



The City of New York is home to more than 700 galleries, 380 nonprofit theater companies, 330 dance companies, 131 museums, 96 orchestras, 40 Broadway theaters, 15 major concert halls, five zoos, five botanical gardens, and an aquarium. Many institutions offer free hours or suggested admission.

Venues with Free or Suggested Admission

- Alice Austen House Museum | www.aliceausten.org
- American Folk Art Museum | www.folkartmuseum.org
- American Institute of Graphic Arts National Design Center | www.aiga.org
- American Museum of Natural History | www.amnh.org
- Aperture Foundation Gallery | www.aperture.org
- BRIC Rotunda Gallery | www.bricartsmedia.org
- Brooklyn Museum | www.brooklynmuseum.org
- Bronx Museum of the Arts | www.bronxmuseum.org
- The Center for Book Arts | www.centerforbookarts.org
- CUE Art Foundation | www.cueartfoundation.org
- Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts | www.efanyc.org
- Flushing Town Hall | www.flushingtownhall.org
- Horticultural Society of New York | www.hsnyc.org
- International Print Center New York | www.ipcny.org
- Jamaica Center for Arts and Learning | www.jcal.org
- Kentler International Drawing Space | www.kentlergallery.org
- King Manor Museum | www.kingmanor.org
- Lefferts Historic House | www.prospectpark.org/lefferts
- Longwood Art Gallery at Hostos Community College | www.bronxarts.org/lag.asp
- Metropolitan Museum of Art / The Cloisters | www.metmuseum.org
- MoMA PS1 | www.momaps1.org
- El Museo del Barrio | www.elmuseo.org
- Museum of Biblical Art | www.mobia.org
- Museum of the City of New York | www.mcnyc.org
- National Museum of the American Indian | nmai.si.edu
- Queens County Farm Museum | www.queensfarm.org
- Queens Museum of Art | www.queensmuseum.org
- Sculpture Center | www.sculpture-center.org
- Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Gardens | www.snug-harbor.org
- Studio Museum in Harlem | www.studiomuseum.org
- Staten Island Museum | www.statenislandmuseum.org
- Taller Boricua | www.tallerboricua.org
- White Columns | www.whitecolumns.org



Free Hours at Cultural Venues

- Brooklyn Botanic Garden | www.bbg.org
 - Free admission on Saturdays from 10 AM–Noon, all day Tuesdays, winter weekdays (Nov-Feb), and Fridays for seniors.
- Asia Society and Museum | www.asiasociety.org
 - Free admission on Fridays from 6-9 PM (does not apply from July 1 through Labor Day).
- Brooklyn Children’s Museum | www.brooklynkids.org
 - Free admission every Thursday 3-5 PM, every third Thursday extended free hours from 3–7 PM
- Bronx Zoo | www.bronxzoo.com
 - Every Wednesday is free.
- Children’s Museum of the Arts | www.cmany.org
 - Pay as you wish Thursdays 4-6 PM
- Guggenheim Museum | www.guggenheim.org
 - Pay what you wish on Saturdays, 5:45-7:45 PM.
- Historic Richmond Town | www.historicrichmondtown.org
 - Free on Fridays, 1 PM–5 PM.
- International Center of Photography | www.icp.org
 - Voluntary contribution every Friday, 5 – 8 PM.
- Jewish Museum | www.thejewishmuseum.org
 - Free admission on Saturdays, Thursday 5-8 pay what you wish.
- Lincoln Center David Rubenstein Atrium | [www.atrium.lincolncenter.org](http://www atrium.lincolncenter.org)
 - Free performances every Thursday at 7:30 PM.
- Morgan Library and Museum | www.themorgan.org
 - Free on Fridays, 7–9 PM.
 - Admission to the McKim rooms only is free on: Tuesdays 3-5 PM, Fridays 7-9 PM, and Sundays 4-6 PM
- Museum of Arts and Design | www.madmuseum.org
 - Pay what you wish Thursdays 6–9 PM.
 - Pay what you wish Fridays 6-9 PM.
- Museum of Chinese in America | www.mocanyc.org
 - Free every Thursday, 11 AM–9 PM.
- Museum of Jewish Heritage | www.mjhnyc.org
 - Free every Wednesday 4–8 PM.
- Museum of Modern Art | www.moma.org
 - Free Friday Nights, 4–8 PM.



- Museum of the Moving Image | www.movingimage.us
 - Free Friday Nights, 4–8 PM.
- New Museum | www.newmuseum.org
 - Free Thursday Evenings, 7–9 PM.
- New York Aquarium | www.nyaquarium.com
 - Suggested donation Fridays after 3 PM, in the Summer after 4 PM
- New York Botanical Garden | www.nybg.org
 - Free all day Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 9 AM–10 AM.
- New York Hall of Science | www.nysci.org
 - Sept- June, Free Fridays 2–5 PM and Sundays 10–11 AM.
- New York Historical Society | www.nyhistory.org
 - Pay what you wish on Fridays, 6–8 PM.
- Noguchi Museum | www.noguchi.org
 - Pay what you wish the first Friday of every month.
- Old Stone House | www.theoldstonehouse.org
 - Suggested donation on weekends.
- Queens Botanical Garden | www.queensbotanical.org
 - From April 1 through October 31, QBG has free hours on Wednesdays 3-6 pm and Sundays 4-6 pm. From November 1 through March 31, QBG is open from Tuesday to Sunday with free admission.
- Staten Island Children’s Museum | www.statenislandkids.org
 - Grandparents Free Wednesdays 5-8 PM.
- Staten Island Zoo | www.statenislandzoo.org
 - Free Wednesdays 2–4:45 PM.
- Van Cortlandt House Museum | www.historichousetrust.org
 - Free Wednesdays.
- Wave Hill Cultural Center | www.wavehill.org
 - Free Saturdays and Tuesdays, 9 AM–Noon.
- Whitney Museum | www.whitney.org
 - Pay what you wish Fridays 6–9 PM.

Organizations that Provide Free Programs at Various Locations

- Chashama | www.chashama.org
- Creative Time | www.creativetime.org
- No Longer Empty | www.nolongerempty.org
- Public Art Fund | www.publicartfund.org



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