

Marshall Square Garden Appreciation Tour

**Esperanza
Health Center
Garden at
Telpochcalli
School and
Hammond
Elementary**



**Garden
for a
Changing
Climate**

**A city-wide public
art project co-created
by Chicago communities
and artist Jenny Kendler**

**July 14
11 AM
- 3 PM**

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Garden for a Changing Climate is a community co-created project initiated by artist Jenny Kendler and UIC's Gallery 400. GCC partners with five Chicago community organizations to create plant-based infrastructure which will provide meaningful resilience as our planet warms, systems shift—and perhaps even collapse. Through a series of climate change street fairs, GCC works side-by-side with Chicago residents to envision positive post-climate-change futures—staking out strategies to claim physical and cultural space against the forces of disaster capitalism, preparing our communities to thrive in this rapidly changing climate.

Little Village's Marshall Square is home to many community gardens that bring neighbors together in green spaces where they cultivate plants, share food, and their personal narratives. The Marshall Square Garden Appreciation Tour is a travelling event that celebrates two of the many garden hubs in Marshall Square, Esperanza Health Center and Telpochcalli School's garden and the garden at Hammond Elementary. Participants visit the Esperanza Health Center and Telpochcalli School garden, where they can learn healthy recipes from nutritionist Marjorie Kersten, participate in the Telpochcalli Community Education Project (TCEP) potluck, and create butterfly seed bombs that attract native butterflies. Just a 10 minute walk away, participants will follow a procession bringing tomatillo plants to Hammond Elementary. In Hammond's garden Free Street Theater facilitates storytelling workshops, participants will create monarch-themed buttons, and enjoy garden snacks inspired by the plants present in the garden.

Hammond Elementary School Garden

Hammond Elementary School's Community Garden is a safe place for students and families to gather and relax. It was created with the help of Lincoln Park Zoo and Principal Anamaria Orbe. Families plant, tend, and harvest vegetables and herbs in the garden beds throughout the growing season. Chicago mural artist Gloe is working with Hammond students to create a mural that will cover the garden fence. Chicago metal artist Omar Magana is designing and building a metal shed to store garden tools. The Lincoln Park Zoo holds a Spring Break Camp in the garden, and Gallery 400 is continuing to beautify the garden with handmade planters that double as outdoor benches.

Telpochcalli Garden

Raices de Esperanza is a community garden in Marshall Square managed by Esperanza Health Centers in partnership with Telpochcalli Elementary and Telpochcalli Community Education Project and surrounding neighbors. The garden is small, but a might amount of food is grown as a means of education and community building. The garden organizers host events and workshops centered around growing and cooking healthy food, learning about our local environment, and creating a safe space to make connections and work together as a community.

UPCOMING GARDEN PROGRAMS

Garden for a Changing Climate Street Fair

Saturday, July 21, 12-4pm
American Indian Center

Freedom Camp Community Celebration with Garden for a Changing Climate

Wednesday, August 8
360 Nation at Charles Sumner Math & Science Community Academy

This collaborative, community engaged project is funded by the Humanities Without Walls consortium based at the Illinois program for Research in the Humanities at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The Humanities Without Walls consortium is funded by a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Partners in producing the project are artist Jenny Kendler, curator Lorelei Stewart (Director, Gallery 400) and art historian and educator Hannah Higgins at UIC, education researchers Noah Weeth-Feinstein, Alexandra Lakind, and Cori West at UW-Madison, as well as numerous Ph.D. and Masters students, scientists, and community activists.

EVENT SCHEDULE

11am — 1pm

Activities are held at Esperanza Health Center and Telpochcalli School Garden located at the corner of California Ave and Marshall Boulevard. Telpochcalli School is located at 2832 W. 24th Blvd.

12:45pm — 1:15pm

Procession begins travelling North up California Ave. for 5 blocks, turning left at 21st Place, and moves one block West of Hammond Elementary to the garden. Hammond Elementary is located at 2819 W. 21st Pl.

1pm — 3pm

Activities at Hammond Elementary garden will take place.

At Esperanza Health Center and Telpochcalli School Garden

11am — 1pm

Healthy Nutrition Demonstrations by Marjorie Kersten

Marjorie Kersten presents cooking demonstrations on how to make healthy foods and provides recipe booklets to take home.

Telpochcalli Community Education Project Potluck (TCEP)

Members of TCEP host a potluck, sharing favorite dishes cooked within the Telpochcalli community.

Flower Fossils

Artist and botanist Tracie Hayes leads an activity that uses Echinacea flowers to make fossil prints.

Butterfly Seed-Bombing

Participants are invited to transform Chicago's gardens into hospitable areas for butterflies through the making of seed bombs, balls made of clay, soil, and seeds that can be tossed into gardens to grow plants.

PRO-Test Poster Booth

Artist Jenny Kendler facilitates dialogue about the issues we as individuals are PRO for. What are the things we support? What are the groups we want to flourish? Participants are invited to make posters in support of their causes.

PLANT PROCESSION TO HAMMOND ELEMENTARY GARDEN

At Hammond Elementary Garden

1pm — 3pm

Flower Fossils

Butterfly Seed-Bombing

Fitness in the Garden

Participate in beginner Zumba and Yoga courses taught around the garden space in short segments from 1-3pm.

Free Street Theater Storytelling Workshop

Free Street Theater artists facilitate all-ages storytelling workshops that educate the community in creative forms of narration.

Button Making

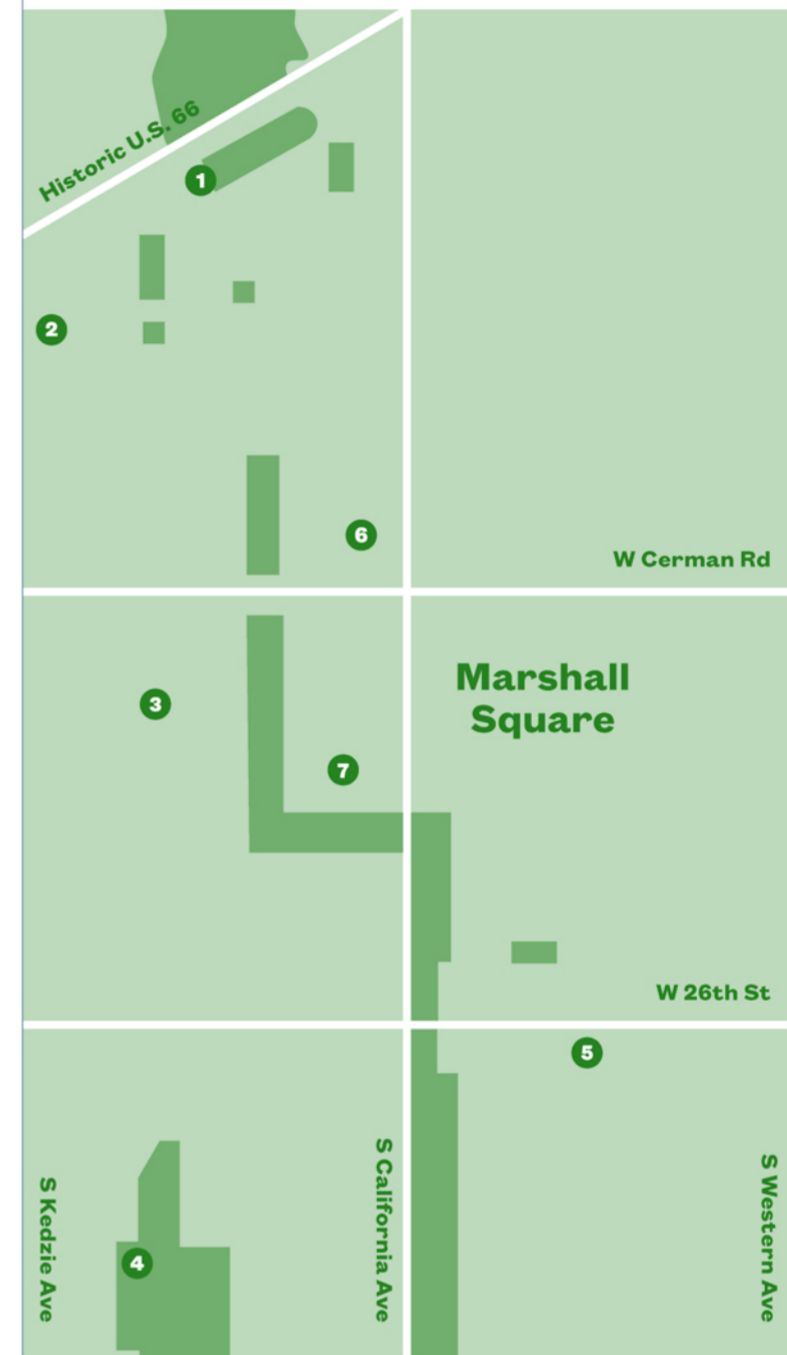
In celebration of the monarch butterfly, participants create buttons with images of monarch wings and dried flowers.

Soil Test and Identification Workshop

Uncover the ecology of Chicago's landscape through a soil-testing workshop on citizen-science and the consequences of industrial pollution.

Garden Snacks

Hammond garden is home to vegetables and fruits that are used to create fresh meals for their Hammond students and families. Snacks inspired by the plants growing inside of the garden are provided.



Marshall Square Gardens Key

- 1 Douglas Park Garden — 1401 S Sacramento Dr
- 2 Troy Community Garden — 1842 S Troy St
- 3 Jardincito — 2300 S Whipple St
- 4 Semillas de Justicia Garde — 2727 S Troy St
- 5 Rodeo Farm — 2600 S Washtenaw Ave
- 6 Hammond Elementary — 2819 W 21st Pl
- 7 Telpochcalli School — 2832 W 24th Blvd