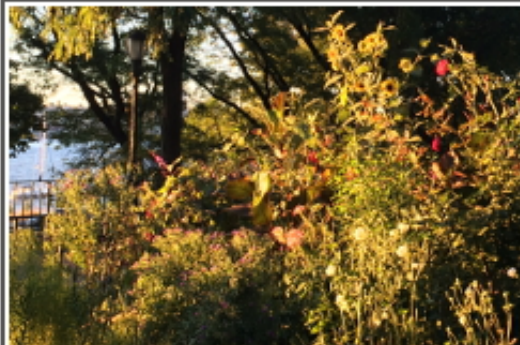


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October Events Calendar from

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Events Calendar

October 2015

Dear Neighbors,

PB is back! If you missed it last year, **Participatory Budgeting** (PB) is a way for residents to decide how \$1 million in taxpayer money is spent to improve the neighborhood. If you have an idea for how the next million should be spent, the PB committee wants to hear from you! There will be [six meetings in October](#) where you can share your ideas, or you can submit your ideas on my website (the form will go up by October 1). All locations are wheelchair accessible.

My first **Council Member on the Corner** of the season will be on Sunday, October 4 at the street fair. I'll be at a table near 96th street, and I look forward to seeing you and hearing how I can better serve you.

I am proud to announce a new season of **free, monthly housing clinics**, starting with an Introduction to Rent Control and Rent Stabilization and an Update on Rent Laws on Wednesday, October 7, from 6pm-8pm. You can also meet with a lawyer for a free consultation. Last year about 60-80 residents attended each session. Feel free to spread the word to your neighbors. [See the flyer for the full season.](#)

I was happy to support another **FREE concert** as part of Carnegie Hall in the Neighborhood. The concert is on Friday, October 2nd at 7pm at John Jay College, and it features the Afro-Colombian band La Chiva Gantiva. [See the flyer.](#)

If you haven't gotten a flu shot yet, there's still time. Senator Brad Hoylman is hosting a day of **FREE flu shots** on Friday, October 9th from 3-6pm at his office on 26th street and Eighth Avenue. Appointments are recommended. Call (212) 633-8052 or email hoylman@nysenate.gov to schedule. [See the flyer.](#)

There are not one but **two grant opportunities for gardens at public schools**. The [Nature Works Everywhere Garden Grants](#) will offer \$1,000-\$2,000 to support the

building, amendment, or revitalization of gardens on school campuses, and the deadline is October 28. [Grow to Learn Garden Grants](#), a program by GrowNYC, the NYC Department of Education and NYC Park's GreenThumb Division, will offer \$500 - \$2,000 to start or expand a learning garden program at NYC public and charter schools, and the deadline is November 9. Don't miss these great opportunities to improve our schools!

Save the date: the **2015 West Side Tenants' Conference** will be on October 31st at Fordham Law School. I'll send out the details and a flyer for the event in my next newsletter, which you'll receive in a couple of weeks.

Warmly,



Thursday, October 1 - Sunday, October 11

Neighborhood Assembly for Participatory Budgeting

Thursday, October 1, 6pm-8pm

FREE. Share your ideas for how to improve public parks, schools, libraries, streets, and public housing on the Upper West Side. Lincoln Square Neighborhood Center, 250 West 65th Street (between West End & Amsterdam). Wheelchair accessible. Bilingüe: Español. [See the flyer.](#)

The New New York Activists: Living City, Living Wage

Thursday, October 1 at 6:30pm

FREE, but registration is required. New York's economic dynamism has long been a hallmark of the city; for centuries, jobs and opportunity have attracted people to New York from across the nation and around the globe. Yet today, many New Yorkers find themselves unemployed or working in unsafe conditions for unsustainably low wages.

At a moment of impassioned debate about the right to a "living wage," join us to hear from a new generation of activists who use organized labor, equitable business models, and the media to fight for a more livable and prosperous city -- for all New Yorkers. Museum of the City of New York, 1220 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street. [Register here.](#)

Civilian Complaint Review Board Meeting (CCRB)

Thursday, October 1st, 5:30pm

Mount Sinai Comprehensive Health Program, 275 Seventh Avenue, 12th Floor. [More Information.](#)

Free Concert: La Chiva Gantiva

Friday, October 2nd at 7pm

FREE. Hear this Brussels-based group of multi-national musicians, which combines traditional Colombian sounds with funk riffs like those of James Brown to the sounds of

jazz great Lionel Hampton and the rock notes of the Red Hot Chili Peppers. Sponsored by Council Member Helen Rosenthal and produced in cooperation with Carnegie Hall Neighborhood Concerts, the performance will be held at the Gerald Lynch Theater, located at The John Jay College of Criminal Justice, 524 West 59th Street. [See the flyer.](#)

Straus Park: A Centennial Celebration

Saturday, October 3, 10am - 5pm

Friends of Straus Park celebrates the centennial of the naming of Straus Park in a day-long Art in the Park event. Join your neighbors for paintings, photographs, jewelry, clothing, food and music (by Blue Vipers of Brooklyn), all a tribute to Isidor and Ida Straus, Upper West Siders who lived in a frame house at 27-47 Broadway, near 105th Street (Isidor was co-owner of Macy's department store). Location: Straus Park, Broadway at 106th Street. [Learn more.](#)

My Dog Loves Central Park Fair

Saturday, October 3rd, 11am-3pm

FREE. Dog training workshops, on-site dog licensing, microchipping, treats, tricks, trivia and prizes. Presented by Central Park Conservancy. [RSVP HERE](#)

Beethoven Encounters: Opus 18 String Quartets

Saturday, October 3rd, 2:30pm

FREE. Library for the Performing Arts, Bruno Walters Auditorium. 40 Lincoln Center Plaza. Wheelchair accessible. 917-275-6975. [More info](#)

Council Member Helen Rosenthal's Council Member on the Corner

Sunday, October 4th

Stop by and talk to Council Member Helen Rosenthal and her staff. They'll be at the street fair on Broadway at a table near 96th Street.

Street Fair

Sunday, October 4th

96th-103rd Street on Broadway. Sponsored by the Broadway Area Coalition.

Lecture: History of the Pasteur Institute

Monday, October 5th, 6:30pm

Presented by the Bloomingdale Neighborhood History Group. The speaker will be Dr. Bert Hansen, professor of history at Baruch College, CUNY. To be held at Hostelling International, 891 Amsterdam Avenue. 212-666-9774 or [email here](#).

Broadway Mall Association's Broadway in Bloom Benefit

Tuesday, October 6, 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Featuring celebrity host Susie Essman. Rosa Mexicano, 61 Columbus Avenue. Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres, Live & Silent Auction. Tickets are \$50; Sponsorships start at \$100. [Purchase your ticket today!](#) For more information, call (212) 491-6470.

Town Hall held by Defenders of Teddy Roosevelt Park

Tuesday, October 6, 7pm-9pm

Learn how the proposed expansion of the American Museum of Natural History could significantly affect the park, the environment and our neighborhoods. Location: The

Fourth Universalist Society, 160 Central Park West at 76th Street. Event support by LandmarkWest! and the Committee for Environmentally Sound Development. [Learn more.](#)

Community Board 4 Full Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 7th at 6:30 pm

Fulton Center Auditorium, 119 5th Avenue, between 17th and 18th Street. [Here's more information.](#)

Bloomingdale Neighborhood Walking Tour

Wednesday, October 7th, 6pm

Guided by Jim Mackin. Meets at South end of Straus Park, 106th and Broadway. Info and RSVP at 212-666-9774 or info@columbusamsterdambid.org.

Community Board 7 Full Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 7, 6:30 PM

Jewish Home Lifecare, 120 West 106th Street (Columbus Avenue). [See the agenda.](#)

Participatory Budgeting Neighborhood Assembly

Wednesday, October 7, 6pm-8pm

FREE. Share your ideas for how to improve public parks, schools, libraries, streets, and public housing on the Upper West Side. Goddard Riverside Community Center, 593 Columbus Avenue (between 88th & 89th Streets). Wheelchair accessible. Bilingüe: Español. [See the flyer.](#)

Housing Clinic: Introduction to Rent Control and Rent Stabilization, Update on Rent Laws

Wednesday, October 7th, 6pm-8pm

FREE. Whether you are a first-time or long-time renter, or looking for affordable or senior housing, these clinics are a valuable tool to help you navigate the NYC rental housing system. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer session. Lawyers will be available for free consultation with residents, both in English and Spanish. Note, you must arrive by 6:45 pm to sign up to speak with a lawyer. Sign up begins at 6 pm. Where: Goddard Riverside Community Center, 593 Columbus Avenue, between 88th and 89th Street. [Meeting Information](#)

Police Service Area 6 Community Council Meeting

Thursday October 8th, 7pm

2770 Frederick Douglass Blvd., between 147th and 148th, Manhattan. In cooperation with New York Housing Authority (NYCHA). Community Council President: Leona Draper. [Learn more](#)

Free Flu Shots

Friday, October 9th from 3-6pm

FREE, but appointments are recommended. NYS Senator Brad Hoylman's program for free flu shots in our District Office one day every fall. Co-sponsored by Council Member Helen Rosenthal. Space is limited. Call (212) 633-8052 or email hoylman@nysenate.gov to schedule. For adults and children aged 9 and over with parental consent. Location: 322 Eighth Avenue, Suite 1700 (enter on 26th Street). [See](#)

[the flyer.](#)

Monday, October 12 - Sunday, October 18

Participatory Budgeting Neighborhood Assembly

Wednesday, October 14, 4pm-6pm

FREE. Share your ideas for how to improve public parks, schools, libraries, streets, and public housing on the Upper West Side. New York Public Library – Riverside Branch, 127 Amsterdam Avenue (between 65th & 66th Streets). [See the flyer.](#)

International Day of Older Persons

October 15th, 10am-1 pm

FREE. A celebration at The United Nations with a theme of sustainability and age inclusivity in an urban environment. Registration for this event closes on October 9th.

[Go here for info on the event](#)

Union Square Greenmarket Apple Contest

Friday, October 16th, 10am-2pm

Get free apples, win apple-related prizes, compete in a cider doughnut eating contest, apple balancing, and apple trivia games. Courtesy of the New York Apple Association. Location: Union Square Greenmarket. Presented by GrowNYC. [More info.](#)

Eating Through Time Festival

Saturday, October 17th, 11am-6pm

Join to celebrate the intersection between food, history, and public health. Using food as the common theme, chefs, historians, writers, and public health experts will gather to discuss the past, present, and future of food in society, culture, and policy. This daylong event will include lectures, demonstrations, workshops, book signings, and more. Featuring Chef Jacques Pépin, cookbook author Bryant Terry, Joshua Evans of Nordic Food Lab, The Culinary Institute of America, A Place at the Table, Harvard Public Health, a screening followed by a Q&A with the producers, and much more. [Buy tickets»](#) New York Academy of Medicine, 1216 5th Avenue between 104th and 105th streets.

Volunteer Opportunity at Riverside Park: It's My Park! Day

Saturday, October 17th, 10am-1pm

Help with fall park projects on this city-wide day of Park volunteerism. Activities range from spreading woodchips, weeding, planting and picking up debris, to a whole host of other beautification efforts. This is a great way to help build your neighborhood and your park. [Learn more.](#)

Fall Electronics Collection Event

Sunday, October 18th, 10am-4pm

The Lower East Side Ecology Center is giving you a free opportunity to dispense of your electronics. It is now illegal to dispense of electronics in the trash. The following working and non-working items will be accepted: computers, monitors, printers, scanners, keyboards, mice, cables, TVs, VCRs, CD & DVD players, phones, audio/visual equipment, video games, cell phones and PDAs. Jewish Community

Center: Amsterdam Ave b/w W 75th & W 76th Streets. info@leseecologycenter.org or call 212.477.4022.

2015 NYC Walk to End Alzheimer's

Sunday, October 18th

Registration at 9am | Ceremony at 10am | Walk at 11am

The New York Chapter is celebrating its 26th year by providing a free breakfast, free coffee and a host of celebs so join the fun. It's pet-friendly, too. Riverside Park, at West 97th Street and Riverside Drive. Rain or Shine. Route Length: 2 miles. [Learn more.](#)

Street Fair

Sunday, October 18

86th - 96th Streets on Broadway. Sponsored by the NAACP Mid-Manhattan Branch (86th-90th Streets) and Symphony Space (90th-96th Streets).

Monday, October 19 - Sunday, October 25

Music Mondays: Parker Quartet

Monday, October 19, 7:30pm

FREE. Music Mondays brings you free monthly concerts by today's most exciting ensembles. Mingle with the performers after every concert over a glass of wine. Concerts take place at 2504 Broadway at 93rd Street. [Learn more.](#)

"New York, New York" Concert Series: The Brooklyn Label Sessions

Tuesday, October 20th, 7pm

FREE. Bloomingdale School of Music bass instructor Kevin Farrell celebrates his latest trio recording "The Brooklyn Label Sessions," a mix of originals and jazz standards. Location: Bloomingdale School of Music, 323 West 108th Street (between Broadway and Riverside Drive). [Learn more.](#)

National Council of Jewish Women

Tuesday, October 20th, 12 pm

Festive Fall Luncheon, featuring Letty Cottin Pogrebin. All proceeds will benefit NCJW NY's Children's Literacy Program. [Buy tickets](#)

24th Precinct Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 21st, 7pm

The Community Council attempts to bridge the gap and resolve issues between the police department and the community. To let your voice be heard, attend at 151 West 100th Street in Manhattan. President, Tom Burnett. For more information, call 212-580-6411 or [look here.](#)

Lincoln Center at the Movies: Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater

October 22nd at 7:00pm

Witness an iconic masterpiece of American dance, Alvin Ailey's Revelations, plus vibrant works from choreographers Wayne McGregor, Ronald K. Brown, and Robert Battle, shown at local movie theaters. [Buy tickets.](#)

Participatory Budgeting Neighborhood Assembly

Thursday, October 22, 6pm-8pm

FREE. Share your ideas for how to improve public parks, schools, libraries, streets, and public housing on the Upper West Side. 111 West 71st Street (between Columbus & Amsterdam), Hargrave House. Wheelchair accessible. Bilingüe: Español. [See the flyer](#).

SONiC Festival: Alarm Will Sound

Thursday, October 22, 8pm

“As close to being a rock band as a chamber orchestra can be” (NY Times), the exuberantly virtuosic ensemble premieres works by Texu Kim, John Orfe, Jeremy Podgursky and more. Location: Merkin Concert Hall at Kaufman Music Center, 129 W. 67th St. btw Broadway and Amsterdam. [Buy tickets](#).

London Symphony Orchestra

Friday, October 23rd at 8pm

Avery Fischer Hall, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, 10 Lincoln Center Plaza, New York, NY 10023. Featuring famed Russian conductor Valery Gergiev. Call 212-875-5030 or [go here](#) for more information.

Participatory Budgeting Neighborhood Assembly

Saturday, October 24, 2pm-4pm

FREE. Share your ideas for how to improve public parks, schools, libraries, streets, and public housing on the Upper West Side. New York Public Library – St. Agnes Branch, 444 Amsterdam Avenue (between 81st & 82nd Streets). Wheelchair accessible. Bilingüe: Español. [See the flyer](#).

Monday, October 26 - Sunday, November 1

20th Precinct Community Council Meeting

Monday, October 26th, 7pm

at 120 West 82nd Street. 212-580-6411. [Find out more here](#)

Altruism, Ethics, and the Global Economy: A Discussion with Matthieu Ricard and Jeffrey Sachs

Tuesday, October 27, 7:30pm - 9pm

FREE (donations accepted). How can we balance economic growth, social inclusion, and environmental sustainability? And how can we build social trust and faith in government, to ensure that human and planetary well-being are at the center of our global politics and policy choices? Two of the world's leading thinkers -- Matthieu Ricard and Jeffrey Sachs -- discuss the questions of ethics, altruism, politics, economics, and sustainable development in this unique event. Location: New York Society for Ethical Culture, 2 West 64th Street (at Central Park West). [Learn more](#).

Participatory Budgeting Neighborhood Assembly

Wednesday, October 28, 6pm-8pm

FREE. Share your ideas for how to improve public parks, schools, libraries, streets, and public housing on the Upper West Side. The Marseilles, 230 West 103rd Street (at Broadway). Wheelchair accessible. Bilingual: Español. [See the flyer](#).

Preparing for Life after High School: Transition and Employment Planning and Options for Adulthood

Thursday, October 29th, 10am-12pm

Presented by The Autism Initiative at Synergia, 2082 Lexington Avenue. Call 212-643-2840 or [click here](#).

2015 West Side Tenants Conference

Sat., Oct. 31st

Save the date: this year the conference will take place on Halloween at the Fordham Law School. Details and a flyer to come; stay tuned to Council Member Helen Rosenthal's website, www.helenrosenthal.com.

Ongoing Events

Free Saturday Basketball Program

Saturdays: September 19 - December 19

High School (Ages 14-17): 10am-12pm. Elementary School (Ages 6-10): 1pm-3pm. Middle School (Ages 11- 13): 3pm-5pm

FREE. Goddard Riverside Community Center presents a Free Saturday Basketball Program (includes basketball clinic & in-house tournament). Location: Joan of Arc Complex - Beacon Program, 154 West 93rd Street, between Columbus and Amsterdam. To register email beacon@goddard.org or call 212-866-0009.

Grant Opportunity for Public Schools: Nature Works Everywhere Garden Grants

Deadline: October 28

The Nature Works Everywhere program is currently accepting applications for garden grants during the 2015–16 school year. Grants will be given in the amount of **\$1,000–\$2,000** dependent upon the needs of the project. Funds may be used to support the building, amendment, or revitalization of gardens on school campuses, with preference given to rain, pollinator, native habitat, and other natural infrastructure projects. Food gardens will also be funded. For all details including timeline, activities, requirements, grant benefits, and eligibility, please refer to the Garden Grant Description document available at the link below. Commitment letters from the project lead and your school administrator are required. Two sample commitment letters and a sample application are also available at the link below. Applications due October 28, 2015. [Learn more](#).

Grant Opportunity for Public Schools: Grow to Learn Fall 2015 Mini-Grants

Deadline: Monday, November 9th

GrowNYC, NYC Department of Education and NYC Park's GreenThumb Division are happy to announce that Grow to Learn is currently accepting applications for Mini-Grants of **\$500 to \$2,000** to start or expand a learning garden program at NYC public and charter schools. Grow to Learn Garden Grants are funded in part by the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York and Green Mountain Energy Company. Grant applications open on Monday, September 28th and close on Monday, November 9th. [Learn more](#).

Art Brut in America: The Incursion of Jean Dubuffet

October 13, 2015 - January 2016

FREE. The first major U.S. exhibition to explore the introduction of art brut to America. Location: American Folk Art Museum, 2 Lincoln Square. [More information](#).

Lincoln Center White Light Festival

October 14 - November 22

See choreographers in Indian movement, bold new advances and ongoing adventures in performance. Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, 70 Lincoln Center Plaza. 212-721-6500 or [click here for info](#).

Symphony Space: Project Fifteen

October 17-28

One hundred years ago, Vincent Astor built a stunning indoor market that would later become Symphony Space. Frank Sinatra, Arthur Miller, and Edith Piaf were born. Kafka's *The Metamorphosis* and Einstein's Theory of Relativity were published. Project Fifteen plays with the year 1915 as a departure point to dive into the cultural world of ten decades ago. Symphony Space, 2537 Broadway at 95th Street. 212-864-5400.

[More information](#)

Job Training Resources

SAGEWorks Boot Camp

SAGEWorks Boot Camp is a two week intensive training course that takes place in New York City or Philadelphia. The purpose of the boot camp is to provide skills that will lead to job placement. SAGEWorks assists people 40 years and older in learning relevant, cutting-edge job search skills in a LGBT-friendly environment. [Apply now](#). Start Dates (subject to slight changes), located at 305 7th Ave (at 27th Street).

- October 19th to October 30th
 - November 30th to December 11th
 - January 4th to January 15th
 - February 1st to February 12th
 - March 21st to April 1st
 - April 25th to May 6th
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Affordable Housing

FREE Monthly Housing Clinics

Council Member Helen Rosenthal, Goddard Riverside's SRO Law Project, and The Urban Justice Center present FREE 2014-2015 Monthly Housing Clinics and Workshops from October 2014 - June 2015 (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.

- **October 7, 2015:** Introduction to Rent Control and Rent Stabilization, Update on Rent Laws
- **November 4, 2015:** Finding Affordable Housing; Roommates & Subletting
- **December 2, 2015:** HPs, Repairs, Bedbugs & Cockroaches
- **January 6, 2016:** Non-primary residence
- **February 3, 2016:** Harassment & City-wide Housing Related Campaigns
- **March 2, 2016:** DHCR Overview, including MCIs and IAs; Preferential Rent, Reduction in Services
- **April 6, 2016:** Housing Court 101
- **May 4, 2016:** SCRIE and DRIE
- **June 1, 2016:** Succession Rights

Housing Conservation Coordinators (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.

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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