DVS Honored at Nasdaq Closing Bell Ceremony for Independence Day



NEW YORK - Ahead of Independence Day, the Nasdaq hosted New York City's Department of Veterans' Services and the United War Veterans Council (UWVC) to ring the closing bell at their MarketSite location in Times Square.

Starting the ceremony, the United States Air Force Heritage of America Band enchanted the audience with their rendition of "America the Beautiful." Following their performance, everyone was welcomed by former U.S. Coast Guard Reserve Veteran Robert Phillips, a Senior Managing Director at Nasdaq. In a heartfelt address acknowledging the Veteran Service Organizations (VSO) that help New York City Veterans, Commissioner Hendon celebrated the United States' 247th Birthday, calling on us to remember those who have promised to protect and defend the ideals of American freedom and democracy.

We hope you had a happy 4th of July!

What is the Nasdaq?

The Nasdaq was created on <u>February 8, 1971</u> as the world's first electronic stock market. Today, the exchange is the most active stock market in the US by volume and is second largest by <u>market cap</u>, just behind the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

At the Nasdaq's conception, the majority of the companies that were traded through it <u>were smaller, more forward-thinking, and tech-oriented companies</u>. This trend has continued even to today where it is the leading stock exchange for health care, consumer and technology <u>initial public offerings (IPOs)</u>.

How does it work?

The Nasdaq operates as a "<u>dealer's market</u>," meaning that brokers buy and sell through the market, rather than with one another in person. In essence, a seller lists their stocks at a certain price, a buyer makes a bid for that stock at a certain price. The market will match the highest sell price to the lowest buy price and if they both match there's a deal.

For more information about the Nasdaq read Alena Botros article in Fortune.

View the Closing Ceremony Video Here!

Upcoming DE-CRUIT Sessions at the James J. Peters VA Medical Center (Bronx VA)

DE-CRUIT®

We were **recruited** and wired for war, but never **de-cruited** and rewired for society.



WHAT IS DE-CRUIT?

DE-CRUIT is a veteran-led, nationally recognized program that uses techniques from theatre arts and verses from Shakespeare to support healthy and productive lives for military veterans

WHERE? James J Peters Dept. of Veteran Affairs Medical Center, Bronx

WHEN? Tuesdays 1:45-4pm. July 11, July 18, July 25, Aug 1, Aug 8 and Aug 15. Public presentation during final class

We welcome all veterans! No theatre background necessary!

> FOR MORE INFO: Email aa89@nyu.edu

EACH PARTICIPANT RECEIVES \$150 FOR COMPLETION OF THE FULL 6-WEEK SESSION. PROGRAM INCLUDES TWO ANONYMIZED SHORT SURVEYS FOR GRANT PURPOSES WHICH DO NOT AFFECT VA SERVICES OR BENEFITS

DE-CRUIT® is an integrative group treatment program that uses a strengths-based approach along with veteran-informed principles of unit cohesion, therapeutic embodiment, and communalization of trauma through Shakespeare's text, breath and voice training to help veterans mitigate the effects of trauma.

UPCOMING DE-CRUIT SESSIONS

- Every Tuesday, July 11-August 15
- 3 1:45PM-4:00PM
- $\ensuremath{\widehat{\mathbf{J}}}$ James J. Peters Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center
- 130 W Kingsbridge Rd, Bronx, NY 10468

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Journey Onward: Military Veterans' Experiences

A Veteran-curated exhibit of military Veterans' art and words



As part of Salmagundi Club of New York's on-going dialogue with the military community, "Journeys Onward" is a powerful and inspiring exhibition that showcases the art and accompanying words of military Veterans or their family members, shedding light on their unique experiences, both shared and individual.

Curated by Omar Columbus, a U.S. Air Force Veteran and photographer, and Paul M. Murray, an award-winning photographer and son of two WWII Veterans, the 2023 exhibit includes about 100 works across many mediums from over 35 veteran artists. This year's effort is a significant expansion of the successful 2020 and 2022 "Journeys Onward" shows hosted at the Salmagundi Club.

Salmagundi Club of New York

Rockwell Gallery 7 47 Fifth Avenue @ 12th Street in Greenwich Village, NYC June 26th - July 28th (2023) Weekdays: 1 PM - 6 PM Weekends: 1 PM - 5 PM

Exhibiting Artists

Jesse Albrecht; Kasse Andrews-Weller; Alex Angel; Gayle Blumenthal; Paul Bouchard; Steve Bowersock; Omar Columbus; Peter Damon; Sean Davis; Michael Day; David DeMelim; Robert Easton; Ron Erickson; Jim Fallon; Gina Herrera; Beth Johnston; Todd Kruse; Paul Landgraf; Angelo Marinosci, Jr.; Joseph McKay; Elize McKelvey; Philip Milio; Phyllis Thomas Miller; Ian Mohon; Laura Moorehead; Walt Nygard; Mark Oldland; Jessica Putnam-Phillips; Skip Rohde; Bill Schinsky; Ken Steinkamp; Michael Stricklin; Scott Suitts; Ehren Tool; Jason Turner; Clark Williamson



The art of exhibiting veteran artists Laura Moorehead, Jessica Putnam-Phillips, Ian Mohon, Steve Bowersock, Elize McKelvey, Jason Turner, Mark Oldland, Ehren Tool, and Todd Kruse is shown above from the top left.

More Information from the Salmagundi Club Here

We are looking to highlight Veterans in the arts community! Whether it's an upcoming free exhibition, performance, or piece/installation you've created, we want to showcase your work and help spread the word. Submissions will be reviewed on a rolling basis and promoted at our discretion. We want this to be a space for Veteran artists to express themselves in an authentic way.

Please email submissions to <u>connect@veterans.nyc.gov</u> with a brief bio, an artist statement, art medium, and your affiliation to the Veteran community.

VETERAN NEWS

VA researchers working on artificial intelligence that can predict prostate cancer



Artificial Intelligence detecting cancer in some U.S. hospitals

Doctors believe Artificial Intelligence is now saving lives, after a major advancement in breast cancer screenings. A.I. is detecting early signs of the disease, in some cases years before doctors would find the cancer on a traditional scan.

By Julia Musto | Fox News

July 5, 2023 12:59pm EDT

Department of Veterans Affairs researchers at five medical centers are working together to develop <u>an artificial intelligence algorithm</u> that can predict aggressive prostate cancer.

The new research study began July 1, expanding to 14 sites.

It will analyze data from more than 5,000 veterans who were diagnosed with highrisk prostate cancer and have undergone initial treatment.

The method is using diagnostic images like MRIs, high resolution scans of prostate biopsies and variables like income and geographic location to recognize patterns that are indicative of aggressive prostate cancer.

In a release, the department said there would be minimal cost increase for a facility to use the tech.

"No one else has incorporated socioeconomic conditions into a predictive model for high-risk prostate cancer, but we've seen multiple studies showing how they are <u>a factor in veterans' health</u>," Dr. Carolyn Clancy, assistant Under Secretary for Health for Discovery, Education and Affiliate Networks, said in a statement. [READ MORE]

More Veteran-related Headlines

The Texas Tribune: <u>As veteran disability claims soar, unaccredited coaches profit off</u> <u>frustration with VA system</u>

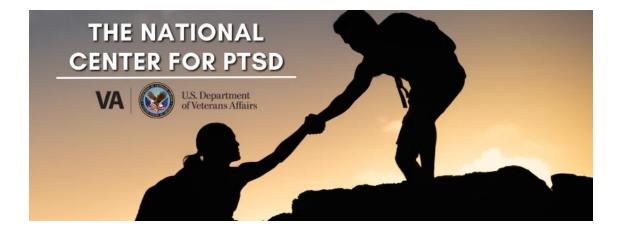
Military Times: Recruiting now: veterans, military spouses to work the polls in 2024

VA|News: From tragedy to triumph: Healing America's senior Veterans

Omaha World-Herald: <u>3 World War II vets</u>, all 100-plus, meet for lunch in Omaha, have stories to tell

Business Insider: <u>Tiny home villages for homeless veterans are popping up around the</u> country. Congress wants to send up to \$100 million to fund more.

The National Center for PTSD – Always There for You



Resources for those experiencing trauma or PTSD:

- Help for Veterans
- Care for Women Veterans
- Self-help and coping resources
- VA Mobile Apps

Resources for friends and family:

- Help a Veteran get needed care
- Help a family member with PTSD
- <u>Cognitive Processing Therapy: Helping during treatment</u>

Prolonged Exposure: Helping during treatment

If you know someone experiencing PTSD symptoms, we ask that you **share these resources with them**. Everyone with PTSD needs to know that treatments do work and can lead to a better quality of life.

A Message From Mayor Adams:

Each week DVS will share a short update about how our administration is getting stuff done for New Yorkers.



The Adams administration is dedicated to cutting through the noise and delivering information directly to you and all New Yorkers.

Sign up to "Hear From Eric" and get direct messages from City Hall, tailored to your interests and neighborhood, sent directly to your inbox – at <u>nyc.gov/hearfromeric</u>!

Join Our Team! Be Part of the Mission!



Current DVS Job Openings

Being part of our team is a great way to continue to serve.

<u>Visit NYC.gov/jobs and select "Veterans' Services" from the agency menu to learn more</u> about and apply to the job below.

Client Services Manager - DVS seeks a highly qualified candidate to join Community Services as a Manager. The Manager will be responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of a team responsible for performing intakes and sending referrals within the VetConnectNYC system, a multi-provider network of participating organizations, government agencies, and other partners that provide direct services to Veterans. The Manager will also be a subject matter expert in claiming VA benefits through accreditation by New York State Department of Veterans Services.

VA Work Study Positions at DVS

The NYC Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) supports VA Work-Study Positions! Here is a current list of available VA Work-Study openings:

- Administrative Intern
- Benefit Intern

- <u>Care Coordination Intern</u>
- Data Analyst Intern
- Information Technology Intern
- IT Support Intern
- Legal Intern
- Outreach Coordinator Intern
- Veteran Business Promotion Intern

If you are interested in applying for a DVS-specific Work-Study position and meet eligibility requirements, please submit the following

to VAWorkStudy@veterans.nyc.gov:

- Resume
- Job Specific Cover Letter
- Supporting Documents found in the Job Description

Check Here for VA Work-Study Postings

NYC Civil Service Job Openings and Exams



Open Competitive Exams

New York City Bridge Exam Program - This examination is open to all candidates who wish to apply for and meet the requirements for any one or more of the titles indicated: Bookkeeper, Clerical Associate, Clerical Associate (PRO), Clerical Associate (NYC H+H), Clerical Associate (NYC H+H)(PRO), Computer Service Technician, Maintenance Worker (CUNY), Maintenance Worker (NYC H+H), Secretary, Staff Analyst Trainee.

Reporter/Stenographer (DA) - Reporter/Stenographers (DA) perform difficult and responsible stenographic activities on a stenotype machine; take verbatim statements of witnesses, complainants and defendants; take verbatim testimony introduced before a grand jury; transcribe this material for use in court proceedings; may appear in court to testify as to accuracy of statements or testimony and of circumstances surrounding interrogations; maintain records and files of proceedings and stenographic notes in order to locate testimony and other records pertaining to specific cases; and may supervise other personnel.

Special Officer - Special Officers (NYC H+H) perform work of ordinary difficulty and responsibility relating to physical security, safety, loss prevention and maintenance of order. They patrol designated areas of public buildings, other facilities, and surrounding areas to maintain order, preserve the peace, and safeguard life and property against fire,

vandalism, theft, etc.; give routine information to visitors and clients and direct them to the proper individuals and offices; discourage and eject loiterers and disorderly persons and when appropriate, arrest and issue summonses to law violators on premises; transport, escort and/or arrange for transport of persons in custody to police precincts and have arrests recorded on police blotter; prepare and transmit all necessary documents relating to arrests; testify in court on arrests; report security instances and unusual occurrences by telephone or radio and make subsequent written reports; as required, provide assistance to the sick, injured, mentally and physically disabled, and call for ambulances and/or medical attention when necessary and complete and forward forms; record daily actions in memo book; maintain records of persons entering or leaving building outside regular hours of employment; keep bulletin board in their area current by adding and removing materials; may make clock rounds as required; may control vehicular traffic on grounds and/or premises; may operate a motor vehicle; monitor and report unusual events from security systems as required; distribute and maintain accountability for designated equipment or property; monitor and control access by the means of electronic security measures, such as security video technology; access control technology; may operate hydraulic access devices; attend, complete, and maintain training requirements as per State and NYC Health + Hospitals mandates; make written entries into location log books; and perform related work.

To receive monthly updates on upcoming civil service exams click the button below to be directed to the Subscribe to the DCAS Newsletter page. On the registration form, select "City Jobs and Civil Service Announcements".

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Programs and Initiatives

Affordable Housing For Veterans



The <u>NYC Department of Veterans'</u> <u>Services (DVS)</u> maintains a list of federal, state, and city programs that offers a limited, but selective list of affordable housing options for veterans seeking financial relief for their housing arrangements. Visit our <u>Affordable</u> <u>Housing for Veterans</u> page to learn more.

Empowering Veteran Business Owners



The primary mission of the <u>VBLA</u> is to serve Veterans seeking support and assistance with running a business and in their pursuit of New York City Government contracting opportunities. Our leadership association engages with the private sector, government, advisory board, and local partners to build a consortium that facilitates the growth and development of Veteran Businesses.

VetBizNYC: Supporting Veteran Entrepreneurship

DVS has launched <u>VetBizNYC</u>, an interactive map that identifies Veteranowned businesses across the five boroughs. New Yorkers can use our interactive map to find and support Veteran-owned businesses in their community.



Are You Getting the Benefits You Deserve?

The <u>NYC Department of Veterans'</u> <u>Services (DVS)</u> represents NYC Veterans in claims for benefits from the <u>U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs</u>. Our team is also qualified to assist with PACT Act related claims. If you had a toxic exposure during your service, time is crucial for you to get the benefits you deserve. To file a claim, fill out the <u>VetConnectNYC.org</u> form and select **Benefits Navigation** as your preferred service.



VetConnectPro: A First-in-the-Nation Employment Tool



VetConnectPro, is a new employment tool designed to help Veterans find employment within NYC government. The platform features a military skills translator that can match your service experience and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) to City jobs and civil service exams. Upload your resume and get started today: nyc.gov/vetconnectpro.

Newsletter Sign-up

If you received this newsletter by way of a friend or colleague and have yet to sign-up on your own, click <u>here</u>, and stay up-to-date with the latest news impacting the community, updates on city services, info on DVS programs, Veteran-specific resources & more.

Contact Us

- Complete a service request form at <u>vetconnectnyc.org</u>
- Message the Commissioner
- Partner with DVS
- Press Inquiries
- Event Request Form

Stay tuned on our website <u>www.nyc.gov/vets</u> and social media platforms <u>@nycveterans</u>, or via email at <u>connect@veterans.nyc.gov</u>.