

Friday, August 11***Children's Museum of Manhattan***

212 West 83rd Street, Manhattan (212) 721-1223

Costume Design

11:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, 2, 3 & 4:00 P.M.

Using fabric and paper, design and construct a costume for a character from a story or from your imagination. Programs-5 & older; Performances-All ages. Free with admission, subject to change, require registration on the day of the program. Space is limited. Visit www.cmom.org/programs for updated schedule.

Central Park: SummerStage

Rumsey Playfield; enter at 69th Street and Fifth Avenue (east side) or 72nd Street and Central Park West (west side).

Urban Bush Women, Creative Outlet Dance Theatre of Brooklyn

8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Admission to all free performances is on a first-come, first-served basis, no tickets required. Gates open 90 minutes prior to performances on weekends and at benefit concerts, and 60 minutes prior to performances on weekdays. SummerStage Hotline: (212) 360-2777.

Battery Park City Parks Conservancy

Robert F. Wagner, Jr. Park (access: Battery Place), Manhattan (212) 989-3006,
www.bpcparks.org

SUNSET JAM on the Hudson

6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

Join a drumming circle led by a master drummer and improvise on West African, Middle Eastern and/or Afro-Haitian/Brazilian/Cuban rhythms. Bring your own drums, whistles and bell or borrow one from BPCPC. This week, with Mary Knysh.

Staten Island Children's Museum @ Snug Harbor Cultural Center

1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island (718) 273-2060, www.statenislandkids.org

Kidz Cook - Ice Cream Summer - Ice Cream Floats

Friday 12:00 Noon, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 & 3:45 P.M.

NBC's Eleventh Annual Today Show Concert Series at Rockefeller Plaza

49th Street between 5th & 6th Avenues

Performer: Chris Brown

7:00 A.M.

Brooklyn Children's Museum

145 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 735-4400, www.brooklynkids.org

New Tang Dynasty

5:00 P.M. & 6:30 P.M.

Free Summer Music and Dance Concert Series

Delight in the beauty and tradition of China's Tang Dynasty, the golden age of Chinese art. Enjoy the lovely music and expressive dances that have survived for over a thousand years, like the expressive dragon and plum blossom dances. Museum admission is free for all visitors after

P.M. Between shows, families can also enjoy summer films at 5 P.M. and Circle of Tales story-telling at 5:45 P.M.

Brooklyn Children's Museum

145 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 735-4400, www.brooklynkids.org

Global Games

2:30 - 3:30 P.M.

Get your game face on and jump into fun! Play sidewalk games popular in New York such as hopscotch and twister. Then, discover new games children play around the world, including Chinese jump rope. Ages 5+. Admission: \$5; free for members and children under one year.

Bryant Park

Upper Terrace, between 40th and 42nd Streets, 5th and 6th Avenues, Manhattan (212) 512-5700,

www.bryantpark.org

Good Morning America Concert Series: Carrie Underwood

7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

Bryant Park

Fountain Terrace, between 40th and 42nd Streets, 5th and 6th Avenues, Manhattan (212) 512-5700,

www.bryantpark.org

Piano in the Park

12:00 Noon - 1:45 P.M.

Linda Presgrave

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, Kingsbridge Branch Library

280 West 231st Street, Bronx (718) 548-5656

Summer Reading Club Meetings

4:00 P.M.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, East Elmhurst Library

95-06 Astoria Boulevard, Queens (718) 424-2619

Kids Reading Help Needed

2:00 P.M.

One on One. Ages 6 to 12. Pre-registration required.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Central Library

89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Queens (718) 990-0700

Summer Reading Club

3:00 P.M.

For children who have completed Grades 4-6.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Kusun Ensemble

10:30 A.M.

Just for Kids. Josie Robertson Plaza. FREE.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

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Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Kusun Ensemble

6:00 P.M.

Josie Robertson Plaza. FREE.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Dr. L. Subramaniam with guest Eugene Fodor

8:00 P.M.

Damrosch Park Bandshell. FREE.

Financial Community Day Festival Series

Maiden Lane from Water to South Streets

10:00A..M. to 6:00 P.M.

Rain or shine.

Saturday, August 12**Children's Museum of Manhattan**

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Soul to Soul: The Wild Magnolia Mardi Gras Indians with Big Bo Dollis, Irma Thomas, The Hot and Brass band w/ The Movers and the Shakers

3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Admission to all free performances is on a first-come, first-served basis, no tickets required. Gates open 90 minutes prior to performances on weekends and at benefit concerts, and 60 minutes prior to performances on weekdays. SummerStage Hotline: (212) 360-2777.

Chelsea Piers

On the Main Plaza at Chelsea Piers, Pier 62, 23rd Street and the Hudson River

Music at the Piers: Jeffrey Friedberg and the Bossy Frog Band

12:00 Noon - 4:00 P.M.

Central Park

Hans Christian Andersen statue - 72nd Street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park

Hans Christian Andersen Storytelling

11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

For over fifty years, storytelling at the statue of Hans Christian Andersen in Central Park has been a cherished New York tradition. This year's season begins on June 3 with local storytellers as well as those from California, Toronto, and Montreal. Children and adults alike will enjoy these lively, meaningful, and well-told stories. Appropriate for children five and up. The program is free and will take place rain or shine (except thunderstorms).

South Street Seaport Museum

12 Fulton Street, Manhattan (212) 748-8758, www.southseaport.org

Family Program: Postcards from the Waterfront

1:00 -4:00 P.M.

Learn about the history of postcards and make a postcard-sized artwork. Bring in your own collection of postcards to share. Free with museum admission.

South Street Seaport

Pier 17

River to River presents the Mountain Stage NewSong New York! Contest

7:00 P.M.

Now in its fifth year, the Mountain Stage NewSong Contest is one of the nation's premier showcases of emerging performing songwriters of all genres. River to River is proud to present the first annual New York City Regional Round, where local artists compete to advance to the national finals round and a chance to perform on an internationally broadcast Mountain Stage Show. For information on how to compete in NewSong New York! Visit the River to River website.

Brooklyn Children's Museum

145 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 735-4400, www.brooklynkids.org

Planet Brooklyn: Street Games from Latin America

3:00 - 4:30 P.M.

Planet Brooklyn is the Museum's culture series, where families can discover the traditions, stories, and celebrations of Brooklyn - a mosaic of world cultures. Get your game face on and jump into fun! Play sidewalk games popular in New York and discover new games children play in Latin America, including the balero game from Mexico. Ages 5+. Admission: \$5; free for members and children under one year.

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Flicks for Tots

11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

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Brooklyn Children's Museum

145 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 735-4400, www.brooklynkids.org

Family Science Workshop: Green Builders

3:00 - 5:00 P.M.

When it comes to constructing a house, animals are eco-friendly builders who never waste their resources. Learn how animals conserve energy, water, and materials when they build, leaving a healthier planet for all of us. Look at a real bird's nest and build your own nest to take home. Ages 5+. Admission: \$5; free for members and children under one year.

Rubin Museum of Art

150 West 17th Street, Manhattan (212) 620-5000, www.rmanyc.org

Family Workshop: Shadow Puppets

2:00 - 3:30 P.M.

Children will create a character from a Himalayan tale to help bring the story to life. Designed for children ages 5-9 who must be accompanied by an adult. Participate in gallery explorations and sketching, art-making workshops, and interactive storytelling and performances. Meets in the Studio or in the Theater. Art materials will be provided. Adults FREE with Museum admission; children FREE. Please register at least 24 hours in advance calling (212) 620-5000 ext. 290 as space is limited.

Staten Island Children's Museum @ Snug Harbor Cultural Center

1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island (718) 273-2060, www.statenislandkids.org

Soap Bubbles & Wand Workshop

11:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

See how long your bubble can last.

Battery Park City Parks Conservancy

Rector Park West (access: West Thames Street), Manhattan (212) 989-3006, www.bpcparks.org

Stories for All Ages: REGINA RESS relates The Rolling Pancake

11:00 A.M.

Regina Ress relates The Rolling Pancake and other exciting travel tales.

Battery Park City Parks Conservancy

Esplanade Plaza (access: Liberty Street), Manhattan (212) 989-3006, www.bpcparks.org

Ukrainian Family Dance: CHERES

Dance to the Ukrainian music of Cheres with dancing by Voloski Ukrainian Dance Company.

All ages welcome. No partners necessary.

Bryant Park

Between 40th and 42nd Streets, 5th and 6th Avenues, Manhattan (212) 512-5700,

www.bryantpark.org

Word for Word Kids

12:00 Noon - 1:00 P.M.

Bryant Park Reading Room

Flushing Meadows Corona Park

Meadows Lake, Queens (718) 699-4833

The 15th Annual Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival

9:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

With over 100 teams and 1,000+ participants competing from around the world, this year we celebrate the "Year of the Rooster." This much anticipated world-class, multicultural event features two exciting days of Dragon Boat Racing, wonderful performances and an ethnic food court. Attendance is FREE for the entire family. Come Rain or Shine! Please join us at the largest multi-cultural festival in New York!!

Coney Island

Coney Island Beach between West 10th and West 12th Streets, Brooklyn

New York City Beach Volleyball Tournament

9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

In August 2006, Brooklyn will host Volleyball Week, a series of events promoting Coney Island Beach as the ultimate summer sports destination in NYC. Volleyball Week will kick off with the NYC Beach Volleyball Tournament, which gives both casual novices and experienced players the opportunity to play in a competitive tournament at a world-famous venue. The tournament is free and open to the public, for both participants and spectators. Men's, Women's, and Junior divisions will be offered. Teams or individuals who wish to register should check back for online registration in June 2006.

Fort Totten Park

212th Street and Cross Island Parkway, Queens

History of Fort Totten

2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Join the Rangers for a guided tour of historic Fort Totten. Explore the nineteenth-century fortress designed to protect New York City's East River from naval attack, and learn about the history of Fort Totten. Meet at entrance to fort, north of intersection of 212th Street and Cross Island Parkway.

Bronx Zoo/Wildlife Conservation

2300 Southern Boulevard, Bronx (718) 367-1010 www.bronxzoo.com

African Adventure

11:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.

Visit Africa this weekend without leaving the Bronx! From lions to giraffes, cheetahs to African wild dogs, come explore the amazing critters of Africa. Enjoy music, dance, crafts, and more.

Wave Hill

West 249th Street and Independence Ave., Bronx (718) 549-3200 www.wavehill.org

Family Art Project: Shard Art/Mosalcos sorpresa

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Kerlin Learning Center. Concoct a fanciful mosaic from a mix of natural, synthetic and recycled materials on an ordinary flowerpot. Led by artist Joan Bankemper who will show you her exuberant birdhouses made from recycled ceramic fragments on view in the exhibit Garden Improvement. Free with admission to the grounds.

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Performer: Rick Springfield

8:00 A.M.

King Manor Museum

153rd Street & Jamaica Avenue, Queens (718) 206-0545 www.kingmanor.org

Hands-On History: Back to School

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Summer isn't quite over, but it's the perfect time to get ready to have a great school year! Make a small notebook and create a simple bookmark to hold your spot in your favorite book! \$1 per participant.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Central Library

89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Queens (718) 990-0700

Parent/Child Story and Craft Hour

10:30 A.M.

For children ages 4-7 and an adult caregiver. Pre-registration required.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Kaleta and ZoZo Afrobeat

3:30 P.M.

Josie Robertson Plaza. FREE.

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Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Wire Monkey Dance

5:30 P.M.

Josie Robertson Plaza. FREE.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: The International Spirit of Blues

7:30 P.M.

Damrosch Park Bandshell. FREE.

Greenwich Village Festival

Greenwich Avenue from 6th to 7th Avenues

10:00A..M. to 6:00 P.M.

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Constant Wonder

1:30 & 2:30 P.M.

Learn fun facts about science and nature as you sing along and play interactive games with Constant Wonder, whose debut CD, Walk in Wonder, recently garnered the Adding Wisdom Award and Best Music 2005 award. www.constantwonder.com Programs-5 & older; Performances- all ages. Free with admission, subject to change, require registration on the day of the program. Space is limited. Visit www.cmom.org/programs for updated schedule.

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Talvin Singh (Delhi/London) - DJ set only! Asha Puthli with special guests Dewey Redman, Guru, Solar, Doo Wop, Prefuse 73, Outernational, Curated by DJ Spooky "That Subliminal Kid"

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Music at the Piers: BuzzUniverse

12:00 Noon - 4:00 P.M.

Intrepid Sea Air Space Museum

West 46th Street @ 12th Avenue, Manhattan (212) 245-0072, www.intrepidmuseum.org

Police Appreciation Weekend

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Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art

338 Lighthouse Avenue, Staten Island, (718) 448-2500, www.tibetanmuseum.org

"Chanting with the Monks"

3:00 P.M.

Chanting and Chatting with the monks from the Staten Island Buddhist Vihara. Join us for this hour-long program of Chanting, a form of meditation and prayer, with the Monks from the Staten Island Buddhist Vihara. The monks will also answer questions and discuss Buddhist philosophy and practices with visitors. The program begins at 3pm. Admission: \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Children.

Noguchi Museum

32-37 Vernon Blvd., Queens (718) 204-7088, www.noguchi.org

Music in the Garden: Acme

3:00 P.M.

Join us for an innovative performance with members of the American Contemporary Music Ensemble (ACME). Collaborations with The Architectural League of New York and Museum of Television & Radio as a complement to Best of Friends: Buckminster Fuller and Isamu Noguchi. The Noguchi Museum is delighted to be working with The Architectural League of New York and The Museum of Television & Radio on an innovative series of discussions and screenings. Please www.archleague.org for more information. Programs are free with Museum admission.

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South Street Seaport Museum

12 Fulton Street, Manhattan (212) 748-8758, www.southseaport.org

Family Program: Seaport Sunday Smarts

1:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Come down to Pier 16 and drop by the Living Harbor Wet Lab aboard the tall ship Peking! Learn about the critters of the East River. Look through the lens of a microscope at plankton, diatoms, creeping water bears and fluffy rotifers and let them be your muse as you create aquatic arts and crafts! This week's theme: East River Critters! Free with Museum Admission.

South Street Seaport Museum

12 Fulton Street, Manhattan (212) 748-8568, www.southseaport.org

Special Program: The Wooden World - Life on an 18th Century Warship

2:00 P.M.

Join us for a special event presented in partnership with Federal Hall. National Park Ranger Michael Callahan explores the hypothetical voyage of a 74 Gun British ship (HMS Valkyrie) as she sails from Portsmouth, England to New York and back in 1781. Learn about the construction and handling of the ship itself, as well the lives of those sailing aboard her - including the officers, crew, and women and children who joined them. Discover what living, working, and fighting conditions were like as you imagine yourself sailing aboard this 18th-century warship. Free with Museum Admission.

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Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: The Caribbean Cultural Center's 30th Carnaval Birthday Bash

Space and Time TBA. FREE.

Flushing Meadows Corona Park

Meadows Lake, Queens (718) 699-4833

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Forest Park

George Seuffert Bandshell, Woodhaven Blvd. & Forest Park Drive, Queens (718) 326-4455

Queens Symphony Orchestra @ Forest Park

5:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

The Queens Symphony Orchestra presents American Spectacular. Each summer, the QSO presents Concerts on the Green, its free summer parks concert series featuring classical, pop, Broadway and opera selections in beautiful park settings throughout Queens. The QSO is the borough's only professional orchestra, as well as the oldest and largest professional arts organization in Queens.

Riverside Park

The Plaza @ 70th Street, Manhattan (South Waterfront West Side) (212) 408-1219

Summer on the Hudson: Acoustic Sundays - Ray Martinez Sabor Criollo

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

This Week: Ray Martinez Sabor Criollo. Known for his melodic and percussive style, Ray Martinez has been considered one of the most gifted and prominent bassist/arrangers in the contemporary Latin and Salsa music scenes.

Madison Avenue Summer Fair

Madison Avenue from 42nd to 57th Streets

10:00A..M. to 6:00 P.M.

Rain or shine.

Monday, August 14

Rubin Museum of Art

150 West 17th Street, Manhattan (212) 620-5000, www.rmanyc.org

Word Play! Early Childhood Literacy Program

1:30 -2:30 P.M.

For children ages 3-5 who must be accompanied by an adult. The program uses children's books on Himalayan themes to increase vocabulary, literacy skills, and listening comprehension. Meets in the Studio. Art materials will be provided. Adults FREE with Museum admission; children FREE. Please register at least 24 hours in advance by calling (212) 620-5000 ext. 290 as space is limited.

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Brooklyn Public Library

Leonard library, 2115 Ocean Avenue, (718) 375-3037

Author Talks for Adults: Rich Cohen - Sweet and Low: A Family Story

6:30 P.M.

Cohen shares his account of his family and the business it built through its invention of the pink artificial sweetener packet.

Bryant Park

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www.bryantpark.org

HBO Bryant Park Summer Film Festival

Charade (1963)

FREE. The lawn opens at 5:00 P.M. for blankets (no plastic please) and picnicking. The films begin at dusk (typically between 8:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M.) Bryant Park Screen.

Bryant Park

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www.bryantpark.org

Piano in the Park

Linda Presgrave
12:00 Noon - 1:45 P.M.

Forest Park

George Seuffert Bandshell, Woodhaven Blvd. & Forest Park Drive, Queens

Super Circus Stuff

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Mr. Fish and Lisa Lou mesmerize people of all ages with an evening of circus stunts.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Macon Library

361 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 573-5606

Elaine Gil as Bubbles the Clown

3:30 P.M.

Bubbles the Clown is a fun and loving clown that delights in making children laugh.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Williamsburgh Library

240 Division Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 302-3485

"Magic of Amore" with James Lazzarini

3:30 P.M.

Journey with magician James Lazzarini through his amazing world of illusions.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, East Elmhurst Library

95-06 Astoria Boulevard, Queens (718) 424-2619

Computer Workshop

2:00 P.M.

Online Search and Word. Ages 6-12. Preregistration required.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Central Library

89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Queens (718) 990-0700

Summer Reading Club

3:00 P.M.

For children who have completed Grades 2-3.

Tuesday, August 15**Children's Museum of Manhattan**

212 West 83rd Street, Manhattan (212) 721-1223

Frida Kahlo

11:00 A.M., 12, 2, 3 & 4:00 P.M.

Use colorful acrylic paints to create a Frida Kahlo-inspired self-portrait about an important event in your life. Programs-5 & older; Performances - all ages. Free with admission, subject to change, require registration on the day of the program. Space is limited. Visit www.cmom.org/programs for updated schedule.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Saratoga Library

8 Thomas South Boyland Street, Brooklyn (718) 573-5224

Elaine Gil as Bubbles the Clown

3:30 P.M.

Bubbles the Clown is a fun and loving clown that delights in making children laugh.

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, St. George Library Center

5 Central Avenue, Staten Island (718) 442-8560

Summer Reading Club

3:30 P.M.

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, Ottendorfer Branch Library

135 Second Avenue, Manhattan (212) 674-0947

Summer Reading Club Meetings

2:00 P.M.

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, Tompkins Square Branch Library

331 East 10th Street, Manhattan (212) 228-4747

Summer Reading Riot Meeting

3:00 P.M.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, East Elmhurst Library

95-06 Astoria Boulevard, Queens (718) 424-2619

Teens Weekly Meeting

2:00 P.M.

Book Discussion, Arts and Craft, Word and Excel, Music and light refreshments. Ages 13 to 19.

Computer Workshop

2:00 P.M.

Online Search and Word. Ages 6-12. Pre-registration required.

Kids Reading Help Needed

2:00 P.M.

One on One. Ages 6-12. Pre-registration required.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Central Library

89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Queens (718) 990-0700

Story and Craft Programs

3:00 P.M.

For children ages 6-12. Pre-registration required.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

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Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Sakésho with Andy Narell

6:45 P.M.

North Plaza. FREE.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Carpetbag Brigade Physical Theater Company

8:15 P.M.

Josie Robertson Plaza. FREE.

River to River and HIP Health Plan of New York present:

Elevated Acre at 55 Water Street, Manhattan www.RiverToRiver.com

Now That's HIP! Movie Nights - New York City on Film

6:30 P.M.

Pick Up on South Street (80 minutes)

In Director Sam Fuller's 1953 film noir effort about a small-time thief who gets mistaken for a Communist spy. Set almost entirely in the alleys, subways, waterfront dives, and streets of New York City this film takes place in the area South Street Seaport.

Wednesday, August 16

Children's Museum of Manhattan

212 West 83rd Street, Manhattan (212) 721-1223

Frida Kahlo

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South Street Seaport Museum

Melville Gallery (213 Water Street bet. Fulton & Beekman), Manhattan (212) 748-8568, www.southseaport.org

Book Talk: Jean Zimmerman presents The Women of the House:

How a Colonial She-Merchant Built a Mansion, a Fortune, and a Dynasty

7:00 P.M.

The remarkable Margaret Hardenbroeck Philipse arrived in New Amsterdam from Holland in 1659, a brash and ambitious 22 year-old bent on making her way in the New World. She promptly built an empire of trading ships, furs, and real estate. The Dutch called such women "she-merchants," and Margaret became the wealthiest in the colony, while raising five children and keeping a spotless linen closet. Join us as Jean Zimmerman traces the astonishing rise of Margaret and the Philipse women who followed her, bringing us into the parlors, bedrooms, counting-houses and parties of early colonial America and vividly restoring a forgotten group of women to life. Book signing.

Staten Island Children's Museum @ Snug Harbor Cultural Center

1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island (718) 273-2060, www.statenislandkids.org

Dancing on the Meadow - Boogie Woogie Wednesdays - Caribbean Dance with drummers

6:00 P.M. pizza will be served on a first-come, first-served basis

7:00 P.M. watch and then join in the dancing

Caribbean Dance; Meringue and calypso to the beat of a drum. The whole family will watch dance demonstrations, then dance along. Come early.

South Street Seaport

Pier 17

Conjunto Imagen

7:00 P.M.

This six-piece, New York-based Salsa band has released 11 albums in the last 15 years specializing in spirited, upbeat rhythms that encourage dance-floor participation from people of all ages and all walks of life.

Wagner Park

Battery Park City

Papo Vazquez Pirates Troubadours

7:00 P.M.

Trombonist, composer and arranger Papo Vazquez boasts a twisted variation on traditional themes and uses terms like Jibaro Waltz, Plena Funk, Bomba and Mapeye Jazz to help describe his music.

The Lower Manhattan Cultural Council and River to River present

Pavilion Columbus Park (Baxter, Mulberry, Bayard & Worth Sts), Manhattan www.lmcc.net/sites-lines

Sitelines: Oasis

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Battery Park City and River to River present: Papo Vazquez Pirates Troubadours

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Brooklyn Children's Museum

145 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 735-4400, www.brooklynkids.org

Junior Architects

4:00 - 5:30 P.M.

Explore the Museum's newest exhibit, Green Dollhouse. Learn why earth-friendly architecture is important for the environment. Design and draft a blueprint for your own "green" building. Ages 7+. Admission: \$5; free for members and children under one year..

Bryant Park

Fountain Terrace, between 40th and 42nd Streets, 5th and 6th Avenues, Manhattan (212) 512-5700,

www.bryantpark.org

Piano in the Park

12:00 Noon - 1:45 P.M.

Linda Presgrave

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Flatbush Library

22 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn (718) 856-0813

Elaine Gil as Bubbles the Clown

1:30 P.M.

Bubbles the Clown is a fun and loving clown that delights in making children laugh.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, DeKalb Library

790 Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 455-3898

Elaine Gil as Bubbles the Clown

3:30 P.M.

Bubbles the Clown is a fun and loving clown that delights in making children laugh.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Clinton Hill Library

380 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 398-8713

Storytelling with Cheza Maakheru

4:00 P.M.

Cheza Maakheru will enchant children with tales that tickle funny bones and spark imaginations.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Arlington Library

203 Arlington Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 277-6105

Musical Storytelling with Akwesi Asante

4:00 P.M.

Celebrate the African folk art tradition with Akwesi Asante through storytelling, music and dance.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Kings Bay Library

3650 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 368-1709

Magic with Ken Levy

4:00 P.M.

Ken Levy will entertain with a highly interactive magic show, keeping children engaged and amazed throughout his enchanting performance.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Paerdegat Library

850 East 59th Street, Brooklyn (718) 241-3994

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Ken Levy will entertain with a highly interactive magic show, keeping children engaged and amazed throughout his enchanting performance.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Langston Hughes Community and Cultural Center

100-01 Northern Boulevard, Queens (718) 651-1100

Summer Read to Me Program

10:30 P.M.

Older children read to preschoolers.

Summer Reading Program

2:00 P.M.

Ages 6 to 12

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Central Library

89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Queens (718) 990-0700

Young Adult Summer Reading Club

3:00 P.M.

For young people who have completed Grades 7 through 12.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, East Elmhurst Library

95-06 Astoria Boulevard, Queens (718) 424-2619

Read To Me

11:30 A.M.

Stories, Songs and Finger Play and coloring, etc. Ages 2 to 5.

Weekly Meeting

2:00 P.M.

Book Discussion, Arts and Craft, Entertainment and more. Grades 1 to 3.

Weekly Meeting

3:30 P.M.

Book Discussion, Arts and Craft and Entertainment and more. Grades 4 to 6.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Father and Son: Dennis and David Kamakahi

10:30 A.M.

Just for Kids. North Plaza. FREE.

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8:00 P.M.

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Cultural Journeys: A Trip to China

4:00 - 5:30 P.M.

Don't miss your chance to see a gorgeous Chinese lantern from the Don Museum's collection. Discover some secrets of this ancient Don culture and construct your own Chinese lantern using multicolored Don paper. Ages 5+. Admission: \$5; free for members and children under one year.

Rubin Museum of Art

150 West 17th Street, Manhattan (212) 620-5000, www.rmanyc.org

The Yak Packers Early Childhood Art Program

10:00 -11:00 A.M. & 11:00 -12:00 noon

For children ages 2-5 who must be accompanied by an adult. Join RMA educators in the Studio to make art while listening to music from the Himalayas, discover what's inside the Himalayan Treasure Chest, and arrange paintings with magnets. Art materials will be provided. Adults FREE with Museum admission; children FREE. Please register at least 24 hours in advance calling (212) 620-5000 ext. 290 as space is limited.

Staten Island Children's Museum @ Snug Harbor Cultural Center

1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island (718) 273-2060, www.statenislandkids.org

Science Workshop Whizkidz: Moons

Thursday 1:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, Grand Concourse Branch Library

155 East 173rd Street, Bronx (718) 583-6611

Summer Reading Club Celebration @ 2:30 P.M.

Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy

Empire-Fulton Ferry State Park

Movies With a View presents Raiders of the Lost Ark

Music starts at 6:00 P.M.; movie starts at sunset.

Raiders of the Lost Ark (PG). This breathlessly paced adventure film follows Indiana Jones on his search for the Ark of the Covenant. Movies With a View 2006 will again feature Halcyon the Shop setting the scene each night with pre-movie mood music from some of New York City's best DJ's. RICE provides delicious dinners on site and Transportation Alternatives provides free bike valet parking.

Forest Park

Woodhaven Blvd. & Forest Park Drive, Queens

The Wizard of Oz Movie and Sing-a-long

7:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

This evening promises to be fun and exciting. The Wizard of Oz has been enhanced with song words and signals for audience interaction. Clap your hands and cheer for Glinda the good witch, stomp your feet and boo at the Wicked Witch of the West and much much more. A Wizard of Oz costume contest will be held prior to the show. A limited amount of Participation bags will be available for a fee prior to the show. Recommended for ALL AGES!! George Seuffert Bandshell.

Wall Street

Meet at the front steps of the US Custom House, One Bowling Green, Manhattan

(212) 606-4064, www.downtownny.com/live/events

Wall Street Walking Tour

Don't miss this free 90-minute guided walking tour, weaving together history, events, architecture and people of Downtown - the birthplace of New York, the financial capital of the world, and the most dynamic neighborhood in the city. Free.

Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian

One Bowling Green, Manhattan (212) 514-3700 www.nmai.si.edu

Native Sounds Downtown presents First Nations Canadian Blues Night with Murray Porter and George Leach

6:00 P.M.

These First Nations artist are among the most prominent blues musicians, gaining recognition beyond the reservation. Free.

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Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Windsor Terrace Library

160 East 5th Street, Brooklyn (718) 686-9707

Music with Jody Prusan

3:30 P.M.

Children will love to clap along with Jody Prusan's original and uplifting songs.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Dyker Library

8202 13th Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 748-6261

"Magic of Amore" with James Lazzarini

3:15 P.M.

Journey with magician James Lazzarini through his amazing world of illusions.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, East Flatbush Library

9612 Church Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 922-0927

Magic with Ken Levy

3:00 P.M.

Ken Levy will entertain with a highly interactive magic show, keeping children engaged and amazed throughout his enchanting performance.

Brooklyn Public Library-www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org, Brower Park Library

725 St. Marks Avenue, Brooklyn (718) 773-7208

Magic with Chris Lweck

3:00 P.M.

Chris Lweck will captivate children with humor and the mystery of magic.

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, Tremont Branch Library

1866 Washington Avenue, Bronx (718) 299-5177

Summer Reading Club Meetings

3:00 P.M.

New York Public Library- www.nypl.org, Kip's Bay Branch Library

446 Third Avenue, Manhattan (212) 683-2520

Summer Reading Club Celebration

4:00 P.M.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Central Library

89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Queens (718) 990-0700

Timeless Tales

10:30 A.M.

A weekly storytime for children ages 3-5. Activities will include stories, songs and rhymes. Pre-registration required.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, East Elmhurst Library

95-06 Astoria Boulevard, Queens (718) 424-2619

Kids Reading Help Needed

2:00 P.M.

One on One. Ages 6 to 12. Pre-registration required.

Computer Workshop

2:00 P.M.

Online Search and Word. Ages 6 to 12. Pre-registration required.

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, Langston Hughes Community and Cultural Center

100-01 Northern Boulevard, Queens (718) 651-1100

Summer Reading Board Games

2:00 P.M.

Kindergarten through 12th Grade

Queens Library - www.queenslibrary.org, South Jamaica Library

108-41 Guy R. Brewer Boulevard, Queens (718) 739-4088

Jewelry Making with Pamela Issac

4:00 P.M.

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out of Doors: Dance Off! Happy Hour

6:00 P.M

Josie Robertson Plaza . FREE

Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

70 Lincoln Center Plaza, Manhattan (212) 875-5049, www.lincolncenter.org

Lincoln Center Out Of Doors: Universal Jazz Coalition

Site and Time TBA. FREE.

The Jewish Museum

1109 Fifth Avenue, Manhattan (212) 423-3337. www.thejewishmuseum.org

Screening: Sitcom Sampler

5:00 -9:00 P.M. through September 7

Get Smart: "The Man from Y.E.N.T.A." (1967, 25 min.)

The Flying Nun: "The Reconversion of Sister Shapiro" (1968, 30 min.)

The Partridge Family: "In 25 Words or Less" (1971, 25 min.)

Sanford and Son: "You Don't Look It" (1977, 28 min.)

Music: Andrea Wolper. Jazz vocal interpretations of American standards and original material.