

New York City Museums

Museum Mile is a stretch along 5th Avenue chock full of museums and other fine arts institutions. Museums include:

El Museo del Barrio

1230 Fifth Ave at 104th St

Phone: (212) 831-7272

Website: <http://www.elmuseo.org>

Hours: Wed-Sun: 11 am-5pm

Admission: Adults, \$5, Students/seniors: \$3, Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.

New York City's only Latino museum dedicated to Puerto Rican, Caribbean and Latin American Art.

Museum of the City of New York

1220 Fifth Ave. at 103rd St.

Phone: (212) 534-1672

Website: <http://www.mcnyc.org>

Hours: Wed.-Sat.: 10 am-5 pm

Sunday: Noon to 5 pm

Admission: General, \$7, Student/senior/child, \$4, Family, \$12

New York's premier museum depicting the history the city.

International Center of Photography

5th at 94th St.

Phone: (212) 768-4682

Website: <http://www.icp.org>

Hours: Tues-Thursday: 10 am-5pm

Friday: 10 am-8 pm

Closed Monday and July 4th

Admission: General Admission: \$8, Students/Seniors, \$6

New York City's only museum devoted exclusively to photography, with changing exhibits.

Jewish Museum

1109 5th at 92nd St.

Phone: (212) 423-3200

Website: <http://www.jewishmuseum.org>

Hours: Sun-Thursday: 11 am-5:45 pm

Tuesday: 11am-8pm

Admission: General, \$8, Students/seniors, \$5.50, Children under 12, free

Devoted to 4,000 years of Jewish art and culture, it is the largest Jewish Museum in the Western Hemisphere.

Cooper-Hewitt National Museum of Design

2 East 91st ST.

Phone: (212) 849-8420

Website: <http://ndm.si.edu/>

Hours: Sunday, 12 pm-5 pm

Tuesday, 10am-9pm

Wed.-Sat: 10am-5pm

Closed Monday

Admission: Adults \$8, Seniors/students \$5, Children under 12 free, Free on Tuesdays from 5-9pm

“In the Andrew Carnegie Mansion Historical and contemporary design. The exhibits, in large part, focus on work that gives every day items like furniture, computers and toothbrushes a more unique appearance, adding form to the function. Architecture and graphic design are also well covered. “

National Academy Museum and School of Fine Arts

1083 5th at 89th St.

Phone: (212) 369-4880

Website: <http://www.nationalacademy.org>

Hours: Wed-Sunday: 12 pm-5 pm;

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Admission: Adults: \$8, Students/seniors \$4.50

“In an elegant townhouse, changing exhibitions of paintings, sculpture, prints and drawings.”

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum

1071 5th at 89th

Phone: (212) 423-3500

Website: <http://www.guggenheim.com>

Hours: Sun-Wed: 9 am-6 pm

Fri-Sat: 9 am-8 pm

Closed Thursday

Admission: Adults \$12, Students/seniors, \$7, Children under 12, free

Designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and featuring the works of artists from the 19th and 20th centuries, including: Brancusi, Braque, Calder, Chagall, Giacometti, Kandinsky, Klee, Leger, Miro, Picasso and Van Gogh.

Goethe House German Cultural Center

1014 5th at 82nd St.

Phone: (212) 439-8700

Website: <http://www.goethe.de>

Hours: Tue, Thursday, 12 pm-7 pm; Wed, Friday, 12 pm – 5 pm

Admission: Free

The Goethe-Institute New York organizes and supports a wide range of international cultural exchange programs in close cooperation with partners and institutions in both the host countries and in Germany. These activities range from the arts and humanities through science and technology.

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1133 Avenue of the Americas at 43rd

Phone: (212) 768-4682

Website: <http://www.icp.org>

Hours: Tues-Thursday: 10 am-5 pm; Friday: 10 am-8 pm

Closed Monday and July 4th

Admission: General Admission: \$8, Students/Seniors: \$6

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Nicholas Roerich Museum

319 West 107th Street (between Broadway and Riverside Drive)

Phone: (212) 864-7752

Website: <http://www.roerich.org>

Hours: Tuesday – Sunday 2-5 pm

Nicholas Roerich, the Russian-American start of this one-man Museum, was a true Renaissance man, involved in a vast range of artistic, philosophical and spiritual pursuits.

Other Museums of Interest

[The Whitney](#) [Brooklyn Museum of Art](#) [Frick Collection](#) [American Folk Art Museum](#) [Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum](#)

Also check out: <http://www.ny.com/museums/all.museums.html>

CHILDREN'S MUSEUMS

ALL AGES

Children's Museum of the Arts

182 Lafayette St. between Broome and Grant St.

Phone: (212) 941-9198

Website: <http://www.ny.com/museums/children.museum.of.the.arts.html>

Hours: Wed: 12 pm-7 pm

Thurs-Sunday: 12 pm-5 pm

Admission: \$5 (children under 12 months and adults over 65, free)

The museum provides stimulating and interactive exhibits and programs for children under 10 years of age, encouraging them to develop their full creative potential through visual and performing arts.

Children's Museum of Manhattan

The Tisch Building

212 West 83rd St.

Phone: (212) 721-1234

Fax: (212) 721-1127

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

Hours: Tues.-Sunday: 10 am-5 pm

Open July 4th!

Admission: Adults & Children: \$7 (under 12 months free), Seniors: \$4,

Five floors of interactive exhibitions for children and families. Hands-on exhibits/daily workshops for children 18 months-10 yrs."

New Jersey Children's Museum

599 Industrial Avenue

Paramus, New Jersey

Phone: (201) 262-5151

Website: <http://www.njcm.com>

Hours: Weekdays: 10 am – 5 pm

Sunday: 9 am-5 pm

Admission: \$ 8 plus tax for adults and children

Free for children under 1

Your family will have hours of fun playing and learning together! The Museum has over 30 different exhibits, in 15,000 square feet, each designed for specific groups, from the special Baby Nook and Housekeeping for two's and toddlers, to the challenging Science and Technology for first graders.

4 Years and Older

American Museum of Natural History

Central Park West at 79th St.

Phone: (212) 769-5100

Website: <http://www.amnh.org>

Hours: Daily 10 am-5:45 pm, Rose Center open until 8:45 pm on Friday

Admission PLUS space show: Suggested donation: \$19.00, Children: \$11.50, Students/seniors: \$7.50

One of the largest and most innovative natural history museums. Includes famous dinosaur halls, Akeley Hall of American Mammals, Gottesman Hall of Planet Earth, and the Rose Center, featuring the most technologically advanced space show in the world.

New York City Fire Museum

278 Spring Street

SOHO

Phone: (212) 691-1303

Website: <http://www.nycfiremuseum.org>

Hours: Tues - Sun: 10 am - 4 pm

Admission: \$4 Adults, \$1 children under 12, \$2 seniors/students

Houses one of the finest collections of fire service related art and artifacts in the country. Preserves the history of firefighting and teaches safety through its exhibits and programs.

New York City Transit Museum

Corner of Boerum Pl. & Schermerhorn St. (former subway station)

Brooklyn, New York 11201

Phone: (718) 694-1600

Website: <http://www.transitmuseum.com/>

Hours: Tues-Fri 10 am-4 pm

Sat & Sun 12pm-5pm, Closed Mondays and Holidays

Admission: General \$5.00, Children \$3.00, Senior Citizens \$3.00

For a well-presented historical survey of the New York City Transit System, visit this museum housed in an authentic 30's station. A great place to take kids, the museum offers artifacts from yesteryear including vintage subway cars, antique turnstiles, and much more.

New York Hall of Science

47-01 111th Street

Flushing Meadows Corona Park

Queens, NY

Phone: (718) 699-0005

Website: <http://www.nyhallscie.org>

Hours: Mon-Friday: 9:30 am-5 pm

Sat/Sun: 10am-6pm

Admission: Adults: \$7.50, Children (4-17, \$5.00; Seniors 62+: \$5.00

Built as a pavilion for the 1964-65 New York World's Fair, the Hall of Science served as a museum from 1966 to 1981. In 1986, an improved museum reopened with 25,000 square feet of exhibition space, new hands-on exhibitions, and a new staff.

5 Years and Older

Hayden Planetarium

At the American Museum of Natural History

Entrance on 81st Street just off of Central Park West

Phone: (212) 769-5100

Website: <http://www.amnh.org/rose>

Hours: Daily 10 am-5:45 pm

The Rose Center remains open on Fri. until 8:45pm

Admission: Suggested Donation \$10.00, Children \$6.00, Students/seniors \$7.50

Admission PLUS Space Show: Donation \$19.00, Children \$11.50, Students/seniors \$14.00

The Rose Center's main goal is to make science, specifically astronomy and astrophysics, more accessible to the public at every level of understanding, to bring the universe down to Earth.

Intrepid Sea-Air Space Museum

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Pier 86, W. 46th Street & 12th Avenue (on the Hudson)

Phone: (212) 245-0072

Website: <http://www.intrepidmuseum.org>

Hours: Mon-Fri 10 am-5 pm, Sat-Sun 10 am-6 pm

Admission: \$12, Veterans/Seniors/Students 12-17: \$9, Child 6-11: \$6, Child 2-5: \$2

Act. Duty US Military/Museum Members/Child under 2: Free

The Intrepid is a 40,000 ton, 900 foot-long aircraft carrier that served the Navy from 1943 to 1974. On board, you'll find an awesome collection of aircrafts from WWII to the present including the world's fastest aircraft, a Lockheed A-12 Blackbird. Also on display is the USS Growler, the only intact strategic missile submarine open to the public anywhere in the world. For an extra \$5, you can fly your own jet mission on the Intrepid Navy Flight Simulator, a new motion-based thrill ride.

The Brooklyn Children's Museum

145 Brooklyn Avenue at St. Marks Ave.

Crown Heights, Brooklyn

Phone: (718) 735-4400

Website: <http://www.bchildmus.org>

Hours: Mon-Tuesday, closed

Wed-Friday: 2-5 pm

Sat-Sunday: 10am-5pm

Admission: Suggested donation: \$4

The world's first museum for children, the BCM has given youth a place where learning and life come together since 1899. Children can explore culture, arts, science, and the environment. BCM offers innovative hands-on exhibitions, daily workshops and programs, and weekend multicultural performances.

South Street Seaport

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207 Front St.

Phone: (212) 748-8600

Fax: (212) 748-8610

Website: <http://www.SouthStSeaport.org>

Hours: 10 am to 6 pm; Thurs. until 8 pm

Admission: Adults: \$6; Seniors: \$5; Students w/ID: \$4; Children: \$3

New York City's maritime past comes alive at South Street Seaport Museum. Here adults, families, and children can see, touch and enjoy the city's rich and diverse maritime past in the 19th century district where it all began. Explore the decks and cabins of six historic ships, see exhibitions of maritime art and artifacts, discover New York's archaeological heritage. Journey through the area's stone-paved streets as well as the little shops all along the way. Learn to use a 19th Century letterpress, sail around New York harbor on a graceful twin-masted schooner or excursion vessel.

Sony Wonder Technology Lab

56th Street between Madison and Fifth Avenues

Phone: (212) 833-8100

Website: sonywindertechlab.com

Hours: Mon Closed

Tues-Sat 10 am-6 pm

Thurs 10 am-8 pm

Sun noon – 6 pm

Admission: Free

The Sony Wonder Technology Lab is a great place for kids of all ages to learn about technology through interactive exhibits. Children under 8 may need a little help with some of the exhibits.

6 Years and Older

Metropolitan Museum of Art

1000 Fifth Avenue
Fifth Ave at 82nd Street
Phone: (212) 535-7710
Website: <http://www.metmuseum.org>
Hours: Mon Closed
Tues-Thurs 9:30am-5:30pm
Fri-Sat 9:30am-9:00pm
Sun 9:30am-5:30pm
Admission: General \$10, Students/Seniors \$5
12 years and under are free, when accompanied by adult

"The Met is a universal museum: every category of art in every known medium from every part of the world during every epoch of recorded time is represented here and thus available for contemplation or study -- not in isolation but in comparison with other times, other cultures, and other media."

Staten Island of Institute of Arts and Sciences

75 Stuyvesant Pl.
Staten Island, NY 10301
Phone: (718) 727-1135
Call for details
Hours: Mon-Sat 9am-5pm
Sun 1-5pm
Admission: General \$2.50, Students/seniors \$1.50

The Staten Island Institute of Arts & Sciences offers exciting programs including science clubs for kids, excursions, lunch and dinner programs, and crafts events. Call for details.

7 Years and Older

NYC Police Museum

25 Broadway, 2nd Floor
Between Morris and Bowling Green
Phone: (212) 301-4440
Website: <http://www.nycpolicemuseum.org>
Hours: Mon-Fri: 10am-6pm
Sat-Sun: 10am-4pm
Admission: FREE

"The New York City Police Museum, a not-for-profit New York State Department of Education Chartered Museum is now open to the public. Located in the heart of the Financial District near other museums such as the Museum of the American Indian, the Museum of American Financial History, the Museum of Jewish Heritage, Living Memorial to the Holocaust, and Ellis Island and Statue of Liberty ferries."

10 Years and Older

Museum of Television and Radio

25 West 52nd Street
Phone: (212) 621-6800
Website: <http://www.mtr.org>
Hours: Tues- Sun noon-6pm
Thurs noon-8pm
Theaters: Fri noon-9pm
Admission: Student/Seniors: \$4, Children under 13, \$3

"The Museum of Television and Radio is dedicated to audio-visual artifacts with a collection of over 50,000 TV and radio shows. Pick your selection from the library and watch it at one of the many video consoles."