

Breakfast Talks

The Brooklyn Waterfront Research Center (BWRC) presents:

Visions for Newtown Creek

Join us on Friday, October 12th and hear representatives of Riverkeeper and the Newtown Creek Alliance discuss their comprehensive, four-part vision plan for the remediation and restoration of the Newtown Creek. The Plan emphasizes the importance of understanding the innate complexity of an industrial urban ecosystem, from storm surge vulnerability to community health outcomes. Learn how a balanced and safe environmental ecosystem can coexist with industry; why waterfront accessibility is so crucial to sustainability; and what role the local community can play in the process.

Newtown Creek was designated as a Superfund site in 2010 as a result of pollution caused by decades of heavy waterfront industry and by its having served as a basin for the sewers of adjacent neighborhoods. For decades, community organizers and environmental activists have worked to address the Creek's contamination crisis and mitigate the impact of damaging industrial pollution.



Chrissy Remein is a recent graduate of The New School's Milano School of Public Engagement where she earned an M.S. in Environmental Policy. Before graduate school she spent time working on program management for nonprofits like the Student Conservation Association (SCA), as well as two years in Togo as a Peace Corps Natural Resource Management.



Lisa Bloodgood currently works for the Newtown Creek Alliance as education coordinator, with a special focus on community science-based research. She is the NY Co-Chair for the NY/NJ Harbor Estuary Program's Community Advisory Council and serves on both the Steering and Technical Committees for the EPA's Newtown Creek Superfund Community Advisory Group. She also volunteers as Vice-Chairperson of Neighbors Allied for Good Growth's (NAG) Board of Directors.

Bloodgood studied Earth and Environmental Science at Brooklyn College and was a 2011 Udall Scholar.

Date: Friday, October 12th, 2018 Time: 8:30am - 10:00am Venue: Namm N119, 300 Jay Street

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