



Murray Hill

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Upcoming Events...August 15, 2022

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Please share this email with a friend, neighbor or colleague. You can sign up for these emails at www.murrayhillnyc.org, scroll down the Also Happening column.

Kudos!



Marshall Wise launched a new website with his song recordings

Former MHNA Trustee and singer, Marshall Wise, has released his song recordings on a new website marshallwise.com. Tap Favorites or All Songs to hear them.

Support local!

Restaurant Week—through August 21

See the participating restaurants in Murray Hill, Kips Bay, Flatiron:

nycgo.com/restaurant-week/?neighborhood=flatiron-district,kips-bay,murray-hill&page=1. Docks, Fine & Rare, Rossini's, Villa Berulia, Wagamama, Zuma, Benjamin Prime, 2nd Avenue Deli, and more...make your reservations now!

Fine & Rare has some new items on the [menu](#) for restaurant week. Fine & Rare, 9 East 37th Street (between Madison & 5th), 212-725-3866 or info@fineandrare.nyc, fineandrare.nyc.

Scandinavia House announces that BJÖRK CAFE & BISTRO will be opening this fall. Operated by renowned chef Ulrika Bengtsson and Sabina Lindmark, Björk (meaning "birch" in Swedish) will feature beloved Scandinavian classics, American favorites with a Nordic twist, and seasonal favorites. Scandinavia House, 58 Park Avenue. Swedish designers Åsa Bollvik and Lotta Meynell will reimagine the restaurant's design.

Think Before You Tap That Handy App

Did you know that our local restaurants pay a sizable commission to delivery apps like Grub Hub, Seamless and Uber Eats? Those commissions can reach as high as 25%, wiping out any profit a restaurant makes. We polled a few of the most popular eateries in Murray Hill. One of them gets 70% of its orders from Grub Hub. The owner of another told MHNA that the 25% commission he pays is killing his business despite his valiant attempt to keep afloat.

So, we urge you to think before you tap that handy app. Just dial the restaurant directly to place your order. It will make a big difference in keeping our beloved local restaurants alive and thriving.

Public service announcements



Immature Spotted Lanternfly



Mature Spotted Lanternfly



Late nymph (left) and early nymph (right)



Egg mass on a tree

Spotted lanternfly

Spotted lanternfly (SLF) is an invasive pest that primarily feeds on tree of heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) but can also feed on a wide variety of plants such as grapevine, hops, maple, walnut, fruit trees and others.

How You Can Help

- Learn how to identify the Spotted Lanternfly
- Kill the lanternflies that you spot
- Inspect outdoor items for egg masses
- Scrape off any egg masses. Destroy egg masses by scraping them into a bucket of hot, soapy water or a baggie/jar of hand sanitizer.

If you believe you've found spotted lanternfly in New York:

- Take pictures of the insect, egg masses and/or infestation signs as described above (include something for scale such as a coin or ruler) and email to spottedlanternfly@agriculture.ny.gov.

OR fill out the Department of Agriculture and Markets' reporting form.

Note the location (address, intersecting roads, landmarks or GPS coordinates).

Learn more at dec.ny.gov/animals/113303.html

Beat the Heat!

The HEAP program can help income-eligible individuals and families stay cool. The Cooling Assistance Benefit program will cover the cost of an air conditioning unit and the installation. Applications are being accepted now and will remain open through August 31, or until funds are exhausted. Determine your eligibility and learn more at access.nyc.gov/programs/cooling-assistance-benefit. Applications are accepted by mail, by phone and in person at social services offices. Nearest office is [Waverly SNAP Center Government Office](#), 12 West 14th Street.

Cooling center information portal.311.nyc.gov/article/?kanumber=KA-02663 or call 311.

[New York State website with information about resources and aid for Ukrainians](#)

Ukrainian New York City residents [can go online](#) for more information or call Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs Immigration Legal Services Hotline at 800-354-0365 for connections to city-funded, free, and safe immigration legal help, including help in applying for Temporary Protected Status.

Ukrainians in the U.S. since March 1 are eligible for Temporary Protective Status (TPS) for an 18-month period. CUNY's Citizenship Now project is ready to help the Ukrainian community apply for this benefit. Call 646-664-6400.

State Department program *Uniting for Ukraine*

To help fulfill President Biden's promise to temporarily resettle 100,000 Ukrainian refugees, the State Department has established Uniting for Ukraine, in which legal residents of the United States can apply to be sponsors of migrants under a process called Humanitarian Parole. Learn more at uscis.gov/forms/explore-my-options/humanitarian-parole. Welcome.US, a humanitarian group for refugee resettlement, has created a [guide to the process](#) (and offers a [mailing list](#)) for people interested in becoming a sponsor. "Sponsors may apply as individuals, as a group, or as a representative of a non-governmental agency. The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) lists the [eligibility requirements](#) and the [instructions](#) for completing [Form I-134](#) (the Declaration of Financial Support).

[Source: Council Member Gale Brewer's Update email of 4/28/2022]



The graphic features the Federal Trade Commission logo in the top left corner. The main heading is "Donating to help people in Ukraine?". Below this, the text reads: "Check out the group or person before sending money — by cryptocurrency or any other payment method." To the right of this text is an illustration of a hand holding two gold coins. At the bottom left, there is a white button with the text "Start here: ftc.gov/charity".

Transportation advisories and updates

For updates about the Pershing Square East Renovation project, the Infrastructure Replacement project on Second Avenue and surrounding areas, and more, please visit The Murray Hill Neighborhood Association website murrayhillnyc.org, Traffic Change Updates section.

[Pershing Square East Reconstruction Newsletter](#), July 2022

MTA mobile buses and vans

See full schedule and locations at new.mta.info/fares/metrocard-mobile-sales

Central Business District Tolling Program (Congestion pricing) update

Environmental Assessment Details Effects of Proposed Congestion Pricing Program

Editor's note: Proposed tolls are \$9 - \$23, depending on the scenario.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), New York State Department of Transportation, MTA Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority and New York City Department of Transportation today released an Environmental Assessment of the proposed Central Business District Tolling Program (CBDTP) in Manhattan, known commonly as congestion pricing. The Environmental Assessment document is now available for review online at mta.info/CBDTP...The document finds that central business district tolling would accomplish the goal of New York State's MTA Reform and Traffic Mobility Act of reducing traffic congestion in the Manhattan Central Business District (CBD) and raising revenue for investment in transit. Following the public review period, the FHWA will determine whether establishment of the program would result in significant effects in addition to the widespread benefits detailed in the assessment. The FHWA will issue one of two documents responding to the environmental assessment: either a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), establishing that any adverse effects are not significant or can be mitigated below significant level, or, if determined that there are significant effects that cannot be mitigated, a request for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) requiring further study of the proposed program. If the FHWA approves the project, contractors would have 310 days to design, develop and implement the tolling infrastructure and tolling system technology that would process the tolls.

Ways to Comment on the Environmental Assessment

The project partners are accepting comments online, by email, mail, phone and fax, and at a series of six public hearings beginning on Thursday, Aug. 25, and concluding on Wednesday, Aug. 31.

Members of the public who wish to speak at the hearings can sign up online at mta.info/CBDTP. The hearings will be accessible online at mta.info/CBDTP at these dates and times:

Thursday, August 25 5 – 8pm ([sign up to speak or request services](#))

Saturday, August 27 10am – 1pm ([sign up to speak or request services](#))

Sunday, August 28 1 – 4pm ([sign up to speak or request services](#))

Monday, August 29 1 – 4pm ([sign up to speak or request services](#))

Tuesday, August 30 5 – 8pm ([sign up to speak or request services](#))

Wednesday, August 31 10am -1pm ([sign up to speak or request services](#))

In addition to the hearings, there are many ways the public can make their voices heard. Beginning on Aug. 10, the agencies will collect public feedback on the Environmental Assessment online as well as via email, mail, telephone voicemail and fax.

Online: mta.info/CBDTP/comment

Email: CBDTP@mtabt.org

Mail: CBD Tolling Program, 2 Broadway, 23rd Floor, New York, NY 10004

Phone: 646-252-7440

Fax: Send to 212-504-3148 Attention: CBDTP Team

Comments may also be provided to FHWA.

Email: CBDTP@dot.gov

Mail: FHWA - NY Division, RE: CBDTP, Leo W. O'Brien Federal Building, 11A Clinton Ave, Suite 719, Albany, NY 12207

Comments received will be considered and become part of the administrative record. Each public hearing will be livestreamed on the MTA YouTube channel at [YouTube.com/MTAInfo](https://www.youtube.com/MTAInfo) and on the project website: mta.info/CBDTP. Anyone from any area can participate in any hearing. Speakers will be provided three minutes to speak, and anyone wishing to speak at the hearings will have an opportunity to do so. It is requested, but not required, that those wishing to speak sign up by 7pm the previous day at mta.info/CBDTP or by calling the Public Hearing Hotline at 646- 252-6777.

How you can help

Join a MHNA committee

[Learn more](#) about The Murray Hill Neighborhood Association committees. If you would like to join a committee please contact info@murrayhillnyc.org.

NYC has a blood shortage—Blood donations are needed all summer

Schedule an appointment at donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/zip (search by zip code).

[Host a blood drive](#). New York Blood center website nybc.org.

At Grand Central Donor Center

Chanin Building

115 East 41st Street (between Park & Lexington Avenue)

(other locations are also available)

ACES is recruiting Volunteer Public Benefit Counselors

The Advocacy, Counseling and Entitlement Services (ACES) Project of the Community Service Society is recruiting retired individuals age 55 years or older to serve as volunteer public benefit counselors dedicated to helping financially disadvantaged people. ACES volunteers screen clients for eligibility and assist with completing applications for public benefits. Volunteers must attend a

training that begins October 4, 2022 and will be held through webinars. Upon completion, they are placed in agencies in one of the five boroughs to provide information on government benefits to low-income families, older adults, and individuals with disabilities. There are options for in person or remote volunteer assignments. A personal interview, successful completion of the training, and a commitment of six hours per week for one year of volunteer service is required. Applicants must have advocacy, research, and computer skills, in addition to an interest in assisting low-income populations and learning about public benefit programs. No prior benefit experience is required. Your participation in this program gives you a chance to help others in a truly significant way. For more information, please contact Rebecca Haase at 212-614-5482. To apply or for more information, go to: The ACES Project | Community Service Society of New York at cssny.org. **Apply by September 19.**

COVID-19 updates

COVID-19—is still here

The COVID-19 alert levels information on the NYC Department of Health website is being re-evaluated. There are currently **high** transmission levels of COVID-19 throughout the city. Data taken on **8/12/2022**) at www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-main.page. The circulating variants are highly contagious.

NYC Department of Health recommends taking steps to protect yourself:

- **Wear a high-quality mask in all public indoor settings and around crowds outside.**

In NYC, masks are required in health care facilities, congregate settings, and on public transportation. Proof of vaccination and masks may be required by employers, businesses and nonprofits.

- **Stay up-to-date on [vaccinations](#).**

Visit the NYC COVID-19 and Flu [Vaccine Finder](#) or call 877-VAX4NYC (877-829-4692) to find a vaccination site. Booster doses are available for everyone age 12 and older.

- **[Test](#) before and after travel or gatherings, or if you were recently exposed to someone who has COVID-19.**

Ask your pharmacist if they are participating in the free at-home test kits (8 per month) for your insurance policy.

- **[Stay home if sick](#).**
- **Wash or sanitize your hands frequently.**

[COVID-19: Prevention and Groups at Higher Risk](#)

If you were exposed to Covid-19 [What to Do If You Were Exposed to COVID-19 | CDC](#)

If you have symptoms or test positive for Covid-19 [Isolation and Precautions for People with COVID-19 | CDC](#)

[CDC streamlines COVID-19 guidance to help the public better protect themselves and understand their risk](#)

Press Release, August 11, 2022

- Recommending that instead of quarantining if you were exposed to COVID-19, you wear a high-quality mask for 10 days and get tested on day 5.
- Recommending that if you test positive for COVID-19, you stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home. You are likely most infectious during these first 5 days. Wear a high-quality mask when you must be around others at home and in public.
 - If after 5 days you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication, and your symptoms are improving, or you never had symptoms, you may end isolation after day 5.
 - Regardless of when you end isolation, avoid being around people who are more likely to get very sick from COVID-19 until at least day 11.
 - You should wear a high-quality mask through day 10.
- Recommending that if you had moderate illness (if you experienced shortness of breath or had difficulty breathing) or severe illness (you were hospitalized) due to COVID-19 or you have a weakened immune system, you need to isolate through day 10.
- Recommending that if you had severe illness or have a weakened immune system, consult your doctor before ending isolation. Ending isolation without a viral test may not be an option for you. If you are unsure if your symptoms are moderate or severe or if you have a weakened immune system, talk to a healthcare provider for further guidance.
- Clarifying that after you have ended isolation, if your COVID-19 symptoms worsen, restart your isolation at day 0. Talk to a healthcare provider if you have questions about your symptoms or when to end isolation.
- Screening testing of asymptomatic people without known exposures will no longer be recommended in most community settings.

Trends

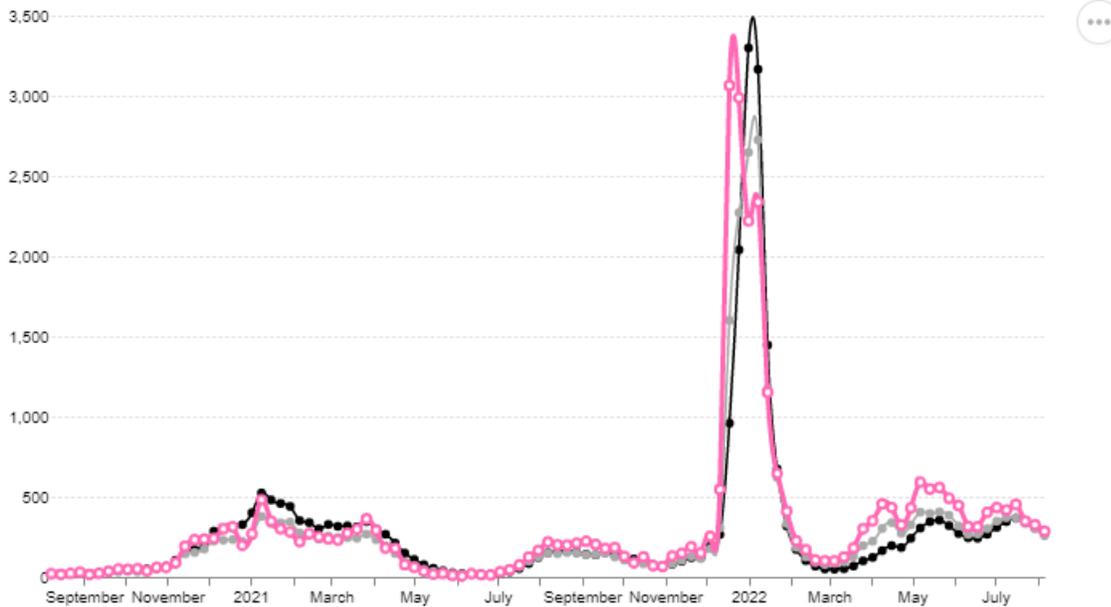
Data taken on **8/12/22** (last data point **8/6/22**) from NYC Department of Health Covid Data page www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-data-neighborhoods.page shows and compares Case Rates for zip code 10016, Manhattan and NYC.

Trends

These charts compare data for your selected ZIP code to your borough and the city. They show whether the pandemic is getting better, getting worse or staying stable. The virus is considered controlled when neighborhoods have a high test rate, low percent positivity and low case rate.

Case rate Test rate Percent positive

Case rate (per 100,000 people) in **10016**, **Manhattan**, and **all of NYC**



NYC In-Home Vaccination Program offers Pfizer COVID-19 vaccinations to NYC residents who are homebound or who are age 65 or above. To request an in-home vaccination, fill out this form: forms.cityofnewyork.us/f/home or call 877-829-4692. Please note: Even if you received your first or second dose at a community vaccine site, you can still get any additional doses that you are eligible for at home, including booster shots.

Free COVID-19 at-home rapid tests through the federal government

Households are now able to order a third round of free COVID-19 at-home rapid tests from the federal government. You can order the tests online or by calling 1-800-232-0233. If you provide an email address when you place the order, you will receive shipping notifications. COVID-19.gov website to learn more about the tests and to order them online covid.gov/tests.

Your health insurance (including Medicare) may pay for up to 8 at-home rapid tests per month. Check with your pharmacy to find out if they are participating in this program.

At-home rapid tests are available at local New York Public Library branches, while supplies last.

Therapies

High-risk people (age 65 and immunocompromised people) are eligible for the new anti-viral pills. Take a covid test and contact your doctor as soon as possible when having symptoms or testing positive, to request a prescription, if needed. Call 311 to speak to a NYC Health & Hospitals doctor if you don't have a doctor. The anti-viral Paxlovid pill is most effective when prescribed shortly after symptoms begin, and reduces the chances a COVID illness will become severe. It is prescribed as three pills taken twice a day for five days. Molnupiravir is taken as four pills twice a day for five days. The pills are available for high-risk adults and must be taken soon after symptoms appear. The Federal government is making these therapies more widely available.

The FDA ruled that a monoclonal antibody treatment, Bebtelovimab, remains approved in areas where Omicron and its variants are dominant, and is rated as effective against BA.2.

Free Hotline for those who test positive for COVID-19, but don't have a health care provider

The Hotline, 888-TREAT-NY (888-873-2869) utilizes the Virtual ExpressCare platform operated by NYC Health + Hospitals. It is available 24-hours per day, seven days a week and operated by experienced Health + Hospitals professionals who have the clinical training to prescribe treatment and referrals if needed.

More details about covid-19 are at the bottom of this newsletter.

Monkeypox

Monkeypox updates are available on the NYC Department of Health website www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/health-topics/monkeypox.page.

As vaccinations become available, eligible people can schedule appointments at vax4nyc.nyc.gov/patient/s/monkeypox. People can also sign up for alerts on vaccination appointments by texting "MONKEYPOX" to 692-692.

State Senator Brad Hoylman has offered to help if you are having difficulty securing a monkeypox vaccine; contact his office at 212-633-8052 or hoylman@nysenate.gov.

Polio

Update on polio in NYC

Email from Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine, August 12, 2022

Today, the New York City and State Departments of Health announced that poliovirus has been detected in wastewater samples in New York City, suggesting local transmission.

Most adults in NYC were vaccinated against polio as children, and do not need to get tested or be vaccinated at this time. The vaccine is 99% effective against paralytic polio (with 3 doses).

It is urgent that everyone who is not vaccinated for polio—especially children—get vaccinated immediately. Adults who have not received all three polio vaccines should also finish their vaccine series, regardless of how long it's been since their last vaccine. The easiest way to do this is through your regular doctor or pediatrician. If you do not have a doctor, or they do not have a supply of polio vaccine, call 311. You will be connected to a provider in our public hospital system, regardless of insurance, immigration status, or ability to pay. For more information visit the [CDC Polio Vaccination page](#).

People who have polio can spread it to others through their feces on hands or objects. It is important to wash your hands frequently, especially after using the bathroom or changing diapers.

New York State health officials urge unvaccinated New Yorkers to get vaccinated now. [Press release](#), August 12, 2022.

open enrollment extended

Get Covered NYC (New York City's healthcare marketplace)

Enroll on the 15th to get coverage starting on the 1st of the following month. Need health coverage? Join GetCoveredNYC to learn more about how you can enroll in a plan that fits your budget! GetCoveredNYC helps New Yorkers in the five boroughs enroll in health insurance, including low- or no-cost options, under the Affordable Care Act (also known as Obamacare). You may be eligible for free health insurance coverage! You can call 311 or text CoveredNYC (SeguroNYC en Español) to 877877 to be connected to a GetCoveredNYC Specialist. Enrollment page www1.nyc.gov/site/mayorspeu/resources/getcovered-open-enrollment.page.

For businesses, nonprofits & buildings

ongoing, next Manhattan sessions:

[August 17 2 - 3:30pm](#) (Industry meeting)

[September 6 2 - 3:30pm](#) (live Q&A session)

Department of Buildings hosts live bi-weekly Q&A session and industry meetings (Manhattan)

Live Q&A Sessions - Bi-weekly online Q&A Session for property owners, registered design professionals, filing representatives and other licensees/registrants provides a space for attendees to ask job specific questions for filings in DOB NOW, the Buildings Information System (BIS), or general questions about permits, Construction Codes, Zoning Regulations, sign offs, certificates of occupancy, place of assembly, equipment installations, violations and civil penalties, etc.

Monthly Industry Meetings – a monthly online, borough-specific industry session for registered design professionals to discuss policy and business process questions that are not job specific. The meetings will also include a review of recent updates and policy decisions. See the above link for the schedule.

Learn more, register and see the schedule of upcoming sessions at

www1.nyc.gov/site/buildings/dob/upcoming-events.page.

Tuesdays 4 - 7:00pm

[Buildings After Hours](#)

Department of Buildings offices will be open every Tuesday evening from 4 – 7pm for homeowners, tenants, small business owners, and building managers. During this time, homeowners, tenants, small business owners and building managers are encouraged to visit their local borough office where DOB staff can answer questions and provide needed information. Please continue to use [DOB NOW](#) and [eFiling](#) for all applicable online services. DOB Manhattan office is at 280 Broadway. No appointment needed. Learn more.

August 18 1pm

(virtual) Email Marketing Strategies to Propel Your Business Growth

Expert presenter Patty Ross will show you the fundamentals and the advanced techniques of email marketing that will help propel your email efforts into a positive return on investment. In this webinar, you will learn: The 5 C's of email marketing, What to look for when choosing an email platform for your business, How to use a content calendar to plan your email campaigns. Presented by SCORE, free training for small business owners). [Register for the webinar](#). Learn more about SCORE at score.org.

August 19 10 – 11am

(virtual) NYS MWBE [Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise] Certification Made Easy

(free) The Greater New York Chamber of Commerce invites you to a webinar to learn about the benefits of being NYS MWBE Certified. You'll find out about the new, decentralized application review process, the different types of MWBE applications, and how to avoid the most common application mistakes. Register at chamber.nyc/event_register.php?event=1108.

Applications are open for Holiday Shops at Bryant Park

Local artisan goods and gifts curated by Urbanspace...The Holiday Shops at Bank of America Winter Village is one of the top seasonal markets in the country...Urbanspace is currently accepting applications for the 2022-2023 season. Apply at form.jotform.com/220945370198158. Learn more urbanspacenyc.com.

September 16 (next deadline)

Manhattan Chamber's Small Business Digital Shopping Guides

The Manhattan Chamber of Commerce Foundation, with support from Wells Fargo, is announcing an initiative to help businesses reach out to a larger group of potential customers. Local businesses can submit information about a discount offer or special product they want highlighted in one of Manhattan Chamber's Small Business Digital Shopping Guides. Sign up for this free offer. mailchi.mp/manhattanccevents-33280?e=b6bb400906. Below are the five guidebooks to be distributed in 2022 and the deadlines to submit your information:

Hispanic Heritage Month (September): Highlight Latinx-owned businesses in New York City. Deadline for submission: **September 16**.

Small Business Saturday/Holiday Guide (November): Highlight small businesses located throughout New York City with a special section to showcase legacy businesses that have been here for 50 years or more. Deadline for submission: **November 4**.

September 12 (application deadline)

Hurricane Ida Supplemental Funding Program, NYC Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations

Were you impacted by Post Tropical Storm Ida? We may be able to help!

- If you own a 1-4 family home that was uninhabitable because of damage from Ida; and
 - You applied for FEMA or were not eligible for FEMA assistance because you are a landlord; and
 - Have either been denied or received less than the amount needed to complete repairs that would make the home habitable, then
 - You may be eligible for assistance up to \$72,000* to cover the cost of the repairs to make the home habitable** and for mitigation measures to protect against future damage.
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*Subject to program policy guidelines.

**Program habitability is defined as having functioning heat, hot water, electricity, and gas (where applicable) with at least one running tap with potable water and one functioning toilet.

For more information, please contact the NYC Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations

Phone: 212-615-8329

Email: IdaAssist@recovery.nyc.gov

If your business is facing a real-time emergency, you may contact Small Business Services (SBS) by calling 311 or 212-618-8810. To connect with the SBS Emergency Response Unit & Intergovernmental Services, please e-mail ERU@sbs.nyc.gov

Ongoing

Webinars for businesses

The NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS) is hosting several free webinars providing information and resources for NYC small businesses. Schedule of upcoming webinars [eventbrite.com/o/nyc-department-of-small-business-services-5423713077](https://www.eventbrite.com/o/nyc-department-of-small-business-services-5423713077). You can also view recorded webinars on-demand. Additional free webinars are available through SCORE, a U.S. Small Business Administration affiliate. Learn more about the [schedule and how to register](#).

SCORE blog [How to Make the Most of Independent Retailer Month](#) (July)

Training Webinar Overdose Prevention and Naloxone

The presence of fentanyl in NYC's drug supply has dramatically increased the number of overdose deaths, and the webinar helped instruct NYC nightlife venue owners and workers on what steps they can take to prevent an opioid overdose and save a life. Participants were urged to become Certified Opioid Overdose Responders and receive an Overdose Rescue Kit with naloxone - a medication that can save someone's life by reversing the effects of an opioid overdose. Presented by The Office of Nightlife and the NYC Department of Health. Watch the virtual Nightlife Training Webinar on YouTube [youtube.com/watch?v=TQnu8UyLivA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQnu8UyLivA).

Job opportunities

August 19 5pm (application deadline)

Historic District Council: Preservation Advocacy & Community Outreach Manager

(full-time) HDC is seeking a qualified individual to maintain and further develop HDC's neighborhood-based historic preservation advocacy programs, represent HDC to both the general public and our neighborhood partners, and manage HDC's regular review of applications affecting historic buildings at public hearings of city agencies. Requirements are 5+ years of relevant experience, knowledge of New York City, experience in community organizing, and strong writing and communication skills. Learn more and apply at hdc.org/open-positions.

August 25 (application deadline)

The New York Public Library is now recruiting for the Library's 2022–23 Teen Reading Ambassadors program!

Students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades enrolled in a New York City high school for 2022–23 are invited to apply for this paid position providing homework help and activities in our after-school programs, writing and producing a magazine for kids, and more. Being a Teen Reading Ambassador is a great addition to resumes or college applications! Learn more and apply at nypl.org/remote-learning-resources/teen-reading-ambassadors. This is a paid position.

Upcoming events



IMPORTANT ELECTION NOW IN PROGRESS!

Election dates—learn about the candidates and vote!

The primary elections are when voters choose who will be the candidates for their party in the General Election. Many offices are highly contested in the primaries this year. Help your party win by choosing good candidates in the Primary Election.

NOTE: Voters must be registered with a party to vote to nominate that party's candidate in a Primary Election (the deadline was February 14 to change party affiliation for the upcoming Primary Election). Use the *Voter Registration Form* to indicate your party when you register to vote, if you would like to

change your party affiliation or to change your address. We recommend using the online forms where possible. Election rules are set by the State.

New York City Board of Elections website vote.nyc, email vote@boe.nyc.ny.us.

New York State Board of Elections website elections.ny.gov

Check your voter registration status at vote.nyc/page/am-i-registered or call 1-866-868-3692. It is a best practice to check your voter registration status before every election. This will also show you your District numbers and poll site information for early and election day voting.

Register to vote (Voter Registration Form) at vote.nyc/page/register-vote

Request an Absentee Ballot if you will be on vacation, out of town, unable to get to the polls, or wish to avoid crowds during August voting days: vote.nyc/page/absentee-voting-0. A new New York State law states that if you have requested an Absentee Ballot, you cannot vote at a polling site machine; you can vote by affidavit at your polling site, and can drop off an Absentee Ballot at any polling site in your county. Request will now be applied to the November election.

Political calendar from the state Board of Elections

elections.ny.gov/NYSBOE/law/2022PoliticalCalendar.pdf

NY State BOE Voting Deadlines calendar elections.ny.gov/VotingDeadlines.html.

[NYC Board of Elections List of candidates](#), August 23 primary election

August 13 – 21

Early voting – Primary Election #2 – IMPORTANT

ELECTION! Offices on the ballot (depending on the District): U.S. House of Representatives, New York State Senate.

Find your early voting poll site at findmypollsite.vote.nyc.

August 23

Primary Election #2 – Election Day

Deadline to postmark your Absentee Ballot or return the ballot in person.

October 14

Deadline for voter registration for General Election

October 18

Deadline for change of address for General Election

October 24

Deadline to request Absentee Ballot

October 29 - November 6

Early Voting

November 8

General Election

Not complete, but you can use the link below to generate a sample ballot and it has some useful information and links for the candidates. You'll have to enter your address and party affiliation:

who's on your ballot?

Meet the candidates in 3 steps

- 1 Visit nycvotes.org/candidates
- 2 Input your address
- 3 See who's running

NYC VOTES

Three ballot proposals will be on the ballot for the General Election

The NYC Racial Justice Commission has placed three non-partisan ballot proposals on the 11/8/22 General Election ballot:

- Proposal #1: [Add a Statement of Values to Guide Government](#)
- Proposal #2: [Establish a Racial Equity Office, Plan, and Commission](#)
- Proposal #3: [Measure the True Cost of Living](#)

Summer at the Library

The New York Public Library this summer offers free events and programs for all ages, book giveaways, the all-new Make Waves program for kids and teens, reading recommendations, and much more! Learn more at nypl.org/summer/2022. The Library is giving away 500,000 free books for kids and teens at branches this summer! Drop by your local branch and pick up new books to take home for kids and teens—there will also be programs and events where they'll be giving away books for adults.

Saturday & Sunday, noon-1:30pm (through August)

Camp Kids

Fun, interactive summer destination for kids! Fun filled afternoons with music, magic, puppet shows, and science projects. Bonus? Arts & crafts between every Camp Kids show! Learn more at bryantpark.org/activities/camp-kids.

on the Upper Terrace in Bryant Park (behind the New York Public Library)
between 40th & 42nd Street and between 5th & 6th Avenue

through August 23 (Mondays and Tuesdays) 10 - 11am

(in person) Le Carrousel Extravaganza

(free and family friendly) Free shows and activities for kids! Le Carrousel Extravaganza is a mix of discovering scientific marvels, singing and hopping along, trickery and magic, and puppet shows with tales and fables! Learn more at bryantpark.org/activities/le-carrousel-extravaganza.

at Bryant Park Le Carrousel

(on 40th Street side, between 5th & 6th Avenue, behind the Library)

through August 15

[Bryant Park Movie Nights](#)

The lawn and food and drink concessions open 5pm; film begins at 8pm. Bring a blanket (or purchase one at the Bryant Park Shop) and sit on the lawn to enjoy food, friends, and a feature film. Movie Nights are presented by Paramount+ with support from Vulture. Expect large crowds and get there early. Movie schedule:

August 15 *The Godfather Part II*, starring Al Pacino and directed by Francis Ford Coppola
at Bryant Park
(between 40th & 42nd Street and between 5th & 6th Avenue, behind the New York Public Library)

August 16 (tickets go on sale)

NYC Broadway Week - September 6 – 25

2-for-1 tickets go on sale August 16. Browse the shows at nycgo.com/broadway-week-presale.



Photograph of *Landscape and Memory*: Shaye Weaver/[Time Out New York](https://www.timeout.com/new-york)

open now

Exhibit at Madison Square Park: *Landscape and Memory*

Once upon a time in New York City, rivers and streams ran through the island of Manhattan, bringing fresh water and life to its inhabitants. Artist Cristina Iglesias' *Landscape and Memory* places five bronze sculptural pools, gently flowing with water arriving in different sequences, into the park's Oval Lawn, harkening back to when the Cedar Creek—now buried underground—coursed across the land where the park stands today. [Learn more about the exhibit](#). Lunchtime tours of the exhibit madisonsquarepark.org/community/calendar/event/landscape-and-memory-lunchtime-tour. While at the park, check out the *Admiral David Glasgow Farragut Monument* at the north end. Farragut was a Murray Hill resident at [113 East 36th Street](https://www.google.com/maps/place/113+East+36th+Street,+New+York,+NY+10017).

at Madison Square Park, Oval Lawn

(between Fifth & Madison Avenue, and between 23rd & 26th Street)

August 16 5:30 – 7pm

(virtual) NY State of Health Information Session

Stana Nakhle, a Regional Director for the Small Business Marketplace of the New York State of Health (NYSoH) where people can enroll in a medical insurance plan, focuses on Open Enrollment, the American Rescue Plan, and how to get affordable, quality health coverage through the Marketplace. Register at nypl.org/events/programs/2022/08/16/ny-state-health-information-session. Hosted by the New York Public Library Stavros Niarchos Foundation Library Business Center.

Pershing Square Sounds: Summer 2022 Performances

at Pershing Square Plaza West
Park Avenue (between 42nd Street and 41st Street)

Tuesdays & Thursdays

August 16 12 - 1:30pm, Joe Tranchina Trio, Jazz, Bebop

August 25 4:30 - 6pm, CC and the Boys, Country

August 30 12 - 1:30pm, Ron Jackson Trio, Seven String Jazz Guit

Presented by Grand Central Partnership. [View the full schedule](#).

NOTE: There are public chairs, tables and benches and restaurant seating in the plaza, but seating is limited.

(beat the heat at a NYC Cooling Center!)

August 17 6 - 8pm

Let's Play Bridge (at the NYPL)

Join with your bridge partner, or they will try to match you with someone to play as a pair. If you would like to learn how to play bridge, they can offer some instruction, and you can observe others. Patrons are strongly encouraged to wear a mask at NYPL in-person events. Assistive listening devices and/or hearing loops are available at the venue. You can request a free ASL (American Sign Language) interpretation or CART (Communication Access Real-Time Translation) captioning service by emailing your request at least two weeks in advance of the event: email accessibility@nypl.org. This venue is fully accessible to wheelchairs. Learn more at nypl.org/events/programs/2022/08/17/clone-lets-play-bridge.

at Stavros Niarchos Foundation Library

Third floor in Room 304

455 Fifth Avenue (at 40th Street)

August 17, 24 10 - 10:45am

(in person) New AKC Museum of the Dog children's program: Stuffy Storytime

Storytime program on Wednesday mornings before opening at the Museum. For children 2-8 years old with an adult learning partner, participants are encouraged to bring their favorite stuffed dog with them to join in the fun. The program includes listening to a story that highlights a particular breed, visiting the galleries to find artworks showcasing the same breed, and completing a dog-themed craft project.

August 17 *Sheep Dog and Sheep Sheep* by Eric Barclay

August 24 *Best in Show* by Karen LeFrak and Andrew Day

This program is included with general admission and free for Members. Book your tickets at museumofthedog.org/plan-your-visit.

at AKC Museum of the Dog
101 Park Avenue (40th Street)
212-696-8358
museumofthedog.org

In August 12:30 – 1:30pm

[Broadway in Bryant Park](#)

The most popular shows on and off Broadway perform their biggest hits in the park. Join hundreds of fans on the lawn and enjoy favorite Broadway tunes for lunchtime performances in August.

August 18 106.7 LITE FM Host: Helen Little: Pre-show: "1776", "Mr. Saturday Night", "Wicked", "Funny Girl", "Come From Away"

August 25 106.7 LITE FM Host: Rich Kaminski: Pre-show: Special Performance by Taiwan Tourism Bureau, "Six", "Beetlejuice", "A Strange Loop", "Moulin Rouge! The Musical"

at Bryant Park lawn
Between 40th & 42nd Street and between 5th & 6th Avenue (behind the Library)

August 18 6:30pm (multiple dates)

(in-person) Fiction with Varud Gupta

(free) Workshops geared to improve your writing skills. Learn to craft extremely short fictional stories, with Arlaina Tibensky. Produced in partnership with Gotham Writers. Register for the workshop at eventbrite.com/e/bryant-park-reading-room-writers-workshops-tickets-371417749487.

Additional date:

August 25 Character with Alexander Steele

[Learn more](#)

at Bryant Park Reading Room

Between 42nd and 40th Street, and between 5th and 6th Avenue (behind the Library)

through August 25 (Thursdays) 6:30 - 7:30pm

(in person, free) 5th Avenue Fitness

Searching for a new outdoor workout scene? Get active with Bryant Park's free fitness programming.

[Core Rhythm Fitness](#) presents an all-in-one workout that covers Pilates, High Intensity Interval Training, and Grounding Meditation. Participants should bring their own mat, towel, and water bottle.

Registration is not required. Learn more at bryantpark.org/activities/5th-avenue-fitness.

Classes are held on the Fifth Avenue Terrace in front of the New York Public Library on Fifth Avenue, between 40th and 42nd Street.

August 19 1 – 2pm

(virtual) Saving for Retirement: The Basics

This class will cover why you should start planning for retirement, the time value of money, and tax advantaged tools that will help you save, such as a 401k or IRA. Register at nypl.org/events/programs/2022/08/19/saving-retirement-basics. Hosted by the New York Public Library Stavros Niarchos Foundation Library Business Center.

(all performances begin at 7pm)

Bryant Park Picnic Performances

Enjoy world-class performing arts on the lawn, no tickets required—with ample seating available and free picnic blankets for audience members to borrow. Attendees may bring their own food or purchase from on-site food and beverage vendors near the Lawn.

August 19 - Asian American Arts Alliance: Rafiq Bhatia + Ian Chang

August 26 - Habibi Festival with Joe's Pub: Esraa Warda, Firas Zreik, Yacine Boularès, and AJOYO

August 29 - The Town Hall: Eighth Blackbird Celebrates John Cage

September 2 - New York City Opera: Lucia di Lammermoor

September 8 - Steinway Artists Aaron Diehl + Orrin Evans

September 9 - Programming TBA

September 16 - Accordion Festival: Heart of Afghanistan and More

September 17 - American Symphony Orchestra

See the full lineup at bryantpark.org/series/bryant-park-picnics.

at Bryant Park

(between 40th & 42nd Street and between 5th & 6th Avenue, behind the New York Public Library)

August 20 7am – 1pm

Summer Streets 2022

(in person, free and family friendly) This event takes place on Park Avenue in Manhattan between the Brooklyn Bridge and East Harlem. Everyone is invited to play, run, walk, and bike along Park Avenue and its connecting streets. NYC DOT [Department of Transportation] hosts free public art installations, performances and activities at Rest Stops along the route. Partners include lifestyle and consumer brands, city agencies, community organizations, performers and artists. Activities promote fitness, recreation, arts, culture — and fun! Free Citi Bike day passes available on August 6th with code SUMMER22. Learn more at

www1.nyc.gov/html/dot/summerstreets/html/home/home.shtml.

Park Avenue will be closed to vehicle traffic.

ongoing

NYC Department of Health Rat Academy Trainings

Community Training: This free course is open to anyone who wants to learn about rat management.

(virtual) [August 16 5 – 7pm](#)

(virtual) [August 23 5 – 7pm](#)

(virtual) [September 20 2 – 4pm](#)

Learn more at www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/rats-control-training.page.

August 15 - 22

(in person and virtual) NYC Council Redistricting Commission hearings

The commission released draft maps on July 15: The maps are available for public review online at nyc.gov/districting. To suggest a location for the Districting Commission to conduct public outreach, or to invite the Commission to attend an event and provide a presentation on the redistricting process, please email NYCRedistricting@redistricting.nyc.gov. The preliminary plan, including an interactive map, is available online at www1.nyc.gov/site/districting/maps/maps.page.

The New York City Districting Commission is charged with redistricting the fifty-one City Council districts according to the 2020 Census and other criteria mandated by the New York City Charter.

[Learn more about redistricting](#). There will be several more public hearings. Hearings are open to the public. The purpose of the hearings is for the NYC Districting Commission to hear testimony from the public concerning the initial phases of its work in drafting a new districting plan for the 51 New York City Council Districts. According to their announcement, the commission will vote on Council maps July 18, then conduct another round of hearings in August: on the 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th & 22nd, then take a final vote September 15 and submit their plan to the City Council. **Individuals wishing to submit written testimony in connection with this public hearing may do so at**

PublicTestimony@redistricting.nyc.gov. Individuals wishing to speak at any hearing will be provided up to three minutes of speaking time. you may register to speak, virtually or in-person, at bit.ly/3AeDrQt. Learn more at www1.nyc.gov/site/districting/index.page.

The Redistricting Commission has provided a tool so that you can submit your own maps and can view other submissions on their website Public Gallery (tap the DistrictR link on this page www1.nyc.gov/site/districting/public-meetings-hearings/meetings.page). [Map ID 136363 \(July 28\)](#), for example, keeps Murray Hill, Kips Bay and Turtle Bay together. When drawing your own maps, population for each district should be approximately 172,882, the borders should be “compact,” and ideally should not cross into other boroughs.

NYC Redistricting 2022 website www1.nyc.gov/site/districting/index.page.

August 16 5:30 - 9 pm

at Museum of the Moving Image, Sumner Redstone Theater, 36-01 35 Ave Astoria, Queens 11106

August 17 5:30 - 9 pm

at Lehman College (CUNY), Gillet Auditorium, 250 Bedford Park Blvd West, The Bronx 10468

August 18 5:30 - 9 pm

at Staten Island Borough Hall, 10 Richmond Terrace Rm 125

August 21 3:30 - 7 pm

at Medgar Evers College (CUNY), School of Science Health & Technology, Dining Hall, 1638 Bedford Ave, Brooklyn.11225

August 22 5:30 - 9 pm

at Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, 515 Malcolm Blvd., Harlem, Manhattan, 10037

August 19 (deadline for entries)

Contest! Teens! The New York Public Library Wants Your Writing & Art for a New Magazine

The Library invites submissions for a new magazine by and for teens. Through original writing and artwork, share who you are, what you care about, and how you're using your voice to make a difference. All pieces selected for publication will be awarded a \$100 gift card! Having your work published is also a great addition to your resume or college application. The deadline for entry is Friday, August 19. nyp.org/summer/2022/teens. **Learn more and apply at** surveymonkey.com/r/RJ37K6V.

August 19 (Submission date)

October 14 (Awards announcement)

2022 Writing Contests for students: Henry George in the 21st Century

The 2022 Henry George Writing Contests are intended to encourage students to explore the ideas advocated by Henry George and how they resonate in the 21st century. There will be two separate contests: one for college/graduate students and one for high school students. Participants are highly encouraged to explore George's most salient themes including, but not limited to: Monopolies, Free trade, Land value taxation, Social and economic inequality, Natural resources, Economic rent, Corporate welfare (i.e. city development policy, tax breaks, bailouts). It is understood and acceptable that some of the topics may be related to one another. Who is eligible to enter: current college and graduate students, high school students. Monetary prizes: The top 3 essays from each contest will be awarded monetary prizes (see below for more details) and will be considered for posting on the Henry George School of Social Science's website and related social media platforms. Learn more about the contest and how to apply at hgsss.org/2022-writing-contests.

Henry George School of Social Science
149 East 38th Street, New York, NY 10016

Phone: 212-889-8020

Fax: 212-367-0940

Email: info@hgsss.org

hgsss.org

August 23 7pm

(in person) A Literary Evening

Zohrab Center and the International Armenian Literary Alliance host an in-person literary evening to hear Armenian writers read from their short stories, novels, poetry and nonfiction. Readers include Aida Zilelian, Alan Semerdjian, Garen Torikian, Jesse Arlen, Lola Koundakjian, Nadia Owusu, Nancy Agabian, Nancy Kricorian, and Olivia Katrandjian. A wine and cheese reception will follow.

at the Armenian Diocese Guild Hall
630 2nd Avenue (at 35th Street)
(The Guild Hall is downstairs)

through August 24 (twice weekly classes)

Bryant Park yoga

The series runs from with classes at 10am Tuesday mornings on the Upper Terrace, and 6pm Wednesday evenings on the lawn. Classes are free and open to the public with pre-registration strongly suggested. Participants are required to bring their own mats. The park will be livestreaming Wednesday evening classes on its Instagram page @bryantparknyc. Learn more and register at bryantpark.org/programs/yoga.

August 25 – 31 (save the dates)

MTA Congestion Pricing hearings

Topic: The Environmental Assessment looking at the environmental impacts of congestion pricing.

Thursday, Aug. 25 5 – 8pm

Saturday, Aug. 27 10am – 1pm

Sunday, Aug. 28 1 – 4pm

Monday, Aug. 29 1- 4pm

Tuesday, Aug. 30 5 – 8pm

Wednesday, Aug. 31 10am – 1pm

MTA website on the Central Business Tolling Program (Congestion Pricing)

new.mta.info/project/CBDTP. Dates for the formal public comment period on the Environmental Assessment will be announced soon. Email: CBDTP@mtabt.org, Mail: CBD Tolling Program, 2 Broadway, 23rd Floor, New York, NY 10004, Phone: 646-252-7440, Fax: 212-504-3148 [Attn: The CBDTP Team].

August 25

Applications to run Marijuana Dispensaries open

Learn more at Office of Cannabis Management: Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensaries (CAURD) cannabis.ny.gov/caurd.



open now!

(virtual) SEE YOU SEE ME—A Youth Justice Art Show (through August 31)

Youth ages 14-17 use photography to explore concepts of identity expression and identity oppression. In a national climate where laws around individual rights are tightening, See You See Me offers personal perspectives of identity from youth rooted in the first Unitarian Universalist principle—the inherent worth and dignity of every person. This exhibition challenges viewers to connect with the deep impact of systemic oppression particularly on young, emerging identities and to consider the limitless possibilities of human potential that can be unlocked when we affirm that everyone has inherent worth and dignity. This is the 3rd annual youth justice art show presented at Gallery35. View the exhibit at gallery35nyc.com/2022/07/01/our-3rd-youth-justice-art-show. Gallery35, 24 East 35th Street (offices only), 917-566-0708, gallery35ny@gmail.com.

September 6 – 25

NYC Broadway Week

2-for-1 tickets go on sale August 16. Browse the shows at nycgo.com/broadway-week-presale.

through September 9 (Monday to Friday 11:30am - 7:30pm / Saturdays 10:30am - 1:30pm)

(in person, free) Exhibit at Instituto Cervantes: Language in the Street. 400 years of linguistic landscape.

We walk around the city talking, and without realizing it, we never stop reading. This exhibition recovers a part of the writing that was visible in the Spanish streets from 1500 to 1900. Advertisements, posters and banners formed the linguistic landscape seen everywhere in a mostly literate society. To sell, to offend, to entertain, to regulate or subvert regulation were some of the reasons that the street became text. When a community has a written culture, it always overflows the private sphere and can be seen in the public space as an expression of power and of counter-power. at Instituto Cervantes New York

211 East 49th Street (between 2nd & 3rd Avenue, enter through the landmark Amster Yard)
Tel.: 212-308-7720
nyork.cervantes.es/en

September 12 (deadline for applications)

**BAC Open applications for artists working in all performing arts disciplines:
dance, music, theater, multimedia, or any combination**

BAC Open is a two-week or four-week residency designed to support the creative process by providing artists with resources to develop ideas, projects, and collaborations. The program offers a pressure-free environment, encouraging artists to focus on their current priorities without the expectation of delivering a finished work. The residency provides 24 hours per week of studio space, up to \$4,500 in project support, documentation services, and opportunity for a public showing. Artists for the BAC Open 2023 residency periods will be selected through an open application process. Learn more and apply at baryshnikovartscenter.submittable.com/submit.

Baryshnikov Arts Center
450 West 37th Street
BACNYC.ORG

September 13 – November 1 (Tuesdays) 12:30 – 1pm

Church of the Transfiguration Midday Organ Recitals

(Suggested donation \$6)

September 13 Melissa Munoz, trumpet and Claudia Dumschat, organ. Program: *Fasch Trumpet Concerto in D, Locklair Trumpets of Light*

September 20 Claudia Dumschat. Program: Bach *Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor*, BWV 582, Harbach *The Morning Trumpet*

September 27 Forrest Eimolt. Program: Bach *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr*, BWV 662, & 663, Finnissy *Chorale Preludes*

October 4. Eddie Zheng. Program: Bach/Vivaldi *Concerto in A Minor*, BWV 593 after RV 522, Franck *Choral in A Minor*, Demessieux *Six Etudes; Notes Repetees*, Hampton *Everyone Dance from Five Dances*

October 11 Claudia Dumschat. Program: Bach/Vivaldi *Concert in C*, BWV 594 and Cohen. *Rabbi Schmuley Rides the Cyclone to Heaven*

October 18 Balint Karosi. Program: Bach *Prelude and Fugue in F Minor*, BWV 543, Kodaly *Triptyque* (NYC Premier)

October 25 John Wolfe. Buxtehude *Prealudium in E Minor*, BuxWV 142, Messiaen *Livre du Saint-Sacrement* (selections)

November 1 Claudia Dumschat. Program: Böhm *Werde Munter Variations*, Muhly *Prelude on Lasst Uns Erfreuen* and *Patterns (Very Fast Music)*

at Church of the Transfiguration / Little Church Around the Corner
1 East 29th Street
(between Madison and Fifth Avenue)

September 20 - December 15 (Tuesday and Thursday 3:45 - 5pm)

Maryel School's Spanish Immersion After-School Fall Program

Maryel School of New York is a bilingual, international, private elementary school educating children from PK3 through 5th Grade. Maryel's unique immersion program focuses on all areas of Spanish language acquisition: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Tuition includes school supplies and textbooks. (No classes: 10/11, 11/23, 11/24). For ages: 5-10. Learn more at Maryel School's Manhattan Campus: 300 East 35th Street (across from St. Vartan Park), Telephone 212-213-2097, maryelschool.org.

September 20 (deadline for applications)

Affordable apartment waiting List is now open for Henry Phipps Plaza South, Kips Bay, Manhattan

Henry Phipps Plaza South is accepting applications for the studio, one, two, three, and four-bedroom apartments for the waiting list. Interested parties can complete an application online at: waitlistcheck.com/NY3141-3915. If you have a disability and need assistance with the application process or to request a paper application, please contact Phipps Rentals at 646-388-8227. Paper applications must be mailed to 2 East 28th Street, PMB 428, New York, NY 10016, and must be postmarked by September 20, 2022. Duplicate applications will not be accepted. Qualifications will be based on Section-8 and Low-income Housing Tax credits, federal guidelines and additional selection criteria. Please note that applications will be selected via a lottery and placed on the waiting list. Applicants will be interviewed based on the future availability of vacant units.

September 21 3 – 5pm

New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG) Free Summer Legal Clinics for Advance Planning

These are free legal clinics for New Yorkers of modest means. Attendees can create any of the following documents: Health Care Proxy, Living Will regarding medical wishes, Power of Attorney, and Appointment of Agent to Control Disposition of Remains.

The September 21 legal clinic is being held in midtown Manhattan near the Rockefeller Center in the late afternoon. If you are interested in attending, please complete the following online form: survey.legal/doOF2GvvyGOF or call 212-613-6514 and leave a voicemail with your name and phone number.



Murray Hill
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

September 29 (Save the date!)

The Murray Hill Neighborhood Association Annual General Meeting

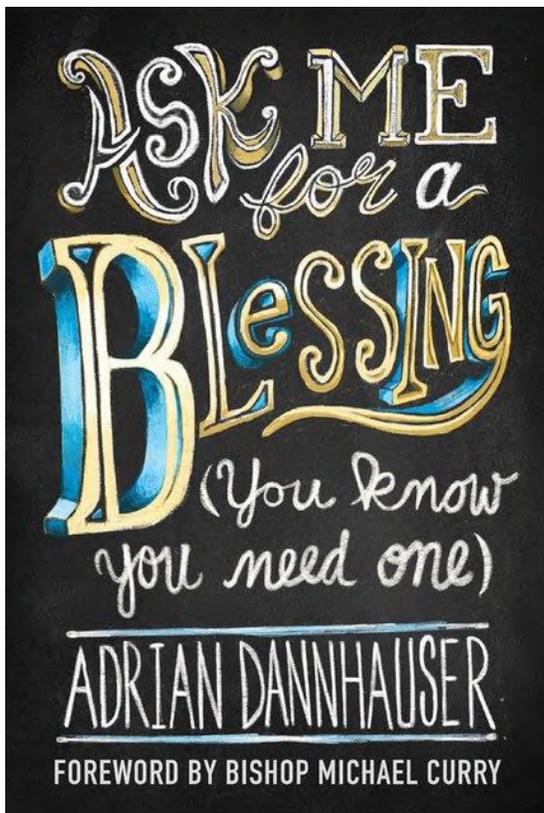
Look for more information in future emails.

October 15 (Save the date!)

The 2022 Murray Hill Neighborhood Association Street Festival

After a two year pause, we are excited to celebrate Murray Hill with our annual festival along Park Avenue. The most exciting addition to this year's Street Festival will be The Zoo on Park Avenue—colorful polygonal animal sculptures by artist Idriss B. along the Park Avenue Mall. We encourage our neighbors and all city residents to come meet the animals, take photos, and tag us on Instagram @mhnanyc!

We will also feature many of the traditional tents and activities that make our Street Festival stand out—including the book sale, bake sale, flea market, and silent auction. Please email Ashley Petrylak at info@murrayhillnyc.org if you are interested in renting space or volunteering! on Park Avenue (west side) between 34th and 40th Streets.



October 12 6:30 – 8pm

Book launch for Rev. Adrian Dannhauser's new book, *Ask Me for a Blessing*

You are invited to the launch of Rev. Adrian Dannhauser's (Church of the Incarnation) new book, *Ask Me for a Blessing*, with remarks from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, an interview with the author, book signing and refreshments. [Publishers Weekly review](#). "[A] compassionate meditation on the power of blessings. The author reflects on what she's learned about faith from her weekly practice of administering prayers to strangers on the street while standing outside her Midtown church with a sign that reads, 'Ask me for a blessing.' "

at Church of the Incarnation

209 Madison Avenue (at 35th Street)

November 1 5pm (application deadline)

Women's Fund Grants

[The NYC Women's Fund for Media, Music and Theatre](#) ("Women's Fund") - administered by the [New York Foundation for the Arts](#) (NYFA) in partnership with the City of New York [Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment](#) (MOME) – provides grants to encourage and support the creation of content that reflects the voices and perspectives of all who identify as women. \$2 million will be offered in this fourth round which launched on July 26, 2022. The application process closes on November 1 at 5pm.

The Morgan Library & Museum

225 Madison Avenue (between 36th & 37th Street)

212-685-0008

themorgan.org

Timed admissions. Proof of vaccination required for visitors age 5 and older. Purchase tickets at themorgan.org / Morgan Library members free. Fridays free from 5 – 7pm. [Reservations required](#). See the [MHNA Merchants Discount page](#) for details about discounts to Morgan Library events and membership.

The Morgan Library's redesigned garden is open

Visitors to the Morgan will be able to see the garden and exterior of the buildings.

through September 11

Writing a Chrysanthemum: The Drawings of Rick Barton

Very little is known about Rick Barton (1928–1992), who, between 1958 and 1962, created hundreds of drawings of striking originality. His subjects range from the intimacy of his room to the architecture of Mexican cathedrals, and from the gathering places of Beat-era San Francisco to the sinuous contours of plants. Drawing almost exclusively in pen or brush and ink, he captured his subjects in a web of line that was sometimes simple and economical, but more often complex and kaleidoscopic. With the exception of small displays in cafés and bookshops in the 1950s and '60s,

this exhibition of sixty drawings, two accordion-fold sketchbooks, and five printed works, is the first time Barton's art is being seen by the public. Learn more at themorgan.org/exhibitions/rick-barton.



Watercolor painting by Hughson Hawley (1850–1936), *J. Pierpont Morgan's Library (1902)*, The Morgan Library & Museum collection. *J. Pierpont Morgan's Library: Building the Bookman's Paradise* exhibit.

through September 18

J. Pierpont Morgan's Library: Building the Bookman's Paradise

In 1902, the American financier and collector J. Pierpont Morgan (1837–1913) commissioned architect Charles Follen McKim (1847–1909) of the firm McKim, Mead & White to design a freestanding library next to his home on East 36th Street in New York. With rarely seen architectural drawings, period photographs, and significant rare books and manuscripts from Morgan's collection, this exhibition traces the design, construction, and early life of J. Pierpont Morgan's Library. It honors the designers, tradesmen, artists, and builders who created the Library more than a century ago and celebrates the completion of the exterior restoration and enhancement of this landmark building, which now anchors the campus of the Morgan Library & Museum. In 1908, an unnamed correspondent from the London Times visited the completed Library and published the first public account of its lavish interiors and the splendid rare volumes held within. "The Bookman's Paradise exists," the writer announced, "and I have seen it...I have entered the most carefully, jealously guarded treasure-house in the world, and nothing in it has been hidden from me." In-person docent-led exhibition tours every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday at 12:30pm, beginning on June 21. Learn more at themorgan.org/exhibitions/bookmans-paradise.

through October 2

Please Send to Real Life: Ray Johnson Photographs

A widely connected pioneer of Pop and mail art, Ray Johnson (1927–1995) was described as "New York's most famous unknown artist." Best known for his multimedia collages, he stopped exhibiting in 1991, but his output did not diminish. In 1992–1994, he used 137 disposable cameras to create a large body of work that is coming to light only now. Staging his collages in settings near his home in Locust Valley, Long Island—parking lots, sidewalks, beaches, cemeteries—he made photographs that pull the world of everyday "real life" into his art. In his "new career as a photographer," Johnson began making collages in a new, larger format that made them more effective players in his camera tableaux. The vast archive he left behind at his death included over three thousand of the late photographs. Now, his final project makes its debut alongside earlier photo-based collages and

works of mail art: fruits of a romance with the camera that spans the four decades of the artist's career. Learn more at <https://www.themorgan.org/exhibitions/ray-johnson>.

through October 2

Exhibit: *One Hundred Years of James Joyce's Ulysses*

One Hundred Years of James Joyce's "Ulysses" explores Joyce's trajectory from lyric poet to modernist genius. It considers key figures in his career; artists and writers who responded to the novel; and the family who shaped him as a man and writer. At the exhibition's heart is Joyce's imagination as he created his masterpiece, explored in manuscripts, plans, and proofs, with major contributions from the James Joyce Collection, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York. This presentation celebrates a significant gift to the Morgan by Sean and Mary Kelly, who over several decades accumulated one of the foremost Joyce collections in private hands. Learn more at [themorgan.org/exhibitions/ulysses](https://www.themorgan.org/exhibitions/ulysses).

through October 23

Exhibit: *Dawn till Dusk: Studies of Light in Marine Sketches*

This display brings together plein air marine studies by Norwegian, French, Danish, and German artists. Rather than follow a chronological or geographic order, the works are arranged by time of day, illustrating the varying effects of light on water—from the sunlight at dawn through the scintillating glow of moonlight at dusk. Dawn till Dusk highlights works from the collection of oil sketches given jointly to the Morgan and the Metropolitan Museum of Art by Trustee Eugene V. Thaw. Learn more at [themorgan.org/exhibitions/dawn-till-dusk](https://www.themorgan.org/exhibitions/dawn-till-dusk).

through October 30

Exhibit: *Collections Spotlight*

Objects on view in J. Pierpont Morgan's library reflect the past, present, and future of building collections in four curatorial departments, comprising illuminated manuscripts from the medieval and renaissance eras, five hundred years of printed books, correspondence and literary manuscripts, as well as printed music and autograph manuscripts by composers. These selections, which rotate three times a year, provide an opportunity for Morgan curators to spotlight individual items in different ways—to consider their historical and aesthetic contexts, artistic techniques, and some of the stories behind these artifacts and their creators. The current East Room installation of Collections Spotlight focuses on examples of Morgan's major acquisitions leading up to the construction and decoration of the historic building. In the Rotunda is a special presentation, Inside the Bookman's Paradise, which features preliminary drawings and elevations by Alessandro Marcocchia, August Reuling, and H. Siddons Mowbray for the library's interiors.

through January 8

Exhibit: *Belle DaCosta Greene and the Women of the Morgan*

This exhibit explores the institution's first director and her professional correspondence, catalogued only recently, offering new insight into how Greene maneuvered in a world of books and manuscripts dominated by men. It also reveals the stories of other women who worked with Greene at the Morgan Library, including Meta Harrsen, Marguerite Duprez Lahey, Dorothy Miner, Violet Napier (née Burnie), and Ada Thurston.

Neighborhood events

IMPORTANT NOTE. Check the websites for details on admissions and covid policies.



The New York Design Center at 200 Lex

Hosts virtual events: tours, discussions, online social events, courses, and more.

200 Lexington Avenue, 212-679-9500, nydc.com. See their schedule at nydc.com/events.



AKC Museum of the Dog

museumofthedog.org, 212-696-8360. The Museum of the Dog has one of the finest collections of canine-related art. The special exhibits and permanent collection combine fine arts with cutting edge technology and interpretation. The Museum of the Dog provides unique and engaging experiences for visitors of all ages. Many programs are free with the price of admission. Check their website calendar for events. Tuesday through Sunday 10am to 5pm.

at AKC Museum of the Dog. Online activities for children at museumofthedog.org/events-and-education/childrens-programs. Online shopping museumofthedog.org/shop
101 Park Avenue (entrance on 40th Street)



Mondays 7pm

Big Apple Chorus open rehearsals (for men and women)

Free and open to the public. If you can carry a basic tune you can join New York City's longest running non-classical men's and women's a cappella singing group, a diverse group of all ages and backgrounds. Normally, open rehearsals are held almost every Monday. Their temporary rehearsal location is the National Opera Center at 330 7th Avenue (29th Street), 7th Floor, Professional Rehearsal Rooms. Normally they rehearse in Murray Hill). Please call or email first to confirm schedules and holidays. Just come and sing, no reservation necessary (but proof of Covid vaccinations is required for everyone's safety). For more information visit bigapplechorus.org. Telephone: 212 287-5250. Call or email info@bigapplechorus.org for additional information about rehearsals.



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at Henry George School of Social Science
149 East 38th Street (between Lexington & 3rd Avenue)

The Morgan Library & Museum

[The Morgan Library & Museum Calendar](#)

The Morgan Library & Museum, 225 Madison Avenue at 36th Street. MHNA members can book tickets for The Morgan's public programs (concerts, talks, films, etc.) at The Morgan's member price. This applies to all single events (except for the Orchestra of St. Luke's concerts). Tap "Member" when ordering online themorgan.org/programs, or if you are ordering by phone mention that you are a MHNA member. Call Visitor Services at 212-685-0008 for phone orders. Stop by to visit The Morgan's Shop and café. The Morgan Library's Free Friday Nights, take place from 5 to 7 pm every Friday. Enjoy exhibitions, the library, and music in the Gilbert Court. Reservations are required at themorgan.org/visit.

Community Meetings

Community Board 6 website cbsix.org. Community Board meetings are open to the public, and you can express your views and concerns about various neighborhood issues.

Community Board 5 website cb5.org/cb5m.

NY City Council Hearings

Hearings Calendar legistar.council.nyc.gov/Calendar.aspx

This week's hearings council.nyc.gov/#hearings

If you want to attend or testify at a hearing, register at council.nyc.gov/testify

View hearings council.nyc.gov/livestream

17th Precinct NYPD Community Council meetings are generally held on the last Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm (virtual and in-person at the Sutton Place Synagogue, 225 East 51st Street). No meetings are held in July, August, or December. Check their website for details at 17thprecinctcc.org.

Also look for the NYPD Build the Block (neighborhood policing) meetings.

Manhattan Borough President Borough Board Meetings. The 2022 schedule can be seen at manhattanbp.nyc.gov/about/borough-board.



The New York Public Library

Library cards are free, and enable you to take out books and e-books, attend free classes and more. Apply for a card at nypl.org/library-card. The NYPL will no longer charge late fees, and all prior late fines are cleared.

Grab & Go Service is now available at select locations. Grab & Go Locations nypl.org/locations/grab-and-go, or call Ask NYPL at 917-275-6975 to place a hold.

Tech kits for performing artists are now available through New York Public Library grab-and-go locations. Learn about the kits, which include audio- and video-recording equipment, and how to borrow one at nypl.org/research/lpa/tech-kits.

[Online events and classes](#)

[Schwarzman Building](#)

476 Fifth Avenue (42nd St and Fifth Ave)

[Calendar](#) (many events are family friendly) Check their calendar for workshops on computers and popular software such as Excel and Word, book talks, programs for kids, films, etc. Some of the Mid-Manhattan Branch programs and collections have been relocated to the Schwarzman Building. ***The Polonsky Exhibition of The New York Public Library's Treasures***, Gottesman Hall, free timed tickets available at nypl.org/spotlight/treasures. The exhibition features items from the NYPL renowned research collections. This will be a permanent exhibit with rotating items.

(now open) The [Stavros Niarchos Foundation Library \(SNFL\)](#) (formerly called the [Mid-Manhattan Library](#)) open for Grab & Go Services, browsing and computer services, and more, 455 Fifth Avenue (at 40th Street). [Calendar](#), Roof café.

The [Science, Industry and Business Library \(SIBL\)](#) has moved to the Stavros Niarchos Foundation building and is now called the **Thomas Yoseloff Business Center**. Some research materials have been relocated to the Schwarzman Building. Many free events and workshops for small businesses, individuals, children and families. [Calendar](#)

Virtual counseling

For individuals and families: The Financial Coaching Corps program supports the financial stability of individuals and families in the community. One-on-one sessions with a financial coach provide tools and skills for money management. [Learn more and sign up for a free](#)

[session with a local counselor.](#)

For businesses. Three services are always available:

Virtual Consultations with a Business Librarian. Do you have questions about your business that require research? NYPL Librarians can help and point you in the direction of the resources to help you. libcal.nypl.org/appointments/snfl-business

Job Search Coaching and Resilience Coaching. Feeling stuck and isolated? Looking for a job? Looking for a better life? NYPL coaches offer free and confidential coaching sessions to help you get unstuck and accomplish your goals – no matter how big or small. nypl.org/education/adults/career-employment/virtual

Financial, Credit, and Medicare Counseling. NYPL counselors are available to help with free and confidential sessions to answer your questions about your current financial situation, credit issues, Medicare and provide the info and guidance you need. nypl.org/help/getting-oriented/financial-literacy/counseling

And if you don't have a Library card or don't live in NYC, you can still make an appointment and NYPL Librarians will help you with your research. [Learn more.](#)

[Kips Bay Library](#) (Grab & Go service available, cooling center)

446 Third Avenue

[Calendar](#) (many events are family friendly)

[Grand Central Library](#)

135 East 46th Street (between Lexington & 3rd Avenue)

[Calendar of Events in Bryant Park](#)

Bryant Park is located between 40th-42nd Street, and between 5th & 6th Avenue, behind the Library. Performances, yoga, exercise classes, dance movement classes, Tai Chi, family friendly activities, game nights, ping pong, juggling and more. See the Bryant Park calendar for the full listing of events at bryantpark.org. Bryant Park's summer amenities are open to the public daily from 11am – 7pm: Putting & Kubb, ping pong, games, chess, art cart, petanque. at Bryant Park

(between 5th & 6th Avenue, 40th to 42nd Street, behind the Library)

[CUNY Graduate Center Calendar](#)

[Music-in-Midtown.](#) Free and open to the public, in-person programming is gradually resuming. [Free Public Events at The Gotham Center for New York History.](#) [GC Presents.](#) The Martin E. Segal Theater Center, streaming talks and performances during the pandemic on HowlRound howlround.com and Facebook facebook.com/SegalCenter.

CUNY Graduate Center

365 Fifth Avenue (between 34th and 35th Street)

Baruch College Performing Arts

Some events are free. **Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship** (events & workshops relating to business) eship@baruch.cuny.edu
55 Lexington Avenue (at 25th Street) "The Tower", Suite 2-140

New York Small Business Development Center at Baruch College (NYSBDC) provides small business owners and entrepreneurs in New York with confidential business counseling, training, and business research at no cost. New York SBDC Business Training nyssbdc.org/training/listtraining.aspx [Note: You can filter on Midtown Manhattan].

Scandinavia House

58 Park Avenue (between 37th & 38th Street), 212-779-3587, scandinaviahouse.org, info@amscan.org. Art exhibits, performances, talks, book club, childrens' activities, Smörgås Chef restaurant, shop featuring Scandinavian clothing, jewelry, housewares, books, food, and more.



Grand Central Terminal

Every day at 12:30pm (temporarily unavailable)

Official Grand Central Terminal Tour

This 75-minute tour, led by Municipal Art Society docents, highlights the history, architecture and operation of the world's largest train terminal.

MHNA members get the MAS member price

Cost: \$30 adults / \$20 MAS members, seniors and more (register online)

Meet at GCT's Main Concourse

Every Friday 12:30pm (suspended until further notice)

Walking Tour of the Grand Central Neighborhood

The Grand Central Partnership offers a no-reservations-required free walking tour that provides a survey of many architecturally and historically significant sights around Grand Central Terminal. For additional information visit grandcentralpartnership.nyc/things-to-do/tours or contact info@gcpbid.org.

Meet in the street-level atrium
at 120 Park Avenue (southwest corner of East 42nd St and Park Avenue)

Community Church of New York

Check Community Church's website for locations, services and programs ccny.org. Programs for youth ccny.org/children-and-youth.

COVID-19 useful links

Centers for Disease Control (CDC) covid webpage cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) webpage on covid vaccines fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/covid-19-vaccines

U.S. Department of State COVID-19 Travel Guidance for U.S. Citizens

travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/ea/covid-19-information1.html

If you are planning travel for the fall and winter holidays, you are urged to check your passport expiration date and renew now, if needed.

Federal resources for small businesses that are impacted by covid covid-sb.org.

New York State Department of Health Covid guidance and information
coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home.

New York City covid webpage (for individuals and businesses)
www1.nyc.gov/site/coronavirus/index.page.

New York City Department of Health (DOH) covid webpage www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-main.page

The NYC Citywide Information Portal www1.nyc.gov/site/coronavirus/resources/resources-for-new-yorkers.page and 311 portal.311.nyc.gov have created COVID-specific resource guides for New Yorkers. These resource guides contain information related to emotional well-being, rent and housing, NYCHA residents, and more.

All New Yorkers can get tested for coronavirus.

Sites run by New York State are free coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you. You can also check with your doctor, pharmacies and walk-in urgent care to find out if they do testing and if there will be charges.

NYC free testing locations: www1.nyc.gov/site/coronavirus/get-tested/covid-19-testing.page, call 212-COVID19, or text COVID TEST to 855-48.

For Murray Hill/Kips Bay

Bellevue, First Avenue at 26th Street, (free PCR tests) no appointment necessary; wait times are unpredictable. Be sure that they set up your patient portal so that you can get your results quickly. Test results come back in 1-2 days, usually in less than 24 hours.

Order Free Rapid At-Home test kits from the government at covidtests.gov.

Your medical insurance may pay for at-home rapid tests, up to 8 per month per person. Ask your pharmacist.

You can also find these weekly newsletters online in PDF (printable) format at www.murrayhillnyc.org in the News section, look for Weekly Eblasts 2022.

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or your membership has lapsed
please [join/renew](#) now

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And, don't forget to tag @MHNAnc
in your Murray Hill-inspired Instagram photos!

Visit the MHNA website murrayhillnyc.org

Contact the MHNA by email at info@murrayhillnyc.org

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