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August Events Calendar from

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Riverside Park

Events Calendar

August 2015

Dear Neighbors,

I hope you're getting time to enjoy the warm summer weather!

Tuesday, August 4 is the [National Night Out Against Crime](#), and I'm proud to give citations to police officers in the 20th precinct, 24th precinct, and PSA 6. The event will be from 6pm-8pm at the following locations:

- **20th Precinct:** Verdi Square, 72nd and Broadway
- **24th Precinct:** 92 West 94th Street
- **Transit Police:** Merchant's Gate, Columbus Circle at Central Park South and Central Park West

Council Member Mark Levine and I are hosting a **Summer Meals Event and Raffle with New York Yankees Manager Joe Girardi!** Anyone 18 and younger can meet **Joe Girardi**, enjoy a free lunch, and enter a raffle to win free Yankees tickets. The event will be on Thursday, August 6th, 12pm-1pm at Lasker Pool, 110 Malcolm X Boulevard, New York, NY 10026. For more information, please contact Lethy Liriano at LLiriano@council.nyc.gov

I am a firm believer in the importance of responsible fossil fuel and renewable energy investments, and I'm honored to be a panelist for the upcoming [350NYC](#) forum, "**Financial Strategies for Keeping Fossil Fuels in the Ground.**" The panel will be on Tuesday, August 11, 7pm to 9:30 pm at The Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew at West 86th Street and West End Avenue. There's a \$3.00 suggested donation at the door.

From August 10th - August 28th, the West Side Campaign Against Hunger at 86th

Street and West End Avenue will host an **IDNYC Pop-Up Enrollment site**. The ID is free, and it gets you a free, one-year membership to 33 cultural institutions including the American Museum of Natural History, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the New York City Ballet. [Learn more](#).

Community Board 7 and Community Board 4 will not hold full board meetings in August. Likewise, the 20th precinct and 24th precinct community councils will not hold meetings in August. All four monthly meetings will resume in September.

Warmly,



Saturday, August 1 - Sunday, August 9

Bring Change to Support ParentJobNet

Friday, July 31, 8:30am – 4:30pm

On Friday, July 31st, bring in your loose coins to our 535 Columbus Avenue Store and donate them to [support ParentJobNet](#). On top of your donation, TD Bank will match up to \$2,000 of the coins counted at the Penny Arcade that day to help bring change to the community. Location: TD Bank, 535 Columbus Avenue (at 86th Street).

Bagel Bark: Cherry Hill

Saturday, August 1, 7:30 am – 9:30 am

FREE. Location: Cherry Hill (Central Park at 72nd Street, west of Bethesda Terrace). Join Central Park Paws at our next [Bagel Bark](#)! Meet and greet others who make up Central Park's vibrant dog community. Build relationships with neighbors while enjoying refreshments and learning how everyone can keep Central Park healthy and beautiful for all to enjoy. Registration not required. Dogs are allowed off-leash until 9:00 am.

Champions of Dignity: Humanism in Ferguson and Beyond

Sunday, August 2, 11am

FREE. Protests in Ferguson, New York, Madison, and Baltimore. Now, all across the country, when a person of color is killed by police, people take to the streets. In a time of social unrest and sometimes violent protest, how can we Ethical Humanists champion the dignity of all people? How can we challenge the racism in our society and in ourselves to uphold human worth? [Lecture by James Croft](#). Location: New York Society for Ethical Culture, 2 West 64th Street.

Volunteer for the NCJW NY's Back 2 School Store

August 2

NCJW New York is transforming Council House into a very special department store on Sunday, August 2nd, and we need you! At the [Back 2 School Store](#), 100 elementary school children from underserved communities will "shop" for everything they need to go back to school with pride and enthusiasm! All items are brand new and service is free of charge. We need your help! Each child will be assigned a personal shopper to

guide them through the store. Each personal shopper shift will be four hours long, with one shift beginning at 9 AM and the second shift beginning at 12 PM. Personal shoppers are a crucial part of the Back 2 School Store experience and we hope you will join us! Other volunteer opportunities include: registration, inventory, floor staff, and Family Resource Center. To learn more or to sign up for a volunteer position, please contact Yael Reisman at yreisman@ncjwny.org or 646.884.9462.

Noxious New York: Race, Class, and Garbage

August 3, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

FREE, but advance registration is required. Drawing on her award-winning book *Noxious New York: The Racial Politics of Urban Health and Environmental Justice*, Julie Sze will examine [the link between race, class, and garbage](#) with a focus on how culturally and politically disenfranchised communities re-work long-standing connotations between polluted places and peoples. This lecture is part of our "Garbage and the City" series, produced in collaboration with the Museum of the City of New York and ARCHIVE Global and supported by a grant from the New York Council for the Humanities. Location: The New York Academy of Medicine, 1216 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street.

National Night Out Against Crime

Tuesday, August 4, 6:00pm-8:00pm

[National Night Out](#) is an annual summer event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watches in which precincts organize anti-crime rallies with the participation of local business and civic organizations. Show your support for our local precincts at the following locations:

- **20th Precinct:** Verdi Square, 72nd and Broadway
- **24th Precinct:** 92 West 94th Street
- **Transit Police:** Merchant's Gate, Columbus Circle at Central Park South and Central Park West

Rooftop Screening: The Crash Reel

Tuesday, Aug 4, 8:30PM - 10:30PM

FREE. (Dir. Lucy Walker, USA, 108 min.) The dramatic story of one unforgettable athlete, Kevin Pearce; one eye-popping sport, snowboarding; and one explosive issue, Traumatic Brain Injury. A comeback story with a difference. An escalating rivalry between Kevin and his nemesis Shaun White in the run-up to the 2010 Olympics leaves Shaun on top of the Olympic podium and Kevin in a coma following a training accident in Park City, Utah. Kevin's tight-knit Vermont family flies to his side and helps him rebuild his life as a brain injury survivor. Free screening presented as part of the [ReelAbilities summer film series](#), celebrating 25 years since the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Location: JCC Manhattan, 334 Amsterdam Avenue at 76th Street.

Free Concert: East Coast Chamber Orchestra at Bandshell in Central Park

August 4, 7:30 PM

FREE. Our 110th year of Free Concerts. No tickets issued. 1,000 seats provided on a first come first serve basis. Benches around Concert Ground also available. No rain dates, No rain location. [Learn more](#).

Summer Meals Event and Raffle with New York Yankees Manager Joe Girardi

Thursday, August 6th, 12pm-1pm

FREE. [Meet New York Yankees Manager Joe Girardi](#), enjoy a free lunch, and enter a raffle to win free Yankees tickets! Open to anyone 18 and younger! No registration, identification, or paperwork is required. Location: Lasker Pool, 110 Malcolm X Boulevard, New York, NY 10026. For more information, please contact Lethy Liriano at LLiriano@council.nyc.gov

Central Park Conservancy and Jazzmobile present Great Jazz on the Great Hill: A Jazz, Swing, and Blues Festival

August 8, 4pm to 7pm

FREE. Join us for an afternoon of live music, swing dancing, and delicious food. Food truck fare available for purchase on-site or bring your own picnic. Family activities take place all day long. Free; open to all ages. Tickets are not required. RSVP to let us know you're coming! Location: The Great Hill (enter at 106th Street and Central Park West). For ADA-accessible accommodation or wheelchair access information, please call 212-860-1370. Requests should be made at least one week prior to the event date. [Great Jazz on the Great Hill](#) is weather permitting and subject to change.

Monday, August 10 - Sunday, August 16

Financial Strategies for Keeping Fossil Fuels in the Ground

Tuesday, August 11, 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Helen will be a panelist! EVENT DESCRIPTION: Our panel will explore various financial strategies for how we can keep fossil fuels in the ground to stop climate change. Should individuals and institutions divest from fossil fuel companies? Or, should they remain invested in these companies to influence their policies as shareholder activists? [Organized by 350NYC](#), the local affiliate of 350.org. This event is open to the general public. RSVP's are not required. \$3.00 suggested donation at the door. LOCATION: The Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew at West 86th Street and West End Avenue.

Concert: Hirschfeld's Broadway Songbook

Friday, August 14, 7pm

FREE with pay-as-you-wish Friday evening admission. With Chris Ziemba (piano), Luke Sellick (bass), Jeremy Noller (drums). Join us for a night of classic show tunes by a talented trio of Julliard jazz musicians. Celebrate The Hirschfeld Century with songs that inspired it all. This performance will showcase [new arrangements of Broadway classics](#), including Very Warm for May and Oklahoma! among many others—each freshly re-imagined to reflect the influences of jazz culture while maintaining the toe-tapping, singable quality that makes the songs so memorable. Stop by early at 6 pm to view the exhibition before the program. Reserve your seat by calling (212) 485-9268. Location: New York Historical Society, 170 Central Park West at Richard Gilder Way (77th St).

Movie at the West Side Community Garden: The Hundred-Foot Journey

Friday, August 14, 8:00pm

FREE. [West Side Community Garden](#), 123 W 89th Street. (Between Amsterdam and Columbus). Don't forget to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on.

Street Fair

August 16

Amsterdam Ave, 79-86 Street. Sponsored by Goddard Riverside. [See the full list of street fairs.](#)

Monday, August 17 - Sunday, August 23

Life Along the Curb: Inside the Department of Sanitation of New York

August 17, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

FREE event, pre-registration required. To register, visit our event page here. Keeping New York clean has always been a daunting challenge. The city generates close to 40,000 tons of garbage every day -- and yet New Yorkers are not buried by their waste. Who picks up all that trash? Who sweeps the streets? How is the work organized? And where do all those discards all go? Drawing on several years of ethnographic and archival research as well as her own experiences as a municipal sanitation worker, anthropologist Robin Nagle explores some of the [political, infrastructural, economic, and cultural complexities that shape the dynamics of solid waste management in North America's largest city](#). Location: Museum of the City of New York, 1220 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street, New York, NY 10029.

Kaufman Music Center presents Summer String Fest Showcase Performance With the Harlem Quartet and Lucy Moses School Performers

Fri, Aug 21, 3 pm

FREE. Featuring the Harlem Quartet and NPR's Rob Kapilow, guest conductor. Kaufman Music Center's annual week-long [Summer String Fest](#) brings together some of the most talented young violinists, violists and cellists each August for an intensive week of music-making leading up to this FREE performance with the Harlem Quartet. Merkin Concert Hall at Kaufman Music Center, 129 W. 67th St. btw Broadway & Amsterdam. Box Office: 212 501 3330.

Free Outdoor Concert at the Riverside Clay Tennis Association: Indian Music and Dance by Taalim

Saturday, August 22, 7pm

FREE. Immerse yourself in the classical music and dance traditions of northern India in this engaging and diverse presentation by the artists of Taalim School of Indian Music. Hear the ragas of Hindustani music through the soulful sitar playing of Indro Roy-Chowdury, the rhythmic taals of the tabla by Mike Lukshis, and the dynamic dance (nritya) of Kathak by Jin Won. Held by the [Riverside Clay Tennis Association](#). Location: Riverside Park, tennis lawn overlooking the Hudson River at 97th Street.

Monday, August 24 - Sunday, August 31

Bloomingdale School of Music Summer Sharing Hour & Backyard BBQ

Thursday, August 27th, 6pm - 9pm

6:00 p.m. - FREE Sharing Hour. [BSM Summer Orchestra and Summer Students Perform](#). 7:00-9:00 p.m. - Backyard BBQ. Burgers, hot dogs, dessert, and more. Suggested donation: \$10. RSVP to Ling Lopez, llopez@bsmny.org or stop by the registration office. Location: 323 W 108th St.

Audition for Girls Be Heard

Wednesday, August 26th, 4pm-8pm

Thursday, August 27th, 4pm-8pm

[Girl Be Heard](#) seeks performers, songwriters, dancers, writers and activists to join our theatre ensemble – young women ages 12 through 21 ONLY. Young women of all backgrounds, abilities, gender expressions, ethnicities, races, sexual orientations, religions, and nationalities are strongly encouraged to audition. Fluency or ability in foreign languages is a plus. Ensemble members meet every Sunday from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm and will have public performances in December, 2015 and May, 2016.

Ongoing

IDNYC Pop-Up Enrollment at 86th Street and West End Avenue

You can now sign up for IDNYC on the Upper West Side! From August 10th - August 28th, the West Side Campaign Against Hunger at 86th Street and West End Avenue will host an IDNYC Pop-Up Enrollment site. The ID is free, and it gets you a free, one-year membership to 33 cultural institutions including the American Museum of Natural History, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the New York City Ballet. [Learn more](#).

Lincoln Square's Free Lunchtime Concert Series

Every Wednesday in July and August at Richard Tucker Park from Noon until 2:00pm. FREE. Our [concerts](#) will only be cancelled in the event of thunder and lightning. August 5 - Percussive Dancing to the Speakeasy: SisterMonk | The Sunnyside Social Club. August 12 - Brighton Beach to the Baltics: Karikatura | Topsy Oxcart. August 19 - Roots & Blues: The Blue Vipers of Brooklyn | Rocky Jr & the Triple Crown Chicago Blues Band. August 26 - Celebrating Richard Tucker: Opera Collective

Uptown Bounce by El Museo del Barrio and Museum of the the City of New York

Wednesday, August 5 & 12, 6:00–9:00 pm

FREE. Registration required. The City Museum and El Museo del Barrio host our second annual joint summer series, [Uptown Bounce](#). Enjoy live music, dancing, gallery talks, art workshops, summer drinks, and local food. Free and open to visitors of all ages; advanced registration required!

Measure for Measure by William Shakespeare

Tues – Sun, July 21 – Aug 9. All performances begin @ 7pm.

FREE. [New York Classical Theatre](#). Directed by Artistic Director, Stephen Burdman. No tickets required—just show up! The Battery (Battery Park) (Meet in front of Castle Clinton). Subway: 1 (South Ferry), R (Whitehall), 4/5 (Bowling Green).

Beat the heat on Mondays!

Every Monday in August 10am-5pm

[Children's Museum of Manhattan](#), 212 West 83rd Street (between Columbus & Amsterdam). Bring children of all ages to splash their way through the outdoor water exhibit (weather permitting) City Splash and enjoy pop-up activities like Way Down Underground: Pop-up Water Science. Then escape the heat indoors and let the kids try their hands at design in afternoon workshops like Trash to Treasure: Recycled Fashion Design, Treasure Map Making and X Marks the Spot Game Design. (Afternoon workshops for kids 5 and older.)

Understanding Dementia: What You Need to Know and Where to Go

August 14 (afternoon) and August 19 (early evening). Call helpline for exact times.

FREE. These sessions will provide family members and friends with information about Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementia. Caregivers will also learn about what resources and services are available to help them cope with present challenges and future planning. *NOTE* These meetings are ONLY for family & friends caring for people with dementia. Registration is REQUIRED. [Please call our 24-hour Helpline at 800.272.3900 to register](#). All meetings are free of charge and subject to change.

Location: Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter, 360 Lexington Ave, 4th Floor.

Volunteer Opportunity: Promote Composting at Greenmarket

Sundays, 9am-1pm

Help promote organics diversion for composting in New York City at select Greenmarkets. Every week, food scraps are collected from neighborhood residents and transported to local compost sites for processing. Volunteers are needed to help participants navigate the drop off and to answer questions from the public. No experience or training necessary, just bring a positive attitude and enthusiasm for waste diversion and recycling. For more information, visit www.grownyc.org/compost. Volunteers needed at the 79th Street Greenmarket, 79th St & Columbus Ave.

Senior Summer Tuesdays at the New York Historical Society

Tuesdays in August

Bring a friend along when you visit! Seniors (65 and older) receive [2-for-1 Museum admission every Tuesday, July–August!](#) Explore our current exhibitions throughout the summer. Seniors will also receive a 10% discount in the Museum Store. *Offer valid for on-site ticket purchases. Cannot be combined with other offers.

"Songs and Stories" at River Run Playground in Riverside Park

Wednesdays, August 5 and 12, 10:30am

FREE. Enjoy the park and the library at the same time! Children and their caregivers can listen to picture books, sing familiar songs, and go right back to playing. [Story time](#) is for children birth to 5 years old. Bring something to sit on, and remember that there is no story time if it's raining. The River Run Playground is located in Riverside Park between 82nd and 83rd Street. Just go down the hill and you are there.

Bloomingdale School of Music - Registration now open for the Fall Semester!

323 West 108th Street (between Broadway and Riverside Drive).

BSM offers music classes and private for all ages and experience levels.

Visit bsmny.org or call 212-663-6021 for more information.

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

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. Meet at East

Meadow. [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](#)

Lunchtime Concerts by Lincoln Square BID

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

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. Richard Tucker Park, Broadway at 66th street. [Learn More](#)

Affordable Housing

Monthly Housing Clinics will resume October 2015. Please reach out to Urban Justice Center or Anna Gago in my office if you need to see someone prior to the October Housing Clinic.

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.

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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