

THE BRONX

GrowNYC Markets

Our markets are as diverse as the city itself! No matter where you are in NYC, you can find a bustling space filled with neighbors, families, office workers and chefs all shopping side-by-side for the freshest of products. Regardless of their size, each market is an anchor to its community providing not only fresh, locally-grown food, but a gathering place where neighbors can come together, share recipes, watch a cooking demonstration, take a tour with a chef and learn about local agriculture. For more specific location information, call 311.

Now Open in the Bronx:

Bronx Borough Hall - Tuesday
 Lincoln Hospital - Tuesday and Friday
 New York Botanical Garden – Wednesday
 Parkchester – Friday
 Poe Park – Tuesday
 Wholesale Greenmarket – Tuesday through Saturday
 Roberto Clemente Plaza Youthmarket - Wednesday
 Lear It, Grow It, Eat It Youthmarket – Wednesday
 Marble Hill Youthmarket – Thursday
 Riverdale Youthmarket – Thursday
 Montefiore Youthmarket – Thursday

Bronx Culture Trolley

For more information, go to: www.bronxarts.org

A program of the Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA), the First Wednesday Bronx Culture Trolley was initially conceived as the first action toward creating the South Bronx “Cultural Corridor,” an arts-related economic development plan positioning the lower Grand Concourse as a “Gateway to the Arts in the Bronx.” The trolley provides people with a fun way to get around and attend cultural venues that they might not otherwise have visited.

The First Wednesdays Bronx Culture Trolley runs on the first Wednesday evening of every month, (except in the months of January and September). Remaining First Wednesday of the 2012 summer season is Aug 7. The trolley leaves from Hostos Community College and makes a cultural loop through the lower Grand Concourse, treating its riders to some of the hottest cultural attractions, dining establishments and entertainment venues in the Mott Haven section of the Bronx. Bronx Culture Trolley Nights are open to the public and admission to the trolley and all participating venue attractions is free. The trolley, and many of its venues, are wheelchair accessible.

Van Cortlandt Park Friends Events

For a complete list of events, visit <http://vancortlandt.org/events/>

Van Cortlandt Park—more than a thousand acres atop the ridges and valleys of the northwest Bronx—is New York City’s third largest park. Playing fields and playgrounds are scattered about the park’s edges, surrounding a richly forested heartland fed by Tibbets Brook. The park is home to the country’s first public golf course, the oldest house in the Bronx, and the borough’s largest freshwater lake.

EcoCrafts

Enter the park at Van Cortlandt Park South and Gouvernuer Ave. Thursdays, July 11- August 29 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Recycle used and natural materials into new creations at Classic Playground.

Garden Crew

Enter the Park at Broadway & Mosholu Ave.

Tuesdays, July 9- August 27 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Help care for our vegetable garden beds where all of our produce will be donated to local food pantries. Held at Friends of Van Cortlandt Park Compost Site.

Trails Restoration Volunteer Crew

Second Saturday of Each Month from July to December, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Want to develop useful skills, while making a significant contribution to the future of Van Cort-

landt Park and the Bronx Community? Crew Members will attend workshops developing skills in various areas of trail construction while improving the hiking trails of Van Cortlandt Park. No prior trails experience is necessary but encouraged; all training will be offered in an on-the-job format. Registration by July 10th is required.

Skate Parks

Bronx Skate Park

Bronx Park East between Britton Street and Allerton Avenue Closes at dusk
6,000 square-foot skate park featuring a smooth skating surface and modern equipment including a quarter pipe, bank ramps with ledges, a skate pyramid, and grind rails. Notes: This is an unsupervised skate park.

Bruckner Skate Park

Bruckner Playground, Brinsmade Avenue and Cross Bronx Expressway (adjacent to the school building)

Dusk to dawn

Notes: This is an unsupervised skate park.

Mullaly Skate Park

Mullaly Park, East 164th Street and Jerome & River Avenues
During the school year only. Weekdays: 3:00 pm to dusk Weekends: 1:00 pm to dusk

River Avenue Skate Park

River Avenue Parks, East 157th Street and River Avenue
Designed closely with the skateboard community, this 10,000 square-foot concrete skate park features stairs, rails, ledges, benches, banks, gaps, and transitioned elements in a plaza setting. River Avenue is one of the City's first skate parks to use traditional New York City Parks materials and references elements from the city's past and present. This is an unsupervised skate park. BMX bikes, scooters, and inline skates are permitted in addition to skateboards.

Skateboard parks offer the opportunity for individuals to perfect their skills on inline skates, skateboards, and bikes. Unless otherwise specified, the Department of Parks & Recreation will provide an attendant during official operating hours. Each participant will be required to sign a waiver (those under 18 will need their guardian's signature) before being allowed to use the facility. Requirements for use: A signed liability waiver; helmet; knee pads; elbow pads. Get an online liability form at: www.nycgovparks.org/facilities/skateparks

Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum and Gardens

895 Shore Road, Pelham Bay Park; 718.885.1461; info@bpmm.org
12:00 noon - 4:00 pm, Mansion: Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday; Garden and grounds: open daily from 8:30 am until dusk

You don't need to be a history buff to be enchanted by the grandeur and beauty of this national landmark, which houses examples of fine 19th century furniture and decorative arts. The restored three-story Carriage House contains a carriage stable, hay loft and tack room that give visitors insight into what life was like on the estate. There's also a serene garden with a formal pool. The Bartow-Pell Mansion also hosts engaging programs, special events, and exhibitions year round for all to enjoy. A great option: take your bicycle on the #6 train, then ride the Bronx Greenway path to Bartow-Pell! It's a lovely ride. Admission: Adults: \$5, Seniors & students: \$3, Children under 6 free. Mansion and Carriage House tours begin at a quarter after the hour and are approximately 45 minutes in length. Unless otherwise noted, all tours are guided. Mansion is closed on July 4th.

Bronx Museum of the Arts

1040 Grand Concourse; 718-681-6000; education@bronxmuseum.org
Thursday, Saturday & Sunday: 11:00 am - 6:00 pm; Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: Closed; Friday: 11:00 am - 8:00 pm.

BxMA's permanent collection is unique in its focus on contemporary art by artists of African, Asian, and Latin American descent. Initiated in 1986, BxMA's collection policy demonstrates an ongoing commitment to exhibit, preserve, and document the work of artists not typically represented within more traditional museum collections. In 2000 it was expanded to include artists who have live(d) and/or work(ed) in the Bronx and for whom the Bronx has been critical to their artistic development. The collection is composed of more than 800 contemporary works of art in all media, conveying a broad range of modern and contemporary art practices. Free. *Children under 12 must be accompanied by an

adult.

City Island Historical Society and Nautical Museum 190 Fordham St;

718-885-0008; cityislandmuseum.org. Saturday and Sunday, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Learn a bit of the area's history at the free City Island Historical Society and Nautical Museum, which is housed in a 19th-century building that was a school until 1976. Check out the display of wooden boats and the original school desks. The community room is another kid favorite—you'll find an old typewriter and sewing machine and a topographic map of the area.

Derfner Judaica Museum + The Art Collection The Hebrew Home at Riverdale

5901 Palisade Avenue; 718-581-1596; Directions: Please call 718.581.1000, email: eoleary@hebrewhome.org

Monday- Thursday 10:30 am-4:30 pm

As a member of the American Association of Museums, the Derfner Judaica Museum + The Art Collection at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale is committed to displaying its expansive fine art collection throughout the public areas of the campus. The art collection is comprised of modern art, large-scale sculpture, and ceremonial art from Africa and the Americas. It also houses the Elma and Milton A. Gilbert Pavilion Gallery which features rotating exhibitions. The Derfner Judaica Museum exhibits art and artifacts from Jewish life and culture, and its collection includes objects in wood, silver and ivory, varying in style and date from the 18th to the 20th century. The 19-acre campus also features a sculpture garden which overlooks the Hudson River.

Edgar Allan Poe Cottage

Grand Concourse and East Kingsbridge Road. 718-881-8900 Saturdays 10:00 am - 4:00 pm / Sundays 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

America's first great literary master lived in this farmhouse at the end of his life, and today, the small, modest home looks very much as it did when Poe lived here 1846- 1849. While living at the cottage, Poe wrote *Annabel Lee*, *Ulalume*, *The Bells* and *Eureka*. Administered by The Bronx County Historical Society since 1975, the cottage is restored to its original appearance, with authentic period furnishings. A film presentation and guided tour help bring Poe Cottage to life. Visitors can see the bed in which Virginia died and the rocking chair Poe used. In the kitchen, the dishes on the table appear as if the great author had just stepped out for air. The house tour is complemented by an award-winning video that provides insight into the writer and the man. General Admission \$3. Students/Seniors/Children \$2. Group tours by appointment only: call (718) 881-8900.

Maritime Industry Museum at Historic Fort Schuyler

6 Pennyfield Avenue, located on the SUNY Maritime College campus. 718-409-7200; email: pperez@sunymaritime.edu

Monday - Saturday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Admission and parking are free.

If there is a bonafide case of "labor of love" for a worthwhile endeavor, the Maritime Museum at Fort Schuyler must be recognized as a prime example. The museum is funded, staffed, operated and maintained strictly through volunteer support and monetary contributions. Many Maritime College cadets volunteer time to serve as museum tour guides and provide exhibit construction and upkeep, while alumni participate in periodic "work parties" to do their share.

BROOKLYN

Brooklyn Bridge Park Events

Pier 6, 334 Furman Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

7:30am

Early morning Yoga with Dodge YMCA

This hour-long yoga class on Pier 6 integrates postures, breathing exercises, relaxation and meditation to stretch, strengthen and condition. All levels are welcome. Limited mats available. Takes place every Monday until August 19.

7:00pm

Outdoor Strength

Brooklyn Strength leads challenging and fun outdoor fitness classes that focus on strength training and aerobic intervals in and around Brooklyn Bridge Park. Meet at Pier 6, but make sure to arrive