

\*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\*

**THIS WEEKEND IN NYC:  
TAKE AN “NYC-CATION” IN THE WORLD’S  
ARTS & CULTURE CAPITAL SEPTEMBER 11–13**

NYC & Company, the official destination marketing organization and convention and visitors bureau for the five boroughs of New York City, is encouraging local and regional visitors to take an “NYC-cation,” September 11–13, to enjoy arts and culture around the City as more museums and cultural institutions reopen and join the public art already on display across the five boroughs.

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Visitors are encouraged to wear masks, practice social distancing and frequently wash/sanitize hands, as indicated in NYC & Company’s [Stay Well NYC Pledge](#).

Below is a brief selection of arts and cultural institutions that have recently opened:

**The Bronx:**

- New York–based artist Sanford Biggers’ exhibition [Codeswitch](#) at the [Bronx Museum of the Arts](#), which opened yesterday, September 9, dives into African American culture and unlocks messages hidden in plain sight through his work in over 50 quilt-based pieces.
- Walk over to [Joyce Kilmer Park](#) to see the [Heinrich Heine Fountain](#), which depicts one of the poet’s famous poems “Die Lorelei,” based on a German mythical figure, Lorelei, who was transformed into a siren.
- Grab a bite to eat on the patio deck at [Suyo Gastrofusion](#) or at [Hungry Bird](#), to close out the day.

**Brooklyn:**

- Dance the day away at the [Brooklyn Museum](#)’s new exhibition, [Studio 54: Night Magic](#), which showcases the history of one of NYC’s most iconic disco nightclubs frequented by famous figures including comedian John Belushi, actors Drew Barrymore and John Travolta, singer Diana Ross and many more.
- While in Prospect Heights, head to [Tom’s Restaurant](#) for breakfast served all day outside.
  - *Stay Overnight:* Book a stay at the [Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott New York Brooklyn](#), located within walking distance from the Brooklyn Museum.

**Manhattan:**

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- This Friday commemorates the 19th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks. Pay tribute to those lost and the heroes who gave the ultimate sacrifice at the [9/11 Memorial & Museum](#), which reopens on Saturday, September 12. Currently on display is [K-9 Courage](#), honoring four-legged heroes who helped in the rescue and recovery efforts following the attacks.
- On the Upper West Side, the recently reopened [American Museum of Natural History](#)'s [The Nature of Color](#) and [T.rex: The Ultimate Predator](#) exhibitions provide an experience for all ages. Afterward, indulge in a famous [Levain cookie](#), double-scoop cone at [Emack & Bolio's](#) or gelato at [Amorino](#).
- The [New-York Historical Society](#) is reopening on Friday and will feature a new exhibition, [Hope Wanted: New York City Under Quarantine](#), located in the building's courtyard and offering visitors a spot to reflect on the global pandemic and record an oral history of these unprecedented times.
- Fold an origami lotus flower at the [Rubin Museum](#)'s installation [The Lotus Effect](#), and celebrate the 50th anniversary of Taller Boricua at the [El Museo del Barrio](#) exhibition [Taller Boricua: A Political Print Shop in New York](#), which represents political activism centered on issues of Puerto Rican independence, workers' rights and anti-imperialism.
  - *Stay Overnight:* Make the most of a weekend exploring the City by staying at one of these art-themed hotels located in Manhattan: the [Crosby Street Hotel](#) in Soho, or the [Arthouse Hotel](#) on the Upper West Side near the **American Museum of Natural History** and the **New-York Historical Society**.

**Queens:**

- The [King Manor Museum](#) is now open. Visit the historic home of Rufus King, who signed the US Constitution, fought in the American Revolution and was a dedicated antislavery advocate. The home is well-preserved so visitors can travel back in time and learn about a family that fought for equality and social justice in the 19th century.
- Jamaica, Queens, is home to diverse and authentic cuisines. For some of the best Guyanese and Caribbean dishes in the borough, stop by [Sybil's Bakery and Restaurant](#).

**Staten Island:**

- Reopening this week, the [Alice Austen House Museum](#) honors Alice Austen who captured more than 7,000 photographs of NYC and its immigrants. Some of Austen's most acclaimed photographs broke boundaries by documenting intimate relationships between Victorian women. Currently on display is [Powerful and Dangerous: The Words and Images of Audre Lorde](#), an exhibition that explores how

Lorde's words echo the sentiments of today's social justice movements.

- The [Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art](#) also reopened this week and showcases the rich culture and art of Tibet and the Himalayan region. A selection of Marchais' rare collection of sacred artifacts is currently on display.
- While in Staten Island, grab a bite at [Joe & Pat's](#), one of the most famous pizzerias in all five boroughs for thin-crust pizza and vodka sauce.

**Tours:**

- Looking for more of an intimate tour of a NYC gallery? [Art Smart Tours](#) offers private guided tours of many of the City's most iconic galleries, including the **Chelsea Art Gallery**.

The "NYC-cations" initiative supports [All In NYC: Staycation Guides](#), which is part of NYC & Company's [All In NYC local revitalization effort](#).

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