Please join us in celebrating the Hudson River at RiverFestBX, June 9-10, 12-6pm, on the lovely campus of the College of Mount Saint Vincent.

Formerly Riverdale RiverFest, the festival is fully embracing its Bronx heritage with a new name, a new river-centric layout and not one, but two days of music, food and activities along the water’s edge. RiverFestBX, a treasured community event for nearly a decade, has been produced by KRVC since 2015. The goal of the event is to promote the creation of the Hudson River Greenway and to celebrate the Hudson River. Admission to the festival is free.

As the festival has grown it has consistently drawn several thousand participants each year from the Northwest Bronx, New York City and the greater tri-state region. Festival-goers have the opportunity to sail on tall ships, enjoy music by talented local and national performers, experience interactive exhibits and presentations, and most importantly, enjoy recreational activities along the banks of the majestic Hudson River.

RiverFestBX 2018 will have many of the same attractions as past festivals such as the popular DOT bike helmet giveaway, face painting, miniature golf, bounce house, Animal Care Centers of NYC Pet Adoption Truck and the Children’s Museum Bus, but will also feature Greenway Talks – conversations about the future of our borough with a Hudson River Greenway in it - and a new RiverFestBX Art Show curated by renowned Bronx artist Daniel Hauben.

RiverFestBX, in tandem with a concerted grassroots organizing effort led by KRVC, has brought us very close to realizing our dream of an all-waterfront Greenway along the Hudson River. Thanks to funding from State Senator Jeff Klein, the MTA is in the process of finalizing an engineering and feasibility study. With your help, we can get even closer.

We look forward to seeing you at RiverFestBX. See the centerfold for more details about the boat rides, art show and live music.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE riverfestbx.org

GREENWAY TALKS

On the first day of Spring, March 20, 2018, KRVC hosted Greenway Talks. Linda Cox, former executive director of the Bronx River Alliance and Bob Fanuzzi, former chair of CB8 discussed their experiences and shared their knowledge of the Bronx Greenway movement.

505 West 236th Street, Bronx NY 10463
718 543-7100
krvc.org
Rooftop Jazz at the Allen

THE EMILY BRADEN QUARTET

Please join us for a free jazz concert on April 26th at the Rooftop of The Allen Hospital where jazz vocalist Emily Braden will be performing with her band Misha Piatigorsky on piano, Barry Stephenson on bass and Charles Goold on drums. Whether she’s fronting a genre-defying orchestra or leading a world-class trio in the heart of Manhattan, Emily has the innate ability to win the heart of any audience with her powerhouse vocals and striking stage presence. Winner of New York City’s prestigious “Best of the Best” Jazzmobile Vocal Competition, her signature sound is an effortless blend of jazz and soul.

We are very excited to be producing this event in collaboration with The Allen Hospital as they have been KRVC’s top sponsor since 2015. We are appreciative of their support and our continuing partnership with them. This jazz concert is a celebration of The Allen’s newly designed Rooftop Garden, which is a beautiful and relaxing community space that is available for their patients and their families as well as for the general public to enjoy.

NewYork-Presbyterian/Allen Hospital is a community hospital that serves Northern Manhattan, Riverdale, other communities in the Bronx, Westchester and Northern New Jersey. They also provide services in Spanish to their Spanish speaking patients and their families. The Allen Hospital offers leading care in the intimate setting of a community hospital. All Allen Hospital physicians are also on the staff of NewYork-Presbyterian/Columbia University Medical Center, one of the nation’s major medical centers. NYP/Allen Hospital is located at Broadway and 220th Street on the northern tip of Manhattan.

DATE April 26, 2018
TIME 5:30pm to 7:00pm
WHERE Rooftop at NewYork-Presbyterian/Allen Hospital
5141 Broadway New York, NY 10034

TICKET RESERVATIONS
info@krvcdc.org
718-543-7100

Light refreshments will be served

Jazz at AMALGAMATED 2018

O ur annual jazz concert, held on March 14, 2018 at Amalgamated Housing’s Vladeck Hall, was an amazing night. The room was full, the band was incredible, the food was delicious, and everyone had a great time. We are so lucky to have such talented artists in our community, and we are thrilled to create opportunities like this for artists to share their work and for lasting connections to be made.

Eric Alexander, Bronx resident and KRVC supporter, led the band which also featured Alexis Cole on vocals, John DiMartino on piano, Bronx resident John Webber on bass, and Jason Tiemann on drums. Thank you so much to Doris Spencer, Jack Spiegel, and Evelyn Fernandez from Amalgamated for their help and support, and thank you to our wonderful audience. Thanks to Ari Oshinsky for the video and Arnie Adler for the photos.
KRVC held two very interesting workshops this winter. The first was held on January 23rd, ‘Visualize to Materialize an Amazing 2018.’ Nine women participated in a celebratory and enjoyable workshop focusing on their professional and personal goals for 2018, with the specific focus on achievable goals for the new year. Each attendee created a Vision Board using inspirational quotes, photos, words and images from magazines and other media. The workshop afforded the opportunity for sharing goals and hopes for the year in a comfortable and supportive space. The Vision Board is a powerful and creative medium through which to think through goals and ambitions and the steps needed to take to reach them.

Stacey Natal, professional photographer, blogger, teaching artist and mentor, hosted the workshop. Ms. Natal is the owner of Total City Girl, Photography and Design, and has committed to a follow up workshop in the Fall to see how participants have progressed in reaching their stated goals on January 23rd. All who attended January’s workshop will look forward to meeting up and sharing their progress.

The second workshop, held on February 6, was presented by Lavie Margolin, BS Marketing and MA Adult Learning, and focused on ‘Growing Business Visibility and Opportunity via LinkedIn.’ Business owners were invited to think about ways to increase their presence in a meaningful and targeted manner on LinkedIn and how to develop relationships and share resources to benefit clients and others in related businesses. The business owners were shown ways to search constructively for other professionals and prospective employees through LinkedIn. Additionally, tips were given to businesses about how to connect with a number of different groups that might be of benefit to promoting their business and increasing their exposure to relevant audiences. The Workshop was well received and the opportunity for businesses to network was appreciated.

In addition to these interesting workshops, our KRVC Works program maintains and promotes an online Jobs Board and Resume Board for local businesses and community members. Currently, KRVC’s Jobs Board has many Kingsbridge/Riverdale/Van Cortlandt area jobs posted including receptionist positions, party planners, health workers, nurses, sales associates, custodial positions, child care position, musicians, dog walkers, etc. There are also 40+ resumes listed on the KRVC Resume Board from a varied background of job seekers, with a wide diversity of ages, educational qualifications and work experience. KRVC Works! Jobs Listings and Resumes can be viewed at www.krvcdc.org/krvc-works. To post a position or resume please contact KRVC’s Jobs Program Director, Holly Makin, at hollykrvc@gmail.com

On March 29th award-winning poet Sarah Stern read from her book “But Today is Different.” Her writing is full of charm, wit, sensitivity and visceral directness. She also shared with us some of her newer, not yet published, poems. After the reading, Sarah gave the audience a writing prompt to quickly write for five minutes about a place in their childhood home that they loved. Everyone read aloud their work for the group. The pieces were amazing. It was a rewarding evening, full of the true spirit of community.
BOAT RIDES FEATURING THE PIONEER

The Pioneer was built as a sloop in Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania in 1885 to carry sand mined near the mouth of the Delaware Bay to an iron foundry in Chester, Pennsylvania. Ten years later she was re-rigged as a schooner.

In the days before paved roads, small coastal schooners such as Pioneer were the delivery trucks of their era, carrying various cargoes between coastal communities: lumber and stone from the islands of Maine, brick on the Hudson River, and oyster shell on the Chesapeake Bay. Almost all American cargo sloops and schooners were wood, but because she was built in what was then this country’s center of iron shipbuilding, Pioneer had wrought-iron hull. She was the first of only two cargo sloops built of iron in this country, and is the only iron-hulled American merchant sailing vessel still in existence.

By 1930, when new owners moved her from the Delaware River to Massachusetts, she had been fitted with an engine, and was no longer using sails. In 1966 she was substantially rebuilt and turned into a sailing vessel once again. Today she plies the waters of NY Harbor carrying adults and children instead of cargo in her current role as a piece of “living history.”

RIVERFEST 2018 BOAT SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 9th & Sunday, June 10th  12-1pm. 1:30-2:30pm. 3:30-4:30pm. 5-6pm.
$30 per person. Tickets on sale now! RiverFestBX.org

Art at Riverfest

FEATUREING A WIDE RANGE OF BRONX FINE ARTISTS DISPLAYING & SELLING THEIR WORK, INCLUDING:

- Beautiful Minds by Katori Walker
- Botanical Gardens by Daniel Delvalle
- Charlottes Chakras by Evan Bishop
- Photo by Ira Merritt

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ARTISTS PLEASE VISIT: RiverFestBX.org
**LIVE MUSIC**

For the first time, RiverFestBX will have two days of live music and entertainment at our larger riverfront stage from noon to 6pm. We have an incredible mix of local Bronx musicians, internationally acclaimed jazz artists, Irish musicians, powerhouse female vocalists, and singer/songwriters.

Randy Niles, a NYC based edgy folk artist, starts us off on Saturday June 9th. Randy has been a part of Riverfest for many years and we are thrilled to have him back.

Mary Courtney, acclaimed singer/songwriter, is also returning. Mary’s music is an engaging collaboration of her traditional Irish heritage and a progressive social conscience.

F/E/A/T/H/E/R returns to Riverfest bringing her beautiful voice and haunting melodies.

Jazz vocalist Tamuz Nissim and guitarist George Nazos. Tamuz is a NYC based, Israeli jazz singer, composer and pianist. George, originally from Athens, Greece, moved to New York in 2015 and has been performing in NYC’s premiere jazz clubs.

Steve Oates, a truly dazzling solo guitarist, who has played all over New York City, will also be back.

Native New Yorker Cynthia Soriano is a favorite on the New York Jazz scene. Her rich tone and impeccable phrasing echo with the influences of Carmen McRae, Abbey Lincoln, Shirley Horn, and Billie Holiday. Cynthia is joined by Pat Brennan on guitar, Lorenzo Sandi on bass, and Shanf Zaben on drums.

We are excited to welcome back the Riverdale Children’s Theatre, and for the first time Riverdale Youth Chorus will be performing.

It promises to be two days of beautiful music to share and enjoy with your family and friends. Come sit on the shore of the stunning Hudson River, listen to the music, enjoy delicious food, and be part of this unique and special event.

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Presentation on Irish Author Frank O’Connor by Lauren Shapiro @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463
Lauren is giving this presentation in order to fulfill her requirements as a 2017 recipient of a Bronx Council on the Arts BRIO Award in the category of fiction.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018
Club KRVC Cultural Event @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463
A night of live music with pianist Sarah J. Cion and bassist Marty Kenney.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018
Rooftop Concert, 5:30pm-7pm.
NewYork-Presbyterian/The Allen Hospital
5141 Broadway, New York, NY 10034
The Emily Braden Quartet

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018
Family-Friendly Screening of “The Invaders Web Series: Angie’s Logs” and Q & A with Bronx Filmmaker Mark Cabaroy @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463
Mark is doing this Q & A in order to fulfill his requirements as a 2017 recipient of a Bronx Council on the Arts BRIO Award.

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018
KRVC Workshop, 7pm-8:30pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463
From Linked Out to LinkedIn: Maximizing your Use of LinkedIn for Networking (for job seekers), with Lavie Margolin.

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018
Club KRVC Cultural Event @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463
World influenced acoustic music with Robert Mitchell and Bill Weisbach.

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018
Kingsbridge Clean Up and Beautification Day, 1pm-3pm.
Clean-up and tree pit maintenance along the Kingsbridge Commercial Corridors in coordination with Councilmember Andrew Cohen’s Office.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JUNE 9-10, 2018
RiverFest, College of Mount Saint Vincent, 12pm-6pm.
6301 Riverdale Avenue, Bronx, NY 10471
Celebrate the Hudson River in the Bronx.

SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2018
North Riverdale Clean Up and Beautification Day, 1pm-3pm.
Clean-up and tree pit maintenance along the North Riverdale Commercial Corridors in coordination with State Senator Jeff Klein’s Office.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2018
Kingsbridge Movie in the Park @ 8pm.
Bailey Park, 234th Street & Bailey Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018
Truckin’ with KRVC Event, 2pm-4pm.
Flowers by Zenda, 5217 Broadway, Bronx, NY 10463
Celebrate the Last Day of School at our Shop Local & Save Event in Marble Hill.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2018
Marble Hill Clean Up and Beautification Day, 1pm-3pm.
Clean-up and tree pit maintenance along the Marble Hill Commercial Corridors in coordination with State Senator Marisol Alcantara’s Office.

THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018
South Riverdale Movie in the Park @ 8pm.
Seton Park, 232nd Street & Independence Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018
Kingsbridge Art & Music Festival, 4pm - 8pm.
234th Street & Bailey Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
This festival is held with the 50th Police Precinct to celebrate the National Night Out Against Crime.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018
Club KRVC Cultural Event @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
Johnson Avenue Block Festival, 1pm-5pm.
Johnson Avenue, 235th-236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2018
Club KRVC Cultural Event @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018
Club KRVC Cultural Event @ 7pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2018
Art at Amalgamated, 12pm-6pm.
Vladeck Hall, 74 Van Cortlandt Park South, Bronx, NY, 10463

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2018
Truckin’ with KRVC Event, 2pm-4pm.
Flowers by Zenda, 5217 Broadway, Bronx, NY 10463
Celebrate Small Business Saturday at our Shop Local & Save Event in Marble Hill.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2018
Marble Hill Holiday Trolley of Fun, 1pm-4pm.
Flowers by Zenda, 5217 Broadway, Bronx, NY 10463

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2018
Community Holiday Party, 2pm-5pm.
KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463
Visit Santa for FREE and locally at KRVC

Check krvcdc.org/events for more details on these events.
KRVC also maintains an online community calendar and news page. Link out to both at krvcdc.org/community.
Contact Ana Gonzalez Ribeiro at anagrkrvc@gmail.com to post a community event or news item.
MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Happy Spring! Please enjoy our KRVC Newsletter. This is our Spring 2018 edition covering all our wonderful programs and events from January – March 2018 and promoting what we have coming up in April – June 2018. Look for our Summer 2018 edition to come out in July. I want to thank everyone at Team KRVC for all their contributions to this newsletter and give a special shout out to Linda Manning, Cliff Stanton and Holly Makin for providing the bulk of the content, to Shari Hall for editing, and to Maria Capotorto for her beautiful graphic design.

The big news at KRVC these days is RiverFestBX and Brush the Bronx.

First, RiverFestBX features a new name, logo and website – riverfestbx.org. This year the event will also feature a new two-day, river-centric layout and program. This issue is largely devoted to describing what we have planned so far for this wonderful event. We are also actively raising funds to support RiverFestBX 2018, which will cost about $50,000 for us to produce. Details about the fundraising drive are on the back of this newsletter and on the riverfestbx.org website.

Our second BIG piece of news is Brush the Bronx! The cultural team at KRVC is in the process of spinning off the cultural program to form a new not-for-profit cultural organization that will serve the entire Bronx. The organization will be called Brush the Bronx and we are so excited to launch it with a new website and exciting cultural programs and events throughout the Bronx. Brush the Bronx and KRVC will share space and resources – at least at first – and all the Brush the Bronx cultural events held in the Bronx communities served by KRVC will be co-sponsored by both organizations. Look for more announcements soon about Brush the Bronx!

Everyone at KRVC is looking forward to a wonderful spring of community service and events.

Thank you for supporting us!

Tracy McCabe Shelton

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Founded in 1981, the Kingsbridge-Riverdale-Van Cortlandt Development Corporation (KRVC), a not-for-profit organization, aims to encourage and support local initiatives that will build and enrich our community through social, cultural, environmental, health, housing, educational and business enterprises. Our target area is the business and residential community comprised of Kingsbridge, Kingsbridge Heights, Marble Hill, Riverdale, Spuyten Duyvil, Fieldston, Woodlawn and Van Cortlandt Village. KRVC expands our work to other programs and communities when appropriate.
KRVC’s RiverFestBX 2018 Fundraising Drive is targeted to sponsor donations from $300-$5,000. However, all donations of any amount are needed to support our great work. Make your donation online at krvcdc.org/donate or make checks payable to KRVC Development Corporation and mail them to: KRVC, 505 West 236th Street, Bronx, NY 10463.

KRVC is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, EIN 133097905.

All donations to KRVC are tax deductible to the extent the law allows.

KRVC has a team of staff and board members dedicated to community service. We work together to produce large and small cultural events and programs; promote and plan for Hudson River access and a more beautiful Broadway corridor for the Bronx; implement a local jobs program; organize merchants; decorate our community with festive holiday lights and more!

All the events, programs and services we provide are free and open to the public.

Please give as generously as you can to support our RiverFestBX 2018 fundraising drive. Sponsors receive logo exposure through our printed and online materials that reach tens of thousands of people and may participate in our community events. Our team will work with our supporters to develop a specific sponsorship package based on the amount of the donation and the needs of the donor. However, the main reason for businesses, foundations, individuals, organizations and elected officials to continue to support and donate to KRVC is because they believe in KRVC, our team, our great work and wish to join us in serving tens of thousands of Bronxites at the highest level. RiverFestBX is our most expensive event and it is also our most cherished and special one. Please support it as generously as you can.

Contact Linda Manning at lindakrvc@gmail.com for more sponsorship details.