SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR 2009

City of New York Parks & Recreation

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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONER

New York City's parks offer hundreds of fun and free activities for New Yorkers and visitors of all ages. This Special Events Calendar can help you plan great activities for the whole family throughout the year, directing you to both new and returning events across the boroughs. Whether it's attending an outdoor film festival in Riverside Park, hiking the trails in Van Cortlandt Park, or attending one of the many events celebrating New York's 400th birthday, there is something for everyone. New York City has nearly 29,000 acres of spectacular open spaces, 14 miles of beaches, 54 outdoor pools, 15 nature centers and 22 historic houses. Come explore some of our wonderful attractions, and most of all, have fun! For more information, and to check out new activities that are always being added to our roster of events, please call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/parks.

See you in the parks! Adrian Benepe





APRIL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 1ST

April Fool's Party

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Le Carrousel, 40th Street Allée, Bryant Park, Manhattan Celebrate April Fool's Day with children of all ages at Bryant Park's Le Carrousel.

SATURDAY 4TH

Boardwalk Barrels of Fun

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Coney Island Riegelmann Boardwalk at West 10th Street, Brooklyn Get out your paintbrushes for this fan-

tastically fun art competition! Entries are permitted in family, youth, individual and school categories. All materials are provided. Call (718) 965-6951 to register.

Opening Day and Little League Parade 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Prospect Park, Brooklyn

Prospect Park, Brooklyn Celebrations include a Little League Parade heralding the opening of the Park's ball fields, and the re-opening after winter of the Park's historic Carousel. Call (718) 965-8999 for more information or visit www.prospectpark.org.

Easter Egg Hunt

1:30 p.m.

Historic Richmond Town, 441 Clarke Avenue, Staten Island

Bring an egg carton to decorate in high Victorian style and meet the Easter Bunny as you hunt for eggs. Recommended for children ages 3 and up. Prepaid reservations are required; \$8/child, \$3/adults. Visit www.HistoricRichmondTown.org for more information.

Annual Spring Egg Festivities (Rain Date April 5th) 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx

Hunt for filled eggs in our beautiful formal garden. Enjoy light refreshments, arts and crafts, or have your photo taken with a Spring Bunny. \$15/child, free for adults and children over 13 years. Appropriate for ages 2-12 years old. Registration requested. Visit www.bpmm.org for more information.

Spring Wash Day

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Lefferts Historic House, Prospect Park, Brooklyn

The clothes are dirty and there's no electricity! Get out the washtubs, washboard and lye soap, heat water over an open fire, and get to work. Help wash and hang our 19th-century reproduction clothing to dry. Free. Visit www.prospectpark.org for more information. Event continues through April 5th.

SATURDAY 11TH

Barnyard Easter Egg Hunt 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Queens County Farm Museum, Queens Egg hunts will be ongoing throughout the day, "Whiskers" the bunny will be hopping around the farm to greet children. Dance the "Bunny Hop," play egg toss and egg rolling games on the farmhouse lawn. Visit our farm animals and take a hayride. Admission: \$5 per person. Visit www. queensfarm.org for more information.

Karate Tournament

8:00 a.m. – Registration; 10:00 a.m. – Commencement of Competitions Al Oerter Recreation Center, Queens If you are 12yrs to 17yrs old and you are interested in participating in a free karate tournament, please join us. Call (718) 353-7853 for more information.

FRIDAY 17TH

Bones of Baisley 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Baisley Pond Park, Queens Celebrating the prehistoric mastodon whose bones were found in Baisley Pond Park in 1857.

SATURDAY 18TH

Street Games

[Raindate Sunday, 19th] 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Thomas Jefferson Park, Manhattan Street Games is a new, annual event that brings back the old school "street games" – think stickball, stoop ball, pogo sticks, and hula hoops – and introduces them to a new generation of kids. This event features demo exhibitions by a Yo-Yo whiz, double-dutch champs, stickball kings and live performances. For more information call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/parks.

APRIL EVENTS CONTINUED

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS 18-19TH & 25-26TH

Children's Carnival

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Queens County Farm Museum, Queens Join us for a carnival in the apple orchard! Carnival rides, midway games and prizes, hayrides petting zoo and children's

entertainment. Admission: \$9 per person to enter grounds; carnival rides at an additional charge. Visit www.queensfarm. org for more information.

SUNDAY 19TH

EarthFest

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The Playground For All Children, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx

Earth Fest is the largest Earth Day related celebration in the Bronx, and brings together environmental organizations, preservationists, performers, and advocates from around the region to the largest park in New York City. There is something for everyone in the family with exhibits, hands on demonstrations, performances, and much more. Call (718) 430-1890 for more information.

SATURDAY 25TH

Garden Hoe Down

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Highland Park, Queens

Cherry Tree Blossom Celebration

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens

SATURDAY 25TH

High Rock Challenge Adventure Race

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Greenbelt Trail System, Staten Island Grab a partner and challenge your body and mind on a 10-K trail run with mystery challenges along the way. For more information on the pre-registration and fee, please visit www.sigreenbelt.org.

SUNDAY 26TH

National Garden Month Festival TBD

South Plaza, Union Square Park, Manhattan Celebrate National Garden Month with the

Parks Department at this annual spring favorite. For more information, please visit www.nyc.goc/parks.

THURSDAY 30TH

Poem in Your Pocket Day 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street Side of the Park, BryantPark, Manhattan Celebrate New York City's 7th Annual Poem in Your Pocket Day with guest poets of all ages.



MAY EVENTS

Tulip Blooming Park Avenue Malls, 60th Street to 96th Street, Manhattan Over 150,000 orange tulip bulbs will bloom in celebration of the Quadricentennial Celebration.

FRIDAY 1ST

Jump Off Pop Off

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Cromwell Recreation Center, Staten Island A teen talent show; all teen acts welcome. Call (718) 816-6172 to register.

SATURDAY 2ND

Cinco De Mavo

2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. ARRÓW Recreation Center, 35-30 35 Street, Astoria, Queens Enjoy crafts, games, performances and face painting.

Earth Day Rockaway 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Rockaway Beach and Boardwalk at B. 28 Street, Queens

Rockaway's 3rd Annual Earth Day celebration on the beach includes environmental programs, arts and crafts and entertainment that is fun and informative for the whole family.

Greenbelt Carousel Opening Day 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Willowbrook Park, The Greenbelt Celebrate the Carousel's Tenth Anniversary with fun and games.

Citywide Shred Fest by the Office of Criminal Justice

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Rufus King Park & Doughboy Park, Queens

NYC residents will be able to bring 1 standard box of paper material to be shredded.

Learn to Ride a Bike

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Midland Beach Parking Lot, Father Capodanno Blvd. at Hunter Ave., Staten Island Participants learn the basics of balancing, starting, stopping, and steering a bike.

SUNDAY 3RD

Cinco de Mayo 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Festival Site, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens Live entertainment, music, game, food and fun for the entire family at this annual favorite.

Yankee Peddler Day

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Historic Richmond Town, 441 Clarke Avenue, Staten Island, NY Over 150 vendors ply their wares at the outdoor village market. Visit www.HistoricRichmondTown.org for more information.

8th Annual New York City **Irish Dance Festival**

1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan Experience Irish dance and music first hand with the Irish Arts Center at their annual celebration featuring some of best local and international traditional Irish music and performance. Fun for all ages!

Pooch Picnic

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. South Meadow at the Dog Run, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx

Come to the park to celebrate how dogs enrich our lives during National Pet Month. Bring your best friend, pack a pooch picnic and learn about responsible , pet ownership, join in canine contests, watch pet therapy demonstrations, do face painting and fun activities. Call (718) 430-1890 for more information.

SATURDAY 9TH

Amazing Bronx River Flotilla 9:00 a.m.

Shoelace Park, Bronx Join a flotilla of canoes and kayaks that will make their way down the Bronx River to celebrate its revitalization and to start the paddling season.

Amazing Bronx River Flotilla Picnic

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Hunts Point Riverside Park, Bronx Greet the flotilla and enjoy a day in the park.

Fly NY Kite Festival

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Riverside Park, Pier I at 70th Street and Hudson River, Manhattan

International design competition open to the design community—including architects, engineers, and artists—students, and children. Participants will present the event, which is part of NYC400. For more information, visit www.flyny.org.

Learn to Ride a Bike

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Midland Beach Parking Lot, Father Capodanno Blvd. at Hunter Ave., Staten Island

MAY EVENTS CONTINUED

SUNDAY 10TH

Audubon Biodiversity Walk

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Bronx Park, Bronx

Join us for a two hour walk and discussion in the Bronx River Forest, one of the oldest growth forests in New York City. Learn about the past, the present and the future of this unique resource. Contact info@nycaudubon.org for more information.

FRIDAY 15TH

Poetry Slam

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Lost Battalion Hall Recreation Center, Queens

If you are 13yrs to 17yrs old and you are interested in participating in a free poetry slam tournament, please join us. Call (718) 520-5918 for more information.

SATURDAY 16TH

Spring It's My Park! Day N2 49:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

(Start and end times vary at each park) Over 150 parks in all five boroughs Join thousands of New Yorkers in caring for and celebrating New York City parks. Participate in clean up and planting projects, enjoy free events or just get outside to enjoy your park. Visit www.ltsMyPark. org or call (212) 360-1357 for more information.

Green Apple Corps Spring Community Coastal Cleanups in conjunction with It's My Park! Day

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. **Brooklyn** - Kaiser Park Neptune Avenue & W.31st Street **Bronx**- Pugsley Creek Castle Hill Avenue & Hart Street **Manhattan**- Dyckman Fields Dyckman Street & the Hudson River **Queens**-DuBos Wildlife Sanctuary Far Rockaway, B.63rd Street & DeCosta Avenue

Staten Island -Conference House Park Hylan Boulevard & Satterlee Street Join us to help clean up the city's beaches and coastal areas. Reservations suggested. Call (212) 360-3318 for more information.

SUNDAY 17TH

Pets & Pals Party

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Alley Pond Park (76th Ave off Springfield Blvd), Queens

Join us for a free day of family and pet fun. Games, rides, craft projects, pet adoption and microchip clinic, giveaways and more. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

FarmFest

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Queens County Farm Museum, Queens Celebrate the return of spring with a visit to the farm! Sheep shearing demonstrations, Dutch crafts and cultural exhibits and spring plant sale. Hayrides, historic house and greenhouse tours, food, pony rides and petting zoo. Admission: \$3 per person. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information.

Drums Along The Hudson No. 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan This family-oriented festival includes native drumming from around the world, the only open-air powwow in Manhattan and intertribal social dances. Native food, crafts and art will be for sale. Co-sponsored by Lotus Music & Dance. For more information contact Lotus Music & Dance at (212) 627-1076.

Learn to Ride a Bike

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Willowbrook Park, Archery Field Parking Lot, Staten Island

SATURDAY 23RD

It's My Bark Day 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Rockaway Freeway Park, Queens Dog and their human friends will enjoy this day which includes pet giveaways, animal training demonstrations, adoptions with the North Shore Animal League, ASPCA spaying and neutering and pet microchipping.

SUNDAY 24TH

Pinkster

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn A memorial celebration of Pentecost in Colonial Brooklyn. Free. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.

FRIDAY 29TH

The Senior Prom 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Conference House Pavilion, Staten Island *Adult/Senior Dance. King and Queen will be announced during the festivities.*

SATURDAY 30TH

Kids Fest

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Madison Square Park, Manhattan Family fun with free music, arts and crafts, food and more! Visit www.madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

Learn to Ride- Savvy Cyclists hosted by Bike NY

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Bronx Park, Bronx A safe, easy, and efficient way to learn the basics of balancing, steering, starting and stopping a bicycle in a crash-free and low-stress environment. Bicycle and helmet will be provided. Savvy Cyclist is a free, one-day "introduction to cycling" program for adults and mature teens who want to improve their cycling skills.

SUNDAY 31ST

6th Annual Mamapalooza Outdoor Extravaganza

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan Moms rock! Celebrate all things motherhood at our annual afternoon festival featuring mom bands, performance, arts & crafts for kids, tot rock, food and other fun!



JUNE EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 3RD

Bronx River Symposium

4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Drew Gardens, Bronx Join us to learn more about what's happening along the river and talk with local students about how they're getting involved.

THURSDAY 4TH

9th Annual Read-a-Thon

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Dry Harbor Playground, Forest Park, Queens Enjoy a day of storytelling and crafts and receive a free book!

SUNDAY 6TH

Mayor's Cup Cricket Tournament 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Canarsie Park, Brooklyn *Come see the city's best cricket players*

represent their boroughs in a citywide championship. Call (718) 965-8942 for more information.

Family Day

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Crotona Park, Bronx Music, food, fun and games, arts & crafts, guest speakers. Fun for the whole family.

FRIDAY 12TH

The Rootin' Tootin' 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Westerleigh Park, Neal Dow Ave. and Maine Ave., Staten Island Square dancing for the whole family.

SATURDAY 13TH

Strawberry Festival 12:00 p.m. – 3:00p.m. Highland Park, Queens

Kinderdag!

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn Dutch Children's Day. Free. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.

Kid Acts! Performance and Fishing Party!

12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. In celebration of the Hudson River Quadricentennial, spend the day fishing with the Park Rangers, singing sea shanties with Astrograss and enjoying the cool river breezes. Welcome the night with star gazing and dancing with the Globesonic Sound System world music DJs.

Hudson River Quadricentennial Fishing Spectacular 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Riverside Park South Fishing Pier, Manhattan

Join the Urban Park Rangers in celebrating the Quadricentennial of the discovery of Henry Hudson River. There will be fun activities for all ages.

Saturday & Sunday, June 13th & 14th Big Apple Barbecue Block Party 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Madison Square Park, Manhattan A weekend of pitmasters, music and bbq seminars. Free admission. For more information visit bigapplebbq.org.

SATURDAY 20TH

The Chubby Hubby Fun Run 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Clove Lakes Park, Staten Island Family event with games, crafts, a pie eating contest, and three-legged races.

SUNDAY 21ST

Bronx Week Parade

8:00 am-7:00 pm Van Cortlandt Park E. & Mosholu Pkwy, Bronx

Join the Bronx Borough President's office with hundreds of other proud marchers as bands and floats make their way up Mosholu Parkway celebrating Bronx pride. The fun continues after the parade with food, art and music.

THURSDAY 25TH

Rock n Skate 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Rockaway Beach, B. 108th Street and Shore Front Parkway Skating Rink, Queens Free skate clinic with music, instruction and skate equipment on loan for all ages.

FRIDAY 26TH

Audubon Biodiversity Walk 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m Bronx Park, Bronx A two hour walk and discussion in the Bronx River Forest, one of the oldest growth forests in New York City. Learn about the past, the present and the future of this unique resource. Contact info@nycaudubon.org for more information.

JUNE EVENTS CONTINUED

SATURDAY 27TH

Schools Out for Summer Festival

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Bayswater Park, Queens

Celebrate the first "unofficial" day of summer, the day after schools close. Enjoy music, games, refreshments and Ranger led programs including canoeing along Norton Basin. Canoes, lifejackets and instruction will be provided. (Children eight and older must participate with an adult). Pre-registration is required; please call (718) 318-4000. Bronx River Festival 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. River Park, Bronx Come out and enjoy a beautiful day by the Bronx River. Games, canoe rides, live entertainment, food. Fun for the entire family.

Family Day 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Morris-Jumel Mansion Museum, Roger Morris Park, Manhattan *Come enjoy Roger Morris Park along with your family. Play colonial games, participate in relay races, make crafts, and enjoy the beginning of summer! Free. Visit www.morrisjumel.org for more information.*

End of School Celebration

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Maurice Park, Maurice Avenue & 54th Avenue (along the LIE service road) School's out for the summer! Celebrate with an afternoon of fun activities including games, rides, craft projects, and free giveaways.



JULY EVENTS

THURSDAY 9TH

Hamlet/Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead 8:00 p.m.

Old Stone House, Washington Park, Brooklyn

The Old Stone House presents its annual outdoor summer theatre festival with classics from William Shakespeare and Tom Stoppard by Piper Theatre Productions. This series continues through Sunday, July 12th. Visit www.theoldstonehouse.org for more information.

FRIDAY 10TH

Karaoke 6:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

SATURDAY 11TH

Citywide Beach Volleyball Tournament 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Coney Island Beach, Brooklyn Test your skills at this annual classic. Amateur beach volleyball players enter to compete in various divisions along Coney Island's historic boardwalk. Winning teams advance to the finals Sunday, July 12th.

Greenbelt Carnival and Chuck-Wagon Bar-B-Q 5:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Recreation Center, Staten Island

Bring friends and make new ones at this old-fashioned picnic featured simple games, activities—including a paper airplane contest—music and more. For more information please visit www.sigreenbelt.org.

Family Fun Day 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The Playground For All Children Pelham Bay Park, Bronx, NY

Children's performances, arts & crafts, learn to ride a bike, storytelling, special guests, and much more for the whole family at Pelham Bay Park's premiere playground. Call (718) 430-1890 for more information.

Outdoor Movie Screening

(Rain Date Saturday18th) 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Great Lawn of the Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx, NY Bring the family and friends for this one night only showing of E.T. The Extra Terrestrial. Pick up some Reese's Pieces, sit under the moonlight on the beautifully landscaped lawn of this 19th century landmark, and enjoy America's favorite alien botanist on the big screen. Call (718) 885-1461 for more information.

4th Annual NYC Main Squeeze Accordion Festival

2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Don't forget your dancing shoes for this all day festival of traditional and eclectic music fromaround the globe. Kids can get in on the act too at the Accordion Kids Corner. Browse the Accordion Flea Market and dance, dance, dance!

Tidal Paddle

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hunts Point Riverside Park, Bronx Explore the tidal flats of the Bronx River in the multifaceted South Bronx. For the general public

MONDAY 13TH

Mommy, Music & Me, Inc. presents Music Together ® 10:00 a.m. Crocheron Park (Buz O'Rourke Playground), Queens

Enjoy an 'instrument petting zoo' featuring music and movement activities for parents and children ages birth to seven years. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

TUESDAY 14TH

Talent Show

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Lt. Lia Playground, Staten Island

WEDNESDAY 15TH -SUNDAY 19TH

Macy's Fishing Contest

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Prospect Park Audubon Center, Prospect Park, Brooklyn Open to ages 15 and under, this annual event features education programs about nature, fishing instruction and chances to win prizes. All equipment is provided. Call (718) 287-3400 for more information or

FRIDAY 17TH

visit www.prospectpark.org.

Karaoke 6:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

JULY EVENTS CONTINUED

SATURDAY 18TH

Citywide Kayaking Day N2 ญ All Day

Citywide, ending at Governor's Island Part of the City of Water Weekend and NYC400, this event will feature kayaks, canoes, and other non-motorized boats paddling down the Hudson River regattastyle. The ultimate destination is Governor's Island to camp overnight.

Southern Queens Gospel Fest

3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Baisley Pond Park, Queens

SUNDAY 19TH

Colombian Independence Day Festival 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Festival Site, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens

Come out and join the celebration of Colombian Independence Day. A colorful event that brings out the flavor and energy of the Colombian Culture.

Friends of Fort Totten Parks' Family Fun Day 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Fort Totten Parade Grounds, Queens Join us for a fun after 12 p.m. of free activities including games, crafts, medical screening, pet microchipping, and more. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

WEDNESDAY 22ND

Castles Made of Sand

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Midland Beach by the Turtle Fountain, Staten Island *Castle-making and sand sculpture contests.*

THURSDAY 23RD

Dancing Under the Stars Finale

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Wallenberg Square, Forest Park, Queens

FRIDAY 24TH

Karaoke 6:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

FRIDAY 24TH - SUNDAY 26TH

31st Annual Thunderbird American Indian Mid-Summer Pow Wow

Friday: 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.; Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.; Sunday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Queens County Farm Museum, Queens New York City's oldest and largest Pow Wow will feature three days of intertribal Native American dance competitions to which the public is invited. Over 40 Indian Nations are represented at this spectacular event held in the apple orchard on the farm grounds. A large selection of quality Native American art, crafts, jewelry and foods are available. Admission: \$9 adults or \$15 for weekend pass; \$4 children 12 and under or \$5 for weekend pass. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information.

SUNDAY 26TH

Queens Symphony Orchestra 5:00 p.m.

Forest Park, Queens

Sandcastle Contest

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Rockaway Beach, B. 117th Street, Queens Kids and adults can build sandcastles on Rockaway beach during this 14th annual contest. There will be refreshments and prizes for several age categories. Bring buckets and tools. No experience necessary.

WEDNESDAY 29TH

Dancing Under the Stars Finale

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Little Bay Park roller hockey rink, Queens

Bring your dancing shoes or just a chair as we enjoy the sounds of the live band "One Night Stand". Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

FRIDAY 31ST

Plaza Theatricals Presents "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" 7:00 p.m.

Alley Pond Park (76th Ave off Springfield Blvd), Queens

Enjoy free outdoor live theater. Please bring your own chair or blanket. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.



AUGUST EVENTS

SUNDAY 2ND

Queens Symphony Orchestra 5:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

TUESDAY 4TH

National Nite Out 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Pelham Pkwy North & Wallace Ave, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx Fun and games for the whole family.

WEDNESDAY 5TH

Arts Carnival 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Crocheron Park, Buz O'Rourke Playground, Queens Join us for a free afternoon of fun in the park including arts & crafts projects, games, and other fun activities. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

FRIDAY 7TH

Karaoke 6:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

SATURDAY 8TH

Upper River Run 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Bronx Park, Bronx Canoe through Bronx River Forest, the Botanical Garden and the Bronx Zoo.

SATURDAY 8TH & SUNDAY 9TH

Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Meadow Lake, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens Treat yourself to terrific views of the races from Flushing Meadow Corona Park's Ederle Terrace, and enjoy cultural performances, demonstrations and an international selection of food.

SUNDAY 9TH

Queens Symphony Orchestra

5:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

"Squeaky Clean" Family Concert 6:30 p.m.

Alley Pond Park (76th Ave off Springfield Blvd), Queens Enjoy a free outdoor family concert featuring the band "Squeaky Clean." Please bring your own chair or blanket. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

WEDNESDAY 12TH

Rock n Skate 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. O'Donohue Park at B. 17th St. and Promenade, Queens Free skate clinic with music, instruction and skate equipment on loan for all ages.

FRIDAY 14TH

Karaoke Finale 6:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

SUNDAY 16TH

NYPD Auxiliary Band 5:00 p.m. Forest Park, Queens

SATURDAY 22ND – SUNDAY 30TH

Battle Week

Old Stone House, Washington Park, Brooklyn

Visit the Old Stone House website or call for more information about the variety of events commemorating the historic first battle of the American Revolution on August 27, 1776. Visit www.theholdstonehouse.org for more information.

THURSDAY 27TH

Slimefest

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Dugan Park, Tysens Lane and Mill Road, Staten Island *Come be part of the mess.*

SATURDAY 29TH

Arthur Ashe Kid's Day 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens Come out for this special day-long festival for kids! Activities including tennis clinics, interactive games and musical entertainment to honor tennis legend Arthur Ashe.

Adventures NYC

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Central Park, Manhattan and other parks Citywide New York City is getting adventurous! Locations in all five boroughs host free adventure activities including rock climbing, kayaking, hiking, and outdoor survival skills.



SEPTEMBER EVENTS

FRIDAY 11TH , SATURDAY 12TH, & SUNDAY 13TH

Richmond County Fair

11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Historic Richmond Town, 441 Clarke Avenue, Staten Island Join in the festivities, entertainment, fabulous food, contests, crafts, exhibits, shopping, and living history demonstrations. Visit www.RichmondCountyFair.org for more information.

SATURDAY 12TH

Back to School Festival

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Little Bay Park, Queens Summer's not over. Beat the stress of returning to school with an after12 p.m. of fun activities including ga.m.es, rides, craft projects, and free giveaways. Please call (718) 352-4793 for more information.

Tidal Paddle

9: 30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Hunts Point Riverside Park, Bronx Explore the tidal flats of the Bronx River in the multifaceted South Bronx.

SUNDAY 13TH

29th Annual Antique Motorcycle Show 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Queens County Farm Museum, Queens This show will include a display of various makes and models of motorcycles that have been out of production 10 years or more. Trophies will be awarded! Music, Farmhouse tours, hayrides petting zoo and food will provide fun for the entire family. Admission: \$5 adults; \$2 children 4 and under. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information.

Brooklyn BookFest

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Columbus Park, Brooklyn Book lovers Rejoice! Join Borough President Marty Markowitz, local authors and literary celebrities as we celebrate our love of all things literary.

7th Annual West Side County Fair N2 @ 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Park wide, Riverside Park South,

Manhattan Enjoy a little county right here in Manhat-

tan and celebrate the change of seasons with carnival rides and games, music, square dancing, a petting zoo and more! Visit the "Green Acre" environmental corner, with hands-on activities for kids about environmental awareness, green living, and animal care.

SATURDAY 19TH

American Littoral Society Beach Cleanup

TBD, Citywide Help clean up the city's beautiful beaches. For a list of cleanup sites, visit www. alsnyc.org in early September or contact the American Littoral Society at 800-449-0790 or at alsbeach@aol.com for more information.

1776 Peace Conference Celebration 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Conference House, Conference House Park, Staten Island

Colonial dancing, 18th century crafts, colonial cooking demonstration and activities for children. Donation: \$3 adults, \$2 children and seniors.

Visit www.conferencehouse.org for more information.

American Kennel Club Responsible Dog Ownership Day 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Madison Square Park, Manhattan Meet with experienced breeders, learn about pet safety and attend obedience and skill demonstrations. Visit madisonsquarepark.org for more

information.

SATURDAY 19TH & SUNDAY 20TH

27th Annual Queens County Fair

11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Queens County Farm Museum, Queens A traditional County Fair with Blue Ribbon competitions in livestock, produce, home crafts, arts and crafts and more. Enjoy the Amazing Maize Maze, pie-eating and corn-husking contests, pig racing, make-your-own-scarecrow, hayrides, petting zoo, carnival rides and midway. Visit our Bavarian Garden, Irish and German bands, craft and food vendors. Fun for the entire family! Admission: \$7 adults; \$4 children 12 and under. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information.

SUNDAY 20TH

Apple Festival

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn

Celebrate the harvest and "everything apple"! Cider pressing, kids crafts, music, storytelling and more. Free. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS CONTINUED

SUNDAY 20TH

Bronx Native American Festival

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. South Meadow Picnic Area, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx

The Bronx Native American Festival is a celebration of the indigenous cultures of all the Americas. Music, dancing, and storytelling highlight this family-oriented gathering that will be both entertaining and educational. Call (718) 430-1890 for more information.

SATURDAY 26TH

Central Park Chess 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Central Park, Manhattan

Central Park, Manhattan Take part in the largest outdoor chess tournament in the United States, attracting 500 people annually with participation from people of all ages. This rapid tournament is open to everyone.

Queens Recreation Teen Film Festival 4:00 p.m.

Queens Museum, Flushing Meadows Corona Park

If you are a teenager 13yrs to 17yrs interested in showing your documentary on a big screen or want to learn how to create one, please contact Queens Recreation at (718) 520-5918.

SUNDAY 27TH

Junta Hispana 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Festival Site, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens This festival that is geared towards children showcases the uniqueness and beauty of every Hispanic country.



OCTOBER EVENTS

SATURDAY 3RD

Pedal and Paddle the Bronx River 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Bronx River Park, Bronx Experience fall foliage on the Bronx River Greenway and Blueway. The day starts with a 12-15 mile- bike ride along the Bronx River Greenway, followed by a paddling trip down the Bronx River.

Soap Box Derby

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Westerliehg Park, Staten Island Old-fashioned soap box derby. Must have brakes.

SUNDAY 4TH

Medieval Festival – 25th Anniversary (rain date October 11th) 11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Fort Tryon Park, Manhattan The festival includes costumed performers, authentic medieval music, dance and magic as well as jugglers and jesters. The climax is a joust between four knights on horseback. Medieval Festival is co-

sponsored by Washington Heights and Inwood Development Corporation. For more information visit http://www.whidc.org/.

Falconry Extravaganza 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Central Park East Meadow, Manhattan Join the Urban Park Rangers for our annual flight of fancy. Hawks, falcons, owls, and other birds of prey will be on hand for flight demonstrations and more!

Rockaway Fall Festival 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

O'Donohue Park at B. 17th St. and the Promenade, Queens

This 2nd Annual Festival includes a pumpkin patch, costume making, pony and hay rides, entertainment and refreshments. Enjoy the beautiful fall weather with "a day at the beach."

Apple Festival

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Queens County Farm Museum, Queens A large variety of apples, apple products and freshly pressed cider will be available. The nation's largest apple cobbler will be baked on site. Enjoy cider pressing demonstrations while leaning fun apple facts at this delightful event. Vendors will have a variety of collectibles for sale, food, hayrides and free children's games will make this event fun for all ages. Free. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information.

SATURDAY 10TH

Annual Pumpkin Festival

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Carousel for All Children, Willowbrook Park, Staten Island The prettiest pumpkins prevail in our perfect pumpkin patch! Enjoy harvest time at this traditional fall festival. For more information please visit www.sigreenbelt.org.

SATURDAY 10TH & SUNDAY 11TH

Korean Harvest and Folklore Festival 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Festival Site, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens

Join thousands of New Yorkers to celebrate traditional Korean culture with authentic entertainment, food, crafts and activities.

SATURDAY 17TH

Kids Fest

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Madison Square Park, Manhattan Family fun with free music, arts & crafts, costume parade, and more! Please visit www.madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

SATURDAY 17TH

Fall Harvest Festival

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Highland Park, Jamaica Avenue & Elton Street, Queens

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society "Light the Nights"

5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Forest Park Bandshell, Queens Light the Night is an annual fundraising walk to celebrate and commemorate lives touched by cancer. Walkers will carry illuminated balloons in memory and support of loved ones.

OCTOBER EVENTS CONTINUED

Halloween Harvest Fair

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Conference House, Conference House Park, Staten Island Family event with hayrides, rides, kids' activities. Halloween costume parades.

Free. Visit www.conferencehouse.org for more information.

SUNDAY 18TH

Old Stone House Harvest Festival

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Old Stone House, Washington Park, Brooklyn

The Old Stone House presents its annual Harvest Festival in cooperation with Park Slope Parents and the Park Slope Civic Council, with pony rides, music and family fun galore, along with our weekly Farmer's Market.

Visit www.theoldstonehouse.org for more information.

Halloween Harvest in Old Brooklyn

(rain date: Sunday, October 25th) 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn

Come discover how Halloween was celebrated in colonial Brooklyn, then join in our Halloween celebration! Free. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.

SATURDAY 24TH

Marine Park Haunted Halloween Walk 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Marine Park, Brooklyn Creatures of the night make a daylight appearance in this frightfully fun walk through the park. Call (718) 965-8913 for more information.

Pumpkin Festival in Central Park TBD

Central Park, Manhattan Celebrate Halloween at this annual classic and pick up a pumpkin or two.

SUNDAY 25TH

Children's Fall Festival 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Queens County Farm Museum, Queens Halloween fun for children of all ages. Youngsters are invited to wear their costumes! Visit our haunted house, enjoy traditional games including sack races and trinkets-in-the-haystack, plus pony rides and petting zoo. Professional character look-a-likes will visit to add to the fun. Craft vendors will display and sell fall items, food, country western music and dancing will make this event fun for people of all ages. Admission: \$5 per person. The Haunted House is open from 1 – 7pm for an additional \$2. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information

THURSDAY 26TH

Kate Wollman Rink Ice Skating 8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Wollman Rink, Prospect Park, Brooklyn The only outdoor ice skating rink in Brooklyn opens on Thanksgiving Day for the winter skating season. Call (718) 287-6431 for more information or visit www.prospectpark.org.

FRIDAY 31ST

A Halloween Haunting

3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. A.R.R.O.W Field House, 35-30 35th Street, Astoria, Queens Join us for a spooktacular haunted house, face painting, pumpkin patch, music, crafts and giveaways.

Halloween Happenings

2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Owl's Head Park, Brooklyn Join the ghosts, goblins and other creepy creatures for their annual haunting of Owl's Head Park. Call (718) 238-6044 for more information.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS 3RD – 21ST

Pick-Your-Own-Pumpkin 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Queens County Farm Museum, Queens October is pumpkin month at the Farm Museum! Enjoy wandering through the planting field to find your favorite pumpkin. Price of pumpkins is based on pumpkin size. A fun farm treat for the whole family! Price based on size of Pumpkin. Visit www.queensfarm.org for more information.



NOVEMBER EVENTS

SUNDAY 1ST

ING New York City Marathon All Day

Locations Citywide

Come out and cheer for the participants of the 39th Annual New York City Marathon. The world's most elite marathoners run a course that goes through all five boroughs and ends in Central Park.

SATURDAY 7TH

Greenbelt Nature Center Turns Five Greenbelt Nature Center, Brielle and Rockland Avenues, Staten Island Celebrate this anniversary with environmentally-themed fun and games indoors and outside at this lovely park property. For more information please call (718) 351-3450.

SATURDAY 14TH

Hands-on History: Apples, Apples, Apples!

1:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. King Park, Queens Rufus King had apple orchards on his farm. Did you know that apples can be more than food? Come hear apple stories, learn what else they can be used for, and make a special apple craft to take home! Free. Visit www.kingmanor.org for more information.

SUNDAY 15TH

Commemoration of the Battle of Fort Washington 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Fort Tryon Park, Manhattan *Members of the Brigade of the American Revolution set up a campsite, demon-*

strate how the Continental Army functioned during the war, plus, Live Musket Demonstrations, Arts & Crafts for kids, and more. For updates and more detailed program information, log on to the event calendar at www.northmanhattanparks. org.



DECEMBER EVENTS

FRIDAY 4TH

Holiday Spectacular

5:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Al Oerter Recreation Center, Flushing Meadows Corona Parks, Queens Celebrate the holidays at our newest recreation center with performances, holiday crafts, face painting, music & contests.

SATURDAY 5TH

Holiday Happening

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Forest Park, Oak Ridge, Queens

St. Nicholas Day

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn

Visit New York's oldest house and greet St. Nick and his companion, Black Piet as they arrive on horseback. Adults and kids alike will enjoy Colonial music, holiday crafts, and traditional treats. Free. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.

SUNDAY 6TH

Christmas in Richmond Town

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Historic Richmond Town,

441 Clarke Avenue, Staten Island Watch as glittering ornaments are made by the tinsmith, hear young carolers present holiday songs, or listen to a lively storytelling session; tour the village, decorated in its holiday finery. Visit the Courthouse for greenery, home-baked goodies, and holiday gift items for sale. Sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary. Visit www.HistoricRichmondTown.org for more information.

TUESDAY 8TH

Mad. Sq. Holiday Tree Lighting 4:30 p.m.

Madison Square Park, Manhattan Our annual holiday celebration with music, treats and a tree-lighting countdown! Visit www.madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

FRIDAY 11TH

Kids Candle Light Tour

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn

What was life like after dark in the 17th, 18th and early 19th centuries from the children's perspective? View the oldest home in New York after the sun sets and learn how people dealt with keeping warm, sleeping tight, and not letting the bed bugs bite. Adults allowed if accompanied by a child ages 8 and up. Reservations required. \$7 for adults, \$3 for children and seniors. A second tour will be given on Saturday, December 18th. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.

SUNDAY 13TH

Colonial Christmas

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Conference House, Conference House Park, Staten Island

Father Christmas will give each child a gift. The Conference House is decorated for the holidays. Kitchen market-place for shoppers. Hot mulled cider and cookies served. Donation: \$3 adults, \$2 children and seniors. Visit www.conferencehouse. org for more information.

WEDNESDAY 31ST

New Year's Eve Fireworks and Celebrations

11:00 p.m. – 12: 30 a.m. Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn Don't miss this spectacular annual favorite complete with a fireworks show at midnight, music and entertainment. Call (718) 965-8999 for more information or visit www.prospectpark.org.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS 5TH - 19TH

Candle Light Tours

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn

What was life like after dark in the 17th, 18th and early 19th centuries? View the oldest home in New York after the sun sets and learn how people brightened their lives in the dark winter nights before electricity. Reservations required. \$7.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors. For adults only. Visit www.wyckoffassociation.org for more information.



CONCERT SERIES

Mad. Sq. Music: Oval Lawn Series 7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays, June 17th – August 5th Madison Square Park, Manhattan Evening concerts by national touring artists. Shows are appropriate for all ages. Visit madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

Mad. Sq. Music: Studio Series

3:00 p.m. except Sept. 19th at 4:00 p.m. Saturdays, September 12th – October 3rd

Madison Square Park, Manhattan Free folk, blues and Americana concerts near the Shake Shack. Visit www.madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

Piano in the Park

12:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Monday – Friday, May 11th – October 16th Upper Terrace, Bryant Park, Manhattan Some of the city's best pianists play the music of Scott Joplin, the Gershwins, James P. Johnson, Fats Waller, Eubie Blake, Jelly Roll Morton, and more under the trees on the park's custom made piano.

Martin Luther King Junior Concert Series 7:30 p.m.

Mondays, July & August Wingate Park, Brooklyn Call (718) 469-1912 for more information.

Seaside Summer Concert Series 7:30 p.m.

Thursdays, July & August Asser Levy Park, Brooklyn Call (718) 469-1912 for more information.

Scandia Symphony Concert Series 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sundays, June 7th, 14th, & 21st Fort Tryon Park, Manhattan Enjoy the works of Scandinavian composers as interpreted by The New York Scandia Symphony and guest artists. For updates and more detailed program information, log on to the events calendar at www.northmanhattanparks.org.

Good Morning America Summer Concert Series

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Fridays, May 22nd – August 21st Upper Terrace, Lawn, Bryant Park, Manhattan

Live ABC broadcasts of performances by America's hottest acts.

Broadway in Bryant Park

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Thursdays, July 9th – August 13th Fountain Terrace, Lawn, Bryant Park, Manhattan The most popular shows on and off Broadway perform their biggest hits.

Central Park Summerstage June – August

Rumsey Playfield, 72nd Street, midpark, Central Park, Manhattan For more information, call visit www.CityParksFoundation.org or call (212) 360-2777.

City Parks Foundation Concerts

7:00 p.m. July – August For more information please visit www. CityParksFoundation.org or call (718) 760-6999.

Crotona Park Jams

6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. Thursdays, July 9th - 30th Crotona Park, Bronx Old School Hip Hop concerts.

St. Mary's Park Jams

6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Thursdays, June 4th – 25th St. Mary's Park, Bronx

Acoustic Sundays

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Sundays, July 12th – August 16th Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Enjoy spectacular sunsets over the Hudson as you listen to some of New York's best jazz, R&B, and world music.



CULTURAL EVENTS

Shakespeare in the Park

8:00 p.m. Delacorte Theater, Central Park, Manhattan **Twelfth Night:** June 9th – July 12th **The Bacchae:** September 16th – September 28th *For more information please visit*

www.publictheater.org.

CityParks Theater & CityParks Dance July & August

Various Locations Top dance and theater companies perform in local parks across the City providing free dance lesson and theater workshops for teens. For more information visit www.CityParksFoundation.org or call (212) 360-8290.

Movie Night

8:00 p.m. Tuesdays, August 18th – September 1st Little Bay Park, Queens *Come out and take in some great movies under the stars.*

HBO/Bryant Park Summer Film Festival Sunset

Mondays, June 15th – August 17th Fountain Terrace, Lawn, Bryant Park, Manhattan Don't miss these classic films (released prior to 1979) under the stars on the big screen.

The Amazing Maize Maze sponsored by Con Edison

11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays, September 19th – November 1st Queens County Farm Museum, Queens Enjoy getting lost in our 3 acre interactive corn maze. To add to the adventure join us for Maze By Moonlight on Saturday October 10th and 17th when the maze will be open until 9:00 p.m. Then join us for the fun of getting lost and loving it! Admission: \$8 adults; \$5 children 4-11; free children under 3. Visit www.queensfarm. org for more information.

Dancing Under the Stars 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, June 3rd - July 29th Little Bay Park, Roller Hockey Rink, Queens

Bring your dancing shoes and join us for free dance lessons, music, dancing, and fun. Made possible with funding provided by Council Member Tony Avella.

Dancing Under the Stars

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, June 11th – July 16th Dry Harbor Playground, Queens Bring your dancing shoes and join us for free dance lessons, music, dancing, and fun.

Mad. Sq. Kids

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 9th – August 13th Madison Square Park, Manhattan Child friendly performers engage their audience with live music and storytelling on the Oval Lawn. Visit www.madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

"PeterPan & Adventures in Neverland" 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. through December 31st

Swedish Cottage Marionette Theatre, Central Park, Manhattan

City Parks Foundation proudly presents "Peter Pan & Adventures in Never Land," a new musical marionette production. Visit www.cityparksfoundation.org for more information.

10th Annual Inwood Shakespeare Festival: The Season of Flesh & Blood 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday - Saturday, June 3rd - 6th, 10th - 13th, 17th - 20th

Peninsula, Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan Twelve free performances of a Shakespeare favorite - The Merchant of Venice. Music by Luke St. Francis and directed by Ted Minos. For more information, call (212) 567 -5255 or visit www.inwoodshakespearefestival.com

Let's Dance

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Sundays, June 7th – 28th 70th Street Plaza, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Learn to Dance like a pro at these sunset salsa, swing and hustle lessons.

Movies Under the Stars

8:30 p.m. or dusk Wednesdays, July 8th - August 12th Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Pack a picnic, bring a friend and settle in for a night of premier Hollywood movies on the banks of the Hudson River. This year's theme Henry Hudson!

ONGOING EVENTS

CULTURAL EVENTS CONTINUED

Children's Performance Series

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, July 9th – August 13th Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. *Music, storytelling & theater for young audiences. Suitable for kids up to age 7.*

Site Specific Sundays

3:00 p.m Sundays, July 12th, 19th, 26th Red Shade Plaza @ 64th St, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Expect some unexpected art in the park happenings with these outdoor dance events made especially for the park.

Kid Acts!

Lawn games, music and more! No and solution of the second second

Sundays, July 19th - Aug 16th Locomotive Lawn, Riverside Park South, Manhattan.

In celebration of the Quadricentennial of the Hudson River, come out and play some old skool games such as hoops, sticks, lawn bowling and more!

Globesonic Sound System Dance Party 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Fridays, July 17th, August 14th, September 11th Pier I, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. *Join hundreds of others who come to dance the night away at our openair summer dance parties with the*

GlobeSonic Sound System DJs.



SPORTS & EDUCATION

Urban Park Ranger Programs

Alley Pond Park Adventure Sundays, April – November Alley Pond Park, Queens Don't miss out on this unique, teambuilding experience!

Family Camping

Friday – Saturday, July & August Camp under the stars with the Rangers for an unforgettable night. For information on all Ranger programs, call 311 and ask for the Urban Park Rangers, or visit www.nyc.gov/parks/rangers.

Afterschool Program September – June

Citvwide

Parks offers afterschool programs citywide to promote cultural recreation, and academic enrichment for children ages 6-13. Call 3-1-1 or visit www.nyc.gov/ parks for more information.

Derek Jeter Turn 2 Baseball Clinics Saturdays

Locations Citywide Six weeks of free baseball clinics at locations in all five boroughs for children ages 8-13. Participants will receive instruction in batting, fielding and base running from experienced coaches. Call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/parks for more information.

CityParks SeniorsFitness Citywide

Free program offering tennis lessons, yoga instruction and firness walking for New Yorkers ages 60 and over. Includes free equipment. All activities take place twice a week at each location. For more information or to register, call (718) 699-6999 or visit www.CityParksFoundation.org.

CityParks Sports June – August

City Parks Foundation offers free instruction in golf, tennis and track & field to over 10,000 New York City youth (ages 5-16) in more than 50 parks across the city. Expert instruction and free use of equipment is available at all sessions for kids of all ability levels. The program offers end-of-season tournaments and advanced academies as they develop in each sport. To sign up or to learn more, visit www.CityParksFoundation.org or call (718) 760-6999.

Yoga in the Park 9:00 a.m.

Saturdays, May 30th - June 27th Little Bay Park, Roller Hockey Rink, Queens

An instructor will lead us through hatha yoga exercises in a peaceful outdoor setting overlooking the Long Island Sound. Please bring your own mat.

Mad. Sq. Reads

Thursdays, June 11th - August 6th 6:30 p.m.

Madison Square Park, Manhattan Evening readings by notable authors themed around New York life and history. Visit www.madisonsquarepark.org for more information.

Soccer Tots & Pee Wee Basketball

ball lessons for the under 5 set.

Wednesdays, July 8 – August 12 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 71st Street Soccer Field, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Bring out your child's inner athlete at these introduction to soccer and basket-

Kayaking on the Hudson

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays, May 16th – October 11th 71st Street Soccer Field, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. Join the Downtown Boathouse for 20-min-

ute instructional paddles, and explore the Hudson River first hand. Please wear a bathing suit or shorts and a t-shirt, and know how to swim.

Yoga - Evening Salute to the Sun 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 3rd -September 23rd 66th Street Plaza, Riverside Park South, Manhattan.

End your day with relaxing Hatha yoga in a beautiful sunset setting. Suitable for all fitness levels. Please wear loose, comfortable clothing and bring your own mat.

Pilates - Mat Class

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m Tuesdays, June 16th – August 25th 66th Street Plaza, Riverside Park South, Manhattan. This total body workout is a great way to develop superior core muscle power and tone, all with a beautiful view of the

Hudson. Please wear loose, comfortable clothing and bring your own mat.

Basketball Clinic

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Mondays & Wednesdays, July 6th - August 15th Highland Park, Jamaica Avenue & Elton Street, Queens

ONGOING EVENTS

SPORTS & EDUCATION CONTINUED

Basketball Clinic

10:00 A.M. – 12:00p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 6th - August 15th Dry Harbor Playground, Forest Park , Myrtle Avenue & 79th Place, Queens

Skateboard Clinic

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 6th - August 15th Forest Park / Skate Park, Woodhaven Blvd & Forest Park Drive, Queens

Karate Clinic

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 6th - August 15th Forest Park / Oak Ridge, Queens

Word for Word Author

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Wednesdays, May 14th – August 19th Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street, Manhattan The country's most celebrated authors speak about recent works and their experiences as writers.

Word for Word Financial

7:45a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Thursdays, June 11th, July 9th, August 13th Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street, Manhattan Breakfast panels on financial topics ranging from retirement fund management to how to better budget your monies.

Word for Word Poetry

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tuesdays, May 19th , June 2nd – August 18th Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street side of the park Emerging and award-winning poets share their latest works.

Word for Word Writers

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Thursdays, July 9th – August 13th Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street, Manhattan Learn to write from expert instructors.

Word for Word Kids

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturdays, June 20th – 27th, July 11th – August 15th Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street, Manhattan Favorite children's book characters and stories come alive with author visits and special events geared for kids of all ages.

Word for Word Storytime

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, July 7th – July 28th Bryant Park Reading Room, 42nd Street, Manhattan Flaubert Frog hosts storytellers from The New York Public Library.

Pétanque Tournaments

10:00am – 4:00pm Various weekends throughout the summer

Lawn, Bryant Park, Manhattan Regional, national, and international tournaments hosted by La Boule New Yorkaise, the park's resident pétanque club.

Flaubert Frog

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Saturdays, June 20th – August 15th Le Carrousel, Bryant Park, Manhattan Sing along, play "Flaubert Says", Hop-Potato, Freeze-Dance, and listen to stories told by the park's resident frog.

Bryant Park Knits

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Mondays, June 1st – October 12th Upper Terrace gravel opposite the Bryant Park Grill, Bryant Park, Manhattan Instruction for beginners provided by Knit New York. Yarn and needles available. Call (212) 387-0707 to pre-register (or take a chance and drop by).

Bryant Park Pétanque

11:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Monday – Friday, April – October Pétanque Court near 6th Ave. and 42nd Street, Bryant Park, Manhattan Learn to play pétanque, the popular European game anchored in precision, patience, and camaraderie from members of La Boule New Yorkaise, NYC's championship-winning club.

Bryant Park Tai Chi

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Thursdays, April 30th – October 15th Fountain Terrace, Bryant Park, Manhattan Tai Chi and Eternal Spring are instructed by members of the Tai Chi Chuan Center for all ages and experience levels.

Bryant Park Yoga

Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Thursdays 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 5th – August 25th Southwest corner of the Lawn, Bryant Park, Manhattan Expert instructors, provided by Lululemon Athletica, lead all levels of yogis.

Hoops in the Sun

11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays, June 13th – August 16th Orchard Beach, Courts 3&4, Bronx For more information call (917) 501-2049 or email hoopsinthesun@aol.com and visit www.hoopsinthesun.net.



RECREATION CENTERS

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Hunt's Point Recreation Center 765 Manida Street btw. Lafayette & Spofford Avenues (718) 860-5544

Kingsbridge Community Center, CBO 3101 Kingsbridge Terrace (718) 884-0700

Mullaly Community Center, CBO 40 East 164th Street & Jerome Avenue (718) 590-5743

Owen Dolen Recreation Center 1400 East Tremont @ Westchester Square (718) 822-4282 or (718) 822-4202

St. James Recreation Center 2530 Jerome Avenue @ 192nd Street (718) 822-4271

St. Mary's Recreation Center 450 St. Ann's Avenue @ East 145th Street (718) 402-5155 or (718) 402-5160

Williamsbridge Oval Recreation Center 3225 Reservoir Oval East (East 208th & Bainbridge Avenue) (718) 994-6785 or (718) 994-6785

BROOKLYN

Brownsville Recreation Center 1555 Linden Blvd. & Christopher Street (718) 485-4633

Fort Hamilton Senior Center 9941 Fort Hamilton Parkway @ 99th Street (718) 439-4296

Herbert Von King Cultural Arts Center 670 Lafayette btw. Tompkins & Marcy Avenues (718) 622-2082 Metropolitan Pool & Fitness Center 261 Bedford & Metropolitan Avenues (718) 599-5707

Red Hook Recreation Center 155 Bay Street @ Henry Street (718) 722-3211

St. John's Recreation Center 1251 Prospect Place btw. Troy and Schenectady (718) 771-2787

Sunset Park Recreation Center 7th Ave @ 43rd Street (718) 965-6533

MANHATTAN

Alfred E. Smith Recreation Center 80 Catherine Street @ Cherry Street (212) 285-0300

Asser Levy Recreation Center 501 Asser Levy Place (212) 447-2020

Chelsea Recreation Center 430 West 25th Street btw. 9th & 10th Avenues (212) 255-3705

Recreation Center 54 348 East 54th btw. 1st & 2nd Avenues (212) 754-5411

Hamilton Fish Recreation Center 128 Pitt @ Houston Street (212) 387-7687

Hansborough Recreation Center 35 West 134th Street btw. Lenox & 5th Avenues (212) 234-9603

Highbridge, CBO 2301 Amsterdam Avenue @ West 173rd Street & Amsterdam Avenue (212) 927-2012 J. Hood Wright Recreation Center

351 Fort Washington Avenue @ 174th Street & Fort Washington Avenue (212) 927-1563

Jackie Robinson Recreation Center 89 Bradhurst Avenue btw. West 146th & Bradhurst Avenue (212) 234-9607

Morningside Park West 123rd Street & Morningside Drive (212) 280-0209

North Meadow Community Center Central Park, mid-park @ 97th Street (212) 348-4867 **No Programs run out of this venue

Pelham Fritz Recreation Center 18 Mount Morris Park West @ West 122nd Street (212) 860-1380

Recreation Center 59 (Closing for Renovations) 533 West 59th Street btw. 10th & 11th Avenues (212) 397-3159

Thomas Jefferson Recreation Center 2180 1st Avenue @ 112th Street (212) 860-1383

Tony Dapolito Recreation Center 1 Clarkson Street & 7th Avenue South (212) 242-5228

STATEN ISLAND

Cromwell Recreation Center Pier 6 @ Murray Hulbert Avenue (off Bay and Hannah Streets) (718) 816-6172

Greenbelt Recreation Center 501 Brielle Avenue btw. Walcott & Rockland Avenue (718) 667-3545

ONGOING EVENTS

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QUEENS

Al Oerter Recreation Center 134-40 Fowler Avenue (718) 353-7853

Lost Battalion Hall Recreation Center 93-29 Queens Blvd. @ 62nd Avenue (718) 263-1163

Roy Wilkins CBO (SQPA)

177th Street. & Baisley Blvd. (718) 276-8686 Sorrentino Recreation Center 18-48 Cornaga Avenue

@ Beach 19th Street (718) 471-4818

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DIRECTORY

BEACHES

Beaches are open for swimming from Memorial Day through Labor Day from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. only where lifeguards are on duty.

Orchard Beach	(718) 885-2275
Brooklyn Coney Island Brighton Beach Manhattan Beach	(718) 946-1350 (718) 946-1350 (718) 946-1373
Queens	

Rockaway Beach (718) 318-4000

Staten Island South Beach (718) 987-0709 Midland Beach (718) 987-0709 Wolfe's Pond Beach (718) 984-8266

POOLS

The 54 outdoor pools are open June 28th through Labor Day 11:00 a.m. -7:00 p.m.

RECREATION CENTERS

Our 38 Recreation Centers are open year-round. To join a center near you call:

Bronx	(718) 430-1858
Brooklyn	(718) 965-8941
Manhattan	(212) 408-0243
Queens	(718) 520-5918
Staten Island	(718) 390-8020

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Parks & Recreation offers sporting instruction to boys and girls throughout the 5 boroughs. It is a great opportunity for children to try a new sport absolutely free of charge. Please call 311 for more information.

PERFORMANCES

SummerStage Central Park, Rumsey Playfield E. 72nd Street & East Drive (212) 360-2777

Shakespeare in the Park Central Park, Delacorte Theater W. 81st & West Drive (212) 539-8500

Prospect Park Bandshell 9th Street & Prospect Park West (718) 965-8951

George Seuffert Bandshell at Forest Park Woodhaven Boulevard @ Forest Park Drive (718) 235-4100

SPORTING VENUES

U.S. Tennis Association National Center Flushing Meadows Corona Park (718) 760-6200

Keyspan Stadium Surf Ave & 17th Street (718) 449-8947

Icahn Stadium 20 Randall's Island (212) 860-1899

ZOOS & AQUARIUMS

The Bronx Zoo Wildlife **Conservation Park** (718) 367-1010

Central Park Wildlife Center (212) 439-6500

New York Aquarium (718) 265-3474

Queens Wildlife Center (718) 271-1500

Prospect Park Wildlife Center (718) 399-7339

Staten Island Zoo and Children's Zoo (718) 442-3100

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Audubon New York https://ny.audubon.org

City Parks Foundation www.cityparksfoundation.org

Council on the Environment www.cecny.org

Historic House Trust www.historichousetrust.org

MillionTreesNYC www.milliontreesnyc.org

New Yorkers for Parks www.ny4p.org

New York Restoration Project www.nvrp.org

Partnerships For Parks www.itsmypark.org

SummerStage www.summerstage.org

Trees New York www.treesny.com

Wildlife Conservation Society www.wcs.org

BRONX

Friends of Van Cortlandt Park www.vancortlandt.org

New York Botanical Garden www.nybg.org

The Bronx River Alliance www.bronxriver.org

BROOKLYN

Brooklyn Botanic Garden www.bbg.org

Brooklyn Bridge Park Development Corporation www.empire.state.ny.us/BBPDC

Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy www.brooklynbridgepark.org

Fort Greene Park Conservancy www.fortgreenepark.org

Prospect Park Alliance www.prospectpark.org

MANHATTAN

34th Street Partnership www.34thstreet.org

Alliance for Downtown New York www.downtownnv.com

Battery Park City Authority www.batteryparkcity.org

Broadway Mall Association www.broadwaymall.org

The Battery Conservancy www.thebattery.org

Battery Park City Parks Conservancy www.bpcparks.org

Bryant Park Corporation www.bryantpark.org

Central Park Conservancy www.centralparknyc.org

Fort Tryon Park Trust www.nycgovparks.org

Friends of Hudson River Park www.fohrp.org

Friends of Morningside Park www.morningsidepark.org

Fund for Park Avenue www.fundforparkavenue.org

Historic Harlem Parks Coalition www.historicharlemparks.org

Hudson River Park Trust www.hudsonriverpark.org

Madison Square Park Conservancy www.madisonsquarepark.org

Randall's Island Sports Foundation www.risf.org

Riverside Park Fund www.riversideparkfund.org

Times Square Alliance BID www.timessauarenvc.org

Union Square Partnership www.unionsquarenyc.org

Washington Square Association www.washingtonsquarenyc.org

QUEENS

Allev Pond Environmental Center www.alleypond.org

Flushing Meadows-Corona **Park Conservancy** www.fmcpconservancy.org

Friends of Fort Totten Parks www.forttottenparks.org

Queens Botanical Garden www.queensbotanical.org

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STATEN ISLAND

Staten Island Greenbelt www.sigreenbelt.org

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