Please fill out the following membership application. Our membership chairperson will contact you.

## **Application for membership**

Date:
Name:
Address:
Telephone:
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Email:
Interests:

I would like to join the Bronxville Women's Club. Enclosed is my \$25 application fee. (check made out to "The Bronxville Women's Club")

Signature:

Please mail to: The Bronxville Women's Club Membership 135 Midland Avenue Bronxville, NY 10708

## Your invitation

To join

# THE BRONXVILLE WOMEN'S CLUB

Membership open to residents of Westchester and the surrounding vicinities

## Join now



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# What is the Bronxville Women's Club?

The BWC was founded in 1925 when Women's Cubs were being formed in every town and village in Westchester and around the country. At that time, a woman was able to join a club virtually within walking distance of her home. As the years have gone by, most of those clubs have either closed or no longer have their clubhouses, and those remaining have extended their mileage requirements. Many, like the BWC, no longer have residency or mileage requirements for membership.

Women's Clubs originated after the women fought and won the suffrage movement. The women then went on to local issues, which clubs today still do. Historically, they have been very supportive of education, the arts, and philanthropy. The BWC's activities are devoted primarily to philanthropic and educational endeavors. At the BWC, the building is often used by tax-exempt organizations for their many activities.

The Bronxville Women's Club is a notfor-profit, tax-exempt organization. Your annual dues, donations, and many of your admission fees to programs are tax deductible to the full extent of the IR Code.

## Who can join?

Any woman or man (yes, we don't discriminate) interested in our activities is eligible for membership.

#### What does one do in a Women's Club?

As a member of the BWC, you are free to explore your own interests, at your own pace. Meet new friends with like or different interests than yours at meetings, teas, and luncheons. Learn new or hone old skills: Our departments have programs in literature, writing, art, music performance, music appreciation, home decoration, health, and more. Enjoy working on our Committee for Philanthropy as we help organizations around Westchester both financially and hands-on. Become active in our Philanthropy Department, which organizes fund-raising events such as dances, brunches, and other activities to support other tax-exempt organizations. Learn how you can help us organize our archives and maintain our building and gardens.

We arrange bus trips to New York City and other venues for educational activities such as museums, plays, the opera, and the ballet. These trips are well planned, with docents for the museums and, many times, lectures beforehand to better understand the opera or other performance you will be seeing.

## Where do these functions take place?

The BWC's home is a beautiful, 1928 building built for the Club. architectural gem, it is on Westchester and New York lists of Historical Buildings and on The National List of Historic Sites. The rooms are varied in size to accommodate anything from small meetings to large luncheons and dinners, dances, and concerts in the all-purpose great room. This room, with its art deco charm, boasts near-perfect acoustics for concerts and plays and is considered one of the best recital halls in Westchester by world-class performers. There is also an adjoining, private patio for outside events, and we have plenty of off-street parking on our premises. Your membership helps to maintain the building.

# Are there any activities for children at the BWC?

The BWC has long had relationships with other organizations to provide meaningful enrichment programs for children. For over sixty years, ballroom dancing has been offered, there are ballet classes, and theatre workshops. Local music and theatre schools and teachers use our stage for their concerts and plays. The Music Department of the BWC produces three free recitals spaced throughout the year for children to perform in a professional setting. We

even provide a professional accompanist for them!

# What are the fees involved to belong to the BWC?

The one-time application fee is \$25. The annual dues currently are only \$250 per year. Beyond that, there are no mandatory fees at the club. You pay for only the programs and services that you use or attend. You can be as active as you like. Of course, the more active you are, the more you get to enjoy the club, its members, and its activities. So, we encourage you to come often!

# Can I make tax-deductible donations to the Bronxville Women's Club?

Yes! The Bronxville Women's Club is a 501(c)(3) organization. That means that your dues are a donation and, therefore, tax-deductible along with your donations to our philanthropic, educational, and cultural activities. Also, funds raised and donated for the upkeep and restoration of the historic building are tax-deductible.

## Can I bring friends to the club?

Yes! We encourage you to bring your friends to participate in our broad range of philanthropic and educational programs. We believe our wide range of offerings is very appealing and know that we can offer something for everyone.