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Soil in the City

Growing Healthy Neighborhoods from the Ground Up

Saturday, March 13, 2010

10–11 a.m.
Registration, coffee, and exhibits in the Palm House
Register the day of the event to secure space in a workshop.

11 a.m.– Noon
Morning Workshops (listed at right)

Noon– 1:30 p.m.

Exhibits in the Palm House
Lunch at the Terrace Café
Sandwiches, soup, and salads available.
Networking Brown-Bag Lunches
Bring a bag lunch to take part in these

- conversations:
- Advocating for School Gardens
 - Therapeutic Horticulture
 - Community Composting

Activities

- View exhibits from New York greening organizations.
- Check out the Gardener's Resource Center.
- Take a Seasonal Guided Walking Tour of the Garden (1–2 p.m.).

12:15–1:15 p.m.
Movies in the Auditorium
Join us for short films featuring selections from the Brownfields Conference Film Festival.

1:30–2:45 p.m.
Keynote Address in the Auditorium
Nina Bassuk, PhD
Director, Urban Horticulture Institute, Cornell University
“The Roots of a Renaissance: New Soils and Trees for New Yorkers”

3–4 p.m.
Afternoon Workshops (listed at right)

4 p.m.
Pick up a spring gift bag as you leave!

Workshop Topics Morning and Afternoon
Workshops commence at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; the schedule will be announced at registration. You may choose two workshops (only), one from each time block, space permitting. Arrive early to get your first choices.

- **Soils 101: Theory and Practice**
John Jordan, Prospect Park Alliance
- **Building Soil with Mulch and Cover Crops**
Luke Halligan, NYC Compost Project in Brooklyn
- **Advanced Composting: Beyond the Basics**
Jenny Blackwell, NYC Compost Project in Brooklyn;
T. Fleischer, Battery Park City Parks Conservancy
- **Soil and Storm Water: Lessons from the Bronx River**
Dawn Henning, Bronx River Alliance
- **Digging up History: Learning About Your Garden Site**
Steven Romalewski, CUNY Center for Urban Research;
Mara Gittleman, Council on the Environment of NYC
- **Rats! (And Other Rodents...)**
Caroline Bragdon, NYC Department of Health
- **All the Dirt on Soil Contaminants**
Joshua Cheng, Brooklyn College Soil Testing Lab
Marisa DeDominicis, Earth Matter
- **Choosing a Soil Test and Interpreting the Results**
Matt Brown, Central Park Conservancy
Hannah Shaylor, Cornell Waste Management Institute
- **Soil Fertility: An Organic Approach**
Lorraine Brooks, Cornell Cooperative Extension
- **Native Plants for City Soils**
Uli Lorimer, Brooklyn Botanic Garden
- **Dirt Cheap: Starting Seeds Indoors**
Solita Stephens, Olympus Garden Club
- **Rooftop Farming: Soil in the Skies**
Jeff Heels, Community Advocate • Jennifer Nelkin, Gotham Greens
Annie Novak, Eagle Street Rooftop Farm
- **Revitalize Your Soil with Compost Tea**
Karla Chandler, Brooklyn Botanic Garden
- **Community Composting Projects in Brooklyn**
Claudia Joseph, Garden of Union • Kendall Morrison, Earth Matter
Jessica Katz, 6/15 Green • Matt Sheehan, Brooklyn New School

Help us celebrate BBG's centennial!
Like many of Brooklyn's gardens, BBG started from scratch, transforming its grounds from a derelict dump into an emerald gem in the heart of the borough. At this year's Making Brooklyn Bloom, we're commemorating the renewal of Brooklyn's urban environment by sharing before-and-after photos of local community gardens. Bring photos of your garden on the day of the event. BBG staff will be on hand to scan and share them on the web throughout our centennial year. For more information, contact Lis Thomas at 718-627-7264.

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**Roots of a Renaissance: New Soils
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“
I can think of no
one who has poured
their heart and soul
into the field of
horticulture as
much as Nina Bassuk.
Nina's research
is groundbreaking
(pun intended);
she has pioneered
the development
of structural soils
and other strategies
to help trees
survive in urban
environments.”

Marvin Pritts,
Professor of Horticulture,
Cornell University

Present this flyer for free Garden admission.

**Share your garden photos for BBG's centennial!
See back for details.**

For directions to BBG, visit bbg.org or call 718-623-7200.

For all other information about this event,
visit bbg.org/greenbridge, or call 718-623-7250.



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