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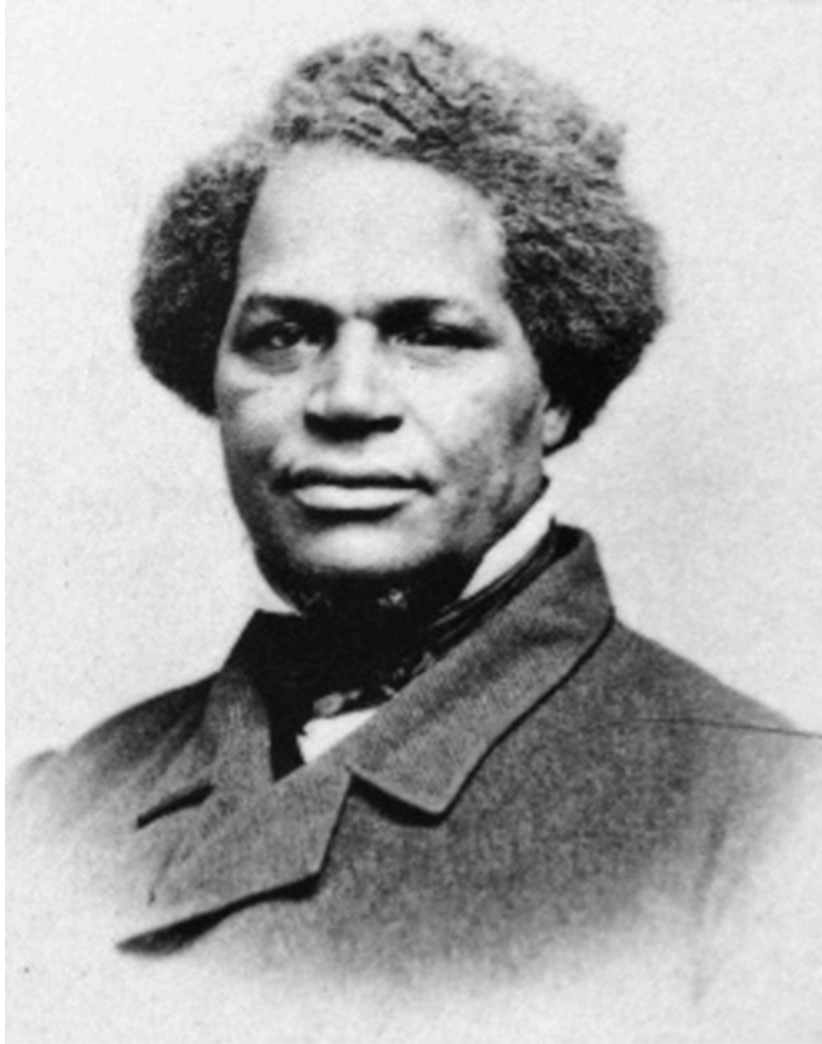
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MINI MEADOWS



The first Mini Meadows location has been selected. It is Loguen Park. This is a small park on the East Side. The Mini Meadows team is meeting during the regularly scheduled Syracuse Urbanism Club meeting on 4/30/2024. The meeting takes place at the McCarthy Mercantile at 6:30 pm. Please join us and share your planting and design tips. We want your input!

Loguen Park & Syracuse History

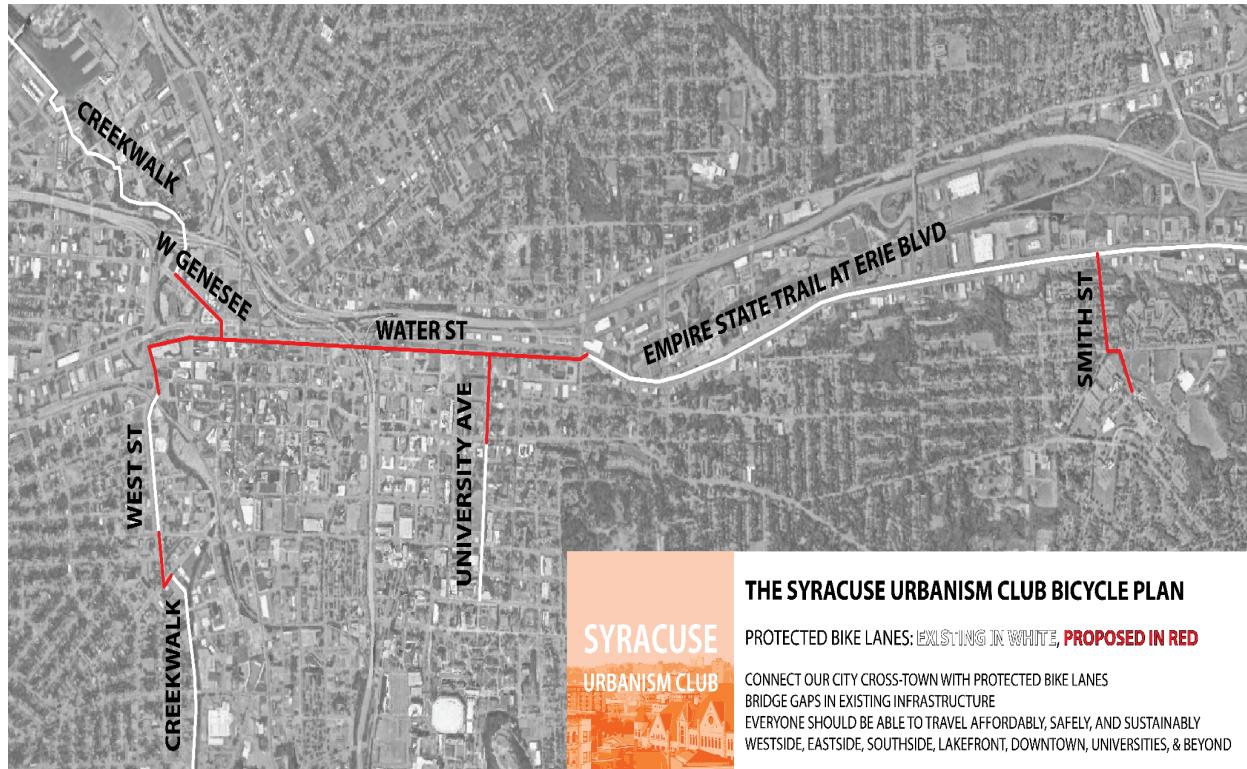


Loguen Park is named after Jermaine Wesley Loguen (1813-1874). Loguen was born enslaved and escaped slavery in his 20s. Syracuse would ultimately become his home. Here, he was an outspoken abolitionist and reverend. His home, once at the intersection of East Genesee and Pine Street, was a stop on the Underground Railroad. You can go to the corner and see the historical marker (pictured below) today. Loguen Park is approximately 3 blocks east of the historical marker, beginning at the intersection of Lexington Avenue, East Genesee, and Cherry Street. It is unclear if this is an intentional connection, but Jermaine Wesley Loguen's mother was also named Cherry.

The images in this section come from the [National Underground Railroad Freedom Center](#). Please click that link to read more about Loguen's activism and resistance in Syracuse, especially how he convinced our great city to become an "Open City" for fugitive enslaved people. Syracusans voted for Loguen's proposal 395 (in support) to 96 (against).

Jermain Wesley Loguen is buried in Oakwood Cemetery.

Safe Bike/Pedestrian Infrastructure Project

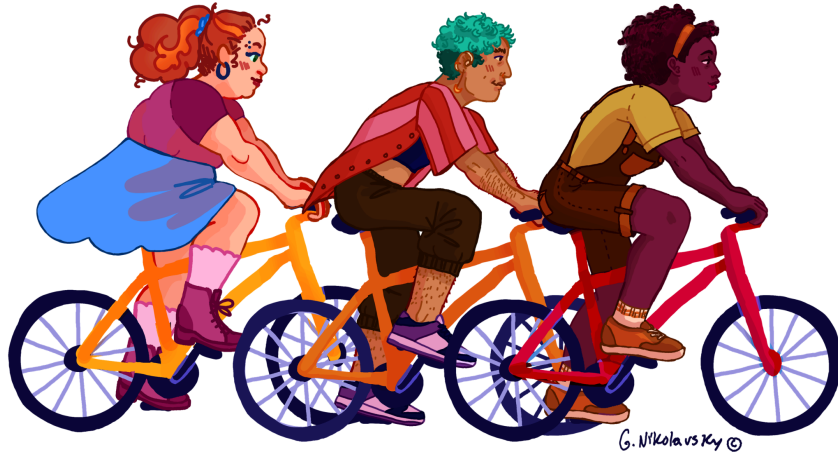


The [Safe Bike / Pedestrian Infrastructure Project](#) has announced our plan to connect the east and west ends of the Empire State Trail and the north and south ends of Onondaga Creekwalk with protected bike lanes on Water Street, West Street, and W Genesee Street. This plan also proposes connecting University Hill and LeMoyne College to the Empire State Trail with protected bike lanes. The implementation of this plan will create the first continuous spine of safe cross-town cycling infrastructure in Syracuse, connecting north to south, east to west, universities to city, and city to countryside. We're currently putting together a team and a plan to make this happen!

First Annual SWAG Bike Fest

SWAG BIKE FEST

Syracuse Women's & Gender Nonconforming People's Bike Fest



Keeping with the tradition of women's bike fests that have taken place across Upstate New York, the Syracuse Urbanism Club is having the first annual SWAG Bike Fest! SWAG stands for Syracuse Women's and Gender Nonconforming People. Our goal is to foster and facilitate a radically inclusive cycling community by creating a cycling festival specifically for ALL women and gender nonconforming people.

This is a celebration of our diverse cycling community with workshops, refreshments, and good vibes. Cycling is for everybody. Free event.

When: Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Where: 701 N. Salina Street, Syracuse, NY 13208

For more information, please send a message to syracuseurbanismclub@gmail.com. For fastest response, put Jaynelle/SWAG Bike Fest in the subject line

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- Picture or image you would like to accompany your feature.
- Deadline/special dates for projects and events.
- Contact person for any follow up questions.

April Meeting



Our meetings take place on the last Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting is Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at **6:00 pm**.

Location:McCarthy Mercantile, 217 S Salina Street. We meet downstairs.

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