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A Sustainable Flatbush
Urban Gardens & Farms Initiative Event



GREENING FLATBUSH

GARDEN WHERE YOU ARE
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PLANTE KOTE OU RETE
посади свой огород

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Sunday, February 27, 2011

THANK YOU!

Special thanks to THE FLATBUSH FOOD COOP and QATHRA CAFÉ for delicious donations of food and coffee respectively.

Thank you to our amazing event planning crew, interns, and volunteers.
Thank you to all our wonderful presenters and sponsors!

Sustainable Flatbush brings neighbors together
to mobilize, educate, and advocate for
sustainable living in our Brooklyn neighborhood
and beyond. www.sustainableflatbush.org



PRESENTER BIOS

Emily Westlake

"Church Avenue Communal Garden/ Start a Seed"

Emily Westlake became interested in urban gardening and youth sustainability programming after designing and implementing the pilot of a youth-led community farming and media project in Brownsville, Brooklyn. As a longstanding resident of the Flatbush community, Emily joined Sustainable Flatbush in 2010, and acts as the Program Director of the Church Avenue Communal Garden. She is looking forward to getting more community members involved in the garden and is excited to get her hands dirty this spring!

<http://www.sustainableflatbush.org/churchgarden/>

Lou Wright

"DIY Soda Bottle Planters"

Lou Wright is a student at The New School as well as a gardener, urban forester, and campus organizer for sustainability projects. He is a fan of trees, rivers, and heavy metal. At Greening Flatbush, he looks forward to showing folks how easy planting solutions can be made out of nearly any container they have lying around the house.

Mel Anthony/EcoAntworks

"How to Grow Mushrooms in Your Apartment"

As a youth, Mel Anthony experienced some of the most beautiful and renowned hikes with his father - a former Rocky Mountain National Park ranger. Those experiences, coupled with his curiosity of the natural world, led him to learn about wilderness survival, taking a particular interest in foraging for wild edibles and mushrooms.

Mel is very active in promoting positive environmental engagement by participating with a number of community organizations; he also operates two small businesses, a gardening service and a mushroom consulting company.

Pieranna Pieroni

"Sprout Your Own Vegetables"

Pieranna Pieroni is a Brooklyn Botanic Garden-trained Master Composter and educator who works with New York City public school students around school-community gardening and ecoliteracy.

Erica Harris and Shannon Holman

"Urban Farming with Earth Dumplings"

Erica is a collage painter and arts educator whose work can be seen at ericaharris.org. She has led mural projects and arts workshops with children and adults in Brooklyn, Staten Island, El Salvador, Macedonia, India, and throughout Southeast Asia.

Shannon is an entrepreneur and avid gardener who grew 40 pounds of tomatoes and dozens of other edibles last season in her Kensington garden.

Sam Bishop/Trees NY

"Things To Do With Your Urban Tree"

Trees New York is an environmental and urban forestry nonprofit organization. Their mission is to plant, preserve and protect New York City's urban forest through education, active citizen participation and advocacy.

<http://www.streetsny.org>

Emily Goodman

"Gardening for Children"

Park Slope resident Emily Goodman never really appreciated plants until she moved to New York City and realized she missed seeing green. She studied horticulture at the New York Botanic Garden, worked briefly as a professional gardener, and is now a full-time freelance writer and editor with a special interest in writing and teaching about plants. Her award-winning children's book PLANT SECRETS was published by Charlesbridge in 2009.

Compost for Brooklyn

"Compost for Brooklyn"

Compost for Brooklyn seeks to revitalize abandoned parcels of land throughout the city, to foster efficient and environmentally sound methods by which to dispose of organic wastes, and to empower people on a local level to live more sustainable lives. Please help them make Kensington a greener place in Brooklyn, Brooklyn a greener place in New York City, and New York City a greener place in the world!

<http://www.compostforbrooklyn.org>

Brooklyn College Soil Lab

"Soil Testing Services for Gardeners"

The Brooklyn College Environmental Sciences Analytical Center Soil Lab provides affordable soil testing services for gardeners. Community members interested in testing samples of their garden soil for toxic metals, pH, nutrients, organic content, salt content, and more, can take home brochures, submission forms, and tip sheets.

<http://testmysoil.brooklyn.edu/>

Prospect Farm

"Prospect Farm"

Prospect Farm is a community group in Windsor Terrace, Brooklyn that is working together to grow food in a formerly vacant lot, with the mission toward creating a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Farm that can serve the community. Stop by 1194 Prospect Avenue between Seeley and Vanderbilt Streets to watch them grow or volunteer.

<http://www.prospectfarm.org>

Flatbush Farm Share CSA

"How (and Why) to Join the Flatbush Farm Share CSA"

The mission of Flatbush Farm Share is to make fresh organic produce available to any Brooklyn resident, regardless of economic status.

<http://www.flatbushfarmshare.com>

Lefferts Community Food Coop

"Lefferts Community Food Coop"

The mission of the Lefferts Community Food Cooperative is to sell affordable, sustainable, and nutritious food, to encourage healthy food practices, and to foster environmentally responsible activities through democratic cooperation. The Lefferts Community Food Cooperative focuses on serving residents of Prospect Lefferts Gardens, Crown Heights, East Flatbush, as well as to the larger New York City metropolitan area.

<http://www.leffertsfoodcoop.org>

Brooklyn Food Coalition

"Brooklyn Food Coalition"

The Brooklyn Food Coalition is a grassroots partnership of groups and individuals striving to give effective voice to all those who live or work in Brooklyn and wish to achieve a just and sustainable system for tasty, healthy and affordable food.

<http://www.brooklynfoodcoalition.org>

