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APRIL 2017 COMMUNITY BOARD & COMMITTEE CALENDARS

BOARD MEETING

WHEN: Wednesday, April 19, 2017, 7:30PM

WHERE: Kingsbridge Heights Community Center, 3101 Kingsbridge Terrace

PUBLIC GALLERY SESSION: Each month the General Board meeting begins with a Public Gallery Session. If you wish to address the Board, contact the office at 718-884-3959. Please note there is a limit of five speakers, each one being allotted 3 minutes to address the Board.

BOARD COMMITTEE CALENDARS

For updates on schedule and locations, [click here](#).

- **Aging:** 1:15PM (**Please note earlier time**), Thursday, April 20, Riverdale YM/YWHA, 5625 Arlington Avenue, Art Room, 2nd Floor
- **Economic Development:** 7:30PM, Tuesday, April 4, Riverdale Corner Café, 3718 Riverdale Avenue
- **Education:** 7:30PM, Tuesday, April 25, Location to be determined
- **Environment & Sanitation and Parks & Recreation (Joint Meeting):** 7:00PM, Wednesday, April 26, Riverdale YM/YWHA, 5625 Arlington Avenue, Teen Lounge
- **Executive Committee:** 7:30PM, Wednesday, April 5, Riverdale Mental Health Association, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, 2nd Floor Conference Room
- **Health, Hospitals & Social Services:** No Meeting
- **Housing:** 7:30PM, Monday, April 24, Riverdale Mental Health Association, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, 2nd Floor Conference Room
- **Land Use:** 7:30PM, Thursday, April, 27, Location to be determined
- **Law, Rules & Ethics:** No Meeting
- **Libraries & Cultural Affairs:** No Meeting
- **Public Safety:** 7:00PM, Thursday, April 20, 50th Police Precinct, 3450 Kingsbridge Avenue
- **Special Committee for the Hudson River Greenway:** 7:00 PM, Wednesday, April 13, Riverdale YM/YWHA, 5625 Arlington Avenue, Teen Lounge
- **Traffic & Transportation:** Time, Date & Location to be determined
- **Youth:** 1:00PM, Wednesday, April 26, Board Office, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100

The next Bronx Community Board No. 8 meeting will be held May 9, 2017, 7:30PM, Wave Hill, 649 West 249 Street

NEWS:

- **Preparation for Passover**

Bronx Community Board No. 8 has made its annual arrangements with the Department of Sanitation to have a dumpster placed near the Riverdale Jewish Center at the southeast corner of West 237 Street and Independence Avenue to accommodate the traditional chomezt disposal that precedes Passover. The dumpster will be installed by 7:00AM and removed by 2:00PM on Monday, April 10, 2017.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Community Service Award**

Community Board No. 8 Bronx is pleased to announce that it is seeking nominations for its Annual Community Service Award. Community Board No. 8 established the Community Service Award to acknowledge the many volunteer efforts of groups and individuals within our community. It is our belief that by recognizing our committed community volunteers, we can in some small way reward those most deserving and inspire others to follow their example.

Nominations must be submitted by Friday, April 28, 2017 addressed to: Community Service Award Committee, Bronx Community Board No. 8, 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Suite 100, Bronx, NY 10471 via mail or submitted by email to bx08@cb.nyc.gov.

- **DSNY: 2017 SAFE Disposal Event Dates**

The New York City Department of Sanitation announced 2017 dates for the Department's annual SAFE (Solvents, Automotive, Flammables, and Electronics) Disposal events. The events provide City residents with a one-stop drop-off to safely dispose of potentially harmful household products. Household products such as pesticides, strong cleaners, mercury-containing devices, paints, automotive fluids, and medications may be brought to the drop-off events. Residents can also bring electronics, which may no longer be left for curbside collection due to a New York state law. For Bronx residents the drop off location is the Orchard Beach Parking Lot on Saturday May 13 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM. For more information, [click here](#).



- **Bronx Community Board No. 8's 5th Annual Youth Poetry Slam**

Bronx Community Board No. 8 will hold its 5th Annual Youth Poetry Slam on Thursday, May 4 from 6:30PM to 8:30PM at Kingsbridge Heights Community Center, 3101 Kingsbridge Terrace. Youth between the ages of 13 and 20 are encouraged to participate. Please sign up between April 3 and May 3 by sending an email to bx08@cb.nyc.gov. Admission is Free. Prizes & gifts will be awarded to the contestants.



- **Historic New York: Old Croton Aqueduct**

Urban Park Rangers specialize in interpretation of historic turning points, both natural and man-made, in our city's long history. Our Historic New York programs highlight the history and architecture of selected neighborhoods or parks.

Join our park rangers on a walk through Van Cortlandt Park to learn about the Old Croton Aqueduct, NYC's first water supply system. This event will be held on Saturday, April 8 from 1:00PM to 2:30PM 242 Street and Van Cortlandt Park East. For more information, call the Urban Park Rangers at 718-319-7258 or [click here](#).

- **Kids Week Bronx: Nature Exploration**

If your children love the outdoors, the natural world is the best playground in New York City. Join the Urban Park Rangers on Tuesday, April 11 from 1:00PM to 2:30PM for a hike through the wonders of Van Cortlandt Park. Meet the Park Rangers at West 246 Street and Broadway. For more information, call the Urban Park Rangers at 718-319-7258 or [click here](#).



- **Kids Week Bronx: Insect Exploration**

Don't be afraid of getting your hands dirty as we explore high and low in search of amazing insects to discover their important connection to us. If you're interested, meet the Park Rangers at West 246 Street and Broadway on Friday, April 14 from 1:00PM to 2:30PM. For more information, call the Urban Park Rangers at 718-319-7258 or [click here](#).

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- **Rain Barrel Giveaway**

Bronx Community Board No. 8, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection and Friends of Van Cortlandt Park a co-sponsoring a Rain Barrel Giveaway event on Saturday, May 6 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM. Due to the high volume of requests, please pre-register for a Rain Barrel by calling Bronx Community Board No. 8 at 718-884-3959 or sending an email to bx08@cb.nyc.gov by Thursday, May 4. Walk-ins are welcomed, but are not guaranteed a rain barrel. The pick-up location for the rain barrel is the Friends' Compost & Garden Site. Please enter Van Cortlandt Park at Broadway & Mosholu Avenue.



- **Food Scrap Drop-Off**

We want to use your food scraps to make compost and grow veggies at the Van Cortlandt Park Garden and Compost Site. This site will be operated by the NYC Compost Project hosted by The New York Botanical Garden. For more information about NYC food scrap drop-off site guidelines, e-mail compost@nybg.org. The event will be held at the Garden & Compost Site – enter Van Cortlandt Park at Broadway and Mosholu Avenue on Tuesdays April 4 to May 30 from 4:00PM to 6:00PM.



- **Wave Hill is hosting fun Family events throughout the month. Wave Hill is located at West 249 Street and Independence Avenue:**

- 1. Family Art Project: Eels and Hudson River Theaters**

What is life really like inside the Hudson River? Hear about the relationship between eels and the health of the river and our role as good river stewards. Create drawings, maps and images of river residents, then create a diorama with movable parts—a thriving river theater! This event is taking place on Saturday, April 8 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Wave Hill House.

- 2. Family Art Project: Pastel Eggs in Watercolors**

Not all eggs are created alike. Notice the difference between a speckled turkey egg and the cool, blue eggshell of the American robin. Hear from storyteller Rama Mandel as she shares the story *An Egg is Quiet*, by Dianna Hutts Aston. Then make your own poetic painting with wax resists in the pastel colors of speckled eggs. This event is taking place on Saturday, April 15 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Wave Hill House.

- 3. Family Art Project: Earth Day for Protecting Pollinators**

Celebrate Earth Day by learning about how we can protect and support our environment and essential pollinators, like the honeybees who live at Wave Hill.

Sunroom Project Space Artist Borinquen Gallo uses yellow caution tape in large-scale installations to stand as metaphors for sustainability and environmental care. Raise awareness of how pesticides impact pollinators through individual art projects or by contributing small projects to be included in Gallo's dynamic installation in Glyndor Gallery! This event is taking place on Saturday, April 15 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Wave Hill House.

- 4. Family Art Project: Barking Up a Wave Hill Tree**

With wax crayons and paper in hand, visit some of Wave Hill's treasured trees and have a tactile experience through observation, touch, and simple, but rich, bark rubbings. Using these rubbings, work with burlap, cheesecloth, strips of leather, craft paper and yarn to create a collection of rich textures and bark-inspired designs. This event is taking place on Saturday, April 29 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Wave Hill House.

- 5. Junior Arborist Station**

Kids ages five and older are invited to don tree-climbing harnesses and hardhats and ascend into the canopy of our old sugar maple tree to get a birds-eye view of Wave Hill.

Arborists from Almstead Tree and Shrub Care, who generously sponsor this free program, are on hand to assist budding arborists, as well as answer questions about the big old trees at Wave Hill. This event is taking place on Saturday, April 29 from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Wave Hill House.

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COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

Broadway Bridge in the Fog

Take in the western skyline of Bronx Community Board 8; featuring Marble Hill, Spuyten Duyvil and the Broadway Bridge.



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