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Growing Up Green – Central Park Earth Day

The Central Park Conservancy Hosts Eco Family Fun on April 26

(Date XX) – Celebrate Earth Day in a place where more than the grass is green – Central Park! Head to the Park’s Naumburg Bandshell (mid-Park at 72nd Street) on Sunday, April 26 from 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm. FREE. All ages. Rain or shine. Visit www.centralparknyc.org/earthday for updates or call 212-360-1461.

Live entertainment (family focus):

12:00 pm: **Billy B.**

1:00 pm: **Puppeteer’s Cooperative** Performs “Rites of Spring,” a colossal puppet show

2:00 pm: **Forces of Nature** Present “Rhythm Tree,” a contemporary dance celebrating reforestation, growth, and continuity, and “Ancestral Earths,” a more traditional dance based on a West African harvest celebration.

3:00 pm: **Billy B.**

How will we “green” the entertainment? **WITH YOUR PEDAL POWER!** Be part of these performances! Hop on one of the Central Park Conservancy’s Green Fleet **bicycles** and help pedal the Park’s first-ever human-powered sound system to life.

Eco-activities (ongoing from noon – 4:00 pm):

- Mini-landscape planting and container decorating with the Conservancy’s Environmental Stewardship Committee. Take a piece of Central Park home with you!
- Tree climbing and knot demos under the canopy of historic American Elms with Josh Galiley, the Conservancy’s Tree Care Expert.
- Mulching and flower planting
- Walking tours to Central Park’s “quiet zones” with Gordon Hempton, author of “One Square Inch of Silence.”
- “Art of Reuse” craft workshop with Materials for the Arts
- Wildlife corridor games
- Food waste composting demos and electronic-waste drop-off
- Yummy local and organic snacks will be available for purchase from some of our favorite Greenmarket vendors including Red Jacket Orchards and Bread Alone.

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