

Extension of Much Ado About Nothing

West 103rd Street and Central Park West
August 5 - 29

All New York Classical Theatre rehearsals, workshops and performances are open and free to the public. No tickets or reservations are required. Just show up!

The Seaport

Pier 17 (North side), 212.SEAPORT

Water Taxi Beach/The Seaport

Come and enjoy this 18,000 square foot venue, featuring the signature sandy beach where people can relax and take in the views of the East River and the Brooklyn Bridge. Food and beverage will be available for sale at a fish shack that will serve fish and chips, steamers, clams, and daily specials. Recreational activities include a 9-hole miniature golf course, ping-pong tables and skeeball. Free admission.

The Skyscraper Museum

39 Battery Place, 212-945-6324

Museum hours are 12:00 noon - 6:00 pm, Wednesday-Sunday.

Summer 2010 | The Rise of Wall Street**Summer 2010 | Book Talks**

- July 13: Peter Pennoyer and Anne Walker Book Talk
- August 3: Alice Alexiou Book Talk

Book talks are held at The Skyscraper Museum from 6:30-8:00 pm. The gallery and exhibition, THE RISE OF WALL STREET, are open for viewing from 6 pm. All events are free of charge. Please RSVP to programs@skyscraper.org with the name of the program you would like to attend. General admission is \$5, \$2.50 for students and seniors

Union Square Partnership - Summer in the Square

South Plaza, Union Square Park, Manhattan

Fitness in the Square, starting at 7:00 am, Kids in the Square at 10:00 am and 12:00 noon; and Music in the Square at 6:00 pm

Summer in the Square

Summer in the Square is the Union Square Partnership's free weekly series in Union Square Park. Running every Thursday from June 17th through August 12th, the series offers an electrifying blend of music, dance and theatrical performances, yoga and fitness classes, and activities for kids.

Washington Market Park Concerts

Washington Market Park, Greenwich St between Duane and Chambers Sts (washington-marketpark.org).

6:30 pm

Summer Family Concert Series

On Thursday evenings, kids can groove to local indie acts in this lovely Tribeca green space. If it rains, the fun will move to the Downtown Community Center on Warren St.

QUEENS**Alley Pond Park**

Queens, For directions, or for more information about the Adventure Course or its programs, call (718) 217-4685.

Sundays from 10:00 AM - 4:00 ON, May through November (weather permitting).

The Alley Pond Park Adventure Course

Provides challenges and excitement for groups or individuals as they work through physically and intellectually demanding situations. The course is fully accessible; there are activities for all ages and all physical abilities. Featuring both low- and high-ropes

course activities, the course promotes team-building and problem-solving skills. Free programs are offered for individuals on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about the Adventure Course or its programs, call (718) 217-4685.

Forest Park Skate Park and Rockaway Skate Park

The Bronx

Offers an opportunity for individuals to perfect their skills on inline skates, skateboards, and bikes. Unless otherwise specified, the Department of Parks & Recreation will provide an attendant during official operating hours. Each participant will be required to sign a waiver (those under 18 will need their guardian's signature) before being allowed to use the facility. Requirements for use: A signed liability waiver; helmet; knee pads; elbow pads.

Get an online liability form at: http://www.nycgovparks.org/sub_things_to_do/facilities/af_skate_park.html.

Hip to Hop - Free Shakespeare Program

Go to www.hiptohop.org for performance schedule

August 10-29

Celebrating our Fourth Summer of Free Shakespeare in the Park!

Taming of the Shrew: The quintessential battle of the sexes—this send-up of the institution of marriage, the rifts between men and women and the rough journey toward love is full of disguise, deception and devilment.

Macbeth: Perhaps the world's greatest psychological thriller—haunted by a supernatural prophecy and spurred by his wife's ambitions, a brave soldier dares to tempt fate only to be destroyed by the very power he seeks.

THE VENUES:

Fort Totten Park (in the Gazebo area); Queens, New York

Windmuller Park (Bandshell); Queens, New York

Sunnyside Gardens Park (48-21 39th Ave); Queens, New York

Socrates Sculpture Gardens, LIC, ; Queens, New York

Forest Park (at the Bandshell); Queens, New York

Crocheron Park (on the 35th Avenue Lawn); Queens, New York

All performances are free and open to the public. Running time: 90 minutes. Fun for the whole family. Bring a blanket or low chair and picnic fare and enjoy a Shakespeare play in the open air.

New York Hall of Science

47-01 111th Street, Queens, NY, 718-699-0005, Located in Flushing Meadows Corona Park

Amazon Voyage: May 8 – August 22

Take a virtual journey on the widest river in the world and learn about amazing creatures including piranhas, anacondas, caimans, stingrays and pink dolphins!

Climate Change Activity: April 24 – September 5, Weekends, 11 am – 4 pm

Compare the changes in temperature caused by differing levels of carbon dioxide, learn about climate change, and find out how you can help our Earth. Free with general admission.

Amazon Voyage Rain Forest Videos: May 1 – August 29, Weekends, 2 & 3 pm

Learn more about the sights, sounds and life in the rain forest.

Preschool Place Puppet Show: Go Hide!: May 8 – August 29, Weekends, 12:30 & 2:30 pm

Felix the catfish and Pinky piranha are out playing a dangerous game of hide and go seek in their home, the Amazon River. Help them hide from the fisherman who is trying to catch them and learn about the animals and fish of the Amazon River region.

Evening Sky Constellation Show: Astronomy Discovery Lab - Weekends, 1 & 4 pm.

View the night sky and learn more about constellations. Free with general admission.

Amazon Fish Craft: May 8 – August 29, Weekends, 12:45 & 2:45 pm

After watching the Preschool Place Puppet Show: Go Hide!, decorate your catfish or piranha with colorful scales, sharp teeth, or whiskers! \$2, \$1 members

Science Farmers Market: June 20 – November 14, 2010, Sundays, 10 am – 4 pm

The popular Science Farmers Market re-opens at NYSCI on June 22 for its fourth year offering

fresh food and fresh ideas to help New Yorkers improve their quality of life and understanding produce. New York Hall of Science General Admission: Adults (ages 18 & older): \$11; Children (ages 2 - 17): \$8; Students (with college ID): \$8; Senior Citizens (age 62 & older): \$8.

STATEN ISLAND

Alice Austen House Museum & Garden-www.aliceausten.com

Two Hylan Boulevard, (718) 816-4506

The Alice Austen House Museum on Staten Island recalls the world of an exceptional woman, photographer Alice Austen. Austen's quaint, Victorian cottage-style home, with a magnificent view of New York Harbor, displays prints from the large glass negative collection of her work that depict turn-of-the-century American life. The City bought the Austen house in 1975 and restored it and the grounds in 1984-85. The Victorian garden was replanted according to Austen photographs with shrubs such as weeping mulberry and flowering quince. The Staten Island Historical Society owns Austen's collection of negatives and helps the Friends of Alice Austen House—which operates the museum—present photographic exhibitions at “Clear Comfort.” Together with the restored cottage and gardens, the exhibitions perpetuate Austen's life, her times and her art. Adults \$2, children under 12 free.

Benjamin Soto Skate Park

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Fort Wadsworth Visitor Center

Bus S51 from Staten Island Ferry Terminal to the park entrance on Bay Street 718-354-4500

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Wednesdays - Sundays, July and August

Discover Fort Tompkins

Only accessible with a ranger-guide, you'll explore little known areas of this historic structure. Learn about coastal fortifications and get a glimpse of fort life in the late 1800's. Wear sturdy footwear.

Freshkills Park

Staten Island

Tours run through through November, and are free of charge.

Take a tour of Freshkills Park

At 2,200 acres, Freshkills Park will be almost three times the size of Central Park and the largest park developed in New York City in over 100 years. Sign up on the Parks Department web site to take a tour of this future park with the Urban Park Rangers. Space is limited and reservations are required.

Garibaldi-Meucci Museum-www.garibaldimeuccimuseum.org

420 Tompkins Avenue, (718) 442-1608

Tues - Fri: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm; Sat & Sun: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm; Closed Mondays

Exhibit: Antonio DeSantis, "Going Green"

Sat, July 10 - Sun, October 3, 2010