



Bedford • Barrow • Commerce

Block Association
46 Barrow Street • New York, NY 10014

BBC News and Views May 2015 There is no May BBC Meeting!

BBC Spring Planting Day, Saturday, May 9

Bring your spade and trowel – a fork and spoon – to help turn our tree pits into floral displays. Our own gardener-in-residence, **Tyler Redmond**, has prepared the soil for planting and will be on hand to lend advice and support for BBC green-thumbers. Meet at 10:00 AM on Commerce St., at the driveway to the 81 Bedford St. garage. For the horticulturally inclined, as well as for those without one green thumb.

The 41st Annual Ye Olde Village Fair, Saturday, May 16 (No Rain date)

Greenwich Village's best and most enduring block party returns! Starting at 11:00 AM: Enjoy the International Food Court, Outdoor Café, live entertainment, children's activities, and the one and only Juried Crafts & Fine Art Fair, the best in New York City, featuring original creations of talented artists and artisans. The Crafts section is still accepting applications. For more information, apply online at www.bbcblockassociation.org. We will have a Play Mobile Unit from the NYC Parks Department for the third. It offers craft and nature projects, tabletop and board games, face painting, balloon art, and more traditional activities like relay races, tug-o-war and jump roping. Look for it on Bedford Street between Morton and Commerce Streets.

Calling All Volunteers: We need you! Please call 212.366.1451. Volunteering is a great way to spend a lovely May day. Meet your friends and neighbors, and feel good about yourself. Come at 9:00AM to set up tables and chairs. We need volunteers to sell raffles and especially to get new members for the BBC. Don't forget to send in your filled-out raffles (enclosed find two books-\$10 per book). Great prizes – Dinners for Two at Fab Village Restaurants. All proceeds go di-

rectly to the BBC—to your community. Please return your raffle stubs in the enclosed envelope. Fill out each ticket completely. Make checks payable to BBC Block Association. If you want to purchase more books, we will fill out the info for you! Thank you all very much. Raffles may also be purchased on Fair Day at the BBC Community Table across from Commerce Restaurant.

Join the Counter Culture! This year, NYC Parks is counting and mapping all the beautiful street trees that grace our city; we need your help! Sign up to become a volunteer for TreesCount! 2015 and play a key role in the future of our urban forest! <https://treescount.nycgovparks.org/>

A Hearty BBC Thank You!

The BBC extends heartfelt thanks to Sotheby's International Realty, New York University, Matt Umanov, and Commerce Bar and Restaurant, and many generous neighborhood individuals -- 2015 Ye Olde Village Fair underwriters—who help to subsidize our entertainment, as well as tables and chairs and posters and other costs. It all adds up.

BBCer **Maha Kiani**, board member of Reserve Aid, writes. Please join us for a grandeur evening with New York's finest cocktails at the legendary and exclusive Nomad Hotel Rooftop on Wednesday June 3rd, 7:00-9:30PM. The event brings together professionals and guest celebrities from across New York City to hear stories from veterans who have demonstrated courage for their community, and to build new connections among a network of people tied together by their passion to participate in this vibrant city. Reserve Aid is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides financial support to Reservists and National Guard members, who are currently deployed in the Global War on Terror, or who have recently returned from deployment. Reserve Aid helps service members and their families financially to get back on their feet and become a part of the society. Tickets on Sale Now! Spaces are Limited. www.

reserveaid.org Admission: \$100, VIP Admission: \$150 (includes special photograph opportunity and greater chances to win some amazing prizes)

Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation: Save the Date: Wednesday, June 17, New School, 25th Annual Village Awards, 6:00PM. **President Kathy Donaldson** won the Regina Kellerman Award last year for contributing significantly to the quality of life in Greenwich Village.

Nabe Notes

Jefferson Market Library: The first Saturday of every month from 2:00 – 3:30PM Book Swap: Swap and trade books, art, dvd's, tchotchkes. Book discussions: last Thursday of each month on the 3rd floor, at 4:30PM: May 28 – *Mr. Fox* by **Helen Oyeyemi**; June 25-*Cymbeline* by **William Shakespeare**. *Technicolor, Tremors and Tina*: Spring films Mondays at 6:00PM: May 4-*Bunny Lake Is Missing* (1965; 107 mins.) May 11-*Tommy* (1975; 111mins.) May 18 *Mad Max: Beyond Thunderdome* (1985; 107 mins.)

Carlos Suarez of Bobo and Rosemary's will host a special wine, signature cocktail, gourmet food tasting event in his new French restaurant, Claudette, a taste of Provence in the Village, Fifth Avenue and 9th Street. Please join them for their first annual Jefferson Market Garden benefit for the Rose Garden. Sunday, May 20th 6-8pm Tickets \$100 & \$200 www.jeffersonmarketgdn.benefit@gmail.com or call 917.678.9143. The Jefferson Market Garden announces the Free Children's Festival of Flowers, Saturday, May 30 11:00 AM-2:00 PM.

Greenwich House Music School (46 Barrow Street) Sound It Out Series

Friday, May 15, 7:30PM. - Jazz Theater! and Quartet Set **Dan Blake**, Saxophonist-composer Dan Blake and spoken-word artist **Jack Daniel** team with chamber group **Red Light New Music** to present the premiere of the multi-disciplinary project "*Without Walls*," which combines chamber music, free improvisation, poetry and theatrical staging. Dan will open the evening with a trio set. **Dan Blake**, saxophones; **Jack Daniel**, spoken word; **Christa van Alstine**, clarinets; **Erin Wight**, viola; **Yegor Shevtsov**, piano; **Kevin Sims**, percussion **Dan Blake**, saxophone; **Ricardo Gallo**, piano; tbd Tickets: \$20 (\$15 for students and seniors)

Wednesday, June 17, 8:00 p.m. – Return of an ever-burning band. *Eivind Opsvik's Overseas* Bassist-composer **Eivind Opsvik** returns to the *Sound It Out* series with his rocking quintet *Overseas*, featuring **Tony Malaby**, **Brandon Seabrook**, **Jacob Sacks** &

Kenny Wollesen, **Eivind Opsvik**, double-bass; **Tony Malaby**, saxophones; **Brandon Seabrook**, guitar; **Jacob Sacks**, piano; **Kenny Wollesen**, drums Tickets: \$15 (\$12 for students and seniors)

Friday, June 19, 8:00 p.m. - Chamber jazz with Dave Liebman. Young saxophonist-composer **Charles Evans** brings his drummer-less quartet to the Sound It Out series to celebrate the release of "On Beauty," his second album of compositions written especially for the great veteran **Dave Liebman**. **Charles Evans**, baritone saxophone; **Dave Liebman**, soprano saxophone; **Ron Stabinsky**, piano; **Tony Marino**, double-bass Tickets: \$15 (\$12 for students and seniors)

Cherry Lane Theatre

Introducing Cherry Lane School: Summer Intensive, a week-long educational event featuring a variety of classes from playwriting, acting, and auditioning, to movement, social media marketing, and improvisation. June 22 - 26, details to come.

Cherry Lane Theatre and Angelina Fiordellisi, Founding Artistic Director, invite you to attend the CHERRY LANE SUMMER SOIRÉE, celebrating the new works of artists ISRAEL HOROVITZ and MATT WILLIAMS, with special guests **Estelle Parsons** and **Judith Ivey**. Drink, nosh and mingle over the NYC skyline on Wednesday, June 10. Visit www.cherrylanetheatre.org for tickets and information

The Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation: Upcoming Programs: *East Village: 1984 and 2014* A photo journey with **Daniel Root**, Thursday, May 7, 6:30-8PM, Sixth Street Community Center, 638 East 6+Street between Avenue B and C. In 1984 Dan Root took some photographs for a book that a friend of a friend was going to write about the changing East Village. The book was never written and the photographs were put away. Last year Dan revisited those locations and photographed them again. He embarked upon a project of framing the original photos and placing them at these sites. Residents and visitors were able to see how much the East Village has changed, and a Tumbler page brought international attention. Free: reservations 212.475.9585 ext. 35 or rsvp@gvshp.org *Walking Tour of East Village/Lower East Side Community Gardens* Saturday, May 16, 11:00AM– 1:00PM. Free; reservations required Meeting location provided after registration. Join us on a tour of distinct community gardens that showcase the plants, people, and cultures that make these East Village oases such a vital part of the fabric of the neighborhood. 7, 6:30-8:00PM To register, please call (212) 475-9585 ext. 35 or rsvp@gvshp.org.