

The New York Botanical Garden Gardening and Kids

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Overview

- History and Current Program
- Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden
- Design and Layout
- Afternoon Drop-in Program
- Educational Opportunities
- Expansion
- Lessons Learned

Children's Gardening Program

- 1956 – Free Crafters program begins
- 1957 - \$1 fee
- 1986 – Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden opens
- 1993 – Drop-in family programs and school programs begin



Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden

- Aesthetic
- Goals
- Design



Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden



Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden

- School plots
- CGP plots
- Compost
- Volunteer gardens
- Themed gardens



Afternoon Drop-in Program



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Educational Opportunities



Expansion

- On-site
 - Year round
 - Interpretation
 - Greenhouse
 - Kitchen
- Outreach
 - Stakeholders
 - Maintenance
 - Funding
 - Educational messages



Lessons Learned



- Pricing
- Staffing
- Funding
- Themes
- Maintenance