ECO-FESTIVAL 2013

My College, My Bay, Our Future
Kingsborough Community College Celebrates Jamaica Bay

April 17th, 18th and 19th

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WEDNESDAY APRIL 17
Introduction and welcome by Dr. Regina Peruggi, President

10:20 – 11:20  PAC
Keynote Speaker: Fabien Cousteau (Ocean Environmentalist)
Plant A Tree? Plant A Fish! Through stories of ocean exploration and marine adventure, the grandson of Jacques Cousteau uses his not-for-profit Plant A Fish to empower local communities to make a difference. (Mr. Cousteau’s books will be available for purchase.)

11:30 – 12:30  MAC ROTUNDA
Student Roundtable. Led by Prof. Adeline Apena (History)
Jamaica Bay: Why It Is Important and Why It Must be Preserved. Students will share personal narratives.

11:30 – 1:50  BOOKSTORE BREEZEWAY
Environmental Action Share Fair. Co-sponsored by the Service-Learning Program
Come learn how you can help local organizations protect our environment and educate the community.

12:40 – 1:40  MAC ROTUNDA
Film Screening. Led by Emily Driscoll (Film producer)
ShellShock! Saving Oysters to Save Ourselves. Can oysters be returned to NY Harbor?

12:40 – 2:15  MAC ROTUNDA
Student Research Poster Session. Students share how their research helps protect species and communities in and around Jamaica Bay.

1:50 – 2:50  M239
Student Panel. Led by Prof. Thomas Greene (Physical Sciences)
Mollusk Mania: Oyster Gardening at KCC. Students explain their work to restore oysters to Jamaica Bay.

3:00 – 4:00  MAC ROTUNDA
Citizen Science Training. Staff (NYC Audubon)
Citizens Unite! Join your neighbors to save wildlife by taking evening strolls on the beach this summer!

5:00 – 7:00  MAIN CAFETERIA
Eco Café Night. (Liberal Arts Council)

THURSDAY APRIL 18
Introduction and welcome by Dr. Reza Fakhari, Associate Provost
Dr. Fakhari will also announce the winners of the Eco-Festival Art Poster Competition.

9:10 – 10:10  MAC ROTUNDA
Update on Sustainability Efforts in and Around Kingsborough. Vice President Bill Keller (Finance and Administration) will discuss the many innovations, infrastructure, and cutting edge ideas being put in place to create a more sustainable future for our college and our community. VP Keller will also announce the winners of the KCC Goes Green Contest.

10:20 – 11:20  MAC ROTUNDA
Guest Speaker: Dr. Russell Burke (Hofstra University)
Strange Times for Jamaica Bay Terrapins. Can Long Island’s most fascinating species survive?

11:30 – 12:30  MAC ROTUNDA
Guest Speaker: Dr. Dorothy Peteet (Columbia University/Lamont-Doherty)
Yesterday, Tomorrow and Today. Will reconstructing ancient landscapes help save Jamaica Bay?

10:20 – 12:40  MAC ROTUNDA
Art Exhibit and Book Signing. Thomas Yezerski (Illustrator)
Acclaimed author/illustrator of Meadowlands: A Wetlands Survival Story. Thomas Yezerski chronicles the fall and rise of the Meadowlands.
11:30 – 4:00 OUTSIDE LIBRARY BREEZEWAY CAMP PERRT (Health, Physical Education and Recreation)

11:30 – 12:30 Tent demo, games
12:40 – 1:40 S’tores Demonstration with Prof. Michelle Bracco and her PERRT majors
1:50 – 2:50 Camp Stove Cooking Demonstration with Prof. Nick Skirka
3:00 – 4:00 Campfire Sing-along with Prof. Gail Levine and Prof. Juan Franquiz and friends.

12:40 – 1:40 MAC ROTUNDA Film Screening and Book Signing.
Led by Dan Hendrick (Filmmaker)
Jamaica Bay Lives! This documentary focuses on the history and current issues surrounding the Bay.

12:40 – 1:40 MAIN CAFETERIA Dance Performance.
Redhawk Native American Arts Council
History of the Canarsie Tribe. Come learn about Native American heritage as well as local Brooklyn history through song and dance.

1:50 – 2:50 MAC ROTUNDA Student Panel.
Led by Prof. Robert Cowan (English)
Civilization as Failed Experiment. Have Western ideals of progress and infinite growth failed humanity?

1:50 – 2:50 M239 Student Town Hall Meeting.
My Bay, My Kingsborough and My Community: What is My Role?
Sponsored and organized by R2C: Responsibility to Care & Student World Assembly.

1:50 – 4:00 BETWEEN T1 & T2 KCC Urban Farm Tours, Tastings and Seed Activity.
Check out what we’re growing, learn about volunteering and internships or plant a seed to take home.

3:00 – 4:00 MAC ROTUNDA Student Panel.
Led by Prof. Jason Leggett (History)

4:00 – 6:00 PIER 4, SHEEPSHEAD BAY Eco-Cruise of Jamaica Bay.
KCC faculty, staff, and alum can take a FREE 2-hour tour of Jamaica Bay on the Golden Sunshine. Advance tickets required. For ticket and shuttle bus reservations from campus visit the Office of Student Life in C123. Dress appropriately for outdoors!

FRIDAY APRIL 19
The Kingsborough Maritime Technology Program’s annual high school conference.
All KCC students, faculty and staff are welcome.
Hosted by Prof. Anthony D. DiLerna.

9:00 – 1:00 MAC ROTUNDA Film Screening: Secrets of the Salt Marsh.
A general overview of salt marsh ecology is captured here beautifully with crisp aerial, underwater, and time lapse photography.

10:00 – 11:00 MAC ROTUNDA Guest Speaker: Don Riepe (American Littoral Society)
The Biology of Jamaica Bay. Stunning photographs and narrative of the Bay’s rich biodiversity.

12:00 – 1:00 MAC ROTUNDA Guest Speaker: Dr. Mark Botton (Fordham University)
If You Build It, Will They Come? Projecting responses of spawning horseshoe crabs to a newly renourished beach in New York City. Prof. Botton will speak about efforts to improve and preserve the spawning habitat of this ancient mariner.

10:00 – 3:00 PLUMB BEACH Plumb Beach Clean-up. Organized by Honors Club, Phi Theta Kappa, SWA & R2C.
Join fellow students for a beach clean-up. Lunch will be served. Transportation provided. To register, email hnasser@kbcc.cuny.edu or visit M377. Dress for outdoor weather!
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