



A Note from the Team

Our summer is in full swing by now and we are beyond delighted to spend the summer with our Hudson County youth! Whether you are out gardening with us, working with younger kids teaching them STEM, or out in the farm, we want you to know that this space is for you to learn, thrive, and feel welcomed. We hope you continue to have a fun and safe summer!

Contact Us!

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Youth Spotlight

Zamiel Perez

“Summer Science 2026 as a Rutgers 4-H STEM Ambassador went amazing and couldn’t have gone any better. As it was my returning year, it was a little sad, but I got to network with more scientists and ambassadors at the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences. To my 4-H STEM crew, I am so thankful to have met you and cannot wait for more 4-H opportunities.”

**Learn More About
STEM Ambassadors Here:**
<https://4hstemambassadors.rutgers.edu/>



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It's Summertime!



STEM Ambassadors Summer Science

Welcome to our new cohort of STEM Ambassadors! They spent an entire week at Rutgers- New Brunswick meeting scientists, creating research projects, taking tours of labs, and participating in workshops that build their leadership skills! It is a long week, but one that trains them to teach STEM education in their local communities! We are thrilled to welcome our new cohort!

Changemakers

Our 3rd Cohort of Food & Agriculture Changemakers has officially kicked off! We are so excited for our 15 teens to learn about gardening, food justice in their community's food system, and teach about food systems around Kearny!



Youth Urban Farm Club

Over 100 youth began their summer club meetings at various community garden sites around the county! This summer they will learn about urban gardening, food systems, and give back to their communities!



Our Clubs & Programs



Clubs are on Summer Break!

Teen Council, CS Clubs, Youth Birding Club, and other clubs are on **PAUSE** for the summer! Check back in August for information on joining our clubs again in the fall!

Coming Soon...

Sustainability Ambassadors

While this program will not begin until October 2026, those interested are encouraged to **fill out this interest form:**
go.rutgers.edu/vrtzlnx2

An Afternoon with 4-H for youth K-12th grades

Join us to explore and engage in hands-on activities from STEM, Agriculture, Healthy Living, Small Animals, to Community Service Projects. Each workshop is exciting and different!

When: Thursdays June 25th + August 27th from 4pm-5pm

Location: JCFPL Communipaw Branch

(295 Johnston Ave, Jersey City, NJ 07304)

Register: On the library's [website](https://jclibrary.libcal.com/calendar/communipaw?cid=19967&ts=d&d=0000-00-00&cal=19967&inc=0) or with Librarian Rachel!



Upcoming Events

Upcoming Hudson RCE Events



Hudson County RCE Fall Garden Fest

~ SAVE THE DATE! ~

Saturday, October 3rd, 2026 11AM-2PM

RCE Learning Garden in Lincoln Park, Jersey City

ANR **RUTGERS UNIVERSITY** **HUDSON COUNTY NEW JERSEY**

HUDSON COUNTY RCE

FALL GARDEN FEST

FREE ENTRY! **OPEN TO ALL!**

Celebrate the end of the growing season with friends, family, and fun!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 2026

11AM-2PM @ RCE Learning Garden in Lincoln Park
Location searchable on Google Maps "RCE Learning Garden Lincoln Park"

PUMPKINS - FACE PAINTING - CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES
CHICKEN PHOTOBOOTH - BAKE SALE

GARDENERS CONTEST!

Win cash prizes!
Submit your homegrown produce, art projects, and more!

Link: <https://hudson.njaes.rutgers.edu/4h/youth/faits/>

For more information, contact Hudson4H@njaes.rutgers.edu

AgriCultural Traditions Workshop Series

Various Saturdays 11AM-1PM

RCE Learning Garden in Lincoln Park, Jersey City

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY Cooperative Extension of Hudson County New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station

RCE LEARNING GARDEN
Inside Lincoln Park - Near the corner of Communipaw Ave & Route 440

(AGRI)CULTURAL TRADITIONS WORKSHOP SERIES

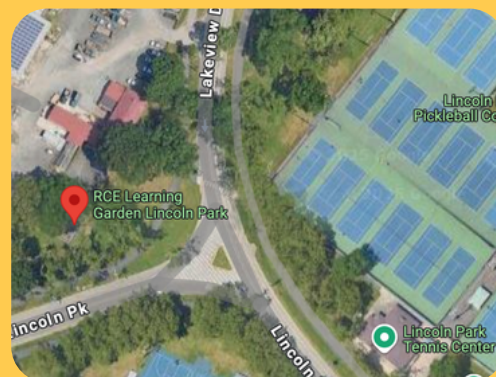
CROPS OF THE WORLD AND THE DIASPORA **18 JULY**
11 AM - 1 PM

INDIGENOUS MEDICINAL PLANTS & PRACTICES **08 AUG**
with Guazabara // 11 AM - 1 PM

Register here: <https://go.rutgers.edu/adi0ttfp>
For more information, contact: rm1679@njaes.rutgers.edu

Cooperating Agencies: Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Board of County Commissioners; Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Hudson County, Hudson County Department of Health and Human Services, a unit of the Rutgers New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, is an equal opportunity program provider and employer.

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Upcoming Events

Volunteer Opportunity - All Ages!

Inside Lincoln Park, Jersey City



GARDEN VOLUNTEER HOURS

EVERY WEDNESDAY 4PM-7PM
EVERY SATURDAY 10AM-1PM

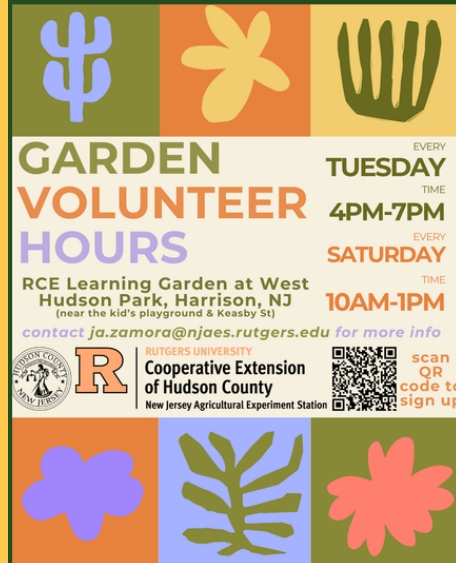
RCE Learning Garden at Lincoln Park, Jersey City, NJ
(near the corner of Communipaw Ave & Route 440)

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scan QR code to sign up

Inside West Hudson Park, Harrison



GARDEN VOLUNTEER HOURS

EVERY TUESDAY 4PM-7PM
EVERY SATURDAY 10AM-1PM

RCE Learning Garden at West Hudson Park, Harrison, NJ
(near the kid's playground & Keasby St)

contact ja.zamora@njaes.rutgers.edu for more info

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Other State-wide Opportunities

Click the Flyer!



TEMPLE GRANDIN
in Ewing, NJ

Temple will discuss her book, which features over 50 years of research on animal behavior and welfare that changed the livestock industry.

WHERE
Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Mercer County
1440 Parkside Ave.
Ewing, NJ 08638

WHEN
Wednesday, July 15
5:30 PM Doors Open
7:00 Temple Speaks
8:15 Q&A + Book Signing
9:00 Event Ends

REGISTER NOW
Presale: \$64⁹⁵
At the door: \$74⁹⁵
Order online at fhautism.com
Or call 817-277-0727

Mercer County Board of Agriculture
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY Cooperative Extension of Mercer County
New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station

FUTURE HORIZONS



RUTGERS UNIVERSITY Cooperative Extension of Passaic County
New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station

Summer Harvest Showcase

at the Passaic County Fair RCE/4-H Tent

When: August 13th, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Entries due to Wayne RCE/4-H Office on August 12 4-7 pm
Where: Garret Mountain Reservation

Ribbons awarded based on 4-H judging and Best in Division eligible for prize
Youth and Adult Divisions:

- 140: Food and Nutrition
- 150: Vegetables, Fruits & Herbs
- 160: Cut Flowers
- 165: Potted Plants

For more information and to enter the showcase go to:

[HTTPS://PASSAIC.NJAES.RUTGERS.EDU/4H/FAIR/](https://passaic.njaes.rutgers.edu/4h/fair/)

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