



## FALL INTO HALLOWEEN

Across the five boroughs, ghosts and goblins will be visiting a park or recreation center near you, at events organized by both community groups and Parks & Recreation. Here's a sampling of what's brewing:

### THE BRONX

**St. James Recreation Center:** St. James will be hosting its first ever haunted house, Fri., Oct. 30. 718-822-4271.

**Owen Dolen Recreation Center:** Arts & crafts, pumpkin carving and games, will be offered to children aged 6 to 12 at the children's Halloween party, Fri., Oct. 30, 3:30 pm to 5 pm. 718-822-4282.

**Pelham Bay Park:** Pelham Bay is sponsoring "A Halloween Happening," featuring a haunted walk, Fri., Oct. 30, 3 pm to 6 pm at the Pelham Nature Center, off Bruckner Blvd. and Wilkinson Ave. 718-430-1824.

**St. Mary's Recreation Center:** A double bill featuring an after school Halloween dance, Fri., Oct. 30, 3 pm to 6 pm and the annual haunted house, offering fun, games, and treats for all who dare, Sat., Oct. 31, 2 pm to 6 pm. 718-402-5155.

**Van Cortlandt Park:** Let the Urban Park Ranges lead you on their "Halloween Walk," guaranteed to be full of surprises. In the Northwest Woods, Sat., Oct. 24, 6 pm to 8 pm. 718-430-1890.

**Williamsbridge Oval Recreation Center:** Williamsbridge Oval presents "A Halloween Happening" (not related to Pelham Bay's) for children aged 10 and under, Fri., Oct. 30, 3 pm to 5 pm. There will be bobbing for apples, a costume parade, a raffle, treats, awards, and pumpkin crafts. 718-543-8672.

### BROOKLYN

**Brownsville Recreation Center:** After hosting school groups all week, Recreation opens this extra-spooky haunted house to the public, Sat. Oct. 31, all day. 718-345-2706.

**Carroll Park:** The **Committee to Improve Carroll Park** is putting on a Halloween Festival, featuring a haunted house, Sat. Oct. 31, 12 pm to 6 pm.

**Marine Park:** The **Marine Park Civic Association** sponsors its Halloween Walk, Sat. Oct. 24, 2 pm to 5 pm.

**Narrows Botanical Garden:** Grand Army Plaza's Greenmarket comes to Bay Ridge for the Garden's Harvest Festival and third annual Canine Costume Contest. Children are invited to pick and paint pumpkins from the pumpkin patch. Sun., Oct. 25, 12 pm to 5 pm. Located between 69th and 72nd Sts. on Shore Rd.

**Prospect Park:** The **Prospect Park Alliance** will be hosting the park's 19th annual Halloween Festival & Walk featuring a haunted walk, games, live music, and a hayride, all at the Nethermead, Sat., Oct. 31, 11 am to 3 pm. Also on is "Scary Stories from the Past," at Leffert's Homestead, Sat., Oct. 24, Wed., Oct. 28, Sat., Oct. 31 and Sun, Nov. 1, all 1 pm to 4 pm 718-965-8960.

**Shore Road:** The **Bayridge Parks and Waterfront Council** is sponsoring the Shore Road Halloween Walk, with carnival games, a ghoulish walk, and food, at 95th St., Sat. Oct. 31, 2 pm to 6 pm.

**Von King Cultural Center:** School children are invited to Von King's haunted house for various activities. Wed. through Fri., Oct. 28 through 30, pre-schoolers 10 am to 12 pm, all ages 3 pm to 6:30 pm.

### MANHATTAN

**Bleecker Street Playground:** The **Greenwich Village Committee for the Celebration of Children** is hosting a "trick or treat trail," concert, and petting zoo, Sat., Oct. 31, 10 am to 4 pm.

**Central Park:** Newmark Real Estate sponsors Parks & Recreation's annual Great Halloween Party, featuring Rollerblade's "SkateFrightIV," the "Howl-O-Ween" pet costume contest, a haunted house, face painting, arts & crafts, a pumpkin patch, Broadway shows, a greenmarket, trick or treating, hayrides, scary tales, and children's theater. Sat., Oct. 24, 11 am to 4 pm. Enter park at East or West 72nd St. 1-888-NY-PARKS. [www.nycparks.org](http://www.nycparks.org).

**Hell's Kitchen Park:** The **West 47th/48th Street Block Association** is sponsoring a children's Halloween party, Sat. Oct. 31, 12:30 pm to 4 pm. A hayride for small children starts at 1:30 pm.

**Riverside Park:** The **Playground Project** hosts storyteller Ron Sopyla who will be reading not-so-scary stories (suitable for children aged 4 to 8) at the Hippo Playground at 91st St., Sat., Oct. 31, 2 pm to 3 pm. At 3:45 pm the annual children's costume parade convenes at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial, at 89th St. and Riverside Dr.

**St. Vartan's Park:** The **Friends of St. Vartan's Park** are organizing a children's costume parade, with prizes. There will also be a clown show, goodies and refreshments. Sat., Oct. 31, 12:30 pm to 3 pm.

**Tompkins Square Park:** The **East Village Parks Conservancy** is holding its annual Halloween Dog Costume Contest, Sat., Oct. 31, at 1 pm. Prizes include a Sony DVD player, dog grooming and a night at a dog hotel. All dogs will receive gift doggie bags. Contestants should arrive early to register. 212-387-7684.

### QUEENS

**Forest Park:** "A Halloween Happening at Forest Park" invites all to enjoy live music, hayrides, pumpkin decorating, and more at Jackson Pond, Myrtle Ave. and Park Lane South, Sun. Oct. 25, 12 pm to 4 pm. 718-235-4151.

**Flushing Meadows-Corona Park:** FMCP presents "The Scream," featuring a haunted house, hayrides, arts & crafts, costume contests, Rollerblading and much, much more. It all takes place at the Passerelle Building, next to the U S T A center, Thursday, Oct. 29 and Fri., Oct. 30, 4 pm to 9 pm; and Sat., Oct. 31, 2 pm to 9 pm. 718-699-4236.

### STATEN ISLAND

**Wolfe's Pond Park:** Staten Island **Boy Scouts** are uniting forces to stage their "Ghost-Aree" (rhymes with 'jamboree'), featuring a haunted house, Sat., Oct. 31, 4 pm to dusk. 718-273-6103.



## HELPFUL NUMBERS

To volunteer or to join your local parks group: 212-360-1357  
For recorded information about special events: 888-NY-PARKS  
To report graffiti, vandalism, or crime: 800-201-PARK

### Outreach & Volunteer Coordinators

#### BRONX

Maria Luisa (Red Barron) Cipriano, Boroughwide: 718-430-4641  
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Van Cortlandt & Pelham Bay Parks: 718-430-1890

#### BROOKLYN

Antonino (Che) D'Ambrosio, Boroughwide: 718-965-8902  
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Prospect Park: 718-965-9060

#### MANHATTAN

Jessica Dodson, Boroughwide: 212-408-0228  
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Marcy O'Dell, Central Park: 212-360-2752

#### QUEENS

Andrea (Panther) Malloy, Boroughwide: 718-520-5913  
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Flushing Meadows-Corona Park.: 718-760-6561  
Vivian (Star Angel) Cruz, Forest Park: 718-235-4151

#### STATEN ISLAND

Loretta (Quill) Quinn, Boroughwide: 718-815-7194

### Parks on the Web: [www.nycparks.org](http://www.nycparks.org)

*Partnerships for Parks* believes that parks are essential to the life of New York City, and that community involvement is essential to the life of a park. We work to strengthen, support and start neighborhood park groups; link them together so that they can learn from each other and be stronger collectively; and promote parks in general so that people will be more likely to join in efforts to restore and preserve them.

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## FREE TRAINING WORKSHOP

### "BUILDING ALLIANCES"

Experience has proven that park groups are most effective when they have the aid and support of others--elected officials, Parks & Recreation, the Police, the Community Board, neighboring block and merchant associations, etc. This workshop for new park groups gives advice on building positive relationships. It includes tips on getting your voice heard in the City budget process, explains how the City of New York/Parks & Recreation works, and talks about how to identify important allies and build relationships with them. The workshop is geared toward new groups who are just starting to build community ties. The workshop will include a presentation by one or two local leaders who will relate their successful effort to build alliances in their neighborhood. "Building Alliances" will take place at 6 pm in the Arsenal, Wednesday, November 4th. The Arsenal is located in Central Park, off Fifth Avenue at East 64th Street. For more information or to register, call Alyssa Weiss at 212-360-8166.

### PARTNERSHIPS' 1ST ANNUAL BENEFIT

On Wednesday, September 16th, in Tompkins Square Park, *Partnerships* held its first ever fund-raiser: a cocktail party celebrating New York City's "Emerald Empire." *Partnerships* has grown a great deal since our creation three-and-a-half-years ago, and we were pleased to have reached a point where we could celebrate with many of our friends, colleagues, and supporters. We would very much like to thank all of those who generously supported us.

In line with the evening's theme, we served "Emerald Martinis" featuring Midori, an emerald colored melon liqueur, donated by Hiram Walker. We also served Black Star's Golden Lager, donated by Red Hook Distributors. *Partnerships* wishes to thank both Hiram Walker and Red Hook for their generosity. Entertainment was provided by buskers from around the city.

### GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINES

**November 15: National Gardening Association Youth Garden Grant.** Provides gardening supplies to schools, neighborhood groups, and other groups working with at least 15 children aged 3 to 18. Write to NGA, 180 Flynn Ave., Burlington, VT 05401 for information.

**November 16 (postmark by) : U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Education Grants Program.** Funds environmental education programs that educate the general public through community based organizations. Call 212-637-3671 for more information.

From ghoulies and ghosties  
and long-leggety beasties  
And things that go bump in  
the night,....deliver us!  
-Cornish prayer

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