GreenThumb 2018-2019
Winter Program Guide

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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.
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### Make it Rain: Grants for your Green Space

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

Come hear from Citizens Committee for NYC and Partnerships for Parks who provide funding for community green space projects. Learn about the financial resources they offer and tips to secure funding for your 2019 projects.

**Tuesday, Dec. 4 / 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Este taller se ofrecerá con traducción al español.

**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.

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### 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. 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 and while supplies last).

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

**Thursday, Dec. 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 Street, 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, A/C or 2/3 to Fulton Street, R to City Hall
**Bus:** M15, M22, QM7, QM8, QM11, QM25, X8, X14, X15 to Pearl Street/Frankfort Street

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### Events on a Shoestring (Part 1 of 2)

*GreenThumb and Grow to Learn*

Want to host a youth event, class, film screening, or any other type of event in your community garden? In part one of this workshop, you will learn how to plan community events for your garden. From finding partners in your neighborhood to designing your garden to host programming, this workshop will cover best practices to event planning in your garden. Part 2 will be in the spring and will cover design strategies for hosting events and workdays in the garden. Members of registered GreenThumb gardens who attend both workshops will be eligible to receive a set of limited resources to plan and execute a garden event.

Community gardeners and members of the public please RSVP at nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb. School gardeners please RSVP at growtolearn.org.

Este taller se ofrecerá con traducción al español.

**Saturday, Jan. 12 / 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**BROOKLYN**
McCarren Play Center McCarren Park
Multipurpose Room C
776 Lorimer St.
**Train:** L to Lorimer St., G to Nassau Ave.
**Bus:** B48 to Lorimer St./Bayard St.

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### Herbal Soap Making

*Sharon Griffin – CocoaVera and New Roots Community Farm, and GreenThumb*

Join herbal soap maker Sharon Griffin to learn how to make soap from coconut oil, castor oil, and additional natural ingredients, including herbs from her garden.

Space is limited — pre-registration is required at nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb.

Este taller se ofrecerá con traducción al español.

**Saturday, Dec. 8 / 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**BRONX**
Bronx Neighborhood Health Action Center
1826 Arthur Ave.
**Train:** D to Tremont Ave., 2/5 to W. Farms Square / E. Tremont Ave.
**Bus:** B17 to Crotona Ave./E. 176th St., Bx40/Bx42 to E. Tremont Ave./Arthur Ave., Bx15 to 3rd Ave./E. 175 St.
Organizing for Garden Success: Bylaws (Part 2 of 2)

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 be discussing writing garden bylaws that assist in decision-making, 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 and while supplies last).

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Thursday, Jan. 17 / 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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GreenThumb Office
100 Gold St., Third Floor Grand Conference Room
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Find your Green Thumb: Starting a Community Garden

Do you have big dreams for that lot you walk past every day? Come hear from a panel of community gardeners who started community gardens at different points in the last 40 years. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions about some of the challenges and rewards of starting a new GreenThumb garden and strategies for organizing community members. GreenThumb will present the steps to forming a new community garden with today’s rules and regulations. This workshop will point new gardeners towards resources and tools for finding information and garnering community support to form new gardening groups. Check nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb for an updated list of panelists.

Tuesday, Jan. 22 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Project Farmhouse
76 E. 13th St.
Train: 4/5/6/N/Q/R/L to Union Square
Bus: M1/M2/M3 to 4th Avenue/E. 13th Street, M14A/M14D to E. 14th Street/Irving Place

Dig up your Lot: Research Community Garden History

What did your community garden look like before it was a garden? Learn how to find historical images and records of your garden’s lot(s) to deepen the story about your garden’s history. This workshop will begin with an optional tour of the Municipal Library’s Feeding the City exhibit, featuring an unpublished WPA book’s records of the various ways food was brought into the City to feed New Yorkers. After the tour we will then head to the computer lab to learn and practice some research skills.

Thursday, Jan. 24 / Optional Tour: 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Workshop: 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
NYC Municipal Library
31 Chambers St.
Train: J/Z to Chambers Street, 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, R to City Hall, A/C/1/2/3 to Chambers St.
Bus: M22 to Centre St./Chambers St., X17/X19 to Broadway/Reade St.
Uprooting Racism
Leah Penniman - Soul Fire Farm; Interactive Institute for Social Change; and GreenThumb

Uprooting Racism is a 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. During the workshop we will develop tangible action plans for uprooting these oppressions within our own gardens. Preference for this training will be given to members of registered NYC Parks GreenThumb community gardens who can attend both training sessions and who apply with another member from their garden.

Gardeners with all levels of experience with discussing these issues are welcome to apply.

For more information and to apply, please visit bit.ly/GTuprootingracism19.

Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16th. Like all GreenThumb workshops, this training is free of charge.

Friday, Jan. 25 / 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 2 / 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location will be provided to participants once they are accepted into the program.

Grow your Garden Group
GreenThumb

This workshop will cover creative and time-tested ways to increase membership in your garden group, with a focus on recruiting new members and retaining existing members. Learn how to build the leadership of garden members and create healthy, effective groups with strong relationships at the core.

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

Thursday, Feb. 7 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office
100 Gold St., Third Floor Grand Conference Room
Train: J/Z to Chambers Street, 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, A/C or 2/3 to Fulton Street, R to City Hall
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Building the Garden: Parks Capital and your Elected Officials
GreenThumb

Hear from a panel of gardeners, representatives from NYC Parks Capital, and the offices of elected officials to learn about how to advocate and build relationships with your elected officials to allocate capital funding for your garden.

Tuesday, Feb. 12 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
Arsenal Gallery, 3rd Floor
830 Fifth Ave.
Train: F/Q to Lexington Ave.–63rd St., N/R/W to 5th Ave./59th St.
Bus: M1/M2/M3/M4 to 5th Ave./E. 63 St.

Art in the Garden: Painting Ceramic Tiles
GreenThumb

Make beautiful ceramic tiles to bring art to your garden! This workshop is the first of two parts. Led by artists Alejandro Epifanio Juan of Loisaida, Inc. and ceramic specialist Essye Klempner, participants will paint ceramic tiles during this class and pick up their fired tiles from the GreenThumb office at a later date. The second part will be held in the spring where we will install our new decorative ceramic tiles in gardens through mosaic paver stones and other options.

RSVP required to guarantee tiles for each participant.

Wednesday, Feb. 20 / 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
MANHATTAN
The Loisaida Center
710 East 9th Street
Train: L to 1st. Ave
Bus: M8 to E. 10th St./Ave. C, M9/M14D to Ave. C/E. 11th 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. 23 / 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
Feeding Tree Garden
340 Tompkins Ave.
On Tompkins Ave. between Madison and Monroe
Train: C to Kingston Ave./Throop Ave., G to Bedford Ave./Nostrand Ave.
Bus: B43/B52 to Tompkins Ave./Gates Ave., B26 to Halsey St./Tompkins Ave.

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.

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

Thursday, Feb. 28 / 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office
100 Gold St., Third Floor Grand Conference Room
Train: J/Z to Chambers Street, 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, A/C or 2/3 to Fulton Street, R to City Hall
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A gardener working with a GreenThumb Youth Leadership Council participant on a gardening project at Jardin de La Roca in the Bronx | Photo by GreenThumb

Pruning tools | Photo by GreenThumb
Food Justice 101: A Workshop for Kids and Teens
Grow to Learn and GreenThumb

What is the food system? Where does our food come from and how does it get to our plates? In this workshop we will talk about the current food system and its potential for change. Throughout New York City, there are many efforts underway to create alternative ways of producing and accessing food, including urban farms, community and school gardens, soup kitchens, and compost facilities. In order to fix our broken food system, a crucial first step is to understand it. This workshop is designed to arm young people with the tools they need to critically explore the food system and learn how they can be active participants in its transformation.

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

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

Youth-Led Culinary Education
Marcia Denson - Phoenix Community Garden, Grow to Learn, and GreenThumb

Let’s eat! This workshop will celebrate winter vegetables. Geared towards teens, we will cover basic vegetable preparation for cooking a variety of dishes. Participants will get hands-on experience and help in preparing a dish. Everyone will have the opportunity to share and taste test the prepared dishes! Recipes will be provided, but participants are encouraged to bring seasonal or family recipes to share with others during our time together.

Pre-registration required at nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb.

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

Thursday, Jan. 10 / 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office
100 Gold St., Third Floor Grand Conference Room
Train: J/Z to Chambers Street, 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, A/C or 2/3 to Fulton Street, R to City Hall
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Retracing Our Roots: Youth Capturing the Stories of Community Gardens
Grow to Learn and GreenThumb

Join us as we will learn about the stories of community gardens and how they came to exist within this highly urbanized environment and the struggles that it took to make it possible. Garden members will be present to share the story of the garden and youth in attendance will have an opportunity to practice their interview and journalistic skills by recording these stories. The recordings and documentation will be archived on the Smithsonian’s Garden Archive in order to preserve the legacy of these incredible urban oases. Learn more about the Garden Archive at gardens.si.edu/collections-research/aag.html.

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

Thursday, Feb. 21 / 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
MANHATTAN
GreenThumb Office
100 Gold St., Third Floor Grand Conference Room
Train: J/Z to Chambers Street, 4/5/6 to Brooklyn Bridge/City Hall, A/C or 2/3 to Fulton Street, R to City Hall
Bus: M15, M22, QM7, QM8, QM11, QM25, X8, X14, X15 to Pearl Street/Frankfort Street

This year, we will be celebrating our 35th Annual GreenThumb GrowTogether conference on Saturday, March 30, 2019.

NEW LOCATION: CUNY Graduate Center 365 5th Ave. Manhattan

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

Interested in facilitating a workshop at the 2019 GreenThumb GrowTogether Conference?

Apply with your ideas at bit.ly/GTGT19workshops by Monday, January 7, 2019. We’re 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.

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. 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. Thank you for your continued dedication to stewarding safe and inviting open spaces throughout New York City.

Workshops

If you would like to reserve space at a GreenThumb workshop for a group of six or more, please contact us in advance at mara.gittleman@parks.nyc.gov.

Workshop cancellations will be posted at nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb

Save the date: Mulchfest 2019

After the holidays, send your tree off in style at Mulchfest.

Bring your evergreen to the nearest dropoff location and we’ll convert it into mulch to make NYC even greener. For more information and additional locations, visit nyc.gov/parks/mulchfest.

Drop your tree off any day between Jan. 4 to Jan. 13. Join us at these GreenThumb gardens on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 12 and 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., to take home a bag of mulch.

**Bronx:**
Jardin de la Roca 422 East 160th St.

**Brooklyn:**
Amazing Garden 261-265 Columbia St.
East NY Farms 622 Schenk Ave.
Green Space at President Street 222 5th Ave.

**Manhattan:**
West 111th Street People’s Garden 1039 Amsterdam Ave.

**Queens:**
Two Coves Community Garden 11-01 30th Ave.
GreenThumb Garden Recognition Awards

On October 1, 2018, we gathered at the Arsenal for the third GreenThumb Garden Recognition Awards Ceremony. It was a lovely evening, where we honored and celebrated community gardeners and longtime supporters. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you for your hard work stewarding community gardens across the city!

**Greening Partner**
Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer

**Lifetime (Individual)**
Bob Humber, M’Finda Kalunga Garden

**Lifetime (Garden)**
Joseph Daniel Wilson Memorial Garden

**Urban Agriculture**
UCC Youth Farm

**Sustainability**
Smiling Hogshead Ranch

**Public Art**
LUNGS (Loisaida United Neighborhood Gardens)

**Rookie of the Year Award**
Green Patch on Walton Community Garden

**Community Engagement**
Hancock Community Backyard Garden

**Youth Programming**
Rockaway Youth Task Force Garden

**Landscape Design**
Rockwell Place Brooklyn Bear’s Garden
**Greening Partner Events and Announcements**

### Bug Hotels

Grow to Learn

Join us at Materials for the Arts for a night of crafting cozy insect hotels for wintering pollinators using up-cycled materials and exploring ways to include more art in your garden.

Space is limited! Please RSVP at growtolearn.org/event/bug-hotels-w.

**Thursday, Dec. 6 / 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**QUEENS**

Materials for the Arts

33-00 Northern Boulevard, 3rd Floor

**Train:** M/R to 36th St., N/W to 39th St.

**Bus:** Q101 to Northern Blvd./34th St., Q102 to 31st St./39th Ave.

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### 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 8 hours of practice at community garden workdays.

This certificate allows gardeners to do some pruning at GreenThumb gardens under NYC Parks jurisdiction; please see the GreenThumb Gardener’s Handbook for more information.

**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.

**Thursdays, Jan. 31 and Feb. 7, 14, and 21 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

New York Botanical Garden - Watson Education Building

Enter through the Moshulu 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

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### 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, and more!

Registration required. For more information and to register, please email compost@nybg.org or call (718) 817-8543.

**Saturday, Feb. 16 / 10:00 a.m. – Noon and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

New York Botanical Garden

Watson Education Building

Enter via the Moshulu 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

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### Tomato Heaven!

**Maureen O’Brien, Febe Daniels, and Mei Mei Lee - Brooklyn Botanic Garden Community Greening**

Hard-to-find, heirloom, tomato varieties — like Pole Moneymaker, Amish Paste, and Black Cherry — are luscious globes of food history and chock full of vitamins. Learn hands-on how to successfully start tomatoes from seed. Everyone will create a tomato six-pack to take home.

Pre-registration required at bbg.org/learn/community.

**Thursday, Feb. 21 / 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 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.
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. 1. Priority will be given to Bronx community gardeners, but others are welcome if space allows. Workshops take place on Wednesdays in March and April. For an application or more information, call (718) 817-8026 or email bronxgreenup@nybg.org.

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.

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

APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 21, 2019

NEW YORK CITY

Community Garden Coalition

Come to a general meeting to meet fellow gardeners, discuss common issues, and grow our community. We meet every third Thursday of the month from 6:30-8:30pm.

Visit our website for more info and meeting locations.

www.nyccgc.org
Haz que llueva: subsidios para su espacio verde

GreenThumb

Venga a escuchar al Citizens Committee for NYC (Comité de Ciudadanos de la Ciudad de Nueva York) 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 para sus proyectos en 2019.

Martes, Dec. 4 / 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 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.

Producción urbana de jabón de hierbas

Sharon Griffin – CocoaVera y New Roots Community Farm, y GreenThumb

Únase a la productora de jabón Sharon Griffin para aprender a hacer jabón de aceite de coco, aceite de castor e ingredientes naturales adicionales, incluso hierbas de su jardín. Limitado a 24 personas adultas. Se requiere preinscripción en nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb.

Sábado, Dec. 8 / 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
BRONX
Bronx Neighborhood Health Action Center
1826 Arthur Ave.
Tren: D a Tremont Ave., 2/5 a W. Farms Square / E. Tremont Ave.
Bus: B17 a Crotona Ave./E. 176th St., Bx40/Bx42 a E. Tremont Ave./Arthur Ave., Bx15 a 3rd Ave./E. 175 St.

Eventos con escasos recursos (Parte 1 de 2)

GreenThumb y Grow to Learn

¿Quieres albergar un evento para jóvenes, clases, una proyección de películas de cine o cualquier tipo de evento en el jardín de tu comunidad? En la primera parte de este taller, aprenderás cómo planificar eventos comunitarios para tu jardín. Desde encontrar socios en tu vecindario hasta diseñar tu jardín para organizar la programación, este taller cubrirá las mejores prácticas para la planificación de eventos en el jardín. La segunda parte será en la primavera y cubrirá las estrategias de diseño para organizar eventos y días laborales en el jardín.

Los miembros de los jardines registrados con GreenThumb que asistan a ambos talleres serán elegibles para recibir un conjunto de recursos limitados para planificar y ejecutar un evento de jardín. Los jardineros comunitarios y los miembros del público pueden reservar su participación en nyc.gov/parks/greenthumb. Los jardineros de escuelas pueden reservar su puesto en growtolearn.org.

Sábado, Jan. 12 / 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
BROOKLYN
McCarren Play Center McCarren Park
Multipurpose Room C
776 Lorimer St.
Tren: L a Lorimer St., G a Nassau Ave.
Bus: B48 a Lorimer St./Bayard St.
**Recordatorio para el invierno**

Quitar la nieve y el hielo de las aceras luego de un fenómeno meteorológico invernal es responsabilidad de los jardineros de GreenThumb. El incumplimiento en limpiar las aceras frente a los jardines ubicados en propiedad del gobierno de la ciudad es una violación de las reglas y de la licencia de GreenThumb. El mantenimiento de jardines se refleja en nosotros al ser miembros de la comunidad de jardinería. Asegúrese de abrigarse, descansar, trabajar en equipo y mantenerse seguro cuando limpie las aceras. Si a su grupo de jardinería le gustaría recibir ayuda para desarrollar un plan para quitar nieve y hielo, contacte a su coordinador de difusión, quien estará complacido de proporcionarle ayuda. Gracias por su dedicación constante para administrar espacios abiertos seguros y atractivos a lo largo de la Ciudad de Nueva York.

**GreenThumb GrowTogether 2019: Raíces, brotes y frutos: Celebrando Generaciones de Jardinería**

Este año, estaremos celebrando 35 años de la conferencia anual de GreenThumb GrowTogether el sábado, 30 de marzo del 2019.

**NUEVO LUGAR:**
CUNY Graduate Center
365 5th Ave.
Manhattan

Detalles y más información serán anunciados en nuestra página web y redes sociales.

¿Está interesado en facilitar un taller en la Conferencia de GreenThumb GrowTogether del 2019?

Aplica antes del lunes, 7 de enero del 2019 en la página: bit.ly/GTGT19workshops. Estamos buscando una amplia variedad de talleres sobre temas relacionados con la jardinería, compost, justicia alimentaria y racial, plantas medicinales, desarrollo y organización comunitaria, y mucho más..

**Marque esta fecha: Mulchfest 2019**

Después de las festividades, envíe su árbol al Mulchfest.

Traiga su árbol evergreen al local más cercano y lo convertiremos en mantillo para hacer NYC más ecológico. Para más información y ubicaciones adicionales, visite a nyc.gov/parks/mulchfest.

Deje su árbol cualquier día entre el 4 de enero hasta el 13 de enero.

Acompáñenos en estos jardines de GreenThumb el sábado y domingo, 12 y 13 de enero de 10:00 a.m. a 2:00 p.m. para llevar a casa una bolsa de mantillo.

**Bronx:**
Jardín de la Roca
422 East 160th St.

**Brooklyn:**
Amazing Garden
261-265 Columbia St.
East NY Farms
622 Schenk Ave.
Green Space at President Street
222 5th Ave.

**Manhattan:**
West 111th Street People’s Garden
1039 Amsterdam Ave.

**Queens:**
Two Coves Community Garden
11-01 30th Ave.

Coordinador de Alcanze, Bill Pape, y miembros del Cuerpo de Servicio de NYC difunden el mantillo en Herbal Garden de East New York | Foto por GreenThumb
As 2018 and GreenThumb’s 40th Anniversary comes to an end, a look back at this wonderful year. Thank you to all who helped us celebrate this milestone! We look forward to seeing you in the new year!

Karen Washington giving the keynote address at the 34th Annual GrowTogether Conference on March 31 at Borough of Manhattan Community College Tribeca Performing Arts Center | Photo by Daniel Avila, NYC Parks

Longtime community gardeners Haja and Cindy Worley of Joseph Daniel Wilson Memorial Garden talk about photos in the archive room at GreenThumb GrowTogether with intern Ish Ibrahim. | Photo by Elena Dubas

GreenThumb’s public art program, Art in the Gardens, was revived this year after originally starting in 1985. Artist Asha Hanna painted this mural on a new shed at Thomas Boyland Garden in Brooklyn for the Shed Murals project, an open call for artists that helped relaunch the program | Photo by Ariana Arancibia, GreenThumb

The Glorious Revolution performing at Siempre Verde Garden in the Lower East Side for Make Music New York on June 21 | Photo by Elena Dubas, GreenThumb

Brooklyn Bears Pacific Street Garden welcoming the public at the first annual Open Garden Day on July 14 | Photo by K.C. Alvey, GreenThumb

Participants of the 4th Annual GreenThumb Fresh Chef Contest at the 39th Annual Harvest Fair | Photo by Elena Dubas, GreenThumb
Children learning about gardening during a winter in the 1980s in New York City. This photograph was most likely taken in Bedford-Stuyvesant or East New York in Brooklyn. If you can help us identify the name of the community garden and the gardeners, please contact GreenThumb Communications Coordinator, Elena Dubas at Elena.Dubas@parks.nyc.gov.