



# ECO-FESTIVAL 2013

*My College, My Bay, Our Future*

*Kingsborough Community College Celebrates Jamaica Bay*

**April 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>**

**RAFFLE DRAWING FOR A PRIZE AT EACH EVENT!**

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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)  
**ShellShocked! 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)  
**An Evening of Fashion, Music, and Poetry!**  
Sponsored by R2C: Responsibility to Care, Student World Assembly, and the 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.

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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'mores 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: Responsi-  
bility 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)

**Changing Paradigms of Inaction.** Reflections  
on exploring Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge and  
toward eco-parks for education and engagement.

4:00 – 6:00

**PIER 4, SHEEPSHEAD BAY**

**Eco-Cruise of Jamaica Bay.**

KCC faculty, staff, students 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. DiLernia.

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 photo-  
graphs 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 [hnesser@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:hnesser@kbcc.cuny.edu) or visit  
M377. Dress for outdoor weather!

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