



The Wyck Association

Preserving a National Historic Landmark House and Garden

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Wyck's Summer Festival **July 10, 2009 5:00 – 7:00 pm** **6026 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia**

July 1, 2009, Phila., PA –Wyck celebrates the summer with an evening festival on **July 10, 2009, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.** Wyck is located at **6026 Germantown Avenue** in Philadelphia. Because of Penn DOT construction in front of Wyck, please enter on **Walnut Lane at Germantown Avenue.**

At the festival, the Urban Café will be serving delicious dinners, incorporating some of Wyck's beautifully grown crops. There will be cooking demonstrations by the **Health Promotion Council of Southeastern Pennsylvania** using fresh produce, live folk music, and plenty of family activities. Wyck's house, Home Farm and gardens will be open for tours. Visitors can meet Wyck's new flock of chickens and see our beehives.

Wyck offers a variety of programming for its community, neighbors and friends. **The Wyck Outdoor Education Program** for underserved Germantown students features an emergent curriculum focusing on natural science, nutrition, and seasonal dynamics at Wyck's 2.5-acre site. School children also participate in all aspects of the Wyck Home Farm, a large chemical-free production garden. In conjunction with the Food Trust, Wyck has established a seasonal, weekly **farmers market**, where Wyck's produce is for sale alongside produce grown and sold by a Lancaster County production farmer. Wyck accepts vouchers from the federally funded Farmers Market Nutrition Program, which gives low-income senior citizens and WIC recipients subsidized access to fresh, local produce. The market also accepts food stamps in the form of the EBT/Access card.

The **Wyck Workshop and Lecture Series** offers free or low-cost educational programs on traditional horticulture and sustainability methods to modern urban-dwellers. Workshops take place on topics such as food preservation, composting, bee-keeping, permaculture, seed-starting, edible landscaping and traditional seed saving techniques.

For more information about the Summer Festival or Wyck and its programming please call 215-848-1690 or email boverholser@wyck.org .

