RESCUING TIBBETTS BROOK COMMUNITY GATHERING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023, 3:00 – 7:00 PM

Location: Manhattan College O’Malley Library – Alumni Room
4513 Manhattan College Pkwy, Bronx, NY 10471
See location on map here.

Directions: Public Transportation: By subway take the #1 train to the last stop at Van Cortlandt Park – 242 St. Walk 5 minutes west to the library. By Car: Manhattan College has a visitor parking lot. Requests must be submitted in advance here.

PROGRAM

3–3:30 pm
Check-in and Welcome

Participants will be invited to place notes on a map of the planned daylighted Tibbetts Brook — noting places of interest, importance, concerns, and opportunities.

Summary of participant notes by
Rebecca Lucher, Program Manager, City as Living Laboratory
Zach Youngerman, Board Secretary, City as Living Laboratory

3:30–4:00 pm
Introductions and Purpose

The Gathering celebrates the daylighting of Tibbetts Brook and those who have worked to make it happen over the past decades. We hope to deepen the understanding of the daylighting and related concerns. During the Gathering, there will be presentations by those active in daylighting Tibbetts Brook, and artists commissioned by CALL for the Rescuing Tibbetts Brook initiative.

Charles McKinney, Board Chair, City as Living Laboratory
Olivia Georgia, Executive Director, City as Living Laboratory
Interview on *Rescuing Tibbetts Brook* by Mary Miss (by video)

Introduced by

Kari Conte, curatorial consultant, City as Living Laboratory

4:00–4:30 pm

Presentations on Tibbetts Brook Daylighting

Dart Westphal, Professor, Environmental Studies, Manhattan College
Stephanie Ehrlich, Executive Director, Van Cortlandt Park Alliance & Van Cortlandt Park Administrator, NYC Parks
Amy Motzny, Section Lead, Climate and Equity, NYC Department of Environmental Protection
Jessica Wilson, Associate Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering and Graduate Director, Environmental Engineering Program, Manhattan College
Robert Fanuzzi, President, Bronx Council for Environmental Quality

4:30–5:30 pm

*Rescuing Tibbetts Brook* Artist’s Roundtable

Matthew Lopez-Jensen, artist
Daven Asafo, gardener, Outer Seed Shadow at Marble Hill Houses
Kamala Sankaram, composer
Manuel Acevedo, artist

Moderated by

Jennifer McGregor, curator and arts planner

5:30–6:00 pm

Breakout sessions to discuss the following questions:

- How can community members, business owners, and property owners be more engaged with the greenway?
- How can we help make Tibbetts an enlivening corridor for the neighborhood?

Led by

Matthew Lopez-Jensen, artist
Sharon Lungrin, Co-Founder, Aeternal Lovers Sound System and Member, *Rescuing Tibbetts Brook* Advisory Committee
Christina Taylor, Deputy Director, Van Cortlandt Park Alliance
Dart Westphal, Professor, Environmental Studies, Manhattan College
Jessica Wilson, Associate Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering
and Graduate Director, Environmental Engineering Program, Manhattan College

6:00–6:30 pm
Live performance by Kamala Sankaram

With musicians
Hai-Ting Chinn
Jeffrey Gavett
Jeff Hudgins
Kannan Vasudevan

6:30 pm
Community Dinner