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# 22 MUSIC EVENTS LAUNCHING IN NYC'S PARKS THIS FALL THROUGH GREEN ARTS / LIVE'S OVER \$96K IN FUNDING

**September 15, 2022 - New York, NY -** New York's parks and community organizations will be hosting 22 music events ranging from hip hop to Latin jazz in New York City's parks with over \$96,000 in support from City Parks Foundation through the <u>GREEN ARTS / LIVE NYC</u> grant program. Running from September through November, the concerts and festivals are primarily held on weekends in parks across the city.

Host organizations work with Partnerships for Parks, a joint program of NYC Parks and City Parks Foundation, to help care for and maintain their neighborhood green spaces year-round. Through <u>GREEN ARTS / LIVE NYC</u>, one of <u>City Parks Foundation</u>'s small grant programs, these organizations are receiving funding to support artist fees and production costs, and will also receive technical support and guidance from Mov!ng Culture Projects free of charge. All organizations will present free performing arts programs in neighborhood parks this fall.

"We are excited about extending the liveliness of New York's summers into the Fall through community concerts, so that New Yorkers can enjoy live music in their own neighborhood parks," added Heather Lubov, Executive Director of <u>City Parks Foundation</u>.

Green / Arts LIVE is administered by City Parks Foundation in collaboration with Mov!ng Culture Projects and Partnerships for Parks. Generous private support is provided by Con Edison's Arts Al Fresco Series and the Thompson Family Foundation.

## DATES, TIMES, EVENTS, LOCATIONS AND HOSTS:

- 9/17/22, 1:30 3:30 pm, Back to Beautiful Concert Series in Alice Kornegay Triangle Park (Manhattan), hosted by Art in the Park
- 9/18/22, 2 4 pm, Green Vibrations Latin Jazz Series in Harlem Art Park (Manhattan), hosted by the Friends of Art Park Alliance
- 9/18/22, 2 5 pm, The Friends of Tompkinsville Park presents the Fall Music Fest Sundays at Tompkinsville Park (Staten Island), hosted by Friends of Tompkinsville Park
- 9/25/22, 2-5 pm, The Friends of Tompkinsville Park presents the Fall Music Fest Sundays at Tompkinsville Park (Staten Island), hosted by Friends of Tompkinsville Park

- 9/25/22, 2 4 pm, Green Vibrations Latin Jazz Series in Harlem Art Park (Manhattan), hosted by the Friends of Art Park Alliance
- 10/1/22, 3 6 pm, Staten Island JAZZ Festival 34 Prelude at Mahoney Playground (Staten Island), hosted by Universal Temple of the Arts
- 10/1/22, 2 4 pm, Soul Festival 2022 at Reverend Lena Irons Unity Park (the Bronx), hosted by the Morrisania Band Project
- 10/1/22, 2 6 pm, Not Just Hoops & The Seasons Of Vision Serenity Garden Community Concert at Seasons of Vision Garden (Brooklyn), hosted by Not Just Hoops, Inc.
- 10/2/22, 2 4 pm, Green Vibrations Latin Jazz Series in Harlem Art Park (Manhattan), hosted by the Friends of Art Park Alliance
- 10/2/22, 12 4 pm, Matsuri NYC Fall Fest at Corlears Hook Park (Manhattan), hosted by the Friends of Corlears Hook Park
- 10/2/22, 2 5 pm, The Friends of Tompkinsville Park presents the Fall Music Fest Sundays at Tompkinsville Park (Staten Island), hosted by Friends of Tompkinsville Park
- 10/8/22, 6 7:30 pm, Not Your Mother's Pan Asian Festival at Corlears Hook Park (Manhattan), hosted by the Friends of Corlears Hook Park
- 10/8/22, 11 am 4:30 pm, Back to Beautiful Concert Series Beautification 2022, at Alice Kornegay Triangle Park (Manhattan), hosted by Art in the Park
- 10/9/22, 12:30 pm 6 pm, 2nd Annual St. Nicholas Park Jazz Festival in St. Nicholas Park (Manhattan), hosted by Friends of St. Nicholas Park
- 10/15/22, 2 4 pm, Soul Festival 2022 at Joyce Kilmer Park (the Bronx), hosted by the Morrisania Band Project
- 10/22/22, 3 6 pm, Success Community Gardens Concerts at the Success Community Gardens in George Walker Jr. Park (Brooklyn), hosted by Success Community Gardens
- 10/29/22, 2 6 pm, Annual Halloween Extravaganza at Joyce Kilmer Park (the Bronx), hosted by Friends of 4 Parks Alliance, Inc.
- 11/19/2022, 3 6 pm, Success Community Gardens Concerts at the Success Community Gardens in George Walker Jr. Park (Brooklyn), hosted by Success Community Gardens

#### About City Parks Foundation

At City Parks Foundation, we are dedicated to invigorating and transforming parks into dynamic, vibrant centers of urban life through sports, arts, community building and education programs for all New Yorkers. Our programs – located in hundreds of parks, recreation centers and public schools across New York City – reach thousands of people each year. Our ethos is simple: thriving parks mean thriving communities.

### About Green / Arts LIVE

The Green / Arts LIVE NYC small grants program is designed to encourage community park groups, artists, and community-based arts organizations to collaborate to present free performing arts programs in parks in under-resourced neighborhoods across NYC's five boroughs. The goal is for grantees to build partnerships that create long-term relationships within the community to sustain outdoor programming beyond the scope of this funding.

# **About Partnerships for Parks**

Partnerships for Parks is a unique public-private partnership between City Parks Foundation and NYC Parks that supports and champions neighborhood volunteers by giving them the tools they need to advocate and care for their neighborhood parks and green spaces. We equip people, organizations and

government with the skills and tools they need to transform these spaces into dynamic community assets.

# **About Mov!ng Culture Projects**

Mov!ng Culture Projects travels from street to park to plaza, partnering with communities to develop and produce cultural events and public programs to elevate and celebrate the arts, culture, and heritage of their neighborhoods. Mov!ng Culture Projects is led by Robin Schatell and Ethan Lercher, two culture makers/creative producers whose work is grounded in the belief that the arts are a vital part of a healthy society. They are driven by an enduring interest in people and the transformative power of the arts to strengthen individual and community bonds and support emotional health and wellbeing. They will guide Green / Arts LIVE grantees through the shaping, planning, and presenting of outdoor performing arts events in their parks and gardens. <a href="www.movingcultureprojects.com">www.movingcultureprojects.com</a>.