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# **PUBLIC EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION** **City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Date April 17, 2012

To the Honorable, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Somerville:

The undersigned requests permission to conduct the following event. This permission will only be effective for the listed location and time, and will be subject to all of the terms, conditions, and limitations set forth in the Somerville Code of Ordinances, any applicable State and Federal laws, and any conditions prescribed by the Board of Aldermen and/or City Departments. Any charges incurred will be the sole responsibility of the applicant and must be paid in full prior to the event.

Event name Calendar of Events @ the Graving Center 2012  
 Description see attached

Location 22 Winal Ave.

Date and time Varies - see attached

Rain date and time (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated maximum attendance at any one time < 100

Attendee fees or suggested donations free

Organization name Friends of the Community Graving Center  
 Mailing address 10 Adyette Rd., Somerville, MA 02144  
 Telephone 781-953-4826

Have you made any arrangements for:

Auxiliary Police?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe _____
Security?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe _____
Parking?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe <u>have limited self park pass</u>
Food?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe _____
Restrooms?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe <u>porta potty</u>
Liability Insurance?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe _____

Note the following Conditions:

1. The event must not obstruct or inhibit the flow of vehicles or pedestrians except for road closures or detours permitted herein, or as directed by Police Officers or Auxiliary Police Officers.
2. Any road closures or detours must be approved in advance by the Traffic and Parking Director, and must be implemented with traffic controls specified by the Traffic and Parking Department. Such controls, and any displays or items placed on any street, shall be movable at all times. Vehicles will not be used as traffic controls. If the applicant requires the use of signage loaned by the Traffic and Parking Department, a security deposit will be required to ensure that the signage is returned.

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The applicant hereby states that this is a true description of the event and acknowledges and agrees to adhere to the conditions described above and in the Departmental approvals below.

Applicant signature: [Signature]Date: 4/11/12Applicant name (print): Lisa BrunkhauerApplicant phone: 781-853-4826Event name (taken from page 1): Calendar of Events @ Ke. Bowling Center 2012

Obtain the signatures below before submitting this form to the City Clerk for consideration by the Board of Aldermen.

<u>Approved</u> <u>Denied</u> Date: <u>4/12/12</u> Police Chief or Designee Conditions: <u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Approved</u> <u>Denied</u> Date: _____ Chief Fire Engineer or Designee Conditions: _____
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Obtain the signatures below if the applicant will be providing food to attendees. Not needed for block parties.

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To Whom it May Concern:

The Somerville Community Growing Center is a city-owned property located at 22 Vinal Avenue that has been designed, built and maintained by a collaboration of many diverse community organizations since 1994. A Steering Committee, including City agencies and volunteer organizations, helped to develop the Center and since then the Friends of the Community Growing Center has been the sustaining force for this unique public space. The Somerville site has served as inspiration for other public parks both in the region and nationally.

**The Friends of the Community Growing Center** is a volunteer group that assists with programming at the Center as well as all the fund raising to support programs. Free programs are offered annually by a range of city organizations and the Friends group. The Friends maintain open communication channels with the Mayor's Office and with the Dept. of Public Works to carry out the maintenance and programming at the site throughout the year. Many volunteers donate their time to make this a special Somerville place to visit for both youth and adults. The Friends partner with agencies and volunteers to offer after school and vacation garden programs, youth service opportunities, adult education, and opportunities for community integration for adults with disabilities- in addition to the cultural programming. The Growing Center is proud to have long been supporting urban agriculture and early education--topics of growing interest to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, as well as Somerville residents.

In the past, an agreement was made to request individual event permits only for events at the Center where attendance was anticipated at over 150. This year, in collaboration with City Clerk John Long, we are submitting the calendar for the season (as of April 17, 2012) for the permitting process to ensure good communication between various city agencies. We look forward to a smooth process that will facilitate a season of free programming for the entire community. Our online Program Calendar is updated regularly on our website at [www.thegrowingcenter.org](http://www.thegrowingcenter.org)

Sincerely,

  
Lisa Brukilacchio,  
President, Friends of the Community Growing Center  
617-666-2969 (c 781-953-4826)  
[info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org)

## **Somerville Community Growing Center----2012 Calendar**

### **[www.thegrowingcenter.org](http://www.thegrowingcenter.org)**

Sponsored by the Friends of the Community Growing Center and  
the City of Somerville, Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone

Located at 22 Vinal Avenue, Somerville (near Union Square)

To check for updates and cancellations: visit our website and click on 'calendar'

All events are free unless a "suggested donation" is noted. The performance site is  
accessible by wheelchair.

The City of Somerville has permit parking on all streets, including Vinal Ave.

The Somerville Community Growing Center is a place for people of all ages and  
backgrounds to gather, learn and celebrate – to grow a healthy community. On our  
quarter acre site you will find gardens and space for arts, performances, education and  
community gatherings. This peaceful urban oasis was built by the community and is  
maintained and run by a volunteer organization called the Friends of the Community  
Growing Center.

Volunteers and donations always welcomed to help support events and programs  
offered at this city-owned site

### **Seasonal Celebrations:**

#### **Spring Garden Day!**

Sat, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12pm

Be part of the 18<sup>th</sup> annual spring event to celebrate spring, gardening and community.  
Free seeds and/or seedling exchange—bring along any extras you have to share with  
other gardeners and go home with some new varieties. From 9-11am, help paint a bee  
hive to be installed later in May with Hive at Your Home. Provide input on future  
design plans, part of the Master Planning project. Enjoy the traditional spring season  
dances of the Red Herring and Pipe Dreams Morris Dance teams. Join the annual  
Maypole Dance, part of the ritual of looking forward to a fertile, productive season in  
the gardens of Somerville.

Contact: Lisa [info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org)

#### **Harvest Festival**

Saturday October 1st, 1-4 pm, rain date October 2nd

The Growing Center's season finale includes harvest games, cider demonstration,  
pumpkin decorating, contests, and family friendly music by Animal Farm. ANIMAL  
FARM is a Boston-based trio of musicians and educators whose lively performances  
entertain and engage children ages 3 to 103! The show is a colorful blend of original  
music, storytelling, hilarious antics and games.

Contact: Lisa 617-666-2969 or [info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org)

### ***Music and Art***

#### **Hornography**

Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, time TBD

Described as Brassy Pop, this band has developed a following at community events. Come hear this energetic group who do some surprising covers!  
Contact: [hornographers@gmail.com](mailto:hornographers@gmail.com)

**so+so and the Ryan Taylor Band**

Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, time TBD

Local bands share their music. The Ryan Taylor Band is a roots/Americana small group.  
Contact: Erin Hasley 617-850-2718

**Gloucester Clog & Hornpipe Society**

Sunday, TBD, 4-5:30 pm

This popular band returns to share their lively music that appeals to all ages. A blend of Irish jigs and reels, sea chanteys, and Colonial ballads on fiddle, guitar, accordion, banjo, dulcimer and percussion.  
Contact: [www.hornpipe.org](http://www.hornpipe.org)

**Growing Center Sing Along**

TBD 6-7:30pm

Join your voice with others in an old-fashioned sing along. All ages and voices welcome! Share songs, with inspiration from the songbook "Rise Up Singing" if needed. Bring you guitar, percussion and other instruments to add to the celebration. Or spread out a picnic and enjoy.  
Contact: John at [jnradway@gmail.com](mailto:jnradway@gmail.com)

**AntiMorris Dance and Pumpkin Carols**

October 31, approx. 5-6:30pm, rain or shine (check website)

Pumpkin Carols followed by the AntiMorris at Sunset, danced by Recently Traditional Fictional Morris. The dancers shall fade silently into the night upon conclusion of the dance.

Contact: Jeremy 617-718-9623 or [rtfm.arberth.com](http://rtfm.arberth.com)

**Play-Explore- Learn/Juegue-Explore-Aprenda/Brinque-Explore-Aprenda**

**Intergenerational Nature Walk with Clare Walker Leslie**

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1pm-2:30pm

Clare Walker Leslie, author and naturalist will give an intergenerational walk exploring the nature of Somerville and the wild friends who live here.  
Contact: [info@thegrowingcenter](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter) or Paula at 781-643-3714

**Infrared Mapping Project with Parts and Crafts**

Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, public event 2-4pm

Parts and Crafts will lead a day of camp on site at the Growing Center, culminating in a public event on infrared photography aerial mapping. With support from The Public Laboratory Somerville Chapter, attendees of all ages will build cameras and kites, launch our creations, and view the results.  
Contact: [katie.gradowski@gmail.com](mailto:katie.gradowski@gmail.com)

**Great American Backyard Campout**

Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm (ends Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 am)

Join Somerville families and other families across the country as we participate in the National Wildlife Federation's annual campout. Featuring a scavenger hunt, games and storytelling. Please call to pre-register or with questions about equipment. Contact: Liza at (617) 628-6685 or [lpkitchell@aol.com](mailto:lpkitchell@aol.com).

### **Teddy Bear Picnic**

Tuesday, July 9th from 5:30-7:00 pm,  
Bring a picnic and your teddy bears (or other cuddly toys) and join with local families and friends of all ages for the Teddy Bear Picnic.  
Contact: Tara at 617-417-4904 or [taramcwc@gmail.com](mailto:taramcwc@gmail.com)

### **A Gathering of Fairies**

Saturday September 29th from 2-4 pm (rain date the 30th)  
A garden celebration for Fairies and their friends: build a fairy house, create fairy art, listen to a fairy story, and search the garden for signs of fairies. Everyone is invited to come dressed up as a fairy or their favorite magical being. A fairy fun time is guaranteed for all! \_ Before the event, try to find time to go outside and collect natural materials such as feathers, stones, shells, twigs, bark, pods, pinecones and other plant material and bring them with you so you can build a fairy house as your very own gift to the fairies. Materials also available on site. Donations are encouraged to support the Growing Center and future Gatherings of Fairies.  
Contact: Laura at (413) 237-1471 or [lauraestan@comcast.net](mailto:lauraestan@comcast.net).

### *Youth Energy*

### **Growing Somerville Voices: Teen Open Mic Night**

Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 5-8pm  
Join local youth for an evening of song, spoken word or music, coordinated by Teen Empowerment and Groundwork Somerville, with Books of Hope, after a successful run at the Arts @ the Armory earlier in the 2012 season.  
Contact: Teen Empowerment (617) 625-6600 x2255

### **Books of Hope Poetry Reading**

Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, evening TBD  
Join local youth for a summer reading and book signing in the garden. Teens from the Mystic community will read poetry and stories from their newly authored books as part of the Books of Hope program.  
Contact: Soul at [griothouse@aol.com](mailto:griothouse@aol.com)

### **Urban Agriculture Skills Building:**

#### **Buzzing about Bees**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Boston Tour de Hive talk**

June 23<sup>rd</sup>, (rain date June 24<sup>th</sup>) 10am-2pm, with stop at CGC, time TBD  
Stop by to hear Kagan Weeks present on his Hive at Your Home project which will be managing the hive at the Growing Center this season, or check out the entire bike tour visiting bee hives around Cambridge and Somerville this year.  
Contact: check the Boston Bee Keepers Club for details  
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#### **Honey Harvesting**

September 22nd , 9am  
Come learn about honey extraction, honey comb, and what bees require to help them



make it through the winter months.

Contact: Kagen at [HiveAtYourHome@gmx.com](mailto:HiveAtYourHome@gmx.com) ,  
<http://hiveatyourhome.wordpress.com/>

### **Mushrooms and Mycelium**

Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 10-11:30am

Do you love the taste of mushrooms or appreciate them for their essential role in cycling organic matter? Have you ever thought about trying to grow your own? Join us as we discuss the culturing of mycelium and the growth of mushrooms! If you've tried container gardening, you're a pro at composting and are looking for something new to try, then this may be the workshop for you. We're hoping to develop a community of fungi-lovin'-folks, so join us for a discussion on what it takes to grow your own.

Contact: Jared ([jmworful13@gmail.com](mailto:jmworful13@gmail.com)).

### **Composting Workshop**

Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1-2 pm

Have you wanted to learn about urban composting or had trouble managing a healthy compost bin? Come learn the basics of turning yard and food waste into a valuable soil amendment in one of the most rewarding ecological activities that fits well in the city. Learn a few simple guidelines and see a range of options. Please note: Attendance at a composting workshop AND a Volunteer Orientation are required to participate in composting program at the Growing Center (arrangements can be made to do the workshop via a webinar, if needed.)

Contact: Lee ([617-628-9988](tel:617-628-9988) or [lee@groundworksomerville.org](mailto:lee@groundworksomerville.org)).

### **Container Garden Workshop**

Saturday, TBD

No land to grow in? Not sure if your soil is safe? Gather with others to learn low cost methods of growing food in containers. Save money by growing your own herbs, or try your hand at container happy veggies like tomatoes or peppers.

Contact: Lee ([617-628-9988](tel:617-628-9988) or [lee@groundworksomerville.org](mailto:lee@groundworksomerville.org)).

### **Fruits of the Vine**

Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 2pm (to be confirmed)

Watch for the date and time for this opportunity to learn about growing grapes in New England from one of the Somerville Farmer's Market vendors, Dave Neilson of Coastal Vineyards.

Contact: Tai at [tai.dinnan@gmail.com](mailto:tai.dinnan@gmail.com)

### ***Children's and Youth Regular Programming:***

#### **Yardkins Garden Club**

Tuesdays or Thursdays April 5, April 10, April 26, May 1, May 10, May 15, May 24, May 29, June 7, June 12 from 2:45-4:45 pm. Check web calendar for summer and fall schedule.\_

Help grow our garden and play! For children in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and their caregivers.

No registration necessary - just drop in.\_

Contact: Aileen at [growingcenter@aol.com](mailto:growingcenter@aol.com)

### **Growing Center Playgroup**

Fridays from May 4 through October 26 from 9 am-1 pm

Play! Play! Play! For children age 0-5 years of age and their caregivers. No registration necessary - just drop in.

Contact Roisin (781) 686-2094 or [roisin\\_o\\_kizmet\\_1998@yahoo.com](mailto:roisin_o_kizmet_1998@yahoo.com)

### **Pajama Story Time**

Tuesdays from July 10th - July 31st, 6:30-7:30 pm

Pack a picnic, grab your favorite bedtime friend, get your pajamas on and come down to the garden for a nature & garden-themed story time. Stories will be told from 6:30 – 7; feel free to hang around afterward to relish a summer night in the garden. Stories will be geared for 3-6 year olds but all ages welcome. No registration required.

Contact: Debbie at 781-771-0692 or [schmidttopold@yahoo.com](mailto:schmidttopold@yahoo.com)

### **Groundwork Somerville Summer Green Team Gatherings**

Thursdays 1:30-3 pm in July and August

Green Team youth from across the city come together for weekly sessions.

Contact Adam at [adam@groundworksomerville.org](mailto:adam@groundworksomerville.org) or 617-628-9988

### **Art in the Garden**

Monday-Thursday from July 9th-August 16<sup>th</sup>, 9 am-3 pm

The Somerville Arts Council runs this summer art & recreation program.

Sliding scale fee, registration required.

Contact: 617-625-6600 x2985 or [www.somervilleartscouncil.org](http://www.somervilleartscouncil.org)

### ***Nature Related Activities:***

#### **Full Moon Labyrinth Walks**

Sunday, May 6th - 7pm; Sunday, June 3rd - 7:30pm; Tuesday, July 3rd - 8pm;  
Thursday, Aug 2nd - 7:30pm; Thursday, Aug 30th - 7pm; Sunday, Sept 30th - 5:30pm;  
Sunday, Oct 28th - 5pm

Each month on the night of the full moon walk the labyrinth as a meditative way to connect with the earth and the cycles of the moon.

Contact Katrina at (617) 833-3035 or [katp32@yahoo.com](mailto:katp32@yahoo.com).

### **Children in Nature Initiative events, to be determined**

Check our website for opportunities to encourage young children and their families to get outside and to explore nature and learn together. Also, limited capacity to host field trip visits.

Contact: Paula Jordan

### ***Food Related:***

#### **Union Square Farmers Market**

Varied Saturdays from June 2nd through October, 9 am – 1 pm

Check our calendar for exact dates. Seedlings will be available in June. Fresh herbs, flowers, vegetables raised with organic practices through the summer,

Contact: Emma at [emma.oster@gmail.com](mailto:emma.oster@gmail.com)

#### **Red Fire Farm CSA Distribution**

Wednesday from June 6th through October 17th, 4-7 pm

Pre-ordered shares of vegetables (and some fruits) are delivered weekly. Contact Red Fire Farm to check on openings or check out other delivery sites.

Contact: Red Fire Farm 413-467-SOIL or [www.redfirefarm.com](http://www.redfirefarm.com)

### ***Volunteer/Community Participation Opportunities***

#### **Work Days- Throughout the Season**

Spend time outdoors across the garden season, learn and/or teach, and help the garden thrive for all to enjoy! Wear clothes that can get dirty! Bring gloves, snacks, and/or water container if desired.

Contact: varies, please check web calendar or [info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org)

#### **Open Garden Saturday**

Saturdays, May 5<sup>th</sup> to Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-noon

Volunteers make sure the Center is open for visitors to enjoy. Helping hands welcome! Or just come enjoy this little urban nature oasis.

Contact: [info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org)

#### **Thursday Evenings in the Garden**

Thursdays, June 7<sup>th</sup>- September 20<sup>th</sup>- check website to confirm

Union Square Main Streets newest Farmers Market offering encourages bring your own picnicking in the garden most Thursdays. Check out a range of special activities ranging from labyrinth walks, concerts, film and spoken word in our calendar of activities!

Contact: varies, please check web calendar

#### **Second Chances Clothing and Coin Drive**

Wednesday June 20, 5-7 pm and Wednesday September 19th, 5-7 pm

Donate your gently used clothing, shoes and accessories to local nonprofit serving homeless and low-income residents in Greater Boston area. Drop them off here to be distributed to local service agencies.

Contact: Andrea at 617.666.0280 or [www.secondchances.org](http://www.secondchances.org).

#### **Volunteer Orientations**

Join our core group of volunteers who keep this place alive. Orientations are offered throughout the season and last about one hour. Organizations offering programs on site must arrange to attend a training before your program start date. Childcare or language support available by prior arrangement, when possible.

Contact: [info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org) or check web for dates

To volunteer, to host a program or event, to receive electronic notices of events or for other inquiries, contact us at [info@thegrowingcenter.org](mailto:info@thegrowingcenter.org)