



A Healthy Future for the Trees of Trinity Bellwoods Park

Local community group, Friends of Trinity Bellwoods Park, has been working closely with the City of Toronto for many years to improve the health of the tree canopy and green space in the Park. To better inform future planting decisions and work to re establish an 'Arboretum' status for the Park, the Friends' have initiated a project this summer to inventory and assess all of the 800+ trees in the Park.

Brian Volz, a University of Toronto graduate student in Forest Conservation, will undertake the study using the Neighbourwoods method, a community-based urban forest inventory protocol developed by UofT professor Andy Kenney. The information collected by Volz will be entered into the province-wide Neighbourwoods database to be used by the community in collaboration with City staff to make improvements to the park. The information is presented in a way that is useful to community members with no formal forestry knowledge who want to learn about the trees in the Park.

Mr. Volz, a Trinity-Spadina resident with a background in cartography and land surveying will be in the park on Saturdays throughout July and August and is happy to answer questions about the project. Please stop by and say hello.

For more information about Neighbourwoods, follow this link:

www.forestry.utoronto.ca/neighbourwoods/manual/

Visit the Friends website to learn more about their projects in the park. You can self-subscribe to receive emails from the Friends to stay in touch about general neighbourhood issues and the farmers market. www.trinitybellwoods.ca



Graduate Forestry Conservation student, Brian Volz.