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SENATOR KLEIN & THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN HOST FREE HOME GARDENING PROGRAM

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BRONX, NY – State Senator **Jeff Klein (D-Bronx/Westchester)** kicked off a series of free home gardening classes at The New York Botanical Garden on Saturday.

During the first class “The Fundamentals of Home Gardening,” instructor Daryl Beyers discussed feeding, mulching, planting, pruning, watering, and weeding. Students also learned about soil and composting. Throughout the series, NYBG horticulture experts will teach

participants about the basics of gardening, vegetable growing in various spaces, and budget-friendly gardening techniques.

“We are lucky to have the renowned New York Botanical Garden within our district. Gardening has been proven to be therapeutic, improve property values, and add to the beauty of our communities. That’s why I am proud to partner with the Garden to provide this free program to the constituents of the 34th State Senate District,” **said Senator Klein.**

“The New York Botanical Garden is pleased to continue this partnership with Senator Jeff Klein to deliver the highly successful Home Gardening Program to residents of the 34th Senatorial District. For many years in the past, this series of seminars highlighted simple gardening techniques which help keep communities green and beautiful, and we are honored to provide a fresh set of programs in collaboration with Senator Klein," **said Aaron Bouska, Vice President of Government and Community Relations, The New York Botanical Garden.**

Future classes include “Edible Gardening in Every Available Space” on March 19 and “Growing More with Less” on April 2.