

Free Summer Activities

Here's a list - by no means complete - of different things you can do with your free time this summer. We hope that you will have a great time, experiencing new things that enrich your life!

Arts / Culture

SummerStage Concerts, Theater and Dance

<http://www.summerstage.org/>

Shakespeare in the Park

<http://www.publictheater.org/content/view/126/219/>

River to River Festival

<http://www.rivertorivernyc.com>

Summer on the Hudson at Riverside Park

http://www.nycgovparks.org/events/summer_on_the_hudson

New York Philharmonic Concerts in the Parks

http://gonyc.about.com/od/summer/a/philharmonic_2.htm

Lincoln Center Out of Doors

<http://new.lincolncenter.org/live/index.php/lc-ood-2010>

Outdoor Film Screenings

<http://gonyc.about.com/od/summer/a/summermovies.htm>

Movies in Bryant Park

http://gonyc.about.com/cs/summer/a/hbobryantpark_2.htm

<http://www.bryantpark.org/>

Summer Concerts Overview

<http://gonyc.about.com/cs/music/a/summermusic.htm>

Museums, Botanical Gardens, and Zoos

El Museo Del Barrio

<http://www.elmuseo.org/en/visit>

Free admission every third Saturday of each month

Museum of Modern Art (MoMA)

<http://www.moma.org>

Free admission every Fridays (4-8pm)

Bronx Museum

<http://www.bronxmuseum.org/events.php>

Free July 9th, and every first Friday of the month thereafter

Metropolitan Museum of Art

<http://www.metmuseum.org/>

Suggested donation (you choose what to pay, but don't have to pay)

American Folk Art Museum

<http://www.folkartmuseum.org/>

Free admission Fridays (5:30-7:30pm)

Manhattan Children's Museum

<http://www.cmom.org/>

Free first Friday of every month (5-8pm)

The Cooper Union - exhibitions in architecture, design and engineering

<http://gonyc.about.com/cs/freestuff/a/aa020502.htm>

New York Botanical Garden

<http://www.nybg.org>

Free Wednesdays (all day); Saturdays (10am-noon)

Brooklyn Botanical Garden

<http://www.bbg.org>

Free Tuesdays

Bronx Zoo

<http://www.bronxzoo.com>

Free on Wednesdays (pay as you wish)

Being Active

City Parks Foundation - Free golf, tennis, and track and field classes

<http://cityparksfoundation.org/>

Yoga to the People - Free Yoga Classes

<http://yogatothepeople.com/about.shtml>

Kayaking on the Hudson

<http://www.downtownboathouse.org/72nd.html>

<http://www.newyorkoutrigger.org/training>

Bike Path Maps

<http://www.nycbikemaps.com/>

<http://www.nycgovparks.org/facilities/pools>

Community Service

Van Cortlandt Park

<http://www.vcpark.org/support/volunteer.html>

New York City Coalition Against Hunger

<http://www.nyccah.org/volunteer>

Sites to find projects

<http://www.newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov/>

<http://www.americantowns.com/ny/bronx-make-a-difference>

<http://www.ny.com/community/>

Miscellaneous Ideas

PumaCity at South Street Seaport - World Cup activities

Until July 11

Beaches around NYC

<http://gonyc.about.com/cs/summer/a/beaches.htm>

Van Cortlandt Park

<http://www.vcpark.org/>

Free tickets to TV shows

<http://www.nyitix.com/index.html>

General Ideas

<http://newyork.timeout.com/articles/own-this-city/75099/free-things-to-do-in-new-york-city>

<http://culturemob.com/blog/nyc-outdoor-summer-festivals-2010>

<http://islandwoo.com/unique-free-things-to-do-in-nyc-this-summer-july-events/>

http://www.nycgovparks.org/sub_things_to_do/things_to_do.html

New York City Public Library - reading is another way to explore!

<http://www.nypl.org>

Our Challenges to you:

Visit five new parks!

Visit four of the five burroughs and explore new neighborhoods!

Be well rounded: try something in each category!

Do something you have never done before!

Be wholistic: Challenge yourself mentally, physically, socially, and emotionally!

Make time for academic projects!

Read three books!

