

# Bloomingdale Sidewalk Garden

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Hello neighbors!

Every autumn, New Yorkers for Park's "Daffodil Project" distributes hundreds of thousands of flower bulbs to be planted in public spaces around the city, as a memorial to those we've lost, and a symbol of hope for a brighter future.

I have a thousand of these bulbs to plant in neighborhood tree beds, and I'd love to include those in front of your building so our whole block looks beautiful next spring.

I'd be happy to do the planting, or I can drop off the bulbs along with the necessary tools for you to dig them in yourself. (This is a great weekend activity for families with kids, or anyone who wants to get involved with neighborhood improvement.)

For those who might be new to planting daffodils: the bulbs are round dry roots, like a miniature onion or a head of garlic, which are placed in a six-inch hole in the fall; then shortly after the snow melts, they send up bright yellow flowers that are one of the first signs of spring. The bulbs have a bitter taste, so they don't attract animal pests, and they don't require a lot of care other than cutting back the stems and leaves when they finish blooming — and if the roots are left undisturbed, they'll return every year.

If you're interested, please let me know, by text or phone at 917-502-7795, by email to [matthew@cavalletto.org](mailto:matthew@cavalletto.org), or stop and chat with me on the sidewalk — I'm the bearded guy with the little dog you might have seen gardening along 106th Street.

— Matthew Cavalletto

Amateur Sidewalk Gardener

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