



**The following gardens are part of Brooklyn Queens Land Trust:**

- **1100 Bergen Street Community Garden**, 1107 Bergen St, Brooklyn NY 11216
- **227th Street Cambria Heights Community Garden**, 227th Street, & Linden Boulevard, Queens 11411
- **Back to Eden Community Garden**, 144-29 Lakewood Avenue, Queens 11435
- **Central Bainbridge Community Garden**, 277-279 Bainbridge Street, Brooklyn 11233
- **Classon Ful-Gate Block Association Garden**, 472-474 Classon Avenue, Brooklyn 11238
- **Clifton Place Block Association Garden**, 289 Grand Avenue, Brooklyn 11238
- **Concerned Citizens of Grove Street Community Garden**, 72 Grove Street, Brooklyn 11221
- **Contented Hart Garden**, 1475 Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn 11207
- **David Foulke Memorial Garden**, 248-250 Bergen Street, Brooklyn 11217
- **Dunton Community Garden**, 143-01 Shore Avenue, Queens 11435
- **E. 43rd Street Block Association Garden**, 1087 E. 43rd Street, Brooklyn 11210 (affiliate garden)
- **Euclid/Pine Street Block Association Garden**, 1308 Dumont Avenue, Brooklyn 11208
- **Garden of Angels**, 978 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn 11221
- **Greene Garden**, 2 South Portland Avenue, Brooklyn 11217
- **Heaven's Gate Garden**, 169-171 Hart Street, Brooklyn 11206
- **Hollenback Community Garden**, 460 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn 11238
- **John the Baptist Community Garden**, 10 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn 11221
- **La Finca Garden**, 1036 Flushing Avenue, Brooklyn 11237
- **Lincoln Berkeley Community Garden**, 22 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn 11217
- **Malcolm X Garden**, 33-02 112th Street, & 111-26 Northern Boulevard, Queens 11368
- **Mama Dee's Garden**, 1397 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn 11216
- **McIntosh Neighborhood Association Garden**, 25-16 McIntosh St., & 25-19 100th St., Queens 11369
- **Merrick-Marsden Neighbors Association Garden**, 118-18 Merrick Boulevard, Queens 11434
- **Merrick-Marsden Neighbors Association Garden II**, 170-48 Foch Boulevard, Queens 11434
- **Northside Community Garden**, 599 Driggs Avenue, Brooklyn 11211
- **Patchen Avenue Garden**, 49 Patchen Avenue, Brooklyn 11221
- **Q Gardens Community Farm**, 70 E. 18th Street, Brooklyn 11226 (affiliate garden)
- **Ralph Lincoln Service Center Garden**, 1654 St. John's Place, Brooklyn 11233
- **Rogers/Tilden/Veronica Place Garden**, 2601-2603 Tilden Avenue, Brooklyn 11226
- **Sheffield Garden**, 673 Sheffield Avenue, Brooklyn 11207
- **St. John's Place Renaissance Garden**, 1642 St. John's Place, Brooklyn 11233
- **St. Marks Avenue/Prospect Heights Community Garden**, 207 St. Marks Avenue, Brooklyn 11238
- **The People's Garden**, 1237-1241 Broadway, Brooklyn 11221
- **United Herkimer Garden Club**, 97 Herkimer Street, Brooklyn 11216
- **Westbrook Memorial Garden**, 1233 Pacific Street, Brooklyn 11216
- **Woodbine Street Block Association Garden**, 146 Woodbine Street, Brooklyn 11221

## Want to join a garden?

### NYC's community gardens

There are more than 600 community gardens in NYC. Each garden is independently managed by a group of volunteers. There is no central clearinghouse for connecting volunteers with gardens and there is no standard "application" process. Some gardens have long waiting lists, while others are looking for volunteers.

### Brooklyn Queens Land Trust and Community Gardens

Although BQLT is the overall landowner and steward of 34 community gardens in the two boroughs, each garden is independently managed by a group of volunteers. BQLT is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt organization. BQLT is a membership organization with a unique structure where the gardens are the members and garden representatives act on behalf of their gardens in an official capacity either on the BQLT board or as voting members. BQLT has launched an affiliate garden program, and now stewards two additional community gardens.

BQLT gardens are open spaces that provide opportunities for diverse groups of people to meet and cooperatively work together, as well as engaging in educational, cultural and arts activities. Most gardens grow vegetables and fruits that provide nutritious meals. Summers are filled with fish fries, Independence Day cookouts, jazz concerts, and art exhibits. Gardens are used as open space classrooms by local schools, meeting spaces, celebrations and memorials.

BQLT gardens are located in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Boerum Hill, Bushwick, Clinton Hill, Crown Heights, Ditmas Park, East Flatbush, East New York, Flatbush, Fort Greene, Park Slope, Prospect Heights, and Williamsburg, Brooklyn; Queens gardens are in the neighborhoods of Cambria Heights, Corona, East Elmhurst and Jamaica. Gardens cannot be sold or developed and by law are permanently saved as open spaces.

We encourage you to become a garden member. It is a great way to: meet your neighbors and build community; improve the local environment; gain access to fresh locally grown vegetables, fruits, and herbs. And much more...

### Three Steps to Join a Garden

Warning: This may not be an easy process and will definitely require a fair amount of work on your part. However, if you stick to it you will certainly be rewarded.

- 1. Identifying the Gardens in Your Area** Visit <http://oasisnyc.org/map.aspx>. Although this website has its limitations, it is still the best map of NYC's community gardens available online.
  - Map your neighborhood, address or other location information in tab/search bar on the top of the page
  - Activate the community gardens layer of the map by checking the 'label' box next to where it says community gardens on the right side of the screen
  - Now you can see the gardens on the map and zoom in or out on the map to identify the exact locations of the gardens near you (They should be labeled with green text.)
  - Print out a map or make notes of the locations of the gardens near you. Please note that not every neighborhood in NYC has community gardens. So if you can't find gardens in your neighborhood on Oasis, it is probably because they are none in your area.

- 2. Visit the Gardens** Take a walk to visit all the gardens you identified. The best time to walk around will be on weekends or evenings when garden members are likely to be out gardening, weather permitting.

If gardeners are inside – go in and introduce yourself. Ask them to tell you about their garden and give you a tour. Offer to help out in some way. That will demonstrate your commitment as well as give you a chance to see what it is like to garden there. Ask about their membership policy and how to join.

If the garden is locked - look for a sign that lists that garden's regularly scheduled open hours. Try to return at a time when the garden is open so that you can meet the gardeners. Also, look for a sign with a phone number for a garden contact that you may be able to reach.

- 3. Sign Up & Be Flexible** Every garden has its own membership and dues policy, plots procedures, etc. The best way to get involved is to meet the gardeners directly and have them explain to you how things work at that garden. Just as every NYC neighborhood is unique, so is every community garden. Being flexible in what you can do to work with the garden and its current members will make your experience a more lasting one.

If you have completed all of the above steps and still have been unable to contact the gardeners, we encourage you to call GreenThumb at 212.788.8070. If Oasis indicates it is a land trust garden, you can contact the Manhattan Land Trust at 212.228.5482, the Bronx Land Trust at 212.228.5482 or the Brooklyn Queens Land Trust at 718.963.7020.



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