



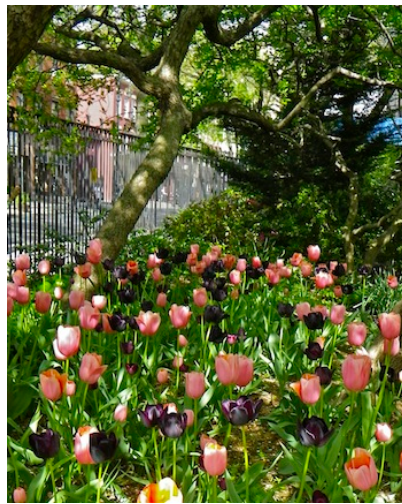
Jefferson Market Garden Newsletter

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Garden Challenge

Jefferson Market Garden has a \$25,000 unanticipated challenge: We need your help. Unfortunately after years of proactive preventative plant healthcare, two of our beloved trees needed to be removed for the safety of our friends and visitors. Removal and replacement costs are significant. Please consider giving additional support to the Garden.

The 2012 season at Jefferson Market Garden was one of exceptional beauty and visually exuberant!



We had a record number of visitors, who were stopped in their tracks as they entered the Garden. The season started early with a riotous display of spring-blooming flowers and all the varieties of our flowering trees were blooming simultaneously!



The early opening of the flowers and the Garden set the pace for the season, which began in March and ran through the beginning of November. However, despite the joy of the glorious flowers, happy weddings and well-attended events for the community, we were saddened to find that we had lost the battle to preserve two of our original trees. We made the agonizing decision to remove and replace a 37-year-old yellowwood that was once hit by lightning and had developed a hole large enough for a squirrel's nest, and an equally old honey locust that the tree specialist deemed too damaged for him

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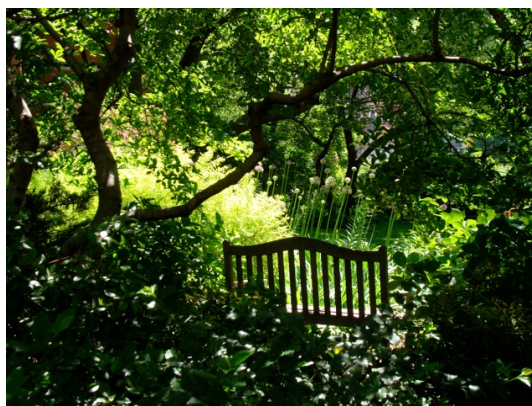


to climb for necessary trimming and treatments.

Horticulturist and Garden Designer Susan Sipos and the **Jefferson Market Garden Board** believe that in our urban environment when we cut down a tree, we have an obligation to our community to replace it.

We quickly found that the psychological cost of losing integral pieces of the Garden was matched by unanticipated financial cost. The removal of the trees involved not just cutting down the trees and removal of the debris, but also grinding down the stump to make room for replacements. Trees of significant size are costly. Additionally, the redesigned area will require new shrubs and perennials. We need your support to address the expected \$25,000 in expenses.

The good news is that two new seating areas have been created for friends and visitors to linger in our peaceful, beautiful Garden.



SUMMER & FALL EVENTS

Crowds arrived early for the opening of the Garden gate for our annual **Children's Harvest Festival**. Strollers large and small circled our paths while parents watched their children cavorting in the festive environment orchestrated by **Christine Gros**, who was assisted by the 6th Precinct's **Celines Lebron** and her **NYC Law Enforcement Explorers, Post 2206**, and several **Jefferson Market Garden Volunteers**--including photographer & graphic designer **Alexis Camp** and volunteer organizer **Kacie Carl**. The Garden thanks all.



Damaged Yellowwood



Arborist at work



Rotten interior of the Yellowwood



Planting the new Stewartia

Special thanks also goes to our local community businesses and organizations that pitched in with free goodies, activities and entertainment. **Citarella** provided hundreds of kid-size pumpkins and cookies for children to decorate, **Frank Collierius** and the **Jefferson Market Library** provided storytelling entertainment, and **Julie Averill** and her **Kids at Work** sent a guitar player and **Plum Organics** donated healthy treats.



For the 11th year in a row, a dedicated group of volunteers from **ING Financial Services** spent a Fall Saturday planting an amazing number of spring-flowering bulbs. We thank them now for the planting and will thank them again when the garden is awash in the colorful blooms.

For the second year, the artist **Marianne Yoors** organized our unique **Adopt -A-Pot** benefit for the Garden. The Garden is grateful for the exquisite pottery donated by Marianne and other generous **Greenwich House Potters** and for the **Garden Volunteers** that arrayed the pots along the borders of the Garden for visitors to admire and take home.

Two afternoons a week all summer, Garden visitors were treated to classical guitar music provided by our long time friend **Eric Oxendine**. Bravo! Did you know that **Bill Thomas** and **Fredda Tone** create and donate the cards that are available at the front table? Great work!

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Our volunteers are the backbone of the Garden. Every Monday, the Garden is closed to the



Children's Harvest Festival



Pumpkin donated by Citerella
decorated by Festival
participant



Erik Oxendine
SummerMusic



Parrot Tulip
Photo by Bill Thomas

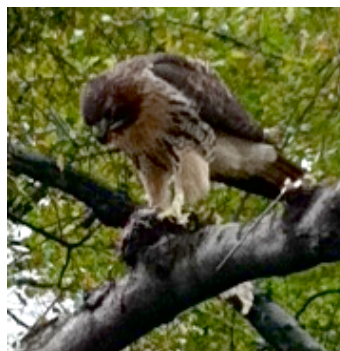
community, but a group of **Volunteer Gardeners** coordinated by **Diane Darrow**, under the professional guidance of **Horticulturist Susan Sipos**, are working magic in the Garden. Every other day throughout our season, weather permitting, **Gate Volunteers** coordinated by **Kacie Carl**, welcome visitors and provide orientation. Volunteers are essential to the operation of our Garden. A sumptuous brunch was held at **Rosemary's** to honor all of them for their hard work. A special thank you is extended to **Sam Wilder** for his dedication to the Garden.

Throughout the school year, the Garden also provides educational tours to community schools. We want to thank **Peter Falk** for providing **PS 41**, **Academy of St. Joseph** and **Village Preschool Center** with tailor-made learning experiences in the Garden that support their science curricula.

Thank you **Nancy Pasley** for your ten years of diligent service to the Garden as its **Treasurer** and as **guardian of our Fairy Roses**.

Coming Attractions

We have already replaced one tree with a **Stewartia** tree. Watch for its beautiful camellia-like flowers in the Spring. Our visiting birds now include a Red-tailed Hawk. We look forward to assistance from the **Audubon Society** as we plan to encourage more of these feathered visitors with the addition of a strategically-placed bird feeder and bird houses. Also, more butterflies will be attracted to our newly planted **Butterfly Garden**.

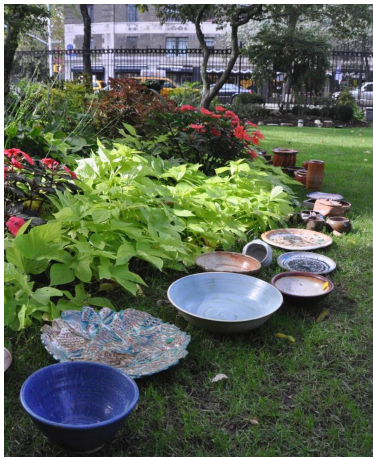




Poppy
Photo by Fredda Tone



Japanese Maple
Photo by Linda Camardo



Adopt-a-Pot Event

Photographs by

**Linda Camardo
Alexis Camp
Laurie Moody
Barbara Sievert
Susan Sipos
Bill Thomas
Fredda Tone
Sam Wilder**

Special Thanks to Gate Donors, Garden Friends and Godparents

Finally, we thank all of our donors, gate visitors, Garden Friends, Garden Godparents and local organizations. There is a direct link between the support we receive and the beauty of the Garden. Your support fertilizes and cares for our trees, flowers, shrubs and lawn. It repairs, replaces, expands and improves our fishpond, our walkways and seating areas. It creates a unique oasis in our community for our community and its visitors.

Blessings to each of you in this season of light and hope. Whether we decorate our homes with a Menorah, a Christmas tree or just a warm glow, we rejoice with our friends in the gifts we treasure most: joy, peace and love.

George Paulos

Chairman, The Jefferson Market Garden
and the Jefferson Market Garden Board



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