



## Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture

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A humanistic religious and educational fellowship promoting knowledge, ethical ideals, and a more just and compassionate world. BSEC is a proud member of the American Ethical Union.

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### **Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture Scholarships to the Permaculture Design Certificate Course – Winter 2016**

There are scholarships available for members or friends of the BSEC to take this course. The objective of these scholarships is that these individuals will apply Permaculture principles and their time and attention to nurture the evolving gardens and grounds surrounding our historic building at 53 Prospect Park West.

In the next three years this property will be undergoing a significant transition. The building's first floor will be made accessible to those for whom stairs are not easy or possible to manage. The perimeter wall will be repaired. Slopes, ramps, and new plantings will come to the property. Our ethics and philosophy of being welcoming and environmentally conscious will be expressed in our landscaping and architecture.

The Society operates, grows and thrives with members and friends who volunteer and serve on committees. The Gardening Committee, as a sub-committee of the Building and Grounds Committee, is open to members and non-members alike, is in need of a chair, committee members, a vision for what can be done, and structured methods for involvement. It is hoped that through this scholarship, the people awarded will commit to the grounds, permaculture principles, the B&G committee, and BSEC in general.

The scholarship pool is \$2,400 to be divided among selected applicants. The Board of Trustees will offer this scholarship to people who each express strong interest, passion and capacity to accomplish these goals.

If you are interested in applying for this opportunity, please send a short letter via email to the BSEC Board. In your letter, express why you should receive this award, how you will help us achieve our goals for a welcoming and sustainable garden and grounds, describe the commitment you will bring, the time you intend to commit to BSEC's B&G work, and any past relevant experiences. Preference will be given to members of BSEC but you do not need to be a member to apply.

Applications are due by **December 1<sup>st</sup>**. Please send to [edmond.bsec@gmail.com](mailto:edmond.bsec@gmail.com) with "**Permaculture Scholarship Application**" as the subject.