

# East Shore of the East River Stewardship Days

Join the Gowanus Dredgers Canoe Club throughout the summer at a variety of summer events and activities for the whole family!

The Gowanus Dredgers **Canoe Club**

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### Walk-up Canoeing

This is the Gowanus Dredgers original and most popular program. Participants utilize club canoes for a short paddle inside the protected canal. After being fitted with a life jacket (which must be worn at all times) a club member gives instruction on how to paddle, safety tips on how to use a canoe and helps with boarding and supervises departure. Participants are free to explore the estuary at their own pace and enjoy discovering the canal's unique mix of wildlife and urban waterway infrastructure.



Youth learn basic skills before departure.

### Canal Cleaning and East River Stewardship

Trash is a challenging issue facing our shoreline and the Dredgers clean the water whenever we encounter rubbish. At each event, we encourage participants to become community eco-stewards and are encouraged to collect trash on their self guided tour of the Canal.

Before and after their on-water tour, we solicit help with removing debris from our 2<sup>nd</sup> Street launch site as the trash would eventually wash into the canal and contaminate New York Harbor.

Each September, we host a special event as part of a state-wide beach cleanup in collaboration with the American Littoral Society concentrating efforts on all upland streets that dead end into the Canal. Each summer, these events remove hundreds of bags of trash from the estuary, sustain life and prevent future dumping. Since our program started in 1999, there has been a sharp decline in dumping and we are increasing our monitoring efforts.



Canal and street cleaning is fun and maintains a healthy estuary

### Gowanus Oyster Garden Stewards

Oyster gardening is a hands-on program supported by the Gowanus Dredgers in partnership with the NY/NJ Baykeeper where volunteers care for three hundred small (3/4 inch) "seed" oysters in an oyster float for details, visit: [www.gowanusoysters.com](http://www.gowanusoysters.com).

Throughout the year, with students and parents, volunteers measure the oysters to compare growth and survival rates with different parts of the Hudson-Raritan Estuary. Oyster gardening fosters a sense of stewardship for the Estuary and the oyster float becomes a natural aquarium that teaches us about the diversity of the estuarine environment.



We respect the working waterfront and thank the following significant sponsors:


Independence Community Bank  
Park Slope Civic Council  
Partnership for Parks




Oyster Stewardship exposes urban youth to the natural environment and naturally cleans the Gowanus Canal and our harbor

Meet at the end of 2nd St / off Bond Street for these and other events!  
For details: [www.gowanuscanal.org](http://www.gowanuscanal.org)

# East Shore of the East River Stewardship 2011 Schedule

 Gowanus Dredgers Canoe Club at 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Dock / Bond St. [www.gowanuscanal.org](http://www.gowanuscanal.org)

 Red Hook Boaters at Louis Valentino Pier Park [www.redhookboaters.org](http://www.redhookboaters.org)

 Brooklyn Bridge Boathouse at Pier One or DUMBO Cove [www.bbbpboathouse.org](http://www.bbbpboathouse.org)














## August

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 1-5pm	7	8	9	10  6-8pm	11  6-8pm	12  11am-4pm  1-5pm
 1-5pm	14	15	16	17  6-8pm	18  6-8pm	19  11am-4pm  1-5pm
 1-5pm  1-5pm	21	22	23	24  6-8pm	25  5pm-7pm  6-8pm	26  11am-4pm  1-5pm
 1-5pm	28	29	30	31  6-8pm		

















## May

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Cinco De Mayo	6	7  1-5pm
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11  6-8pm	12	13	14  1-5pm
15	16	17	18  6-8pm	19	20	21  1-5pm  1-5pm
 1-5pm	22	23	24	25  6-8pm	26	27
 1-5pm	29	30 Memorial Day	31			

## September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3  11am-4pm  1-5pm
 1-5pm	4  1-5pm	5 Labor Day  11am-4pm	6	7  6-8pm	8	9
 1-5pm	11	12	13	14  6-8pm	15	16
 1-5pm	18	19	20	21  6-8pm	22	23
 1-5pm	25	26	27	28  6-8pm Rosh Hashanah	29	30
						31  1-5pm























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 1-5pm	12	13	14	15  6-8pm	16  6-8pm	17  11am-4pm  1-5pm
 11am-3pm  1-5pm	19	20	21	22  6-8pm	23  6-8pm	24  11am-4pm  1-5pm
 1-5pm	26	27	28	29  6-8pm	30  6-8pm	31

## October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5	6	7	8  1-5pm
 1-5pm	9	10 Columbus Day	11	12 Sukkot	13	14
	16	17	18	19	20	21
						22  1-5pm
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						29  1-5pm

## July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2  11am-4pm  1-5pm
3	4 Fourth of July  11am-4pm	5	6  6-8pm	7  6-8pm	8	9  11am-4pm  1-5pm
10	11	12	13  6-8pm	14  5pm-7pm  6-8pm	15	16  11am-4pm  1-5pm
17	18	19	20  6-8pm	21  6-8pm	22	23  11am-4pm  1-5pm
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