

# Community Garden Day ~ Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> 2012 ~ Directory of Participating Gardens

Community Garden Day is a way to learn directly from community gardeners about these community spaces & get to know your community a little better in the process!

Use this Directory of Participating Gardens to decide which gardens you'd like to visit on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Each garden organizes its own event, and is as unique as the community where it is located! Go visit community gardens where you live to get connected to & inspired by the Growing Movement!

Community Garden Day is organized by Gardening Matters, a Twin Cities-based non-profit that supports successful & sustainable community gardens in MN. This day recognizes the efforts of residents to improve their communities through gardening.

More info on what we do and Community Garden Day at [www.gardeningmatters.org](http://www.gardeningmatters.org)

## **Greater Minnesota**

**F Nashauk Community Garden** *LaRue Pit Rd, Nashauk* Tour, music, & food. Come dance! 12-4pm Facebook: "Nashauk Community Garden"

**F Pine River Backus Community Garden** *Pine River Backus School District, PO Box 610, Pine River* Snacks & beverages; honor our volunteers; & garden tours. 2-5pm For More Info: 218-587-2080

## **Northwestern Hennepin County**

**B Crystal Care Center**, 3245 Vera Cruz Ave N, Crystal, MN 55422 The garden is accessible to wheelchairs, walkers & scooters with plots at various levels. Gardener-guided tours; cold treats & water served. 9am-Noon

**Y Cottageville Park Neighborhood Garden** 439 Blake Rd N, Hopkins Collectively gardened & open to any resident of the Blake Road n'hood. Youth-focused garden tours; sampling of garden fare; & entertainment 4-6pm [www.blakeroad.org](http://www.blakeroad.org)

**F LifeGARDEN, Community Garden at Lord of Life Lutheran Church** 7401 County Road 101, Maple Grove Located on 1.5 acres on church property. Garden tours and "Ask a Master Gardener," music by local Celtic band *Locklin Road*;

picnic lunch. 10am-2pm More info: [www.lordoflife.org/community\\_garden](http://www.lordoflife.org/community_garden)

**F GROW Gardens** 2116 Commerce Blvd, Mound Garden tours & learn about square foot gardening; different ways to prepare food grown. 9-11am

## **South Metro**

**F The Partnership Garden** 12650 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd, Apple Valley Tours for adults explaining the unique features of our garden: planting a circle, inviting good bugs, using nature's principles of no waste; hands-on activities for kids. 10am-1pm

**Y Westview Family Garden**, 225 Gardenview Drive, Apple Valley A communal garden created by staff & families of Westview Elementary. Come make nature book marks with us! Refreshments; games for children. 11am-1pm

**F Harrison Park Community Garden**, 1701 W 100th St, Bloomington Come to the Bloomington Farmers' Market across the street, then stop by to see what's growing in the gardens! 8:30-10:30am [www.bloomingtoncommunitygardens.blogspot.com](http://www.bloomingtoncommunitygardens.blogspot.com)

**F IOC Community Garden**, 1512 Woodhill Rd, Burnsville An organic garden promoting stewardship, beautification & personal belong-

ing. Music; ethnic food; walk through the orchard; children activities; much more! 3-7pm [www.woodhillurbanag.org](http://www.woodhillurbanag.org)

**F Co-op Community Garden**, 13750 County Road 11, Burnsville Tours, permaculture education, teaching garden, light refreshments. 10am-1pm For more info: Gary Johnson, Valley Natural Foods, 952-891-1212

## **F Garden to Table Community Gardens:**

**Crossroads Church** 4100 Lexington Way, Eagan; **Easter Lutheran** 4545 Pilot Knob Rd, Eagan; **Mt. Calvary Lutheran**, 3930 Rahn Rd, Eagan; **Oak Hills Church**, 1570 Yankee Doodle Rd., Eagan Garden To Table is sponsored by the Eagan & Lakeville Resource Centers, which improves access to fresh garden produce for families in need of food support. Music, food, & gardening at each of our sites. Master Gardeners on hand to answer questions! <http://www.eaganrc.org/garden-to-table.html>

**F Ss. Martha & Mary Community Garden**, 4180 Lexington Ave S, Eagan We offer spaces for gardeners who have no yard. We contribute 20% of our harvest to the local food shelf. Gardeners will greet visitors 10am-1 pm

**F Garden of Grace**, 7950 Blaine Ave. N, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55476 BBQ lunch, live music, bee keeper on hand for info on importance of bees for community gardening & food production. 11am-1pm More Info at: [www.gracenzazarene.org](http://www.gracenzazarene.org)

**F Bethany Gardens** *Bloomington Ave & Diagonal Blvd, Richfield* Garden tours & refreshments; the children of Augsburg Park Montessori School (ages 3-6) did 80% of the planting this season & are proud to show off their work. 9am-Noon Facebook: Bethany Gardens

**F Reaching Richfield Community Mission Garden** 7625 Chicago Ave S, Richfield An informal event with refreshments & infor-

mation about our food shelf donation garden to VEAP. 9am-Noon [www.reachingrichfield.blogspot.com](http://www.reachingrichfield.blogspot.com)

## **St. Cloud**

**F Central MN Sustainability Project Maine Prairie Garden** *Maine Prairie Rd & Quarry Rd* Giving landless new Americans the freedom to grow their own organic food & a sense of place in the community. African tea & treats; dance & music. 1-3pm [www.sustainmn.org](http://www.sustainmn.org)

**F Dr. James Kelly Garden** *CentraCare Cir* Mingle with our medical professional, new American & low income neighbors who garden here! Educational tours & "slow food" treats. 10am-Noon [www.sustainmn.org](http://www.sustainmn.org)

**F SCSU Community Garden** 500 5th Ave S SCSU staff, students, faculty & community members lead tours. Light snacks and beverages. 11am-2pm Phone: 320-492-6724

**F St. Cloud Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Community Garden** 3226 Maine Prairie Rd, St. Cloud Partnering with the Maine Prairie Garden offering food, tours, & presentations on ethical eating. 1-3pm Email: [info@uufstcloud.org](mailto:info@uufstcloud.org).

## **Minneapolis: Phillips Area Includes Seward & Downtown Neighborhoods**

**F 5th Ave Community Farm** 2939 5th Ave S Sisters Camelot grows food for our food share, kitchenbus, & n'hood. Tours, food, music, fun! Applying permaculture to our n'hood. 1-4pm More info: 612-746-3051

**F 12th & 13th Ave Block Club Community Garden** 2727 12th Ave S Visit the oldest community-owned garden in Mpls (since 1996). Tours & food; low key, friendly folks & good conversation. 10am-2pm

**F Brian Coyle Community Garden** 1515 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis Garden tours; refreshments provided. 10am-Noon

**E Good JuJu Garden** 2121 14th Ave S  
Native American seed & planting techniques; community cookout & safe space to get to know our neighbors. Kids activities. 1-6pm For More Info: 612 250-0402

**B Loring Park Gardens** 1382 Willow St Garden tours on the hour; music, treats, coffee, lemonade; opportunity to work alongside garden volunteers & ask questions. 9am-1pm www.friendsofloringpark.org

**F MCTC Urban Farm Collective**, 905 S 4th Ave Cooking classes for kids; potluck; art in the garden; educational demonstration on composting; live music. 3-7pm Facebook: MCTC Urban Farm Collective

**F Mustard Seed Community Garden** 36th Ave S & E 26th St Social Gathering with food & music to enjoy a casual summer evening. 6-9pm Facebook: Mustard Seed Community Garden

**E Peace with Justice Organic Garden** 2419 16th Ave S Plants labeled for self guided tours; sun tea; visit with gardeners. 6-7pm

**F Shalom Community Garden** 2800 15th Ave S A ragtag group of experienced & new gardeners, with a great commitment to the n'hood. Art in the garden & activities for kids. 10am-Noon Facebook: Shalom Garden

**E Urban Ventures Community Garden** Clinton Ave S & Midtown Greenway Learn about the history of the garden & its current uses; kids will be chalking the Greenway so bikers know where to go! CityKid Java serves up coffee & iced tea for thirsty bikers! 9am-Noon

**Minneapolis: Northeast/Southeast**

**F FairShare & Como Corner Community Gardens**, 22nd Ave SE & Fairmont Ave Fairshare teams up with Como Corner for a day of fun activities, educational workshops, & community development. Wind chime art project encourages visitors to travel between the two gardens as they work together to build a wind

chime. Noon-4pm Facebook: FairShare Farm

**F NE United Methodist Church Gardens** Cleveland & Lowry NE Enjoy a grilled slice of the pizza garden; garden tours; recycled garden art activity. 7-9 pm More Info: 612-789-7462

**Minneapolis: Northside**

**Y Emerge Streetwerks HomeGrown Garden at Van White** 1201 Van White Memorial Blvd We grow food to eat, to give, to sell at the Farmer's Market & for the "Roots for the Home Team" salad cart at the Twins Stadium. Join us for tours featuring our wheelchair accessible raised beds; refreshments from the garden 11am-1:30pm www.emerge-mn.org

**F Kwanzaa Church Community Garden** Dupont Ave N & 21st St Presentation & instruction on uses of our culturally specific foods & herbs; youth activities; art exhibit by our Resident Artist, Daniel Kirkoff; food & music. 5-8:30pm

**F North End Community Garden** 3027 Penn Ave N Fresh, homemade foods, using garden-grown ingredients; steel pan drum duo; tours of the garden. 11am-2pm Email: northendcommunitygarden@gmail.com

**Y St. Olaf Community Campus Demonstration Garden** 2929 Emerson Ave N Tours of the SOCC demonstration farm; Cooking, eating, music, activities for all ages. 10am-1pm For More Info: Steve Lomen, 612-508-1138

**Minneapolis: South**

**F Eat Street Community Garden** 2416 1st Ave S Opening night of "The Return of King Idome-neo: A Picnic Operetta," by Mixed Precipitation. 5-course tasting menu of performance-inspired delicacies served during the show. Donations accepted; reservations encouraged. Performance 4-5pm, Gathering 5-6pm Email: eatstreetcommunitygarden@gmail.com

**F Greenleaf Community Garden** 2718 Stevens Ave S Joining South Minneapolis residents in food production! 1-3pm

**B Jardin Paraiso/ Paradise Garden** 3405 Chicago Ave Live music, freshly grilled veggie kabobs; create & take home garden artwork; face painting and obstacle course for kids. 8am-10am Facebook: Paradise Community Garden

**F Minnehaha Avenue Community Garden** 3128 Minnehaha Ave Garden tours & compost system; art & food. 10am-2pm

**F Room2Grow** 3912 Van Nest Ave S Bee-keeping; bio-intensive, permaculture & square foot methods. Garden tours, gardening advice & education, info on bee-keeping, lemonade, etc! 3-6pm Email: room2grow@gmail.com

**F Sabathani Community Garden** 310 E 38th St Over 80 garden plots & 100 gardeners. Join us for garden tours & entertainment. 10am-1pm Email: sabathani.community.garden@gmail.com or 612-547-6910

**F Southside Star Community Garden** 32nd Ave & 41st St Celebrate our great neighbors & the diverse neighborhood we live in. Food, music & other activities. 4-8pm

**F St. Stephen's Whittier Community Garden** 2224 Clinton Ave S Join our picnic, chat with gardeners, & get a tour of our garden! 3-7pm

**St. Paul**

**F Celeste's Dream Community Garden** 1884 Randolph Ave Tours led by gardeners; learn about the Sisters of St. Joseph & Consociates & the good work they do in the world. 9-11am http://csjstpaul.org/celeste2010\_garden.aspx

**F Cornercopia U of M Student Organic Farm** Dudley Ave & Lindig Ave Potluck; live music; tours; season extension & composting workshops; croquet tournament; make a Cornercopia T-shirt; plant fall crop seedlings to take home! 4-7pm Facebook: Cornercopia Student Organic Farm

**F Eleanor Graham Community Garden** 1335 Ashland Ave A well-established garden with composting, two ancient oaks, & an orchard.

Come get a glimpse of this n'hood gem before a major construction project closes down the garden for a year! Tours & BBQ 9am-Noon

**E Horton Park Native Plant Community Gardens** 1383 Minnehaha Ave W See the latest blooms & butterflies; upgraded Arboretum; over 60 new trees! Forester guided tree tour at 11:30. 11:30am-2pm Email: horton-park@gmail.com

**F H-GRO Community Garden** 1015 S Snelling Ave Garden tours with emphasis on our added Peace & Herb Gardens; snacks. 11am-1pm

**F Merriam Station Community Garden** Prior Ave & Gilbert Ave Welcome to our NEW Community Garden! Come out & celebrate with us in our Groundbreaking Ceremony & even help with some new garden work to be done! 10:30am-12:30pm www.unionparkdc.org

**F Midway GreenSpirit Community Garden** Pierce Butler Rd & Hamline Ave 50 individual plots, a Community Circle for food shelf donations. community orchard, beehives, perennial flower gardens, composting & more! 12-3pm More Info: Diane Dodge: 651-772-6499; Facebook: Midway GreenSpirit Community Garden

**F Sholom Community Garden** Otto & West 7th Be a part of Healthy West 7th! Potluck lunch & garden tours for visitors. 11am-2pm http://healthywest7th.wordpress.com/

**F University of St. Thomas Stewardship Garden** Goodrich & Woodlawn Info about our garden & composting ; kids activities; music. 11am-2pm Facebook: University of St. Thomas Stewardship Garden



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