

Summer 2019

Although my original idea for a leadership challenge was to plan a citizen science workshop for urban waterways, a better opportunity came up. Through the NY Aquarium, I co-led the inaugural Urban Naturalist Program, where high school students conducted ecology research along the Coney Island Creek, the site that is the focus of my master plan.

—Lee Patrick



Myself (center) with a few of the high school students from the Urban Naturalist Program. Photo by Ray Badal.

An unexpected catch when seine netting to record species diversity in the Coney Island Creek—Northern Sennet, *Sphyræna borealis*, a member of the barracuda family.

