

# **Sept 2022 Mid-Month Newsletter Virtual PPA Board/Community Meeting**

All are welcome!

Monday, September 26, 2022, 6:30-8pm

Meeting access starts at 6:20pm.
Regularly scheduled meeting will be hosted via Zoom.

#### **Click Here for Meeting Agenda**

To get Zoom meeting access, fill out the Google Form below. All Zoom information will be emailed to you directly following submission of the form.

Questions? Please email <a href="mailto:staff@prospectparkmpls.">staff@prospectparkmpls.</a> org for assistance.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

**RSVP** here for the September Board/Community Meeting

## **Upcoming Meetings (Virtual)**

**Community Building Committee** 

Thursday October 6, 4:30 PM

Land Use & Planning Committee
Thursday October 13, 7 PM

**Environment Committee** 

Tuesday October 11 6:30 PM

**PPA Management Council** 

Monday October 17, 7 PM

**Transportation & Safety Committee** 

Wednesday October 12, 7:30 PM

**Finance and Admin Committee** 

Thursday October 27 (note!), 6 PM

**Board/Community Meeting** 

Monday October 24, 6:30 PM

Click here for the PPA Event Calendar and Meeting Access Information



## **Donate to Prospect Park Association**

Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. All donations are tax-deductible.

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## A New Park Property in Prospect Park Neighborhood has been named Bridal Veil Gardens!

#### PRESS RELEASE FROM MPRB:

Recently developed park at 2905 4th St. SE named for community garden it hosts and buried creek that runs underneath the site. Property acquired by MPRB in 2019 also contains transit plaza across from Prospect Park Light Rail Station, picnic pavilion and green space.

The name "Bridal Veil Gardens" was among dozens of suggestions collected from community members after the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) acquired the half-acre property at 2905 4th St. SE in 2019. It represents an important and relatively unknown story of the area's ecology.



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A long-buried waterway named Bridal Veil Creek travels underneath the new park. It was covered and filled in as Minneapolis industrialized and the area was developed. Today the underground creek winds through Prospect Park neighborhood and ends at Bridal Veil Falls, which can still be seen along East River Parkway near Franklin Avenue Bridge.

The site hosted a community garden before it was acquired by the MPRB, and the MPRB has since incorporated the garden into its <u>Community Garden program</u>. Located across from the Prospect Park Light Rail Station, the park also includes a transit plaza, picnic pavilion and open green space. A <u>Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO)</u> <u>project</u> provides irrigation for the community garden plots and lawn area.

Previously known by a placeholder name "Towerside Site" or "Towerside Innovation District Park," the new park fills a park gap in the Prospect Park neighborhood and the <u>Towerside Innovation District</u>, a rapidly growing area near the University of Minnesota campus in Southeast Minneapolis. A partnership between the MPRB, MWMO and local developer Jeff Barnhardt created the park following the East of the River Park Master Plan, a long-term plan for all neighborhood parks in Minneapolis east of the Mississippi River approved in 2019.

Several rounds of community engagement starting in 2017 informed the park naming process. The name "Bridal Veil Gardens" was officially nominated by MPRB Commissioners in December 2021. Public hearings were held on the proposed name in May and June 2022, and MPRB Commissioners approved the name at their regular Board meeting on Sept. 7, 2022.

#### Harvest Fest & Feast at Bridal Veil Gardens!

## Fall Harvest Festival in the Community Garden! Come Out & Meet your Neighbors!

September 29, 2022 - 5:00PM -8:00PM

## Join us for a Fall Garden Gathering!



Join us as we celebrate our 2022 Garden Harvest Festival! Coordinated by MPRB Garden Coordinator & BF50 Indigenous Health Creative Director & Garden Lead. Community Building, Sustainable Food, Sustainable Transportation & Great Garden Conversation. BF50 PlantBased Food & Beverages, Youth & Adult Activities, Adult Learn to Bike, Adult Scooters, Poetry & Drumming!

> \*HeartSpeaks, Brijh Drumbeats, Vocalists Sophie & Sarah \*Presented by BF50 Indigenous Health

Where: 2905 4th Street SE, Minneapolis, MN 55411
City of Minneapolis Recycling/Organics: Let's Talk Trash with Kellie! 
Learn all about Evie! Free-Floating Carshare Service with Shannon!
Find out how you can become a NiceRide Member with Britt!

To learn more about the Newly Renamed Garden: Chat with our Garden/Park Coordinator, Beccal

\*E-Bikes & Scooters provided by NiceRide/Lyft Contact: UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

### Minnehaha Open StreetsSaturday, October 1st 11AM - 4:30PM E Lake St to E 46th St

More than a street festival, Open Streets Minneapolis brings together communities to temporarily close Minnehaha Ave to car traffic between E Lake St and E 46th St. The street will be completely open for people to explore their communities in a whole new way.

## Be sure to check out the BF50 Health Wellness & Cultural Arts Corridor at Minnehaha & Lake Street

## BF50 Health Wellness & Cultural Arts Corridor!



### Minnehaha Open Streets October 1, 2022

Saturday: 11:00AM - 4:30PM

\*NiceRide Discounted Memberships
Join BF50 Indigenous Health/Health
Wellness & Cultural Arts Corridor @
Minnehaha Open Streets - On the
corner of Minnehaha & Lake Street.
We're inviting Local Community
Members to weigh in on Equity &
Access to Food in Green Zones. How
do we go from Food Deserts to Food
Sovereignty? Stop by & give us your
input. Also wish Britt a Happy 6oth
Birthday. # We want to hear from
all of you. Happy Open Streets!

## Happy 60th Earth Strong Day To Our Creative Director, Britt!

#### Program Itinerary:

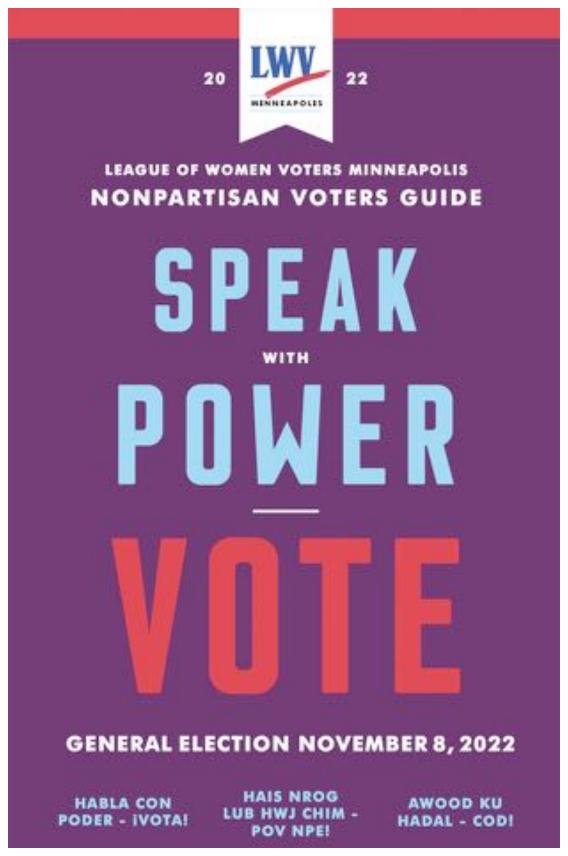
11:00 Morning Welcome
11:15 Land Acknowledgment
11:25 Aztec Danza/Teaching
11:45 Native American/Narration
11:50 Spoken Word Artists
12:00 Open Mic Local Musicians
12:30 Open Streets Bike Tour
1:30 Hula-Fit Contest
\*E-Bikes, Scooters & Helmets

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\*Pop-Up Poetry & Exploratory Writing by Lupe C: HeartSpeaks Creator & a 2022 recipient of the City of MPLS Arts Grant

\*Thank You to all of our Partners: LC Productions, Wolfpack Promotionals, ZintkalaLuta & Rasta Tease for partnering with BF50 Indigenous Health this summer

\*Thank You to the Intercultural
Dancers, Artists, Artisans & Vendors
participating in the BF50 Health
Wellness & Cultural Arts Corridors
Hope to see you all, Next Year!



The Minneapolis specific <u>Voter Guide</u> offers clear information on the process for voting, including an explanation of redistricting and how it may affect polling locations. The names of the candidates for each office are listed along with links to their campaign websites. An added informative feature outlines the duties and the salaries for each of the Minneapolis offices on the ballot.

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