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Events Calendar

July 2015

Dear Neighbors,

This weekend there are lots of free and fun things to do in the neighborhood, like kayaking on the Hudson and attending an outdoor concert. Have a wonderful and relaxing 4th of July!

Free Outdoor Concerts: Riverside Clay Tennis Association

Watch New York City's beautiful sunset accompanied with great music this summer for free! The Riverside Clay Tennis Association is hosting a series of FREE sunset concerts every **Saturday through July and August** at 7pm. Picnics baskets and blankets are encouraged! The series of concerts represents the cultural diversity that the Upper West Side has. Ron McClure & Friends, Steve Tarshis & his Instrumental Trio and Efendi will be performing this month. The concerts will take place at Riverside Park at 97th street. [Learn More](#)

Rooftop Community Concert Series at John Jay College

I am proud to sponsor a series of FREE concerts this month at John Jay College in association with Jazz Forum Arts. Community residents are invited to join this family-friendly concert! On **Tuesday, July 28th** Vanessa Falabella will be performing from 5:30 pm to 7pm. The entrance for the concerts will be at 860 11th Avenue between 58th and 59th streets. [RSVP](#)

Free Summer Meals: Feed Your Mind

FREE summer meals for anyone under 18 years old at all participatory community schools, pools, parks, libraries and NYCHA locations. You do not need an ID,

registration or documentation to eat your FREE meal. Come eat with us this summer! [View Flyer](#) or [Visit Page](#) to find locations near you.

Housing Preservation & Development Registration

Don't forget that if you are a property owner of a residential building you must register annually with the Housing Preservation & Development. The annual registration is due by September 1st. HPD will be sponsoring a information session on **Monday, July 13th** from 12pm to 8pm at 94 Old Broadway (near 133rd Street), 7th Floor. [Learn More and Register](#)

Warmly,



July 4th Weekend Activities!

Picnic in the Garden: West Side Community Garden

Saturday, July 4th, 6pm

West 89th Street, Between Amsterdam & Columbus Avenues

FREE. There is going to be a July 4th picnic in the Garden, a free shared meal for everyone in the community- bring your favorite dish! We will be barbecuing hamburgers, hot dogs and supply soda and wine. Join Us! [Learn More](#)

Health and Race Walking- Central Park Conservancy

Saturday, July 4th, 2015, 9:30am-11am

North Meadow Recreation Center, Mid-Park at 97th Street

FREE. Start your Independence Day with Moderate to brisk walks led by the NY Walkers Club for people 18 years and older of all abilities! This low-impact fitness program is perfect for those who want to get in shape, build muscle tone, strength and increase cardiovascular health while enjoying Central Park's beautiful landscapes. [Learn More](#)

Fourth of July Celebration- New York Historical Society

Saturday, July 4th, 10am-6pm

DiMenna Children's History Museum

FREE for kids 18 and under. Come celebrate the Fourth of July with us! Enjoy exciting, patriotic activities for kids and adults of all ages! Taste sweet treats with The History of Ice Cream, hear tunes 'n' tales with the Hudson River Ramblers, and explore the Museum on scavenger hunts all day long!

Kayaking at 72nd Street and 56th Street

Saturdays and Sundays, 10am- 5pm

72nd Street & Hudson River and at 56th Street in Hudson River Park

FREE walk-up kayaking in Riverside Park and Pier 96. A perfect 4th of July weekend activity for the whole family! Come paddle and cruise in the Hudson River on the weekends from June to September. [Learn more](#)

Riverside Clay Tennis Association Sunset Concert

Saturday, July 4th, 7pm

Hudson River at 97th Street

FREE. Celebrate this Fourth of July with a performance by a perennial favorite and world-renowned jazz bassist Ron McClure & Friends along the Hudson River. [Learn More](#)

Lincoln Center's Midsummer Night Swing

Saturday, July 4th, 6pm

Lincoln Center, Damrosch Park at Amsterdam Ave. and W. 62 St

What better way to celebrate the 4th of July than by dancing to one of America's most loved musical gifts! With upbeat tunes by the greatest greats that forged the Motown sound and a smokin' band, this night will deliver family-friendly fun for all. Dance floor opens at 6, there is a group lesson from 6:30-7:15, and live sets begin at 7:30. Tickets are \$17 and includes tickets to the Silent Disco! [Learn More](#)

Monday, July 6 - Sunday, July 12

Lincoln Center Festival: Danny Elfman's Music from the Films of Tim Burton

Monday, July 6th- 12th

Avery Fishing Hall, 10 Lincoln Center Plaza

An evening of music by a full orchestra and choir. Danny Elfman's multimedia celebration finally arrives in New York after sold-out runs in Los Angeles and London, where audiences clad in the garb of their favorite characters turned out in droves to celebrate. Tickets from \$45. [Learn More](#)

Community Board 7 Full Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 7, 6:30 pm

Congregation Rodeph Sholom, 7 West 83rd Street (Central Park West)

Civilian Complaint Review Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 8th, 6:30pm

Central Family Life Center, 51 Wright St., Staten Island

Manhattan Borough President's New York City Housing Authority Town Hall Meeting

Wednesday, July 8th, 6pm to 8pm

Hunter College School of Social Work- 210 3rd Ave at 119th St

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Youth Fishing Clinics

Saturday, July 11th, 10am- 4:30pm

Charles A. Dana Discovery Center, inside the Park at 110th Street between 5th and Lenox Avenue

FREE. Spend a Saturday on the Harlem Meer with our fishing experts. Kids will learn new fishing techniques such as baiting and casting and enhance their fishing skills through small-group instruction. Program includes lessons in Central Park's aquatic ecology and diverse fish species. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited; advance registration required. [Learn More](#)

Exhibit: Water World: Immersive Dome Experience

Through July 11th

Milstein Hall of Ocean Life at the American Museum of Natural History

Take a ride through our solar system to gain a new perspective on our home planet and splash down into the deep oceans to explore the variety of life underwater.

[Learn More](#)

Monday, July 13 - Sunday, July 19**Manhattan Borough President's New York City Housing Authority Town Hall Meeting**

Wednesday, July 14th, 6pm to 8pm

Baruch College, Room 750 at 151 E 25th St between Lexington & 3rd Ave

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The 24th Precinct Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, July 15th, 7pm

24th Precinct, 151 West 100th Street

My City Book Club: The New York Nobody Knows: Walking 6,000 Miles in the City

Wednesday, July 15th, 6:30pm

Museum of the City of New York, 1220 Fifth Avenue

Sociologist William Helmreich spent four years and wore through nine pairs of shoes walking almost every street of the New York City's five boroughs: 120,000 blocks, or about 6,000 miles. In walking through its neighborhoods and talking to its residents, Helmreich, a native New Yorker, developed a complex understanding of the city. Join him and journalist Ariel Kaminer to discuss how New York City has changed since the 1970s and the voices and stories of two prevailing groups of people the immigrants and the gentrifiers to which Helmreich attributes the city's success. Use the code DIST6 to purchase tickets 25% off. [Learn More](#)

Workshop: Introduction to High School Admissions

Thursday, July 16th, 6:30pm

For Families beginning with last name A-N the workshop will be located at Martin

Luther King Jr. Educational Campus at 122 Amsterdam Ave
For families beginning with last name O-Z the workshop will be located at Murry Bergtraum Educational Campus at 411 Pearl Street.

[View Flyer](#)

Mobile Adoption Center- Animal Care Centers of NY

Saturday, July 18th, 12pm-4pm

Fenwick Keats Real Estate, 2244 Broadway

There will be a mobile adoption center, come see our furry friends! Also there is a "CATriotic" adoption special: Throughout July, and across all our locations/mobile events, we'll be waiving the adoption fees for cats over one year old. [Visit](#)

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Street Fair

Saturday, July 18th

Amsterdam Ave, 96-106 St.

Sponsored by Valley Restoration, LDC

Monday, July 20 - Friday, July 31

Workshop: Carnival of the Instruments

Monday, July 20th to 24th, 9am - 4pm

Bloomington School of Music

This workshop is designed to introduce children to the wonderful world of music. With a special focus on Saint-Saëns' "Carnival of the Animals," students will receive an array of musical experiences that will develop them both as listeners and active participants in the creation of music. In addition to exploring the instruments of the orchestra, classes will include movement and singing exercises, keyboard instruction, and an introduction to musical concepts. [Learn More](#)

Community Board 4 Full Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 22nd, 6:30pm

Intrepid Museum, 150 12th Ave (W 46 st.)

Street Fair

Sunday, July 26th

Broadway, 60-65 Street

Sponsored by Environmentally Sound Development

WITS 10 for 10 Dinner Hosted by Chef Michael Anthony

Monday, July 27th, 7pm

Gramercy Tavern at 42 East 20th Street

Hosted by Chef Michael Anthony at Gramercy Tavern. Wellness in the Schools (WITS) and 2015 James Beard Award winner for Outstanding Chef, Michael Anthony, invite you to join us for a one-of-a-kind dinner at Gramercy Tavern to support Wellness in the Schools. This is a unique opportunity for an intimate, private dining experience in one of NYC's most beloved contemporary American

restaurants. [RSVP](#)

Rooftop Community Concert Series from John Jay College in association with Jazz Forum Arts

Tuesday, July 28th

John Jay College at 860 11th Avenue between 58th and 59th streets

FREE. Community residents are invited to experience first-hand the beautiful park like setting, perched above the city streets with a spectacular view of the Hudson River. Attendees are encouraged to bring their blankets or a low-profile lawn chair with a picnic, and other a glass of wine, as you enjoy this family-friendly concert. Reservations are required. [RSVP](#)

Book Sale- St. Agnes NYPL

Wednesday, July 29th, 1pm- 5pm

St. Agnes Branch NYPL at 444 Amsterdam Avenue between 81st and 82nd Streets

The sale has everything you might want: children's and young adult books, adult fiction and non-fiction, essays, travel logs, mystery, classics, self-help, plays, history and coffee table books. There are also DVDs, classical and rock CDs, LPs and vintage books. Our gently used books and recordings are all community donated. [View Flyer](#)

Ongoing

Kayaking at 72nd Street and 56th Street

Saturdays and Sundays, 10am- 5pm

72nd Street & Hudson River and at 56th Street in Hudson River Park

FREE walk-up kayaking in Riverside Park and Pier 96. Come paddle and cruise in the Hudson River on the weekends from June to September! Kayak trips on the harbor and evening classes are operated from the boathouse at Pier 96 for the park by [Manhattan Community Boathouse](#), a non profit, all-volunteer organization. [Learn more](#)

Film: New York Story

New York Historical Society, 170 Central Park West at 77th Street

You know the city -- now be enthralled by the stories. Witness New York's rise from remote outpost to city at the center of the world in this 18-minute panoramic film experience shown on a 75-foot screen in surround-sound. [Visit Page](#)

Fundraiser: School 2 School

Parents from around District 3 are teaming up to help fund some awesome projects by teachers in District 7. Show your support for some of our city's hardest working teachers by helping them make their classrooms the enriching and engaging environments all kids deserve. The more money we raise, the more projects we'll add! [Donate](#)

Free Summer Meals: Feed Your Mind

Starting June 27th

For everyone 18 years old and under at participating schools, pools, parks, libraries, and NYCHA locations near you. Participation requires no ID, registration or documentation. Come eat with us! Find out more by calling 311, texting NYCMeals to 877-877 or SchoolFood App. [View Flyer](#) or [Visit Page](#) to find locations near you.

Central Park Circuit

Tuesdays & Thursdays, July 7th to August 27th, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Meet at East Meadow

FREE. Reach your fitness goals in the world's most beautiful outdoor gym — Central Park! Get fit with innovative exercises designed by top trainers to take advantage of the Park's best natural features: rocks, trails, stairs, hills, and gorgeous open lawns. Ages 18+. Classes are drop-in and open to all fitness levels. [Learn More](#)

Free Outdoor Concerts: Riverside Clay Tennis Association

Every Saturday at 7pm

Riverside Park at 97th street.

The Riverside Clay Tennis Association is hosting a series of sunset concerts. The Series celebrates our fabulous park and represents the rich cultural diversity of the Upper West Side. Each concert begins at 7 p.m. and continues through shades of orange, red and purple, ending around 9 p.m. Bring your picnic basket and blanket and join us. Stick around afterward and watch the fireflies rise up out of the lawn and the stars speckle the sky. In the event of inclement weather, call the hotline, 212-978-0277, to see whether a concert has been postponed. Ron McClure & Friends, Steve Tarshis & his Instrumental Trio and Efendi will be performing this month. [Learn More](#)

July Sunday Platforms: New York Society for Ethical Culture

Every Sunday, 11am

2 West 64th Street

FREE. Built on lectures and music, Sunday Platforms are the heart of Ethical Culture. Topics range from Environment to Ethics, from Music to Theater, and can be inspiring and joyful. These events are free and open to the public. This month's events are Colloquy on Patriotism with Anne Klaeyesen, Honest Examination of Lying with Emily Newman, Building a Culture of Compassion with Paulo Ribeiro and An Ethical Humanist Philosophy with Randall Best. [Learn More](#)

Trash to Treasure: Recycled Fashion Design

Wednesday, July 15th to Friday, July 31st

Children's Museum of Manhattan, 212 West 83rd Street (between Columbus & Amsterdam).

Design accessories made out of re-purposed materials! Explore famous fashions from NYC designers and use recycled materials to create accessories like belts using VHS tape, and necklaces using old bottle caps! [Learn More](#)

Lunchtime Concerts by Lincoln Square BID

Every Wednesday in July and August, 12pm-2pm

Richard Tucker Park, Broadway at 66th street
FREE. Enjoy this series of free concerts that will be performed during lunch hour. The Summer Concerts Series is presented by the Lincoln Square BID and MTA's Music Under New York. There will be a mix of talented musicians, some new and some old favorites, sure to please any locals, visitors, or music enthusiasts. The variety of genres includes American Jazz, R&B, Classical, Mariachi, Funk, and more. [Learn More](#)

Affordable Housing

FREE Monthly Housing Clinics

Council Member Helen Rosenthal, Goddard Riverside's SRO Law Project, and The Urban Justice Center present FREE 2015-2016 Monthly Housing Clinics and Workshops from October 2015 - June 2016 (6pm-8pm) at Goddard Riverside Community Center, 593 Columbus Avenue (between 88th and 89th Streets), Manhattan. On the first Wednesday of each month, the clinic will offer a presentation on a variety of topics, to be followed by a question and answer session. The funding is provided by the Housing Preservation Initiative of the New York City Council. Each evening, at least one staff attorney will meet with individuals who are seeking specific legal advice. (Bilingue: Español) For questions, contact the Urban Justice Center at (646) 459-3017 or Anna Gago at the Office of Council Member Rosenthal at (212) 873-0282 x.204. Sign-up sheet starting at 6pm each evening. Monthly Housing Clinics will resume on October 2015.

HCC Legal Clinic

HCC offers a free legal clinic on Monday evenings from 7pm – 9pm. To meet with a volunteer attorney, visitors must call the front desk (212) 541-5996 to reserve a spot in the clinic in advance. Only the first eight callers will be able to reserve an appointment. Any New York City resident who does not qualify for HCC's legal services* can visit HCC's Legal Clinic, regardless of income or address. Our volunteer lawyers provide brief legal information, explain basic legal rights and may refer visitors to other legal resources/organizations/agencies. The Clinic is for 15-minute consultations only. You do not retain the volunteer attorney and the attorney cannot represent you or provide legal advice. While most visitors come for legal information about housing-related matters, attorneys may (at their own discretion) field questions about other basic, legal matters, as well. Visitors are asked to bring all documents relevant to their questions.

Sources for Finding Affordable Housing

NYC Housing Connect

Looking for affordable housing? The NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) have developed an online portal to search and apply for affordable housing opportunities in New York City called NYC Housing Connect. On the site, you can: Learn how to apply for affordable housing in New York

City; View current and upcoming housing opportunities; Start, save, and complete an application for your household; Apply to housing options for which you may qualify. NYC Housing Connect seeks to simplify the application process for you. To visit the site [CLICK HERE](#). Applying and qualifying for affordable housing can be a long process, and you are not guaranteed to receive housing. Your household must not only qualify with detailed criteria on a property-by-property basis, but you must also be selected at random in that property's lottery. Preferences noted in the advertisement will be given first consideration. For other housing resources for New York City, visit the [Affordable Housing Resource Center](#).

NYC Housing Development Corporation

HDC finances rental properties reserved for households that meet certain income restrictions, commonly referred to as either low-income or middle-income. Each posting specifies how many of each type of apartment is available. To apply, please follow the instructions on the application information or advertisement posted for each development. All apartments are awarded through a lottery; your eligibility is determined by income. There is no application fee, facilitator, outside expediter, or broker involved in this process. Filling out the application for the specific project that is advertising available units is the **ONLY** way to apply for one of the apartments. [See available listings](#).

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