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**Boston Natural Areas Network
presents three free concerts with
“Sounds of the Gardens”**

BOSTON, MA – July 26, 2010 – On Wednesday, August 4 at 6:30 p.m., Boston Natural Areas Network will kick off its unique community garden concert series, *Sounds of the Garden*, with Lloyd Thayer, master of the blues guitar, at Shangri-La Community Garden at Almont Park in Mattapan. The free concert series, now in its eighth season, is generously funded and produced by Ellen Schmidt and Jake Kensinger. The one hour concerts begin at 6:30pm on Wednesdays, August 4, 11 and 25.

On August 11 the series continues with Deborah and Giovani Rocha performing Brazilian/American music at Minton Stables Community Garden located at 110-112 Williams Street in Jamaica Plain. The Rochas return on August 25 to perform at Charlestown Sprouts Community Garden located in Charlestown on Terminal Street off Medford Street (Little Mystic Access area).

“Community gardens are always alive with excitement from gardeners and neighbors,” said Valerie Burns, BNAN president. “*Sounds of the Garden* is a way to welcome the broader community into the garden.” Dancing and audience participation is encouraged. Children are welcome and participants should remember to bring a blanket or chair. Contact BNAN at 617-542-7696 or visit www.bostonnatural.org for more information.

Boston Natural Areas Network is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing together local residents, partner organizations, public officials and foundations to preserve, expand, and enhance urban open space, including community gardens, greenways, and urban wilds. For more information about the organization, becoming a member or the calendar of events, visit www.bostonnatural.org or call 617-542-7696.

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