

SPRING / SUMMER 2017

APRIL

- 8 Second Saturday • 10–11am
- 15 Cooking with Kids: One Pot Wonders • 11am–1pm
- 18 Family Fun in the Kitchen • 5:30–7pm
- 26 Homeschool Mornings • 10–11:30am & 12:30–2pm
- 21–22 Community Planting Day • 10am–2pm
- 29 Garden Preparation Workshop • 10–11am

MAY

- 6 Spring Block Party and Plant Sale • 10am–4pm
- 20 Volunteer on a Farm! • 10am–2pm
- 20 Cooking with Kids: One Pot Wonders • 11am–1pm

JUNE

- 3 Strawberry “Jam” • 10am–2pm
- 10 Second Saturday • 10–11am
- 10 Spring Chickens Workshop • 11:30am–1pm
- 13 Family Fun in the Kitchen • 5:30–7pm
- 17 Herbal Relief Trip • 9am–3pm
- 17 Volunteer on a Farm! • 10am–2pm
- 17 Cooking with Kids: One Pot Wonders • 11am–1pm
- 23 Happy Hour in the Garden • 6:30–8:30pm
- 24 Pest Management Workshop • 10–11am

JULY

- 14 Nelson Mandela Birthday Tribute • 2–4pm
- 15 Gardens Galore • 9am–3pm
- 15 Volunteer on a Farm! • 10am–2pm
- 22 Rotating Crops Workshop • 10–11am
- 22 Family Fun in the Kitchen • 11am–12:30pm

AUGUST

- 3 Summer Harvest Plot Luck • 6–8pm
- 12 Family Fun in the Kitchen • 11am–12:30pm
- 19 Volunteer on a Farm! • 10am–2pm
- 26 Summer Maintenance • 10–11am

SEPTEMBER

- 16 Volunteer on a Farm! • 10am–2pm
- 23 Harvesting and Storage Workshop • 10–11am

OCTOBER

- 21 Volunteer on a Farm! • 10am–2pm

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PROGRAMS EVENTS

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Join us at a variety of programs, trips, and community events and journey toward a life-long appreciation of living things and commitment to nature. Greater Newark Conservancy brings the wonders of nature and the urban environment to life through interactive, hands-on activities throughout the year.



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EDUCATION & FAMILY PROGRAMS

SECOND SATURDAYS

Saturdays, April 8, June 10, 10–11am • \$5 per child

Our Saturday programs are the perfect way to join your child as we connect science, technology, engineering and math (S.T.E.M.) to nature through hands on, inquiry-based lessons. Children will enjoy outdoor exploration and interactive games. Available for ages 4–12, parents must stay with children.

COOKING WITH KIDS: ONE POT WONDERS

Saturdays, April 15, May 20, and June 17, 11am –1pm
\$10 session/per child or \$25 for the 3-part series

At each session we will explore three awesome recipes—snacks, soups, and smoothies—that are healthy, super tasty, and can be made in only one container so it's simple to cook and clean up! Each session will have a unique flavor focus from Africa, Asia, and South America.

Each student receives a photocopy of the one page recipe from One Pot Wonders cookbook so that they can color it in at home after the session. The book will be for sale at each session for \$25 and Chef Jamie will sign your copy! **Ages 7–17**

FAMILY FUN IN THE KITCHEN SERIES

Tuesdays, April 18 and June 13, 5:30–7pm
Saturdays, July 22 and August 12, 11am–12:30pm
\$5 per child or \$15 for the 4-part series

In this hands on interactive series, families will experience farm-to-table cooking. Families will harvest ingredients, learn to make a simple, affordable recipe and then taste and enjoy their craft together! Check out our website or Facebook before the event to find out the recipe! \$5 per child. **Ages 3+**

HOMESCHOOL MORNINGS: YOUNG NATURALIST SERIES

Wednesday, April 26
10–11:30am (Ages 6-11) 12:30–2pm (Ages 12+) • \$25

At the Homeschool Naturalist program visit our Outdoor Learning Center where your homeschooler will explore a variety of nature topics using observation, citizen science, and journaling to deepen your nature experience and knowledge. Learn to identify trees, animal tracks, and insects of NJ. Hands-on activities provide students the opportunity to learn through discovery. Space is limited.

TEACHER OPEN HOUSE

Demonstrations and connections to Next Generation Science Standards, Common Core and Creative Curriculum. Hands-on learning for teachers. Workshops will be content specific and are open to all teachers. Come and see how Greater Newark Conservancy can help deepen understanding of scientific concepts, mathematics concepts and social studies. Check Facebook and citybloom.org for dates.

Parent or family member must stay with children during education programs. Registration required for all education programs, please visit citybloom.org.

GREENING

COMMUNITY PLANTING DAYS

Friday, April 21 & Saturday, April 22 • 10am–2pm

Celebrate Earth Day with us at two Community Planting Days at the Hawthorne Avenue Farm! Get outside and help get the farm ready for the spring harvest by planting veggies on the farm located at 446 Hawthorne Avenue. Bring your co-workers, school group, church group, family, friends, or just yourself and help make a big difference in the community! Please email Michele at mrobinson@citybloom.org for more info or to sign up your group.

FARMING

PLOT IT FRESH

\$15/per plot, while supply lasts

Love to garden but don't have the space? Always wanted to plant some veggies but lacked the know-how? "Rent" a garden plot at one of our locations throughout the city. You'll get a plot, seeds, tools/garden materials, and information on what and how to grow. Sign up now! Plots are limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

YOUTH FARM STAND

Starting in May and going through November, fresh produce from our Urban Farms will be available at our Youth Farm Stands set up around Newark and the surrounding areas.

FARM STAND MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

June thru November • Personal bags \$225 • Family Bags \$375

With a Farm Stand Membership, you will receive 12 bags of fruits and veggies packed every other week. Convenient curb-side pick-up is available. Your membership supports youth programming and organically-managed urban farming in Newark.

Visit www.citybloom.org for complete schedule and details.



Our Luncheon Supports the Newark Youth Leadership Project at Greater Newark Conservancy

GREATER NEWARK CONSERVANCY

SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017

CITYBLOOM Luncheon

Guest Speaker
JEFF HOBBS, AUTHOR
THE SHORT AND TRAGIC LIFE OF ROBERT PEACE

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SPRING BLOCK PARTY & PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 6, 10am–4pm

You'll find crafts and activities for children, local vendors, youth farm stand, gardening demos and a huge plant sale at our annual block party. There's fun for the entire family! Don't forget to pre-order your plants to ensure the best selection.

STRAWBERRY "JAM"

Saturday, June 3, 10am–2pm • FREE!

June is when strawberries are in season and plentiful at **Court Street Farm!*** There will be strawberry themed crafts, strawberry jam samples, and even a musical "jam" on the farm! *Located at 138 Court Street.

HAPPY HOUR IN THE GARDEN

Friday, June 23, 6:30–8:30pm • \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door

Celebrate the start of summer with cool beverages in the garden! Enjoy some beer, wine, or infused water while strolling our Outdoor Learning Center gardens and supporting our Newark Youth Leadership Project. Bring your friends! Includes one free beverage ticket and light refreshments. Over 21 only please!

NELSON MANDELA BIRTHDAY TRIBUTE

Friday, July 14, 2–4pm • FREE!

Join us as we honor and pay tribute to Nelson Mandela with live African dancing, drumming and tours of our Nelson Mandela Freedom Garden. South African food tasting and crafts will be available for the kids.

SUMMER HARVEST PLOT LUCK

Thursday, August 3, 6–8pm • \$5 or free if you bring a dish

Garlic? Tomatoes? Potatoes? Peaches? Nearing the end of the summer means abundance at the farm! Break bread with other local gardeners at our annual summer harvest plot luck. Bring a dish—enough to serve 6 people—made with ingredients from your garden, and share your gardening experiences with other like-minded community members.

Online registration is available for all programs at www.citybloom.org/events

VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEER ON A FARM!

Saturdays, April 22, May 20, June 17, July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, 10am–2pm

Open volunteer days at our **Hawthorne Avenue Farm*** take place monthly from April thru October. Individuals or groups, ages 12+ are welcome. For groups of five or more, please call ahead. *Located at 146 Hawthorne Ave.



TRIPS

RIGHT IN YOUR BACKYARD TRIPS

New Jersey is called The Garden State for a reason! All across the state there are gardens, farms, and nurseries just waiting for you to visit. All trips begin at our Main Building on Prince Street. Bring a brown bag lunch!

HERBAL RELIEF

Saturday, June 17, 9am–3pm • \$5

Journey out to Warren County and visit two unique herb farms—Well Sweep Herb Farm and Orchard View Lavender Farm. You will be able to purchase herbs and other items in their gift shops.

GARDENS GALORE

Saturday, July 15, 9am–3pm • \$15

Visit three gardens within 10 miles of Newark—Reeves-Reed Arboretum, Cora Hartshorn Arboretum and Bird Sanctuary, and Greenwood Gardens.

WORKSHOPS

GROWING GARDENERS WORKSHOP SERIES

Gardening is an enjoyable hobby at any age—the trick is knowing how to get started. This series focuses on helping you learn the basics and introduces you to the advanced topics you can explore in the future.

GARDEN PREPARATION

Saturday, April 29, 10am–11am • \$5

The warming temperatures inspire us to get out into the soil. If you haven't started a spring garden, get ready for warm season crops with this workshop! Learn how to plan a garden, clear the space, and prepare the soil.

SPRING CHICKENS

Saturday, June 10, 11:30am–1pm • \$10

Calling all spring chickens! Did you know you can have up to 25 hens in Newark? Raising backyard hens is an easy, fulfilling, and fun way of obtaining a sustainable source of eggs! And raising your own hens is not as difficult as you may think! Come learn the basics of backyard chickens and sample some egg-cellent recipes!

PEST MANAGEMENT

Saturday, June 24, 10am–11am • \$5

We love to eat plants—and so do other mammals, insects, and birds. Limit the amount of destruction these visitors do to your garden by installing fencing, netting, or spraying organic pesticides.

ROTATING CROPS

Saturday, July 22, 10am–11am • \$5

Learn how crop rotation helps maximize your production as well as controlling pests/disease. We will show examples from our urban farms, which vegetables combination we had success rotating and how it has replenished our soil as well as our stomachs.

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Saturday, August 26, 10am–11am • \$5

Deadheading is a lot friendlier than it sounds. In this hands-on workshop, learn some tips and tricks on how to keep your garden blooming all through summer. Also, take notes on which flowers are best for cutting and bringing into your home.

HARVESTING AND STORAGE

Saturday, September 23, 10am–11am • \$5

Don't let all your hard work in the garden go to waste! Learn how to properly harvest and store your vegetables for maximum enjoyment. We will discuss the most commonly made storage mistakes and consequences for fruits, roots, and leafy vegetables. Proper curing, humidity/temperature, lighting, and ventilation requirements for New Jersey's most common garden vegetables.