queensbridge. Walk south on 21st St. towards Queens Plaza South. Make right onto QPS. Walk 4 blocks to 10th St. Compound on your right.

N, 7 TRAINS: to Queensboro Plaza/ Bridge Plaza. Walk along Queens Plaza South, towards the East River, to 10th St. Compound is on your right.

By Bus
Q19A, Q32, Q60, Q66, Q101, Q101R, Q102 and Q103 all run along or intersect with Queens Plaza South (QPS). Exit closest to 10th St. and QPS. Compound is across from 10th St.

By Car
FROM MANHATTAN & THE BRONX: Take FDR to 61st St exit. Follow signs to Queensboro Bridge. Staying in the right-hand lane of the bridge, exit to local streets. Continue straight to Northern Blvd/Jackson Avenue intersection. Make a right onto Jackson Ave (Northern Blvd). Make a right onto 21st St. and then a left onto Queens Plaza South (QPS). Continue on QPS until 10th St. Compound is on your right, across from 10th St.

FROM BROOKLYN, QUEENS & STATEN ISLAND: Take the BQE to the McGuiness Blvd exit. Make a left onto McGuiness Blvd. Continue straight into Queens (over the Pulaski Skyway Bridge). McGuiness Blvd becomes 11th St. Stay straight on 11th St. Make left onto Queens Plaza South. Go 1 block to 10th St. Compound is on your right.
Companion Planting with Herbs with Bronx Green-Up/The New York Botanical Garden

Companion planting is growing garden plants together that have complementary requirements and so do not compete for light, water, or other resources. Good companion planting results in better growth of each plant. Many herbs are good companions: they are beneficial to pollinators, give off essential oils that repel pests, and don’t require too much water. Come to the workshop to learn more!

Supplies: Herbs

Saturday, June 9th 10am - 12pm
Bronx
Edith Garden
836 Elton Avenue

Train: Take the 2 or 5 train to 3rd Avenue – 149th St Station. Walk North on Melrose Ave towards E. 160th St. Turn left onto E. 160th St and walk to Elton St.

City Chickens with Bee Ayer, BK Farmyards

Chickens have many uses, especially in New York City! Come and learn about raising chickens in an urban setting. This workshop is open to all ages and experience levels.

Supplies: City Chicken Guides

Thursday, June 14th 5:30 - 7pm
Brooklyn
Schenectady Ave Community Garden
87-91 Schenectady Ave

Train: Take the A to Utica Ave. Walk west on Fulton Ave then turn left on Schenectady Ave.

Crop Count 2011

Calling all community gardeners! Does your garden grow food? Do you ever wonder how much food your garden grows? How about the whole city?

Find out, be entered into a garden supply giveaway, and give everyone a better understanding of how much NYC community gardens contribute to our local food system and to sustainability overall.
Membership/Events
Carolyn McCrory, Just Food Trainer

Your gardens and farms attract a great deal of attention in the season. Some might even ask for a plot, to volunteer or join your group. But as soon as the weather turns, you notice membership numbers dwindle as the season winds down. Come to this workshop and discuss effective strategies to recruit and retain new members while honoring the legacy of founders and existing members. We will talk about what you can do to get your community involved and keep them engaged throughout the year.

Supplies: Grocery Vouchers

Saturday, July 21st  10am - 12pm
Manhattan
Maggie's Garden
1574 Lexington Ave

Directions: Take the 6 train to 103rd St. Walk west on 103rd St.

OR

Saturday, August 18th  10am - 12pm
Staten Island
Joe Holzka Community Garden
1161 Castleton Ave

Directions: Take the Staten Island Ferry. Get off at the St. George Ferry Terminal. Take the Staten Island Rapid Transit heading to Totenville. Get off at Tompkinsville. Exit near intersection of Minthrone St. and Victory Blvd. Start out going west on Victory Blvd. Turn left onto Castleton Ave.

Do you want to sell your vegetables at a farmers’ market?  
¿Quiere vender sus vegetales en un mercado de los granjeros?
• Earn money!
• Share your vegetables with your neighbors!
Call Nadia for details about starting or joining markets: (212)645-9880 x237, nadia@justfood.org

Do you want to keep chickens in your garden?  
¿Quiere criar gallinas en su jardín?
• Chickens lay delicious eggs!
• Chickens eat pests and weeds while fertilizing and aerating your soil!
Call Greg for details, materials, or an application: (212)645-9880 x229, greg@justfood.org

Do you want to learn more about growing food?  
¿Quiere aprender más sobre cultivando comida?
• Attend a City Farms workshop!
• For a listing of this year’s topics, contact: Greg Anderson at (212)645-9880 x229, greg@justfood.org
Or visit: www.justfood.org/city-farms/city-farms-workshops

JUST FOOD is a NYC based non-profit working to promote fresh, locally-grown food in the neighborhoods of NYC

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First Annual Community Garden Domino Tournament

This free domino tournament is open to players of all ages. There will be prizes, including an award ceremony for all tournament participants. Stop by and play or just come and enjoy the garden!

| June, 23rd       | Hornaday Community Garden  
|                 | 851 Hornaday Avenue         
|                 | Take the 5 to 180 street. Walk west on 180th st towards Bronx Park Ave. Turn right onto Mohegan Ave. Bus: Bx 9 taking it to Southern Blvd 182 st walk south on E 180nd Towards Bronx Park S turn onto Bronx Park S, and then right on Mohegan Ave. |

| July, 7th       | Garden of Happiness         
|                 | Take the 5 train to E 180th St station. Walk West on E 180th St towards Bronx Park Ave, and turn right onto Prospect Ave OR Take the Bx9 Bus to Southern Blvd & 182nd St. walk West on E 182nd St towards Mapes Ave, and turn left onto Prospect Ave |

| July, 28th      | Rock Garden / The Little Green Garden  
|                 | 160 Elton Avenue Bronx       
|                 | Take the 2 or 5 train to 3rd Avenue – 149th St Station. Walk North on Melrose Ave towards E. 160th St.Turn left onto E. 160th St and walk to Elton St. |

| August, 11th   | Vogue Community Garden  
|                 | 431 E. 156th Street         
|                 | @Elton & Melrose Bronx NY   
|                 | Take the 2 or 5 train to 3rd Avenue – 149th St Station. Walk North on Third ave to 156th street Ave towards E. 156th St.Turn left onto E. walk to Elton St. Garden is on the corner |

| August, 25th   | El Flamboyan                
|                 | Tinton Avenue               
|                 | @E. 150th Street Bronx NY  
|                 | Take the 4 train to Jackson Ave. Go South on Jackson Ave. Turn left onto E. 151st Then righ onto Tinton Ave. |

GreenThumb New Service Announcement

In collaboration with the NYC Department of Sanitation’s Bureau of Waste Prevention and Reuse and Recycling (BWPRR), GreenThumb is excited to announce the debut a new service! This joint effort will provide our gardens with DSNY bagged mulch/compost, in addition to our regular soil/compost/cleanfill giveaways. On Saturday, June 2nd from 10am to 2pm during our GT Summer Supply Giveaway will be the first distribution. For more information, please visit our website at http://greenthumbnyc.org/ or contact our office’s main line at (212) 788-8070.
Did you know...
You can download PDF copies of the GreenThumb Gardener's Handbook online? Print it out and put in a three-ring binder where everyone in your garden can read it!
http://www.greenthumbnyc.org/publications.html
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