Bronx Urban Farms Trolley Tours 2013

All tours will depart from and return to 810 Seventh Avenue, corner of West 52nd Street, in Manhattan.

DEPARTURE: 10 a.m. (Please arrive between 9:30 and 10 a.m.)
RETURN: 3 p.m.

There is an option to meet at the first stop in the Bronx, at 10:30 a.m. Please call for details.

Wheelchair-accessible transportation is available.

Children 12 & under ride free!

Registration required. To reserve your place, please contact us at
The Bronx Tourism Council
718.590.3518
or by e-mail at bronxfoodsummit@gmail.com

Tickets are $30, cash or check payable to Green Thumb Community Fund. Proceeds go directly to support the Bronx community gardens you visit.

May 11  City of Immigrants
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May 11
City of Immigrants
Our first tour of the season will feature the horticultural and culinary delights of the Bronx’s diverse immigrant population. Participants will visit La Finca del Sur Urban Farm, a women-led, non-profit farm and community resource for food, family, gardening, and fun. We will have lunch at Drew Gardens, a community garden nestled along the Bronx River. The group will tour the grounds, where more than 40 families grow food in community plots. Finally, we will visit Little Green/Rock Garden and Melrose New Generation Garden, enjoying local entertainment among the plants and people.
Lunch is included.
Tour Guide: Nancy Ortiz-Surun, Co-Founder of La Finca del Sur Urban Farm

June 8
Caribbean Culture
Join in the festivities of NYC’s annual Puerto Rican Day Parade. First, participants will do some gardening, helping out the folks at Roberto Clemente Community Garden, which has vegetables, fruit trees, and beauty, permanently protected by The Bronx Land Trust. Next, we will see folks build a float for the parade, right in their own community, at El Flamboyan Community Garden in the South Bronx. Finally, participants will hear the drum sounds coming from the Casita, live at Rincon Criollo Cultural Center and Community Garden with Jose Chema Soto.
Lunch is included.
Tour Guide: Bobby Gonzalez, Bronx Storyteller

July 13
African-American Culture
This tour will feature the rich food and cultural landscape of the Bronx’s African Americans. Our first stop is Padré Plaza Success Community Garden, where gardeners grow food, cook healthy, and sell products at their seasonal farmers market. Next stop, Taqua Community Farm, an urban farm with chickens, bees, gardeners, and plants for food and medicine. Participants will round off the day at River Garden. Walk among the oversized vegetable plots and smell the flowers on a hot summer’s day. We will feature a gardening mini-workshop in the cool shade of the rainwater harvesting roof and shed.
Lunch is included.
Tour Guide: Dior Doward, Activist

August 3
The Youth Tour
Our first tour of the season will begin at the Rush Rea Howell Family Garden at The New York Botanical Garden, where longtime volunteer and Bronxite Frank Russo will guide us through the Global Gardens, and vegetable plots with cultural themes. You may be able to spy a beeyard or scarecrow amidst edible gardens tended by visiting children! Next up, historic Arthur Avenue, an Italian culinary gem, where participants will visit the market to learn about cheese-making at Mike’s Deli. Finally, participants will drop in on the Annual Bronx Green-Up and GreenThumb Harvest Festival for community gardeners citywide. You’ll have the opportunity to mingle with gardeners from all over the city and visit a community garden in all its harvest glory.

September 7
Italian Culinary Tour
Our Culinary Tour of the Bronx will begin at the Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden at The New York Botanical Garden, where we will tour the Children’s Garden at Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum, a National Landmark located in Pelham Bay Park. At the year-old Children’s Garden, participants will do some gardening and companion planting. Our final stop is Brook Park, where youth and families garden and a wealth of arts and indigenous cultural events take place.
Lunch is included.

October 12
Healthy Community
Our last tour of the season will feature the horticultural and culinary delights of the Bronx’s diverse immigrant population. Participants will visit La Finca del Sur Urban Farm, a women-led, non-profit farm and community resource for food, family, gardening, and fun. We will have lunch at Tremont Community Garden, a Bronx Land Trust (BLT) garden where seniors grow food. Our last stop will be Zimbabwe Frank Russo will guide us through the Global Gardens, and vegetable plots with cultural themes. You may be able to spy a beeyard or scarecrow amidst edible gardens tended by visiting children! Next up, historic Arthur Avenue, an Italian culinary gem, where participants will visit the market to learn about cheese-making at Mike’s Deli. Finally, participants will drop in on the Annual Bronx Green-Up and GreenThumb Harvest Festival for community gardeners citywide. You’ll have the opportunity to mingle with gardeners from all over the city and visit a community garden in all its harvest glory.

Tour Guide: Regina Ginyard, Bronx Food and Sustainability Coalition, Gotham Cooles, Co-Founder and Urban Farmer, La Finca Del Sur