SOILS FOR ALL, and ALL FOR SOILS

Urban Soils Institute

A NYC Case Study
NYC Urban Soils Institute
For all soils-related needs

- Soil Testing & Technical Services
- Education & Engagement
- Data Bank & Exchange
- Research
- Collaboration

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Responding to the interest, needs, demands of the people

SOILS IN THE CITY
USI is providing courses, training, and workshops in urban soils

Understanding your urban soils

How to Grow in the City

Urban Soils, Contamination, and (Re)Building Soil Health
Events, Hands-on workshops
Sustainable Cities

Soil

Climate change

Water filtration

Air filter

Fungus

House microbes

Vegetation

Health
Sanity
Soils in the City

1. Urban agriculture
2. Urban reforestation & restoration
3. Stormwater management
4. Heat island mitigation
5. Ecosystem establishment
6. Brownfield & soil remediation
7. Soil survey & mapping
8. Climate resiliency, coastal restoration
9. Invasives management
10. Green infrastructure
Demand for ON-SITE visits
New York City has the largest urban agriculture system in the United States.
USI Art Extension Service

We’re proud of our collaboration with Margaret Boozer & Red Dirt Studios

Soil & Art communicate, translate, disseminate, collaborate
Larger, diverse participation

Museum of Arts & Design
Manhattan, 2012
5th Annual Urban Soils Symposium
Virtual— the whole month of October, with the symposium finale on Oct 29th & 30th
Soils: The Living Fabric of Health
Takeaways
“If you (start to) build it, they will come...”
OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL WHEREVER, WHOEVER YOU ARE

➢ Global Field School

➢ Public Lab

➢ USI Scientific Collaborative Research Network

➢ Satellite Soils
THANK YOU

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It takes a village!