

What's New in New York City

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THIS IS NEW YORK CITY

No city in the world can match New York City's unparalleled energy, or the tremendous pride New Yorkers take in opening their arms to our visitors. There is always something fun, exciting and inviting to do here, no matter what kind of experience you prefer. With Broadway shows, outdoor movies or concerts, tours of museums or historical attractions, cuisine from every world culture, and more, there are endless opportunities in each of the City's five boroughs—the **Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens** and **Staten Island**—to discover something new.

TOURISM IN NEW YORK CITY

In 2015, New York City welcomed a record **58.3 million visitors**, the City's sixth consecutive year for record-breaking tourism. Visitation for 2015 comprised an estimated **46 million domestic** and **12.3 million international** visitors, both all-time highs. This year, New York City is expected to welcome **59.7 million visitors**, comprised of approximately **47 million domestic** and **12.7 million international** travelers. New York City has the most active hotel development pipeline in the country, with approximately **109,000 hotel rooms as of June 2016**, and an expected inventory of **135,000 hotel rooms by 2019**.

WHAT'S NEW: NYC & COMPANY PROGRAMS

This June, NYC & Company announced the organization's **visual rebrand**, including the launch of the newly rebuilt and reimagined **NYCgo.com**—the trusted, authentic and centralized five-borough tourism resource. New elements of NYC & Company's brand overhaul include **two custom typefaces**, more than **250 custom icons** and a **custom color palette**, all inspired by New York City's vibrancy, energy, diversity and legacy. New capabilities and features on the relaunched website include: mobile-first and responsive design to optimize user experiences across devices; increased video presence with more than 200 videos, high-impact visuals, real-time responsiveness to trending topics; integrated and contextual mapping and a flexible platform to serve multiple audiences; and the ability to surface member, partner and user-generated content (nycgo.com/relaunch).

NYC & Company's biannual dining and theater promotions make visiting NYC even more affordable. The first and largest dining program of its kind, **NYC Restaurant Week** offers discounted three-course prix fixe menus at more than 350 restaurants every January-February and July-August. This summer, the program will take place July 25–August 19, with reservations opening on July 11 (nycgo.com/restaurantweek). Launched in 2011, **NYC Broadway Week** (September 5–18; tickets on sale August 18) and **NYC Off-Broadway Week** (September 26–October 9; tickets on sale September 12), launched in 2009, are designed to increase ticket sales during typically slower periods of attendance every winter and fall and offer visitors and New Yorkers the opportunity to see some of NYC's best shows, with 2-for-1 tickets (nycgo.com/broadwayweek and nycgo.com/offbroadwayweek).

Growing the family segment is a key focus for NYC & Company. Since the launch of its **Official NYC Family Ambassador** program in 2009, family travel to New York City has increased by more than 30 percent. The program was created to help position New York City as a welcoming family-friendly destination, encourage families to visit year-round and invite those who have already visited New York City to return and enjoy all of the new attractions the City has to offer. In April 2016, NYC & Company announced its newest Official NYC Family Ambassadors, **The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles**. Previous family ambassadors include Dora, Curious George, Where's Waldo, the Muppets, The Smurfs and Sesame Street (nycgo.com/family).

This spring, NYC & Company's **See It for Yourself** campaign can be seen in markets around the world, including Australia, Austria, Brazil, France, Germany, Italy, Norway and the UK. The new campaign showcases the vibrancy of the City's iconic landmarks and attractions with its colorful and eye-catching creative (flickr.com).

In 2015 NYC & Company launched a new **Free in NYC** guide (nycgo.com/free) highlighting the best free activities New York City has to offer, including events, museums, tours, TV tapings, attractions and more.

For a list of **annual events** taking place in New York City's five boroughs, visit nycgo.com/annualevents. For a list of things to do around New York City this summer, take a look at our **summer guide** at nycgo.com/summer.

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WHAT'S NEW: INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

Recently Opened

Completed in May 2016, the **World Trade Center Transportation Hub**, known for its Calatrava-designed **Oculus**, serves more than 200,000 daily commuters and millions of annual visitors. The WTC Transportation Hub connects visitors to 11 different subway lines, the Port Authority Trans-Hudson (PATH) rail system, Battery Park City Ferry Terminal, the World Trade Center Memorial Site, WTC Towers 1, 2, 3, and 4, the World Financial Center and the Winter Garden (panynj.gov).

On October 1, 2015, **Staten Island Ferry** service was expanded to run every 30 minutes, seven days a week, between St. George Ferry Terminal in Staten Island and Whitehall Ferry Terminal in Lower Manhattan. The free ferry moves 70,000 passengers on weekdays and 22 million people a year, and offers unbeatable views of the Lower Manhattan skyline, the New York Harbor, the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island (siferry.com).

As of September 13, 2015, the **MTA's 7 line** subway has arrived at a brand new station, **34 St-Hudson Yards**, located at the heart of what will be Manhattan's newest neighborhood. Housing, restaurants and entertainment options are under construction in this redeveloped area on the Far West Side, and the new station is also adjacent to the end of the recently extended High Line park and the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center. This \$2.4 billion transportation project, the City's first new subway station in 26 years, extends the line by 1.5 miles (mta.info).

With its first bikes in Queens, the popular bike-share program **Citi Bike** began a two-year expansion in August 2015 starting in Long Island City. By the end of 2016, Citi Bike plans to have 600 docking stations and 10,000 bikes throughout the City, with expansions planned for other Brooklyn neighborhoods, as well as Manhattan's Upper East Side and Upper West Side. The program will reach 12,000 bikes across New York City by 2017 (citibikenyc.com).

Upcoming

By July 2016, 500 state-of-the-art **LinkNYC** kiosks will come to New York City's five boroughs, offering free high-speed Internet, phone calls, and device charging for residents and visitors. The Wi-Fi hotspots, which are replacing old NYC pay phones, will offer touch screen tablets for Internet browsing, directions, phone calls, and more. 7,500 kiosks are expected to be installed by 2024 (link.nyc).

The MTA's **Second Avenue Subway** will be New York City's first major expansion of the subway system in more than 50 years. With the first phase expected to debut on the Upper East Side in December 2016, the Second Avenue Subway will serve approximately 200,000 daily riders, reducing travel time by 10 minutes or more for many riders traveling to and from the Upper East Side. When fully completed, the line will stretch 8.5 miles along Manhattan's East Side, from Hanover Square in Lower Manhattan to 125th Street in Harlem (mta.info).

In 2017-18, expanded **Citywide Ferry Service** is expected to launch, with new routes to Astoria, the Rockaways, South Brooklyn, the Lower East Side and Soundview in the Bronx (nycedc.com). Once complete, 21 total landings will be connected.

On July 27, 2015, New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and Vice President Joe Biden unveiled the vision for a comprehensive redesign of **LaGuardia Airport**, slated to break ground in 2016. The airport will be transformed into a single, structurally unified main terminal with expanded transportation access, significantly increased taxiway space and best-in-class passenger amenities. The airport is expected to be completely rebuilt by 2022 (governor.ny.gov).

In January 2016, Governor Cuomo announced plans to transform **Penn Station** and the historic **James A. Farley Post Office** into a world-class transportation hub known as the **Empire Station Complex**. The Penn Station Redevelopment will widen existing corridors, reconfigure ticketing and waiting areas, simplify navigation and reduce congestion, expand and upgrade retail offerings and passenger amenities, include Wi-Fi, modernized train information displays and streamlined ticketing. The Farley Post Office, which sits across 8th Avenue from Penn Station, will be redeveloped into a state-of-the-art train hall for

Amtrak, with services for passengers of the Long Island Rail Road, New Jersey Transit and the new Air Train to LaGuardia Airport. The train hall will be connected to Penn Station via an underground pedestrian concourse, and increase the station's size by 50 percent (governor.ny.gov).

In October 2014, multiple retail tenants were revealed for spaces in the renovated **George Washington Bridge Bus Station**, located between West 178th Street and West 179th Street in Upper Manhattan's Washington Heights. Expected to open in December 2016, the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey in partnership with SJM Partners and Slayton Ventures have announced portions of the terminal will become open to the public in phases, with tenants moving in before 2017. The property's retail space will expand from 30,000 to 120,000 square feet across three levels, with retailers including Blink Fitness, Buffalo Wild Wings, Café 178th Street, GAP, GWB Juice Bar, Marshall's, Time Warner, VS Berry Frozen Yogurt, and many other shops, eateries, and services. The terminal currently serves to connect NJ Transit buses and other carriers to the A/1 subways and MTA buses (panynj.gov).

WHAT'S NEW: MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY

New York City's five boroughs have no shortage of options for meeting planners, no matter a group's size or budget. From unique venues and hotels to only-in-NYC group activities, the City is the ideal place to host a meeting. In 2015, the City welcomed 6.1 million meetings and conventions delegates from across the globe.

On October 13, 2015, NYC & Company unveiled the newest iteration of its **Make It NYC** meetings and conventions marketing campaign at IMEX America 2015. Lead by a new tagline, "**Meet Where You Want to Be**," the campaign is accompanied by iconic imagery that showcases the vibrancy and the anticipation of holding meetings in New York City. Make it NYC originally launched in 2013, calling to action the many benefits of hosting a meeting or event in the City's five boroughs (nycgo.com/makeitnyc).

NYC & Company offers a **Delegate Discount Pass** to all meeting and convention attendees, exhibitors, meeting planners and event staff, offering savings at a selection of New York City attractions, restaurants, shops and more. Delegates can access the pass by emailing destinationervices@nycgo.com.

In January 2016, Governor Cuomo announced the expansion of the **Jacob K. Javits Convention Center**, adding more than one million square feet of event space. This includes a 60,000 square foot ballroom, which will be the largest such space in the Northeast. Building on the project is expected to commence this year (governor.ny.gov).

WHAT'S NEW: ARTS, CULTURE & ENTERTAINMENT

Recently Opened

New York Spectacular **Radio City Music Hall**

Starring the Radio City Rockettes, *New York Spectacular* celebrates New York City in the summertime and features iconic scenery of NYC locations and landmarks like Central Park, the Empire State Building, Times Square and Wall Street. The show tells the story of two kids who get separated from their parents while on a vacation in New York, and the City magically comes to life to show them its many splendid wonders and helps to reunite their family in the end. Performances run June 15 through August 7, 2016 (radiocity.com).

The Met Breuer **Upper East Side, Manhattan**

Opened to the public on March 18, 2016, the Met Breuer, the Metropolitan Museum of Art's newest building, provides additional space dedicated to twentieth and twenty-first century art. The landmark building, designed by Marcel Breuer, expands on the Museum's modern and contemporary art program, which includes new exhibitions, performances, residencies and educational initiatives (metmuseum.org).

Gracie Mansion Tours **Upper East Side, Manhattan**

The official residence of the Mayor of the City of New York, Gracie Mansion reopened to the public on October 25, 2015 with an Open House, and tours which commenced November 10. As part of the 35th anniversary of the Gracie Mansion Conservancy, the historic landmark was retrofitted with 49 new pieces focusing on the late Colonial, Revolutionary and

Federal Periods as part of the “Windows on the City: Looking Out at Gracie’s New York” installation (nyc.gov/gracie).

Sugar Hill Children’s Museum of Art & Storytelling
Harlem, Manhattan

Harlem’s first children’s museum, the Sugar Hill Children’s Museum of Art & Storytelling, opened on October 3, 2015 with state-of-the-art facilities and spaces where children and families can learn through encounters with art and artists (sugarhillmuseum.org).

The Staten Island Museum at Snug Harbor
Randall Manor, Staten Island

On September 19, 2015, the Staten Island Museum realized a dream 40 years in the making: the expansion to Snug Harbor Cultural Center, a nationally significant historic site that was saved from demolition through the leadership and efforts of museum members in 1965 (statenislandmuseum.org).

The National Lighthouse Museum
St. George, Staten Island

On August 7, 2015, the National Lighthouse Museum officially debuted, a project in the works since 1998. The newly-opened museum, built in the original home of the US Lighthouse Services General Depot, educates visitors about lighthouses and their keepers worldwide in engaging exhibits (lighthousemuseum.org).

The Whitney Museum of American Art
Meatpacking District, Manhattan

The Whitney Museum of American Art’s new building in the Meatpacking District debuted on May 1, 2015. Designed by Renzo Piano and situated on Gansevoort Street between the High Line and the Hudson River, the new nine-story building greatly increases the Whitney’s exhibition and programming space, providing the first comprehensive view of its unsurpassed collection of modern and contemporary American art. Expansive gallery space, indoors and out, is devoted to the Museum’s widely influential special exhibitions, artist projects, film/video and performing arts programs. The new building also provides state-of-the-art facilities for enhanced education programs, as well as a conservation lab and a street-level restaurant and café, both by Danny Meyer (whitney.org).

Upcoming

International Center of Photography Museum
Nolita, Manhattan

On June 23, the International Center of Photography, the world’s leading institution dedicated to photography and visual culture, will open its new museum space at 250 Bowery in Manhattan’s Nolita neighborhood. The Museum’s new home will feature a glass-fronted public space, visible and accessible from the street, where visitors can participate in various programs — including lectures, workshops, and discussions — before entering the ticket-required galleries (icp.org).

The Amphitheater at Coney Island Boardwalk
Coney Island, Brooklyn

Opening June 25, 2016 with an inaugural concert by Ziggy Marley, the 5,000 seat Amphitheater at Coney Island Boardwalk will be host to a full summer series of live music, comedy shows and family entertainment. The stage will serve as an outdoor venue in the summer months, and an indoor entertainment space in the winter (coneyislandlive.com).

Harlem/Havana Music and Cultural Festival
Harlem, Manhattan

The first annual Harlem/Havana Music & Cultural Festival, an international exchange celebrating the rich artistic connection between Harlem, New York and Havana, Cuba, will take this summer in New York City. The festival will bring world-renowned Cuban musicians, visual artists, dancers, film, chefs and educators to the U.S. this summer as part of Harlem Week activities August 15-21. In February 2017, an American delegation of artists and cultural leaders (to be announced at a later date) will travel to Havana and take part in a number of curated events (harlemweek.com).

Jazz at Lincoln Center 2016-17 Season
Lincoln Square, Manhattan

Kicking off September 22, Jazz at Lincoln Center’s 2016-17 season will consist of more than 110 concerts in Rose Theater and The Appel Room, more than 350 nights of music in Dizzy’s Club Coca-Cola, and a diverse and extensive range of education and community programs for all ages. Jazz at Lincoln Center’s 29th season is anchored by the exceptional Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis and commemorates more than 100 years of recorded jazz (jazz.org).

Metropolitan Opera 2016-17 Season
Lincoln Square, Manhattan

The Metropolitan Opera's 2016-17 season, the 50th anniversary of its home at Lincoln Center, will feature 225 opera performances of 26 operas. Repertoire for the company's 132nd season will include the Met premiere of Finnish composer Kaija Saariaho's 2000 opera *L'Amour de Loin*, as well as new stagings of Wagner's *Tristan und Isolde*, Rossini's *Guillaume Tell*, Gounod's *Roméo et Juliette*, Dvořák's *Rusalka*, and Strauss's *Der Rosenkavalier*. The season will open on September 26 with a new production of Wagner's *Tristan und Isolde* (metopera.org/).

New York Comedy Festival

Citywide

Taking place November 1 – 6, 2016 in partnership with Carolines on Broadway, the New York Comedy Festival will feature 200+ comedians performing in more than 60+ shows throughout the City's five boroughs. Past performers include Kevin Hart, Jerry Seinfeld, Larry David and Louis C.K. (nycomedyfestival.com).

Center for the Study of Women's History at the New-York Historical Society Museum & Library Upper West Side, Manhattan

In early 2017, the New-York Historical Society Museum & Library will unveil the transformation of its fourth floor Henry Luce III Center to a permanent space devoted to women's history exhibitions and scholarship – the first of its kind in a U.S. museum. The exhibit's centerpiece will feature a preeminent collection of Tiffany lamps in a sparkling gallery designed by architect Eva Jiřičná (nyhistory.org).

The Bronx Children's Museum Grand Concourse, Bronx

The Museum, which will provide educational programs and exhibits to children and families throughout the Bronx when it opens in 2018, is expected to break ground early this year on a 12,800 square foot space at the historic Bronx Terminal Market Powerhouse at Mill Pond Park. Kids' Powerhouse Discovery Center will serve nearly 75,000 children each year and will feature age-appropriate permanent and temporary interactive exhibits exploring the richness of the Bronx in the arts, culture, community, natural resources, greening and energy. It will also possess studio space for community gatherings and meetings (bronxchildrensmuseum.org).

Culture Shed Far West Side, Manhattan

A mixed-use venue located in the new Hudson Yards neighborhood, Culture Shed will be an innovative space dedicated to international and local displays of visual art, design, media and performances. The facility, scheduled to open in 2019, is being built in collaboration with Rockwell Group and is designed by Diller Scofidio + Renfro (rockwellgroup.com).

WHAT'S NEW: EXHIBITIONS

Recently Opened

'Fragile Beasts' at Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum Upper East Side, Manhattan

Featuring over 100 ornament prints and drawings from the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, the Cooper Hewitt's 'Fragile Beasts' exhibit showcases how artists turned elements found in nature into incredible works of art and designs, from tapestries and rings to stained glass and locks. The exhibit opened on June 11, 2016 and will be on display through January 16, 2017 (cooperhewitt.org).

'Manus x Machina: Fashion in an Age of Technology' at the Metropolitan Museum of Art Upper East Side, Manhattan

The Costume Institute's spring 2016 exhibition, presented in the Museum's Robert Lehman Wing and Anna Wintour Costume Center, explores how fashion designers are reconciling the handmade and the machine-made in the creation of haute couture and avant-garde ready-to-wear. 'Manus x Machina' holds more than 120 ensembles, ranging from an 1880s Worth gown to a 2015 Chanel suit. The exhibit looks into the founding of the haute couture in the 19th century, and the emergence of a distinction between the hand and machine at the onset of industrialization and mass production. The exhibit opened on May 5 and will be on display through August 14, 2016 (metmuseum.org).

'Human Interest: Portraits from the Whitney's Collection' at the Whitney Museum of American Art Meatpacking District, Manhattan

Featuring more than 200 hundred works from the early 1900s through today, 'Human Interest' will offer new perspectives on the art of the human portrait. The exhibition, running April 27 through October 10, will feature 11 themed sections, focusing on

unconventional ways of representing individuals in paintings and giving viewers a sense of connection between the past and the present (whitney.org).

**'Hey! Ho! Let's Go: Ramones and the Birth of Punk' at The Queens Museum
Corona, Queens**

The Queens Museum and the GRAMMY Museum® in Los Angeles partnered together to present a two-part exhibition celebrating the lasting influence of punk rock progenitors the Ramones. The exhibition commemorates the 40th anniversary of the release of the Ramones' 1976 self-titled debut album, in addition to the lasting influence the punk rock group had on their hometown of Queens. The exhibit highlights the group's musical achievements and explore the influence on the relationship between New York City's music and visual art scenes in the 1970s and 1980s, and will be on display at the Queens Museum beginning on April 10 before moving to Los Angeles on Sept. 16, 2016 (queensmuseum.org).

**'Dinosaurs Among Us' at American Museum of Natural History
Upper West Side, Manhattan**

Opened March 21, this new exhibition highlights the continuities between living dinosaurs—birds—and their extinct ancestors, showcasing remarkable new evidence for what scientists now call one of the best-documented evolutionary transitions in the history of life. The exhibition explores topics ranging from flight to feathers, nests to wishbones, and brains to lungs, and features ancient, rarely seen fossils, and life-like models, including a 23-foot-long feathered tyrannosaur and a small four-winged dromeosaur (amnh.org).

**'Unfinished: Thoughts Left Visible' at The Met Breuer
Upper East Side, Manhattan**

As one of The Met Breuer's inaugural exhibitions that opened March 18, 2016, 'Unfinished: Thoughts Left Visible' will consider the impact of significant works of art that were left incomplete by their maker. Pieces by Picasso, Jasper Johns and Luc Tuymans are among the 140 works on display through September 4 (metmuseum.org).

**'The Titanosaur' at American Museum of Natural History
Upper West Side, Manhattan**

In January 2016 the American Museum of Natural History unveiled a new must-see exhibit, a cast of a 122-foot-long dinosaur. The dinosaur species, which has not yet been named, is suggested to have been a giant herbivore that belonged to a group known as the titanosaurs. The species lived in the forests of today's Patagonia about 100 to 95 million years ago, during the Late Cretaceous period, and is one of the largest dinosaurs ever discovered (amnh.org).

**'Hotter Than That - 90 Years of Louis Armstrong and His Hot Five' at the Louis Armstrong House Museum
Corona, Queens**

Opened December 23, 2015 and running through October 16, 2016, the Louis Armstrong House Museum presents recordings, photographs and artifacts dealing with the legacy of the Hot Five, his collaboration with his wife Lil Armstrong, clarinetist Johnny Dodds, trombonist Kid Ory and banjoist Johnny St. Cyr (louisarmstronghouse.org).

**'Star Wars™ and the Power of Costume' at Discovery Times Square
Times Square, Manhattan**

Opened in November 2015, this exhibition features 70 hand-crafted costumes from the first six blockbuster *Star Wars* films. The exhibition, on display through September 5, reveals the artists' creative process and uncovers the connection between character and costume that were brought to life in George Lucas' fantastical world. Costumes include Darth Vader's menacing black mask, the gilded suit of C-3PO, the lavish royal gowns of Queen Amidala and a bikini worn by Princess Leia when enslaved by Jabba the Hutt (discoverytsx.com).

Upcoming

**'Public, Private, Secret' at International Center of Photography Museum
Nolita, Manhattan**

The premiere exhibition at the new ICP Museum explores the concept of privacy in today's society and studies how contemporary self-identity is tied to public visibility. The thought-provoking exhibition presents a wide range of historical and contemporary works by artists such as Zach Blas, Martine Syms, Natalie Bookchin, Cindy Sherman, Nan Goldin, and Andy Warhol. Streams of real-time images and videos from various social media sources sharpen and heighten attention towards the social implications of our image-centric world. The exhibition will be on display from June 23, 2016 to January 8, 2017 (icp.org).

**'Ghostbusters Experience' at Madame Tussauds
Midtown Manhattan**

Opening July 1, 2016, Madame Tussauds Times Square will bring the spirited world of *Ghostbusters* to life. Inspired by the 2016 film, the new exhibit will immerse visitors in a multi-layered experience featuring the streets of Times Square, the

underground subway tunnels and spooky surprises throughout the exhibit (madametussauds.com).

**'Star Trek Starfleet Academy Experience' at The Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum
Far West Side, Manhattan**

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of *Star Trek*, the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum welcomes this new exhibition to Pier 86 July 9 – October 31. The Museum will be the first venue in the United States to host this first-of-its-kind, immersive “Trek Tech” experience, spanning 10,000 square feet. It will feature interactive activities and unique technology, including Leap Motion, table projections, projection mapping and holograms (intrepidmuseum.org).

**'Who Shot Sports: A Photographic History' at the Brooklyn Museum
Prospect Heights, Brooklyn**

From July 15 through January 8, 2017, the Brooklyn Museum will exhibit memorable moments in sports history through the lens of sport photographers. Curated by distinguished photographic historian Gail Buckland, the exhibit will feature more than 200 photographs from 1843 to the present of captured moments from the Olympic games, fans, professional players off the field and more (brooklynmuseum.org).

**'The Battle of Brooklyn and the Fall of New York' at the New-York Historical Society
Upper West Side, Manhattan**

On September 23, the New-York Historical Society will open a brand-new exhibit that tells the story of the Battle of Brooklyn, which took place in Brooklyn's Gowanus and Red Hook neighborhoods on August 27, 1776. The exhibit, running through January 8, 2017, features over 90 objects and documents from the battle, including Hugh Gainé's printing of the Declaration of Independence and a rare uniform from the Continental Army (nyhistory.org).

**'New York at its Core' at Museum of the City of New York
Upper East Side, Manhattan**

On November 18, 2016, the Museum of the City of New York will launch its landmark permanent exhibition 'New York at Its Core,' the first-ever museum presentation of New York City's four-century story of growth and transformation. Featuring the diverse faces of New York and utilizing one-of-a-kind artifacts, historic photographs, archival film, and interactive digital experiences, the exhibition will occupy three galleries on Museum's first floor, culminating with the Future of the City Lab (mcny.org).

**'Francis Picabia: Our Heads Are Round so Our Thoughts Can Change Direction' at Museum of Modern Art
Midtown Manhattan**

The Museum of Modern Art's first-ever monographic exhibition of French artist Francis Picabia will bring together some 200 works in multiple mediums to explore the artist's critical place in the history of 20th-century art. The exhibit will be on display from November 20, 2016 through March 19, 2017 (moma.org).

**'Jim Henson: The Exhibition' at Museum of the Moving Image
Astoria, Queens**

A new Jim Henson gallery is expected to debut at the Museum of the Moving Image in 2016, complete with a donation of nearly 400 puppets, props and costumes by Henson's family and The Jim Henson Company. Best known for his *Sesame Street* and Muppets characters, his legacy will live on in the 2,200-square-foot Henson Gallery, which will also showcase Henson's sketches, storyboards, scripts and video clips (movingimage.us).

**'CHIHULY Experience' at The New York Botanical Garden
Fordham, Bronx**

In spring 2017, The New York Botanical Garden will welcome back world-renowned sculptor Dale Chihuly's works of art for the first time in more than ten years. As part of the 'CHIHULY' experience, the new exhibition will display monumental installations of Chihuly's works spread throughout the gardens, which will be dramatically illuminated at night in a celebration of color, form and light (nybg.org).

**'Frank Lloyd Wright at 150: Unpacking the Archive' at The Museum of Modern Art
Midtown Manhattan**

From June 12 through October 1, 2017, the Museum of Modern Art will mark the 150th anniversary of Frank Lloyd Wright's life with a major exhibition featuring approximately 450 works from his lifetime. As one of the most prolific and renowned architects of the 20th century, the exhibit will display a cluster of objects from tableware and textiles to television broadcasts and models from the Frank Lloyd Wright Archive. The exhibit will introduce visitors to new angles of Frank Lloyd Wright's work that are rare to the general public (moma.org).

**'Ocean Wonders: Sharks!' at New York Aquarium
Coney Island, Brooklyn**

Scheduled to be completed in 2018, the Wildlife Conservation Society's New York Aquarium will open an exhibition entitled

'Ocean Wonders: Sharks!' The 57,000-square-foot building will house more than 115 species of marine wildlife, including sharks, skates and rays. An historic groundbreaking event earlier this year marked the beginning of the rebuilding and transformation of the New York Aquarium, post-Hurricane Sandy (nyaquarium.com).

WHAT'S NEW: BROADWAY & OFF-BROADWAY

Recently Opened

Paramour

Broadway (April 16, 2016)

Cirque du Soleil
(paramouronbroadway.com)

Waitress

Broadway (March 25, 2016)

Starring Tony Award Winner Jessie Mueller
(waitressthemusical.com)

Shuffle Along, Or, The Making of the Musical Sensation of 1921 and All That Followed

Broadway (March 15, 2016)

Starring Audra McDonald
(shufflealongbroadway.com)

White Rabbit Red Rabbit

Off-Broadway (March 7, 2016)

Rotating cast includes Nathan Lane, Whoopi Goldberg, Alan Cumming, etc.
(whiterabbitredrabbit.com)

Fiddler on the Roof

Broadway (November 20, 2015)

Starring Danny Burstein
(fiddlermusical.com)

The Color Purple

Broadway (November 9, 2015)

(colorpurple.com)

School of Rock

Broadway (November 9, 2015)

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber
(schoolofrockthemusical.com)

On Your Feet!

Broadway (October 5, 2015)

Story of Emilio & Gloria Estefan
(onyourfeetmusical.com)

Upcoming

CATS

Broadway (July 14, 2016)

First-ever Broadway revival of Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical
(catsthemusical.com)

The Front Page

Broadway (September 20, 2016)

Starring Nathan Lane, John Slattery, John Goodman & more
(broadway.com/shows/front-page)

Falsettos

Broadway (September 29, 2016)

Starring Andrew Rannells, Christian Borle & Stephanie J. Block
(broadway.com/shows/falsettos)

Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812

Broadway (October 1, 2016)

Starring Josh Groban
(greatcometbroadway.com)

The Glass Menagerie

Broadway (March 23, 2017)

Starring Sally Field and Joe Mantello
(broadway.com)

The Little Foxes

Broadway (March 29, 2017)

Starring Cynthia Nixon and Laura Linney
(broadway.com)

Privacy

Off-Broadway (July 5, 2016)

Starring Daniel Radcliffe
(broadway.com)

All the Ways to Say I Love You

Off-Broadway (September 6, 2016)

Starring Judith Light
(mcctheater.org)

For more information about Broadway and Off-Broadway, go to nycgo.com/broadway and nycgo.com/off-broadway.

WHAT'S NEW: ATTRACTIONS & SPORTS

Recently Opened

Hello Brooklyn Manhattan & Brooklyn

Circle Line Sightseeing Cruises launched its 'Hello Brooklyn' cruise on May 2, 2016, the company's first tour specifically celebrating the Brooklyn borough and its rich history and pop culture. The tour runs daily from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and will depart from Pier 83. Tour highlights include the Statue of Liberty and Brooklyn neighborhoods Bay Ridge, Greenpoint, Sunset Park, Red Hook, and more (circleline42.com/).

When Harry Met Seinfeld Tour Manhattan

On Location Tours launched its When Harry Met Seinfeld Tour on November 5, 2015. The two-hour tour explores TV & movie locations above Times Square, bringing fans closer to some of the most famous uptown locations featured on the big and small screens. It is inspired by classic shows that epitomize NYC such as *Seinfeld* and romantic comedies including *When Harry Met Sally* and *You've Got Mail*. The guided bus tour begins north of Times Square and progresses through both the Upper West and Upper East Sides (onlocationtours.com).

The Tour at NBC Studios Midtown Manhattan

The Tour at NBC Studios reopened on October 26, 2015, re-imagined to provide an all new, exclusive experience at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, one of the most iconic buildings in entertainment history. Visitors can enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at the studios of NBC programs including The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon, Saturday Night Live, Late Night with Seth Meyers, NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt and more (thetouratnbcstudios.com).

SeaGlass Carousel Battery Park, Manhattan

On August 20, 2015, the SeaGlass Carousel in the Battery opened to the public. The new aquatic-themed ride is aimed to entertain, inspire and educate visitors by imitating an underwater experience on a rotating pavilion within its stainless-steel and glass structure (thebattery.org).

The High Bridge Upper Manhattan & South Bronx

In June 2015, the High Bridge, New York City's oldest standing bridge, reopened to the public after more than 40 years. Spanning 2,000 feet from Upper Manhattan to the South Bronx and sitting 102 feet above the Harlem River, the bridge is an iconic landmark for pedestrians and bicyclists to explore (nycgovparks.org).

One World Observatory Lower Manhattan

The One World Observatory, opened May 29, 2015, is a three-story observatory atop what is the tallest building in the Western Hemisphere. A major new attraction in Lower Manhattan, the new observatory occupies levels 100 to 102 of One World Trade Center. To get to the 102nd floor, visitors take the skypods, among the fastest elevators in the world, and, at the top, guests can experience a film celebrating New York in the "See Forever" theater, enjoy a bevy of dining choices and explore the observatory, enhanced by interactive exhibits and hosted by friendly tour ambassadors who interpret and point out the sights (OneWorldObservatory.com).

Upcoming

The Hills Governors Island, Manhattan

The next phase of Governors Island Park, The Hills, is scheduled for completion in July 19, 2016. The Hills is comprised of four man-made hills, rising 25 to 70 feet above the Island, promising dramatic new experiences and views of New York Harbor, the Statue of Liberty and the Lower Manhattan skyline (govisland.com).

A Slice of Brooklyn Chocolate Tour Brooklyn

In August 2016, A Slice of Brooklyn Tours will introduce some of Brooklyn's best chocolate makers to visitors with its new tour. Passing through famous Brooklyn neighborhoods such as DUMBO, Cobble Hill and Red Hook, visitors will get the chance to

meet local chocolatiers and go behind-the-scenes to see how chocolates are made at Jacques Torres, The Chocolate Room, Raaka and more (asliceofbrooklyn.com).

New York Wheel
St. George, Staten Island

Located on the northeastern side of Staten Island near the St. George Ferry Terminal, the 630-foot-tall New York Wheel will be the tallest observation wheel in the world and the only one in New York City. The wheel will accommodate up to 1,440 people per ride, welcoming as many as 30,000 visitors per day and an anticipated 4 million visitors per year. The wheel is expected to open in 2017 (newyorkwheel.com).

Super Pier
Meatpacking District, Manhattan

When complete in 2017, the Super Pier (at Pier 57) will enhance Manhattan's west side, with 270,000 square feet of total leasable space including dining, cultural space, retail options, galleries and 3.5 acres of public open space. Some of the Super Pier's tenants currently include a beach club and spa to be operated by well-known hotelier André Balazs, an underwater rock climbing gym operated by Brooklyn Boulders and a variety of shops managed by Opening Ceremony (superpier.com).

Gulliver's Gate
Times Square, Manhattan

Expected to open in spring 2017, Gulliver's Gate is to feature more than 300 miniature buildings and more than 1,000 model train cars, including 3-D printed replicas of Times Square, Grand Central Terminal and parts of Lower Manhattan, along with scenes from around the earth. The 23,000 square-foot space will occupy the ground floor of the former New York Times Building (gulliversgate.com).

National Geographic Times Square
Times Square, Manhattan

Launching in summer 2017, National Geographic and SPE Partners will open a groundbreaking walk-through experience in Times Square with its debut attraction called 'Ocean Giants.' Visitors will be transported to breathtaking places from around the world thanks to virtual reality technologies and interactive "real-time" audience tracking (natgeo.com).

Kingsbridge Armory
Fordham Manor, Bronx

Kingsbridge Armory in the Bronx, which has been vacant since 1996 and occupies a full city block, will be redeveloped into the world's largest indoor ice arena, a 750,000-square-foot ice sports facility to be known as Kingsbridge National Ice Center. Kingsbridge National Ice Center will feature nine year-round indoor ice rinks, including a 5,000-seat rink for major ice hockey and skating events. It is anticipated that site preparation and construction for the project will commence in early 2016, and the first full year of operation is expected to be 2018 (nycedc.com).

Pier 55
Hudson River Park, Manhattan

With construction expected to commence next year, the 2.7 acre Pier 55 will run alongside Manhattan's lower west side, from Bloomfield Street to 14th Street. The pier, funded primarily by The Diller-von Furstenberg Family Foundation, will consist of a public park complete with lush lawns and pathways, and a performance space which is expected to become one of New York City's premier venues for music, dance, theater and public art (hudsonriverpark.org).

WHAT'S NEW: NYC RETAIL

Recently Opened

Saks Fifth Avenue OFF 5TH
Midtown Manhattan

Saks Fifth Avenue OFF 5TH officially opened its location in New York City on March 3, featuring the first-ever Gilt in-store shop. The two-level store occupies approximately 47,000 square feet in Tower57 in midtown Manhattan at 57th Street and Lexington Avenue. The Gilt in-store shop will replicate the exclusive access experience of the online shopping destination, giving customers the opportunity to shop the best of Gilt's daily style show of curated products, including top trends and new offerings from a weekly in-store flash sale (saksoff5th.com).

Nintendo NY
Rockefeller Plaza, Manhattan

On February 19, 2016, the iconic Nintendo NY store reopened after a major renovation, including updated interior design, new

Wii U and Nintendo 3DS demo units, a 15-foot gaming screen and more. In addition, a large bronze coin installed at the store entrance will display the store's tagline: "Where everyone comes to play" (nintendoworldstore.com).

**Barneys New York Downtown
Chelsea, Manhattan**

Luxury department store Barneys opened its flagship store in Chelsea on February 18, 2016. Located on the corner of 7th Avenue and 17th Street, the store returned to the spot where it was founded in 1923 and remained until 1997. The 55,000-square foot space includes five floors with men's and women's ready-to-wear, footwear, accessories, cosmetics, and a Fred's restaurant (barneys.com).

**Bloomingdale's Flagship Outlet
Upper West Side**

The 25,000-square foot Broadway flagship, which opened on November 21, 2015, is the first Bloomingdale's outlet in a major city. Three levels possess a wide range of off-price apparel and accessories, including women's ready-to-wear, men's, children's, women's shoes, fashion accessories, jewelry, handbags and intimate apparel (bloomingdales.com).

**Macy's Backstage
New York City**

In fall 2015, Macy's opened the first of its outlet stores, Macy's Backstage, in Brooklyn and Queens, and in Fordham Place in the Bronx. The stores offer bargain hunters deals on apparel, home textiles, jewelry, cosmetics and more. (macysbackstage.com).

**Brookfield Place
Lower Manhattan**

In March 2015 Lower Manhattan saw the opening of Brookfield Place, a retail and dining destination that includes 300,000 square feet of retail space, a 30,000-square-foot dining terrace, a 30,000-square-foot French-inspired marketplace called Le District, and six critically acclaimed restaurants. Luxury retailers include Diane von Furstenberg, Burberry, Hermès and more (brookfieldplaceny.com).

Upcoming

**Westfield World Trade Center
Lower Manhattan**

Opening August 2016, Westfield World Trade Center will be one of the most complete retail destinations in New York City. Westfield World Trade Center will provide Lower Manhattan with 350,000 square feet of fashion, culinary and artistic experiences and will be home to a diverse mix of 150 global and local fashion, lifestyle, technology and culinary brands; an exquisite collection of casual and upscale dining; the City's second Eatery food hall; a range of New York-centric services and amenities powered by state-of-the art technology; and must-see cultural experiences. Westfield World Trade Center will serve a dynamic, diverse and fast-growing community, including travelers to Lower Manhattan, one of the world's most visited areas (wtc.westfield.com).

**City Point Center
Downtown Brooklyn**

City Point will be the largest and most visible mixed-use center in Downtown Brooklyn. Expected to open in 2016, the center will include retail, residential and office components totaling 1.8 million square feet. The 675,000-square-foot retail center will include a Century 21 department store and CityTarget, in addition to a collection of food purveyors (citypointbrooklyn.com).

**Hudson Yards
Far West Side, Manhattan**

Hudson Yards is the largest private real estate development in the history of the United States and the largest development in New York City since Rockefeller Center. The site will include more than 17 million square feet of commercial and residential space, more than 100 shops and boutiques, 20 restaurants, approximately 5,000 residences, 14 acres of public open space and a 150-room luxury hotel. The retail space will include New York City's first **Neiman Marcus** store. The initial phase of Hudson Yards opened in May 2016, with Coach occupying 10 Hudson Yards as its first tenant (hudsonyardsnewyork.com).

**Empire Outlets
St. George, Staten Island**

Located in St. George, Staten Island, the Empire Outlets will debut in 2017 with 1.1 million square feet of retail space including approximately 100 shops and an extensive array of waterfront food and beverage concepts, in addition to a 190-room boutique hotel (empireoutletsny.com).

Pier 17

South Street Seaport, Manhattan

Anticipated to open in 2017 after an extensive reconstruction, Pier 17 will create 40 percent more open space than was there previously which will showcase expanded views of the New York Harbor, the Statue of Liberty, Brooklyn and Lower Manhattan. The new Pier 17 building will feature a glass façade encompassing a wide range of stores, neighborhood shops and restaurants including a flagship restaurant by Jean-Georges Vongerichten (howardhughes.com).

Saks Fifth Avenue

Lower Manhattan

Saks Fifth Avenue has announced plans to open a 16,750 square foot men's store in spring 2017. The store will be located in the Brookfield Place shopping and dining complex, joining a previously announced 85,000-square foot Saks Fifth Avenue store exclusively for women, which will also be located at Brookfield Place, opening summer 2016 (saksfifthavenue.com).

Nordstrom

Columbus Circle, Manhattan

New York City's first Nordstrom department store, expected to open in 2018, will occupy the first seven floors of a new luxury high-rise building on West 57th Street, known as "Billionaires' Row" (shop.nordstrom.com).

WHAT'S NEW: NYC DINING

Recently Opened

Rock & Reilly's at Renaissance New York Midtown Hotel

Garment District, Manhattan

Opened late March 2016, the Renaissance New York Midtown Hotel unveiled the largest terrace in NYC with a retractable roof at gourmet gastropub Rock & Reilly's. At 8,000-square-feet, the restaurant offers private cabanas and overlooks 34th Street and Madison Square Garden (marriott.com).

Fish Bar at North River Landing

Pier 81

In May 2016, Fish Bar at North River Landing debuted as a new three-story seafood lounge and restaurant on a 10,000 square foot yacht. Located on Pier 81 at West 42nd Street on the Hudson River, Fish Bar features a 3,000 square-foot outdoor top deck and 6,000 square-feet of bi-level interior dining space, with expansive indoor and outdoor bars. Fish Bar's Mediterranean-inspired menu includes a selection of shareable small plates, with an emphasis on fresh, locally-sourced ingredients (northriverfishbar.com).

Sabbia

Flatiron District, Manhattan

Eataly's rooftop bar opened an Italian seaside and beach themed restaurant on April 29, 2016 called Sabbia. The restaurant, which name translates to "Sand" in Italian, features cabanas, beach umbrellas, summer cocktails and entrees inspired by the seaside. Sabbia is operated by the owners of Birreria, the rooftop bar and microbrewery atop Chef Mario Batali's food complex.

TurnStyle

Columbus Circle, Manhattan

On April 19, an underground food court opened in the Columbus Circle subway station, called TurnStyle. The subterranean shopping mall and food court is the first major privatization of the New York subway system and features 20 small restaurants and 19 shops and stores, including Blossom du Jour, Dylan's Candy Bar, By Suzette, FIKA, Ellary's Greens, Pressed Juicery and the Asian restaurant Yong Kang Street. The space does not require a MetroCard to enter (turn-style.com).

Momsan Ramen & Sake

Murray Hill, Manhattan

On April 8, 2016, Iron Chef Masaharu Morimoto opened his first-ever ramen restaurant in Murray Hill. The restaurant, a ramen/sake concept, serves traditional dishes, side dishes and an extensive sake menu (ironchefmorimoto.com).

Fair Weather Bushwick

Bushwick, Brooklyn

In March 2016, the popular daytime coffee shop turned into a full-fledged restaurant, with Chef/Partner John Creger offering a

10-course tasting menu. The 22-seat dining room is offering one seating at 8pm, Tuesday-Thursday with a weekly-rotating menu, and on Fridays and Saturdays, dinner is a la carte from 6-10:30pm (fairweatherbushwick.com).

**Perrine at The Pierre, A Taj Hotel
Midtown Manhattan**

The Pierre's new restaurant, Perrine, opened in March 2016, offering French-inspired fare with a focus on clean, distinctive flavors and seasonal ingredients. The space possesses an abundance of natural light with windows overlooking Central Park. Additionally the Hotel's Rotunda will unveil a new design in the summer by renowned architect Daniel Romualdez, featuring its own food and beverage menus (taj.tajhotels.com).

**Covina
Flatiron District, Manhattan**

O Ya's Tim and Nancy Cushman's latest venture, an American/Mediterranean restaurant located inside the Park South Hotel, opened on March 17, 2016. The new restaurant features both traditional and modern pizza, Hungarian fry bread with house smoked salmon, kefir ranch and herbs, roasted chicken, lamb kofte skewers, and a chuck/wagyu blend burger with American cheese and special sauce (covinanyc.com).

**Le Coq Rico
Flatiron District, Manhattan**

On March 10, 2016, Michelin-starred French Chef Antoine Westermann has brought his popular Montmartre bistro to New York. Like its Parisian predecessor, the upscale Flatiron spot serves tender and flavorful poultry dishes like rooster, hen, squab, duck, and guinea fowl, in addition to cream of chicken soup and sides like macaroni au gratin and thick-cut fries (lecoqriconyc.com).

**Indian Accent
Midtown Manhattan**

On February 25, 2016 Indian Accent, Manish Mehrotra's New Delhi restaurant debuted at Le Parker Meridien, New York. The winner of several awards including S. Pellegrino Best Restaurant in India by Asia's 50 Best Restaurants 2015, this is the restaurant's first international outpost. The contemporary menu features fresh local produce with the flavors and traditions of India (indianaccent.com).

**Russ & Daughters
Upper East Side, Manhattan**

On February 25, 2016, Russ & Daughters opened a restaurant branch inside the Jewish Museum on the corner of Fifth Avenue and 92nd Street. The newly opened eatery holds 70-seats and features its usual menu of dishes like smoked fish platters, bagels, bialys, herring, salads, soups and babka. A forthcoming location at the newly renovated Brooklyn Navy Yard is expected to open in 2018 (russanddaughters.com).

**La Sirena
Meatpacking District, Manhattan**

In February 2016, Mario Batali and Joe Bastianich opened their first new restaurant in years, at the Maritime Hotel in the Meatpacking District. La Sirena features a 40-foot glass-enclosed bar, plus "elevated trattoria" fare like baby octopus Siracusa style and grilled swordfish Messinese (themaritimehotel.com).

**Salvation Burger
Midtown Manhattan**

In February 2016, April Bloomfield and Ken Friedman opened Salvation Burger at the Pod51, serving American classics like a classic double cheeseburger, veggie burgers, chicken burgers, housemade hot dogs, and more. The duo also manage Salvation Taco in the Pod39 Hotel (thepodhotel.com).

**Vandal
Lower East Side, Manhattan**

On January 16, 2016 TAO Group and Chef Chris Santos of Beauty & Essex and Stanton Social fame opened Vandal, a two-level space which includes a bar/lounge, restaurant, garden dining area, private dining room, and cellar bar/lounge (vandalnewyork.com).

**The Pennsy
Herald Square, Manhattan**

On January 11, 2016 the Pennsy food hall opened, home to vendors the Cinnamon Snail, Pat LaFrieda Meat Purveyors, Mario by Mary, Lobster Press and the Little Beet; and includes a bar, an indoor dining lounge, an outdoor patio space, and an event space (thepennsy.nyc).

Momofuku Nishi
Chelsea, Manhattan

Chef David Chang opened his latest restaurant, Momofuku Nishi on January 8, 2016, serving Italian-inspired noodle dishes with a twist. The Chelsea restaurant is led by Executive Chef Joshua Pinsky (nishi.momofuku.com).

Insa
Gowanus, Brooklyn

Opened December 2015, Insa is a Korean barbecue restaurant which also doubles as a karaoke parlor. Meat is cooked on tabletop grills and served with sides like noodles, rice dishes, seafood pancakes, dumplings, and bulgogi. Insa also has a 36-seat bar serving tiki-themed cocktails (insabrooklyn.com).

Bottle & Bine
Midtown Manhattan

In December 2015 Bottle & Bine launched, drawing inspiration from classic American dishes, craft beers and wines. The restaurant is head up by three industry leaders: Beer director Carolyn Pincus, who curated an award-winning program at the Stag's Head; executive chef Angie Berry, who spent four years cooking at Asiate at the Mandarin Oriental New York; and sommelier Gina Goyette, formerly the beverage manager at Little Park (bottleandbine.com).

Cemitas el Tigre
Sunnyside, Queens

Cemitas El Tigre got its start at Smorgasburg, serving 10-layer sandwiches with Mexican sesame seed buns. At the new brick-and-mortar restaurant, opened November 2015, visitors can indulge in sandwiches stuffed with things like fried chicken, carnitas, and garlic portobello mushrooms (cemitaseltigre.com).

Le Garage
Bushwick, Brooklyn

Mother and daughter team Catherine and Rachel Allswang opened French restaurant Le Garage in November 2015 in Bushwick, Brooklyn. The seasonal menu offers replicas of Catherine's French influenced recipes, with menu highlights including braised pork shoulder, chicken for two with roasted squash and potatoes stuffed with snails (legaragebrooklyn.com).

Llama Inn
Williamsburg, Brooklyn

Opened November 2015, Llama Inn is the new modern Peruvian restaurant of former Eleven Madison Park sous chef Erik Ramirez. Highlights of the local, seasonal menu include fluke ceviche with plantains, lomo saltado, and stir fried beef with scallion pancakes (llamainnyc.com).

La Chine
Midtown Manhattan

On November 3, 2015, the Waldorf Astoria New York's newest restaurant offering, La Chine, opened to the public. The restaurant is one of the City's finest Chinese restaurants, presenting diners with an authentic modern Chinese experience (waldorfnewyork.com).

Quality Eats
West Village, Manhattan

Opened November 2015, restaurateur Michael Stillman's Quality Eats steakhouse offers wallet-friendly steaks and takes on traditional steakhouse and grill dishes. The 70-seat American eatery, part of the Quality Meats and Quality Italian family, offers limited outdoor seating (qualitybranded.com).

Urbanspace Vanderbilt
Midtown Manhattan

In September 2015, Urbanspace Vanderbilt opened near Grand Central Terminal. With more than 20 vendors ranging from favorite Brooklyn pizza joint Roberta's to popular doughnut chain Dough to the Red Hook Lobster Pound, this food hall offers something for everyone (urbanspacenyc.com).

Jams by Jonathan Waxman
Midtown Manhattan

Opened August 2015, the new eco-friendly luxury 1 Hotel Central Park unveiled Jams by Jonathan Waxman, featuring farm-to-table dishes with locally sourced and organic ingredients. Waxman originally introduced California cuisine to New York City in the 1980s with his restaurant JAMS on the Upper East Side. (1hotels.com).

Upcoming

The Great Northern Food Hall

Midtown Manhattan

In early summer 2016, internationally acclaimed chef Claus Meyer will open his first official food hall inside Grand Central Terminal. Off the success of his restaurant in Copenhagen called Noma, Claus will bring his Nordic-inspired cuisine to the 5,000-square foot food hall, featuring local ingredients and Nordic infused flavors found in dishes such as Bitter Salad and Havgus (grandcentralterminal.com).

Fowler and Wells

Lower Manhattan

In summer 2016 James Beard Award winning celebrity chef Tom Colicchio will open his first restaurant since 2010 in The Beekman, a historic landmark hotel in Lower Manhattan. Colicchio is known for his longstanding commitment to farm-to-table dining (thebeekman.com).

Augustine

Lower Manhattan

Restaurateur Keith McNally of Pastis and Balthazar fame, will premiere his first restaurant in Lower Manhattan in summer 2016. The Brasserie-style restaurant will be open from breakfast through supper, and the menu will include a combination of lighter dishes as well as French classics, with a special Rotisserie and Grillades section of meats, fish and poultry (thebeekman.com).

CUT by Wolfgang Puck

Lower Manhattan

World-renowned chef Wolfgang Puck will open his first New York City restaurant in late summer 2016 at the brand new Four Seasons Hotel New York Downtown. The popular upscale steakhouse chain will feature fine dining, impeccable service and a sophisticated menu with ten fine-cut steaks offered (wolfgangpuck.com).

Gotham Market at The Ashland

Fort Greene, Brooklyn

Gotham West Market announced their expansion into Brooklyn with a 16,000-square-foot food hall that will open in fall 2016 near the Barclay Center. Featuring seven full-time food vendors including a pop-up location for local chefs and restaurateurs, the market will feature Mu Ramen's noodle bowls from Queens, along with rotisserie chicken spot Flip Brd and Midtown Manhattan's Mason Jar restaurant with beer, bourbon and BBQ specialties (gothamwestmarket.com).

Bourdain Market

Pier 57, Manhattan

In 2017 celebrity chef and television personality Anthony Bourdain will open the 155,000-square-foot Bourdain Market at the Super Pier, Pier 57 on 15th Street (at the Hudson River). The market will include approximately 100 retail and wholesale food vendors, including fishmongers, butchers, bakers and other artisans, and eventually at least one full-service restaurant, in addition to prepared-food stalls (anthonybourdain.net).

The Marketplace at Empire Outlets (MRKTPL)

St. George, Staten Island

The Marketplace at Empire Outlets, or MRKTPL, will hold 12,000 square feet of local and international food spots, with another 3,000 square feet of outdoor dining. The food hall plans to open in late 2017, and will be Staten Island's first artisanal food hall. The Marketplace will be run by Manny Del Castillo and Jamie Hinojos, the creative director and director of operations at the Gansevoort Market (empireoutletsnyc.com).

Hawksmoor

Lower Manhattan

Acclaimed British steakhouse Hawksmoor comes to New York City in 2017 in Westfield World Trade Center. With five locations in London and one in Manchester, the restaurants are known for serving sustainably and humanely raised meats, an approach the owners, Will Beckett and Huw Gott, and their chef, Richard Turner, expect to continue in NYC. The steakhouse will occupy 14,000 square feet on the third floor of 3 World Trade Center (thehawksmoor.com).

Brooklyn Brewery

Brooklyn Navy Yard

In early 2018, Brooklyn Brewery plans to open a 75,000-square-foot outpost at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Based in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, the popular brewery will open at the newly renovated Building 77 and will feature an on-site brewery, rooftop beer garden and full-service restaurant (brooklynbrewery.com).