

2014
NYC YOUTH GUIDE TO

Summer Fun



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The Department of Youth and Community Development will be updating this guide regularly.

Please check back with us to see the latest additions. Have a safe and fun Summer!

For additional information please call Youth Connect at 1.800.246.4646



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Dear Friends:

I am pleased to share with you the 2014 edition of the New York City Youth Guide to Summer Fun.

Our city is always a dynamic place to be, but summer in New York brings its own special excitement. During the warmer months, our beaches, parks, playgrounds and other outdoor spaces become vibrant venues for great food, art, concerts, cultural festivals, sports and more. One of the guiding principles of my administration is inclusion – seeing to it that all of our residents have a chance to share in what our wonderful city has to offer. Whether you enjoy barbecuing in the park, splashing in pools or dancing into the evening, this guide lists more than enough events and activities to fill your family’s summer days and nights.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, I thank the Department of Youth and Community Development and its partners for producing this terrific guide for New York City families. Chirlane and I wish all of you a fun, safe and healthy summer!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill de Blasio".

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Dear Fellow New Yorkers:

I am very pleased to present the 2014 edition of the *New York City Youth Guide to Summer Fun*.

Our great City has something for everyone this summer. Whether it's the Bronx Zoo or Central Park Zoo, Barclays Center or Lincoln Center, SummerScreen or SummerStage, Fort Wadsworth or Fort Totten, there are thousands of attractions and events in the five boroughs to heat up your summer or help cool you down.

This indispensable guide is a collaborative effort between New York City agencies, museums, youth groups, libraries, arts organizations and cultural institutions. I thank them for helping to connect our young people and their families with the City's summer hot spots—many of them free or low cost.

Here's hoping everyone has a happy, healthy and safe summer of fun!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Chong".

Bill Chong

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July

TUESDAY, JULY 1st

Bronx Zoo in Bronx Park

2300 Southern Boulevard, Bronx NY
(718) 367-1010

Dinosaur Safari: Mysteries Revealed

10:00am–5:00pm

See more than 30 life-size animatronic dinosaurs, including a 40-ft long t-Rex, on this ride through the two-acre safari at the Bronx Zoo. Learn about the different species of dinosaurs and their habitats, discover how fossils provide insight into what life may have looked like in prehistoric times and explore how animatronics work. To visit the site, click [here](#).

Bryant Park

40th Street Plaza, Manhattan NY
(212) 768-4242

Chess & Backgammon

11:00am–7:00pm

Game boards, including chess and backgammon, are available for a small fee. Endorsed by the Marshall Chess Club. Chess boards: \$3 each, Backgammon: \$4 each per half hour

Games

11:00am–7:00pm

Take a break with an eclectic selection of tabletop games for free. From Scrabble & mancala to dominoes & Jenga.

Kubb

11:00am–7:00pm

Learn the Scandinavian lawn game, also known as Viking Chess. To win, knock over your opponent's blocks with wooden pins. Never played? Our attendant will teach you.

Bryant Park Tai Chi

7:30–8:30am & 10:00–11:00am

Tai Chi and Eternal Spring are instructed by members of the Tai Chi Chuan Center for all ages and experience levels.

Bryant Park

Fountain Terrace, 6th Avenue and 41st Street, Manhattan NY (212) 768-4242

Accordions Around the World

5:00–7:15pm

Take a cross-cultural musical journey from France to Colombia; from the Balkans to Louisiana; from cumbia to jazz and more with accordions, harmoniums, concertinas, and bandoneons. Accordionists will play throughout the park at 5:00 pm, and then at 6:00 pm a band with a different infectious, global beat each week performs on the Fountain Terrace.

West Bronx Recreation Center

Jesup Ave. bet. W 172 St and Cross Bronx Exwy, Bronx NY (718) 293-5934

Adaptive Track and Field

11:00am–7:00pm

Train for the Paralympics through this program! Persons with disabilities are welcome to participate, whether competitively or recreationally.

Westerleigh Park

Willard Ave., Springfield Ave., Maine Ave., Neal Dow Ave., Staten Island NY
(718) 442-0336

Puppet Mobile: Little Red's Hood

12:00–12:30pm

Bring the kids for a free puppet show at Westerleigh Park. It is about a 30 minute show. Come out and enjoy the show.

Poe Park Visitor Center

2640 Grand Concourse, Bronx NY
(718) 365-5516

Abs Workout

12:00–1:00pm

Exercise workout focusing on abs, especially strength training your core.

Meditation Class

1:00–1:45:00pm

Join us and learn some basic hatha yoga techniques to initiate relaxation. Learn how to influence changes within our physical and emotional responses to stress. Focus will be on breathing, sound, and mindfulness.

Knitting & Crocheting

2:30–3:30pm

For intermediate and advanced levels. Knit: Participants will create a small reversible knit project using two different colors. Crochet: Participants will make a reversible crochet project using two different colored yarns. Must be able to read and follow patterns.

Gertrude Ederle Recreation Center

232 West 60th Street, Manhattan NY
(212) 397-3159

Adult Adaptive Sports

12:00–2:00pm

A selection of adaptive sports clinics. An excellent opportunity for adults and seniors with disabilities to play and learn modified sports. Membership required.

Queens Botanical Garden

43-50 Main Street, Flushing, Queens
(718) 886-3800
www.queensbotanical.org

Art in the Garden: Harvesting Our History

8:30am-5:30pm

Get a sense of Queens Botanical

Garden's past and how both the 1939 and 1964 New York World's Fairs influenced the Garden's development. This exhibit in the Visitor & Administration Building is created largely from our own archives with images that illustrate these important events in New York City's history.

Crocheron Park

Western Entrance, btw 33 Ave & 35 Ave.
(718) 352-4793 ext.301

Fitness Walk at Jose Michaels Mile

9:00–10:00am

Join other adults in a weekly fitness walking program that starts at the western end of Joe Michaels Mile (near the front of Fort Totten). No registration is required.

New York Botanical Garden

2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx NY

Weird, Wild & Wonderful

11:00am

In homage to the beauty of the botanical world's most bizarre flora, the New York Botanical Garden invited members of the American Society of Botanical Artists to participate in a study of the eccentric, creating works of art based on visually unusual plants chosen by the artists themselves. View the results of their efforts, 46 captivating paintings and illustrations of exotic specimens, on display in the Ross Gallery. For costs visit our website by clicking [here](#).

McCarren Play Center

776 Lorimer Street, Brooklyn, NY
(718) 218-2380

Art for Us Adaptive Art Program

10:00–11:00am

Instructional art program for people with disabilities to interact, socialize

and express themselves through art. For adults and seniors. Membership required.

Madison Square Park

Oval Lawn, East 23rd St to 26th St on Broadway & Madison, Manhattan, NY (212) 538-1884

Madison Square Kids: Alastair Mook and Friends

10:30-11:30am

Mook's zany sense of humor, his gravelly voice, his original style and irresistible warmth and energy make this a must see way for families to celebrate summer this year.

Greenbelt Recreation Center

501 Brielle Avenue, Blood Root Valley, Staten Island, NY (718) 667-3545

Rock Your Seat

12:00-1:00pm

Experience the sound of music as you work out to the beat without leaving your seat. This class which takes place in a seated position will increase upper body range of motion, develop strength, and tone. Membership required.

SummerStage

Crotona Park, Crotona East & Charlotte Street, Bronx NY

Presents: Metropolitan Opera Summer Recital Series

7:00-8:00pm

An enchanting evening of favorite opera arias and duets featuring rising Metropolitan Opera stars. Mary Jane Lee, Ginger Costa-Jackson, Yunpeng Wang, pianist Dan Saunders. For more information *click here*.

Lincoln Center

10 Lincoln Center Plaza, Damrosch Park, Manhattan, NY

Presents: Milly Quezada-

Midsummer Night Wing

6:00pm (dance lesson), 8:00pm

Live Music Rightfully dubbed the Queen of Merengue, this Dominican-born, NYC-raised singer takes the grooves back to their old-school roots. With a pioneering style that garnered her a stack of Latin Grammys and an international following, Quezada has handily reigned for decades in this often male-centric rhythm, thanks to her powerful vocals and warm presence. For more *info click here*.

Lincoln Center

10 Lincoln Center Plaza, The Metropolitan Opera House, Manhattan, NY

Shakespeare Celebration

There is, perhaps, no happier ode to the illusory nature of love than Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and Ashton's beguiling retelling of this comedy of errors is set in the magical woods of Victorian England to a spellbinding score by Felix Mendelssohn. For more *info click here*.

The New York Public Library

George Bruce Library, 518 West 125th Street, Manhattan, NY

Film for Tots

11:30am-12:00pm

Short films based on picture books.

The New York Public Library

St. George Library Center, 6 Central Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10301

Game on

12:00-6:00pm

Come challenge your friends on the Xbox 360 and PS3.

The New York Public Library

Science, Industry and Business Library,
Conference Room 018, 188 Madison
Avenue 34th Street

Becoming a Leader of Influence Propels Your Career

12:00–1:30pm

Theodore Henderson shares why there are ten fundamental qualities that define influencers.

The New York Public Library

Stephen A. Schwarzman Building,
Gottesman Exhibition Hall

Docent Led Tour of ABC of It Exhibition

12:30pm

Join a 45 minute docent led tour of the ABC of It Exhibition. Meet at the exhibition's entrance, free event.

The New York Public Library

West Farms Library, 2085 Honeywell Avenue, Bronx, NY, 10460

Arts & Crafts

2:30–4:00pm

For children 3-12 years old.

For more information, click here.

City Parks Foundation

Crotona Park, Bronx NY

Metropolitan Opera Summer Recital Series

8:00pm

An enchanting evening of favorite opera arias and duets featuring Metropolitan Opera stars. This is a free show. Tickets are not required but are first come first served. For more information click here.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2nd

Queens Botanical Garden

43-50 Main Street Queens

Harvesting Our History: The Story of Queens Botanical Garden

8:30am–5:30pm

Get a sense of Queens Botanical Garden's past and how both the 1939 and 1964 New York World's Fairs influenced the Garden's development. Free with Garden admission (\$4 adults, \$3 seniors, \$2 students with ID & kids 3-12).

St. Mary's Recreation Center

St. Ann's Avenue and 145th Street Bronx

Shape Up NYC: Chair Aerobics

9:30am–10:30am

A seated exercise class that raises the heart rate and improves balance, with minimal impact on joints.

Shape Up NYC: Chair Toning

10:30–11:30am

A seated exercise class that raises the heart rate and improves balance, with minimal impact on joints focusing on toning muscles.

Bryant Park

Fountain Terrace, Manhattan, NY

Bryant Park FitClub: Boot Camp with The Rise NYC

6:30am–7:00am

Energize your day with a workout before work.

Bryant Park

40th Street Plaza, Manhattan NY

Bryant Park Early Bird Game Social

10:00am -12:00pm



The Early Bird Game Social gives you a chance to start the day in the park, and warm up your mind with games that get you thinking, like dominoes, Scrabble, cards or Boggle.

Bryant Park Ping Pong

(Ping Pong Court)

11:00am–7:00pm

Test your ping pong skills at one of two state-of-the-art tables.

Bryant Park Chess & Backgammon

Game boards, including chess and backgammon, are available for a small few.

Bryant Park Games

Scrabble and mancala to dominoes and Jenga.

Bryant Park Putting Green

Practice your technique, perfect your distance and speed, or bring the kids to play on the green, all free of charge.

Bryant Park Kubb

Learn the Scandinavian lawn game, also known as Viking Chess.

Bryant Park Juggling

12:00pm–1:00pm

Test your coordination and dexterity with free juggling lessons.

Junior Mance–International Jazz Hall of Famer–Upper terrace

12:30pm–1:45pm

International jazz musician who has performed with jazz greats such as Dizzy Gillespie, Dinah Washington, and Lester Young.

Emma Straub, *The Vacationers: A Novel*

The author of Laura Lamont's *Life in Pictures* is back with an irresistible novel about the secrets, joys, and

jealousies that rise to the surface over the course of an American family's two-week stay in Mallorca.

Bryant Park After Work Music

6:00–7:00pm

Enjoy original music from NYC's most talented singer-songwriters and bands

Bryant Park Ping Pong Tournament

6:00–9:30pm

Fun single-elimination, bracket-style tournaments.

David S. Hartwig - *To Antietam Creek: The Maryland Campaign of September 1862*

7:00–8:30pm

Reading Room

Buzz O'Rourke playground

Crocheron Park, Queens

Puppets in the Park

10:30–11:30am

Please bring a blanket or low chair and join us for this adaptation of "Little Red Riding Hood".

Poe Park Visitor Center

2640 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY

Shape Up NYC: Boot Camp

11:00am -12:00pm

This total body workout addresses muscle strength and endurance while keeping the heart rate up to improve your cardiovascular health.

Little Bay Park

Queens Cross Island Pkwy between Utopia Pkwy. & Totten Ave., Queens, NY

Zumba

5:30–6:30pm

Join us for aerobic exercise classes that combine Latin and African dance movements.

Lincoln Center

144 W 65th St, Manhattan, NY 10023

Dancing Under the Stars

7:00–8:30pm

Join us for an evening of ballroom dancing including a free lesson.

AL Oerter Recreation Center

Flushing Meadows Corona Park, 131-40 Fowler Ave, Queens

Shape Up NYC: Couch to 5K

6:00–7:00pm

A beginner program for the aspiring runner, this class will combine running, walking, and conditioning exercises to get you in shape for long distance running. (Rain or shine)

West Bronx Recreation center

Jesup Avenue bet. W 172 St and Cross Bronx Expressway, Bronx, NY

Wheelchair Basketball

6:00pm -9:00pm

Beginner, intermediate and advanced players with disabilities are welcome to practice with the New York Rollin' Knicks. Recreation Center membership required.

NYC Parks

Centre St, New York, NY

Brooklyn Bridge Boot Camp

6:30am

We're using our own body weight and resistance bands to bring about a lean and sculpted body within five sessions, For more *info click here*.

SummerStage Presents: Urban Bush Women / Laurie Taylor/Soul Movement

Join Urban Bush Women as they celebrate their 30th anniversary year with an evening of special performances that showcase the best of the company's repertoire as well as a Summer-Stage premiere.

Bronx Zoo

2300 Southern Boulevard, Bronx
Dinosaur Safari: Mysteries Revealed

10:00am–5:00pm

See more than 30 life-size animatronic dinosaurs, including a 40-foot long t-Rex, on this ride through the two-acre safari at the Bronx Zoo. \$5 with general admission. General admission prices: Adults-\$16.95, Children (3-2) \$12.95, Seniors (65+)-\$14.95, Children under 3 are free.

The New York Botanical Garden

2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx

Weird, Wild & Wonderful

10:00am

In homage to the beauty of the botanical world's most bizarre flora, the New York Botanical Garden invited members of the American Society of Botanical Artists to participate in a study of the eccentric, creating works of art based on visually unusual plants chosen by the artists themselves. Adults: \$20; Students/Seniors: \$18; Children 2-12: \$10; Children under 2: Free; Members: Free

St. Johns Recreation Center

1251 Prospect Place, Brooklyn

Sit Aerobics

10:00–11:00am

A seated exercise class that raises the heart rate and improves balance, with minimal impact on joints. For adults and seniors.

Brooklyn Bridge Park

334 Furman St, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Senior Fitness

10:00–11:00am

Brooklyn resident James Martinnelli's Cardio Dance and Range of Movement workout offers improved strength and increased flexibility.

New York Public Library

Mid-Manhattan Library, 455 5th Ave,
Manhattan

Shock Exchange: How Inner-City Kids from Brooklyn Predicted The Great Recession And The Pain Ahead

6:30pm

In this illustrated lecture the author, who has had a successful career in corporate finance, analyzes the U.S. economy and stock market through the lens of the young boys he taught through the NY Shock Exchange.

New York Public Library

Sedgwick Library, 1701 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Bronx, NY

Movie Day

4:00pm–5:30pm

Feature movie titles, varying in length from 90 minutes to 2 hours. For more, click *here*.

NYC Parks

Varies

Shape up NYC

For a complete listing of Shape up NYC times and locations, please visit *our website*.

Joe's Pub

425 Lafayette Street (at Astor Place)

OY

7:00pm

Swiss-Ghanaian vocalist and musician Joy Frempong and Drummer/producer Lleluja-Ha form Berlin-based band OY. Tickets \$15

Paul Loren

9:30pm

Leading the new generation of soul crooners, Paul Loren sings songs that will make you move. Tickets \$16

Riverside Park Conservancy

105th Street Sand Volleyball Courts -

Riverside Park Manhattan

Teen Beach Volleyball

5:00pm–7:00pm

Teens ages 13 - 17 hit the Beach Volleyball Courts in Riverside Park for instructional clinics and open play.

Battery City Park

South Cove, Battery City Park

Figure al Fresco

2:30–4:30pm

Learn figure drawing outdoors with an artist/educator. Materials provided.

Battery City Park

Robert F. Wagner Jr. Park, Battery City Park, Manhattan

Elements of Nature Drawing

11:00am–1:00pm

Enjoy drawing in the gardens with an artist/educator. Materials provided.

Prospect Park Alliance

Prospect Park, Brooklyn NY

Volunteering

10:00am–1:00pm

Nature lovers, unite! Volunteer for crucial horticultural and maintenance projects around the Park. Every Wednesday, register *here*.

Amateur Astronomers Association

Prospect Park West at 9th Street, Brooklyn

Observing at Prospect Park

8:30pm–11:00pm

The Amateur Astronomers Association of New York observes in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, one Wednesday evening a month from April to October.

Madison Square Park

Madison Square Park & 23rd Street

Mad. Sq. Music: The SteelDrivers & Cricket Tell the Weather

6:00pm–8:30pm

Performances from Bluegrass groups

The SteelDrivers and Cricket Tell the Weather.

THURSDAY, JULY 3rd

Madison Square Conservancy

E 23rd to 26th Street, Broadway to Madison, Oval Lawn, Madison Square Park (212) 538-1884

Madison Square Kids Presents: Walter Martin

10:30–11:30am

With witty, heartfelt lyrics and inspiration from 50's rock and roll, children and parents alike can enjoy his warm and sincere music. Free event.

Bryant Park

40th Street Plaza, Manhattan NY (212) 768-4242

Chess & Backgammon

11:00am–7:00pm

Game boards, including chess and backgammon, are available for a small fee. Endorsed by the Marshall Chess Club. Chess boards: \$3 each, Backgammon: \$4 each per half hour

Lincoln Center Shows

Avery Fisher Hall, NY Philharmonic, Manhattan NY
www.Nyphil.org

Rachmaninoff, Tchaikovsky, and Friends

7:30pm

These all-Russian evenings give you the colorful classics you love, including Rachmaninoff's ravishing First Piano Concerto performed by 28-year-old sensation Joyce Yang, described by The New York Times as "a knockout."

Lincoln Center Shows

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan, NY
Damrosch Park Swing
www.midsummernightswing.org

The First Ladies of Disco

6:30pm (dance lesson), 7:30pm (live music), 10:00pm (silent disco)

It's raining divas. Come and hustle to this rare summit of singers who defined disco's soaring highs, including short, sweet sets by Wash (the Original Weather Girl), Clifford (Runaway Love), and the trio that set the tone for Chic. Legendary Hustle DJ Bobby Morales plays extended sets to bring good times to the dance floor.

Lincoln Center Shows

Metropolitan Opera House, Manhattan NY
Visit *our site* for tickets and times.

Coppelia

The perfect introduction to ballet, Coppélia brings alive the comic wit of E.T.A. Hoffmann's beloved tale with storybook sets and Delibes' tuneful score.

New York City Public Library

Jerome Park Library, 118 Earnes Place, Bronx NY 10468

Teen Tech Time

2:00pm

The library is yours! Play games, challenge your friends in a video game competition, hop on a laptop and check out all new materials on the shelves. Ages 13–18.

New York City Public Library

Mulberry Street Library, 10 Jersey Street, NY 10012 (212) 966-3424

Toddler Time

10:30am

Simple Stories, songs, and rhymes for toddlers and their caregivers, followed by a short playtime. 25 children per session.

New York City Public Library

St. George Library Center, Lower Level, 5 Central Avenue, Staten Island NY 10301

Game On

12:00pm

For more information on NYC Public Library events click [here](#).

Brooklyn Bridge Park

Entrance at Pier 1, 334 Furman Street, Brooklyn NY

History Tour

6:30pm-8:00pm

Join some of NY's finest historians in our weekly interactive and dynamic tours to learn about the expansive history of the Brooklyn Bridge Park site! All History Tours require an RSVP, please email rspv@brooklynbridgepark.org.

Boot Camp

Contact Information-info@brooklynbridgebootcamp.com, or call (646) 354-0039.

Columbus Circle Entrance to Central Park at the Ferrara Cafe on the right side. For class schedule & sign up - please visit [our site](#).

Empire Fitness Advantage

59th Columbus Circle, Manhattan, NY (646) 719-1916

Empire Fitness Boot Camp

Come join our lead instructor Meghan Jaynes for our ongoing Boot camp in Central Park! Whether before or after work- these workouts are for all abilities offering small class sizes and individual attention for only \$15 M/W/F- 7am, 10am, 630pm SUN- 10:30am for more information check out [our site](#).

Shakespeare in the Park

Delacorte Theater in Central Park, Manhattan NY (212) 967-7555

Echoes of Etta

9:30pm

BAM Concert Series

MetroTech Commons, Brooklyn, NY

R&B Festival featuring Davell

Crawford

More event info on [our website](#).

Piper Theatre Productions

3rd Street btw 4th and 5th Avenues, Brooklyn, NY 11215 (718) 768-3195

Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson

8:00-9:30pm

An exhilarating rock-n-roll look at one of our nation's first populist idols: seventh president Andrew Jackson. The musical recreates and reinvents the life of "Old Hickory" from his humble beginnings on the Tennessee frontier to his days as Commander-in-Chief. Free event.

43rd Annual International African Arts Festival

Commodore Barry Park, Navy St. (Park & Flushing Ave.), Manhattan, NY (718) 638-6700

10:00am-9:00pm

Happening July 3rd to July 6th. For more information, click [here](#).

Prospect Park

Thursday Corps

10:00am-12:00pm

Nature lovers, unite! Volunteer for crucial horticultural and maintenance projects around the Park. Every Thursday, For more [info click here](#).

FRIDAY, JULY 4th

Historic Richmond Town

378-410 Clarke Ave, Staten Island, NY

Independence Day Celebration

11:00am-5:00pm

Help to churn old-time ice cream, participate in the Pinwheel Parade, and meet patriotic villagers from the 1800s and earlier. Members / Ages 3 and younger are FREE, Adults - \$8, Seniors & Students (12-17) - \$6 and Children (4-11) - \$5

Bryant Park

Lawn, Manhattan, NY

Bryant Park Juggling

12:00–1:00pm

Test your coordination and dexterity with free juggling lessons in the park.

Lincoln Center

Vincent Astor Gallery, 40 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan, NY

Launchpad of the American Theater: The O'Neill since 1964

12:00pm

The exhibition celebrates the O'Neill's 50th birthday and will chart the journey from past to present to future with drawings, interviews, videos, photographs, original scripts, and sound.

Macy's July 4th Fireworks 2014

East River, Manhattan, NY

9:00pm

Hell's Kitchen Fireworks Entrance Fair

52nd Street from 10th Avenue to 11th Avenue, Manhattan, NY

11:00am–5:00pm

Featuring artists and crafters show up, with general merchandise, foods and corporate displays, for a dazzling day of bargains and fun.

Chelsea Fireworks View Fair

24th Street from 10th Avenue to 11th Avenue, Manhattan, NY

11:00am–5:00pm

Featuring artists and crafters show up, with general merchandise, foods and corporate displays, for a dazzling day of bargains and fun.

Amateur Astronomer's Association of New York

Lincoln Center, 10 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan, NY

Observing at Lincoln Center

7:30–11:00pm

Observation of the Moon, Jupiter, and Saturn.

Chelsea Recreation Center

Chelsea Recreation Center, 430 West 25th Street, Manhattan, NY

Shape Up NYC: Hot Hula Fitness

7:00–8:00pm

Hot Hula Fitness provides a total body workout in 60 minutes as it isolates larger muscle groups, increasing strength and definition to your core with specific emphasis on the abs, glutes, quads and arms.

Good Morning America's Fun in the Sun 2014 Summer Concert Series

Central Park, Rumsey Playfield 72nd Street Entrance, Manhattan NY

Presents: Ed Sheeran

7:00-9:00am, suggested time to arrive is 6am

Your Fridays just got even better. "Good Morning America" announced its 2014 "Fun in the Sun" Summer Concert Series lineup, packed with an incredible mix of all the hottest names in music today.

Jazzmobile

Bill's Place, 148 W 132nd Street Manhattan, NY

Bill Saxton All-Star Band

9:00–11:00pm

Intimate setting with Saxophonist Bill Saxton and his All-Star friends play every Friday and Saturday Night! Visit our site *here*.

Forest Park

Carousel, Myrtle Avenue Union Turnpike
(718) 788-2676

Champu the Magician

2:00pm & 4:00pm

Champu is the talk of the town! His energetic and interactive style is sure to engage guests in a magical and hilarious experience. Champu's magical talents and quick wit will keep all guests wondering and laughing!

City Parks Foundation -SummerStage

Central Park, Rumsey Playfield,
Manhattan NY

Featuring: Teddy Afro/Noura Mint Seymali/ Hahu Dance Crew

3:00–7:00pm, doors open at 2:00pm

Bryant Park

40th Street Plaza, Manhattan NY
(212) 768-4242

Mah Jongg Clinic

3:00–4:30pm

Learn the American version of this social, strategy game hailing from China twice a month with free clinics in the park.

Lincoln Center

Damrosch Park Swing, Manhattan NY

Presents: James Langston's New York All-Star Big Band: Clarinet A La King!

Tribute to Benny Goodman

6:30pm (Dance Lesson), 7:30pm
(Live Music)

The King of Swing still rules supreme. This beloved all-star band, including members of Goodman's last ensemble, faithfully recreates the captivating sounds of his most popular tunes. Things keep swinging when elder sci-

on of Lindy Hop royalty Dawn Hampton lovingly selects classics for the DJ sets. Click [here](#) for more details.

Lincoln Center

NY Philharmonic, Avery Fisher Hall, Manhattan, NY

Star Spangled Celebration

8:00pm

These all-Russian evenings give you the colorful classics you love, including Rachmaninoff's ravishing First Piano Concerto performed by 28-year-old sensation Joyce Yang, described by The New York Times as "a knockout." More details online, [here](#).

Lincoln Center

The Metropolitan Opera House,
Manhattan, NY

Coppelia, Featuring: P Herrera & J Matthews

More information online [here](#).

New York Public Library

Morrisania Library, 610 East 169th Street,
Bronx NY (718) 589-9268

Navigating NYC 311 Website

10:00am–12:00pm

Learn how the NYC 311 website can save you time. In this class we explore commonly used services including filing a noise complaint, paying tickets and other tools.

New York Public Library

115th Street Library, 203 West 115th
Street, Manhattan NY (212) 666-9393

KidsFlix

1:00pm

Come enjoy a movie with us this afternoon! Relax in the playroom for some quality children's entertainment.

Brooklyn Bridge Park

Pier 2 Dock, Brooklyn, NY

Kayaking

5:30pm

Pier 1 Entrance

Green Team

10:00am–12:00pm

Bargemusic

3:00pm

Walk across the gangplank of a renovated coffee barge for a one-hour, family friendly concert.

BRIC Celebrate Brooklyn!

Prospect Park Bandshell, Brooklyn, NY

7:00pm

Featuring: Robert Glasper Experiment-Kweli, Kotche & Monet

Riverside Park Conservancy

72nd Street at the Hudson River,
Manhattan, NY

Kayaking on the Hudson

10:00am–5:00pm

For more information, click [here](#).

Bryant Park Area Fair

41st Street from Broadway to 6th Avenue

10:00am–4:00pm

Shakespeare in the Park

Delacorte Theater in Central Park,
Manhattan, NY

Much Ado about Nothing

8:00pm

Governor's Island

EDM Music Festival

7:00pm

Happening July 4th–6th

Sixth Avenue Festival

Sixth Ave. btw 14th Street and 23rd Street

11:00am–6:00pm

This event offers the opportunity to be a part of this exciting event. A variety of activities for the whole family.

American Tap Dance Foundation

154 Christopher Street #2B,
Manhattan, NY 10014

Tap City 2014

For more info, visit [our site](#).

Happening July 5th–July 12th

Woodside Festival

Woodside Ave. between 63rd St.
Roosevelt Ave, Queens, NY

12:00–6:00pm

Event info available online [here](#).

43rd Annual International African Arts Festival

Commodore Barry Park, Navy Street (Park
& Flushing Avenues) (718)638-6700

10:00am–9:00pm

Happening July 3rd to July 6th.

Summer Hester Street Fair

Corner of Hester and Essex, Manhattan NY

10:00am–6:00pm

Fair will be held on Every Saturday
and Sunday from July 5-27, 2014.

From hand-made jewelry to rare vintage, lobster rolls and ice cream sandwiches, the Hester Street Fair has become one of New York's most beloved destinations. Every Saturday & Sunday until July 27th.

Amateur Astronomers Association of New York

Observing at Lincoln Center

7:30–11:00pm

We observe at the plaza, north of the fountain. This observing site is still in "trial mode" while we work out all the required logistics. Please do not bring telescopes or observing equipment without confirming first with Joe Delfausse, the AAA coordinator for this location. We observe only the Moon, Jupiter, and Saturn. The buildings surrounding the plaza require us to

move the equipment several times during each session.

For more information, click [here](#).

Observing at Great Kills, Staten Island

8:30–11:00pm

Event info available [here](#).

Observing at Brooklyn Museum Plaza

9:00–11:00pm

Event info available [here](#).

Piper Theatre Productions

3rd Street btw 4th and 5th Avenues,
Brooklyn NY 11215 (718) 768-3195

Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson

8:00–9:30pm

An exhilarating rock-n-roll look at one of our nation's first populist idols: seventh president Andrew Jackson. The musical recreates and reinvents the life of "Old Hickory" from his humble beginnings on the Tennessee frontier to his days as Commander-in-Chief. Free event.

Prospect Park

Brooklyn, NY

Thursday Corps

10:00am–12:00pm

Nature lovers, unite! Volunteer for crucial horticultural and maintenance projects around the Park. Every Thursday. Info on [our site](#).

Jazzmobile

Bill's Place, 148 West 132nd Street,
Manhattan, NY (212) 281-0777

Presents: Bill Saxton All-Star Band

9:00pm

Intimate setting with Saxophonist Bill Saxton and his All-Star friends play every Friday and Saturday Night.

SUNDAY, JULY 6th

NYC Parks– Summer on the Hudson

Pier 1 Riverside Park South, Between 65th and 72nd Street, Manhattan NY

Amplified Sundays– Mary C & the Stellers

7:00–9:00pm

Vibrantly danceable live music accompanied by spectacular sunsets over the Hudson River! Enjoy a unique mix of Soul and Rock with Mary C & the Stellers.

NYC Parks – SummerStage

Rumsey Playfield in Central Park,
Manhattan, NY

Presents: Global Family Day

3:00–7:00pm

Okee Dokee Brothers/ Hybrid Movement Company/ Shaun Parker & Company/ Acrobuffos/ National Dance Institute

NYC Parks

Pier 5, Brooklyn Bridge Park, Brooklyn, NY

Smorgasburg

11:00am–6:00pm

Join us Sundays at Brooklyn Bridge Park's Pier 5 for another season of Brooklyn's best street food. From bris-ket to bulgogi and Burmese noodles, to phatty beet sliders, fish and chips and farm-fresh ice cream, there's always something yummy for everyone. Come enjoy our food with a view.

Prospect Park Alliance

Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn NY

Food Truck Rally

11:00am–5:00pm

The Prospect Park Alliance and the New York City Food Truck Association present a sampling of cuisines from around the world from New York's best food trucks.

NYC Parks

Heather Garden in Fort Tryon Park,
Manhattan NY

Garden Walking Tour

1:00–2:00pm

Take a tour of the “Park for All Seasons.” Take a walking tour of the Heather and Alpine Gardens of Fort Tryon Park. Discover which plants are in bloom in each of the seasons, even in the dead of winter. Learn about the gardens’ history, future, and secrets from a member of Fort Tryon’s expert horticulture staff. These tours are wheelchair accessible but persons with mobility issues may find them challenging because of the park’s many steep paths.

Bryant Park

Le Carrousel

Le Carrousel Magique

1:00-2:00pm

Event info available *here*.

Shakespeare in the Park

Delacorte Theater in Central Park,
Manhattan, NY

Much Ado about Nothing

8:00pm

Lincoln Center

Claire Tow Theater in Lincoln Center
Theater, Manhattan, NY

The Who & The What

2:00pm & 7:00pm

Part Pygmalion, part Busby Berkeley, part self-help lexicon, Stop Hitting Yourself borrows from the plots of 1930’s musicals to dig deep into the contemporary conservative dilemma: how to honor steely individualism without disavowing the virtue of charity -- all the while tap-dancing around a queso fountain.

Lincoln Center

NY Philharmonic, Avery Fisher Hall,
Manhattan, NY

Star Spangled Celebration

3:00pm

These all-Russian evenings give you the colorful classics you love, including Rachmaninoff’s ravishing First Piano Concerto performed by 28-year-old sensation Joyce Yang, described by The New York Times as “a knockout.”

New York Public Library

West Farms Library, 2085 Honeywell Avenue, Bronx NY (718) 367-5376

2:30pm Bring Your Snack

New York Public Library

Stephen A. Scharzman Building, Gottesman Exhibition Hall, Manhattan, NY (917) 275-6975

Docent Led Tour of ABC of It Exhibition **2:30pm**

Riverside Park Conservancy

Soldiers’ & Soldiers’ Monument Plaza,
Riverside Drive & West 89th Street
(212) 408-0219 **8:00am**

Tai Chi

Central Astoria

30th Avenue btw 29th & Steinway Street,
Queens, NY (718) 728-7820

Friends of Community Board 1 Street Fair **12:00–6:00pm**

Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis H.S. Anniversary

46th Street from 6th Avenue to
7th Avenue, Manhattan, NY

10:00am–4:00pm

Clear View Festival

30th Avenue between Steinway and
29th Street

12:00–6:00pm

Storytelling at the Hans Christian Andersen Statue

Near 72nd Street & Fifth Avenue in Central
Park, Manhattan, NY

11:00am

All Andersen Hour: Big Claus Little Claus

Prospect Park Alliance

Brooklyn, NY

Pop-Up Audubon

12:00-5:00pm

The Prospect Park Alliance presents Pop-Up Audubon, now in its second season, which invites families to directly engage with nature through outdoor learning in locations around the Park. For more events, visit our web site.

Central Park Conservancy

The Children's Glade, from West 103rd to 106th Street, Manhattan, NY

Special Sandbox Kickoff Event: SPILL by Australian Dance Company Shaun Parker Inc.

11:00am-12:00pm

Combining quirky, dynamic dance with high energy street gymnastics, the dancers in this performance blaze a colorful trail across the structures and landscapes of the playground. Each performance is unique, as the show scrambles around, over, under and through swings, slides and roundabouts. Kids will love it, grown-ups will love it too!

Central Park Conservancy

The Children's Glade, from West 103rd to 106th Street

Family Performance Festival: Music and Natural Adventures in the Park

12:00-1:30pm

Discover more about the Park and the finely tuned way in which Mother Nature works with George Steele as you sing along with him and then head out on an exploratory adventure in the Park! The first part of the program

will take place at the Children's Glade and then we'll set off on an educational exploration of our natural Park environment. Free, best for families and young children.

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