Prospect Park Honors Volunteers with Recognition Brunch
On Saturday, March 15 at the Prospect Park Picnic House

On Saturday, March 15, volunteers who gave 20 or more hours in 2013 received the recognition they deserved at Prospect Park’s annual Volunteer Recognition Brunch.

In 2013 over 4,802 individuals volunteered at the Park; as well as 63 different groups including 25 community groups, 19 school groups, and 8 corporate groups who cumulatively contributed over 460 hours. At the Recognition Brunch, the inaugural Alan Thompson Award for 2,500 lifetime volunteer hours in the Park was presented to Eric Johnson, only the fourth person in Park’s history to give this level of service. The Administrator’s Award was presented to those volunteers who have given over 500 lifetime hours of service. They included: Malis Wendt, Donna Rae, and Mary Kliner.

“Volunteers are an important part of any organization, however in Prospect Park they are essential to help keep the Park beautiful and clean for everyone to enjoy,” said Prospect Park Alliance’s Vice President of Government and External Affairs Eric Landau. “Today’s event is a small way for us to show our gratitude and honor our essential volunteers.”

Volunteers generously gave over 250 hours of service in one year received the Mary Cregg Award: David Ford, Robert Fisher, and Lisa Berger. Special Certificates of Appreciation were also given out to volunteers, including; Kevin Franklin, Christine Geeng, Elise Heffernan, Jessica Mazo, Daphne Dixon, Catrin Egan for their service to the Park.
City Comptroller Scott Stringer, Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams, City Council Member Stephen Levin, and State Assembly Member James Brennan joined NYC Parks First Deputy Commissioner Liam Kavanagh, Brooklyn Borough Parks Commissioner Kevin Jeffrey, and the Prospect Park Alliance to thank the volunteers for their extraordinary efforts in helping to keep Brooklyn’s flagship green space beautiful.

Donations for the Volunteer Recognition Brunch were generously provided by Bon Soir Caterers, Connecticut Muffin, Movable Feast, Smiling Pizza, Trader Joes, Whole Foods Market and Wing Stop.

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