

Opportunities to get involved in urban agriculture in Kingston in 2019

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Community Gardens (RESERVE A PLOT FOR THIS GROWING SEASON)

YMCA community garden.

Steward: Ed Blouin (blouined@gmail.com) (845-616-2677). Spanish-language contact: KayCee Wimbish (kaycee.wimbish@gmail.com)

- deadline for reserving a bed: first come, first served. Registration opens in March (last year's gardeners get first dibs).
- Fee for reserving a bed: \$30.00 per full plot and \$20.00 per half plot, per growing season (April 1 – November 30) due on or before March 30, 2018. There are no refunds. The fee may be waived if the applicant demonstrates financial need.
- Number of beds in total: ~28
- Number of beds available this year: between 5 -10 or more
- Growing limitations: no woody plants (trees & shrubs)
- Garden hours: dawn to dusk, seven days a week
- Tools: tools are available for the gardeners to use
- Seeds and starts: there are often seeds available and reasonably-priced starts to purchase
- Other materials available: wood-chips and possibly compost

Rondout Community Garden (at Rondout Gardens, Murray St).

Steward: Karen Miller 845.399.2805 or kamiller49@gmail.com

- Deadline for reserving a bed: beginning of July
- Fee to reserve bed: free
- Number of beds in total: 20 beds that are 4'x 8'
- Number of available beds (as of February 2019): 17
- Growing limitations: non-chemical methods, must stay within boundaries of bed, no sunflowers
- Open hours: gate is always unlocked
- Tools: gardeners must bring their own tools
- Other materials available: wood-chips, possibly compost, possibly veggies starts for free or low-cost
- Water access: on site (provided by City of Kingston)

United Methodist Church Garden (Liberty St garden)

Steward: Karen Miller 845.399.2805 or kamiller49@gmail.com

- Deadline for reserving a bed: unknown. Contact Karen to set up meeting (starting on April 1st) at garden to review and sign agreement (currently agreement is in English)

- Fee to reserve bed: free
- Number of beds in total: 12 beds that are 4'x 12' and one handicap accessible bed (already reserved)
- Number of available beds (as of February 2019): 8
- Growing limitations: non-chemical methods, must stay within boundaries of bed, no sunflowers
- Open hours: Open from 8a - 8p. April through November
- Tools: some tools available in shed on site
- Other materials available: possibly compost, possibly veggies starts for free or low-cost
- Water access: three rain barrels

George Washington School garden

Steward: Cindy Muro (tcmuro@gmail.com)

- Deadline for reserving a bed: there is not a deadline to apply, but current gardeners must state their intention to return by March 1st. Preferable that the people using the plots live in the neighborhood of GW school and also that they have children attending the school.
- Fee to reserve plot (10 x 20): \$20. Fee can be waived. A few plots of 20 x 20 (shared by 3 or more people)
- Number of plots in total: 18 plots, two worked by GW school children
- Number of available beds (as of February 2019): 0 (possibly more after March 1st). Wait list open
- Growing limitations: non-chemical methods. food or flowers, but not landscape plants
- Open hours: unknown
- Tools: there is a tool shed with plenty of tools to use
- Other materials available: occasionally compost (first come first serve)
- Water access: on site and plenty of hoses

Youth programs / school gardens (REGISTER YOUR CHILD)

Everette Hodge Center

- After-school program for youth ages 5-18 has gardening component on-site
- Monday-Friday 2:30-5pm
- Currently one small bed but plans to expand the garden this year
- New director speaks Spanish (Sue Weed)

YMCA Farm Project

- Youth Farm Crew 3 days / week (Tues, Wed, Thurs) from 2:30-5:30
 - App due March 7th
 - ages 14-18
 - Pay: \$11.10 / hour

- Midtown beautification crew. Monday after school and some weekend time. Combo of trash pickup and planting, maintenance.

Seedsong Farm

- Located just outside of Kingston: 160 Esopus Avenue, very accessible by public transportation
 - Youth summer camp on the farm
 - CSA (weekly distribution of fresh, local, seasonal, chemical-free vegetables, herbs, and you-pick flowers from the first week of June to the first week of November).
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Urban Farms (GET YOUR LOCAL FOOD)

YMCA Farm Project

- FREE Farm Stand at the Office of the Institute for Family Health (address: 1 Family Practice Drive, Kingston) from 11am to 1pm, every other Wednesday:
- June 26, July 10 and 24, August 7 and 21, September 4 and 18, October 2, 16, and 30

South Pine Street City Farm

- See Facebook page ([facebook.com/SouthPineStreetFarm](https://www.facebook.com/SouthPineStreetFarm)) to know farm stand schedule