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Watch the U.S. Open

The U.S. Open—New York’s exhilarating summer sports event—is one of the most exciting things to do in Queens. It returns this month with plenty of exciting activities for fans. The U.S. Open’s main draw will begin on August 26 and run through until September 8. There are around 40 tournament sessions to pick from, and either day or evening passes. The seats range from reserved stadium seating to general admission ground passes or even luxury suits. All tickets are available to purchase on Ticketnetwork, USOpen.org and Ticketmaster.

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Visit MoMA for free on UNIQLO Free Friday Nights

Find inspiration at no cost at the Museum of Modern Art on select Fridays. UNIQLO NYC Nights offer free admission to New York City residents and extended hours on the first Friday of every month. Explore in the galleries, get creative with drop-in drawing sessions, enjoy music and see a film in the theaters. Just be sure to reserve a ticket in advance online. This month’s event is on Friday, August 2. Tickets are released on week in advance; same-day film tickets are also free for New York City residents, available on-site, after 4pm.

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See NYC in a new light at Edge

The views at Edge, the highest sky deck in the western hemisphere, are always stunning, but



See a powerful climate change art exhibit on Governors Island

now they're even more beautiful thanks to an eye-catching new activation. This highly Instagrammable exhibit called "SHADES" features transparent colors in both the indoor and outdoor areas of Edge. On the outdoor deck, see how the perspective changes as you look through the clear glass versus the colorful panels. Inside, peek through colorful panels that make an adorable photo-op. "SHADES" is on view through September and is included with admission. Even for longtime New Yorkers who have seen the skyline thousands of times, the experience offers a fresh perspective on the city.

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Climb inside this massive web of Ropes

Basically a massive maze made of ropes, this new exhibit allows attendees to jump inside, climb, relax and even get lost in the whole webbed arrangement that's comprised of 80,000 feet of handwoven rope, which is part of a 400-square-foot interactive artwork created by Treenet Collective, a net expert company. Find "The INTERnet" at INTER_, the interactive art center at 415 Broadway by Canal Street in Soho. The installation, which accommodates 15 people at once, boasts a variety of different weaving

Ocean noise, chemical pollution, climate change and sea level rise are words that often appear in the news. But these important concepts can be hard to make sense of—or to understand at all. That's where artist Jenny Kendler comes in. Her new exhibit, *Other of Pearl*, confronts these pressing environmental issues in ways that feel more accessible with stirring whale songs, incredible pearl sculptures, a crystalline whale eye cast with human tears, and more. You can see these powerful works for free on Wednesdays-Sundays from 10am-5pm now through October on Governors Island. Seven intimate, delicate works are displayed in the cavernous, subterranean magazine of historic Fort Jay, a star-shaped fortification built on Governors Island between 1775 and 1776.

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Catch films in the great outdoors

There's nothing more "summer in NYC" than taking in a movie in the great outdoors, under the hardly-seen stars and set to the humming soundtrack of the city. New Yorkers love to take in films on the nicest rooftops, on the best beaches, and in our city's greatest parks (preferably with a drink or popcorn in hand). Luckily, NYC has no shortage of places to catch outdoor movie screenings you can attend in the warmer months.

styles, each one creating a "setting" for folks to dive into, including the "quantum leap," where guests can play in mid-air, and the "social network," a more serene space that will feel like you are floating above everyone else.

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See free Broadway performances in Bryant Park

If you're Broadway enthusiast but don't necessarily have the budget to check out all the best shows, you'll enjoy this: Bryant Park is showcasing some of the most iconic Broadway productions this month, so you can get a taste of it all. The performances, an effort organized by 106.7 LITE FM and iHeartRadio Broadway, will continue through early August on a stage setup in the park at Sixth Avenue between 40th and 42nd streets. Dubbed Broadway in Bryant Park, the lineup is stacked with some of the best numbers from some of the most popular musicals. Because the events are free, be sure to show up early to secure a good spot.

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Eat a sundae at NYC's first Ghirardelli location

Life in Midtown Manhattan will get a little sweeter as of August 6 when the first-ever Ghirardelli Chocolate & Ice Cream Shop in New York makes its decadent debut at the Empire State Building. This beloved brand currently operates 16 sweets shops across the nation, mostly in California, and this store will be its northeast debut. Expect the Empire State Building shop to become a go-to spot for milkshakes, brownies, chocolate-covered strawberries, hot fudge sundaes, and, of course, those classic foil-wrapped chocolate squares. Find NYC's Ghirardelli Chocolate & Ice Cream Shop on the ground floor of the Empire State Building (20 West 34th Street). The store will be open from 9am-11pm Sunday-Thursday and 9am-midnight on Friday and Saturday

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Enjoy Opera for Free

Think you can't afford the finer things? Think again. We've got the hookup on free opera. Head to Lincoln Center for an end-of-summer tradition, the Met Opera's Summer HD Festival. This free, outdoor festival features 11 evenings of classic and contemporary operas with a little something for everyone. Here's the full schedule: — Friday, August 23, at 8pm: *The Red Violin* — Saturday, August 24, at 7:30pm: Gounod's *Roméo et Juliette* — Sunday, August 25, at 8pm: Verdi's *Nabucco* — Monday, August 26, at 8pm: Daniel Catán's *Florencia en el Amazonas* — Tuesday, August 27, at 8pm: Puccini's *La Rondine* — Wednesday, August 28, at 7:30pm: Jake Heggie's *Dead Man Walking* — Thursday, August 29, at 7:30pm: Mozart's *Don Giovanni* — Friday, August 30, at 7:30pm: Anthony Davis's *X: The Life and Times of Malcolm X* — Saturday, August 31, at 7:30pm: Bizet's *Carmen* — Sunday, September 1, at 7:30pm: Verdi's *La Forza del Destino* — Monday, September 2, at 8pm: Puccini's *Madama Butterfly* This free, annual event features screenings of the Met Opera's past Live in HD captures displayed on an enormous screen on the façade of the opera house at Lincoln Center. Seating is first-come, first-served on the plaza, and attendees are free to bring their own chairs elsewhere on the Lincoln Center plaza.

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Page through Paul McCartney's photography

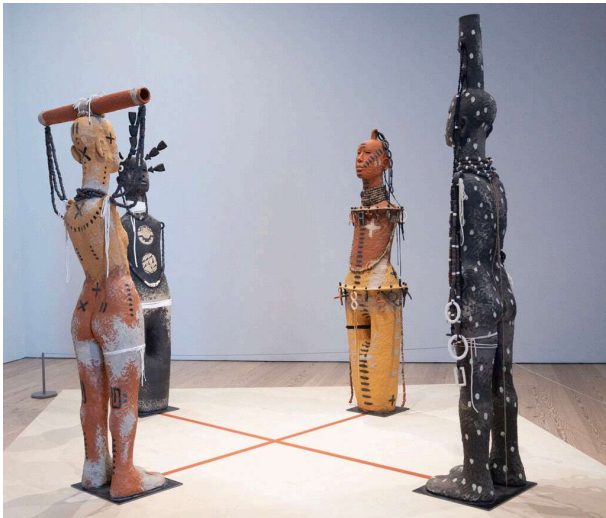
Screaming and crying girls. Innumerable hotel rooms. Nonstop camera flashes. A group of four Liverpoolian guys in the middle of it all. We've all seen the photos and videos documenting the insanity of Beatlemania, the obsession over the Beatles from 1963 to 1966. But it turns out that the Beatles' bassist and singer, Sir Paul McCartney, actually turned the lens on the crowds, the paparazzi and the cities that hosted them in the early days. McCartney and the Brooklyn Museum are showcasing more than 250 of the icon's personal photographs that illustrate the intensity of this historical moment, but also the quiet moments unseen by millions of fans in "Paul McCartney Photographs 1963–64: Eyes of the Storm." See it through August 18.

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SEE IT NOW

Curated List by Sharon Hoge

There are still a few more days for the au courant to catch the latest Whitney Biennial plus around town exhibits exploring colonialism, the animal kingdom, climate.



Whitney Biennial

Whitney Museum

Subtitled *Even Better Than the Real Thing*, the 81st edition of the Whitney's iconic survey features artists exploring the permeability of relationships between mind and body, the fluidity of identity, and the growing precariousness of the natural and constructed worlds around us.

Closes August 11

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Amalia Mesa-Bains: Archaeology of Memory

El Museo del Barrio

Including "altar-installations," 40 works by pioneering Chicana artist Amalia Mesa-Bains explore intersectional feminist themes, environmentally centered spirituality, and cultural diversity, countering racist and gendered erasures of colonial repression.

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Coal + Ice

Asia Society and Museum

As part of an Asia Society series of programs on climate change, an immersive photography and video exhibit visualizes the causes and consequences of the climate crisis with a look to creative solutions.

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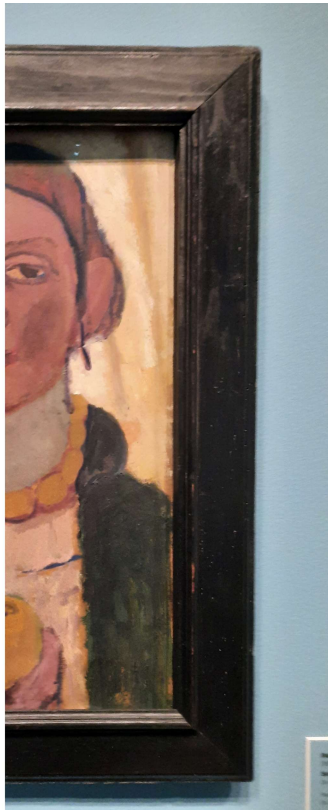
Porky Hefer: no bats, no chocolate

Galerie56 and Southern Guild

Celebrating the “weird talents” of animals from the walrus and zebra to beaver and bat, the South African artist’s animal-inspired sculptures celebrate the intelligence and ingenuity of wild creatures inviting a physical and emotional connection that places humans in communion with the animal kingdom.

Closes August 19

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Paula Modersohn-Becker *Ich bin Ich/I Am Me*

Neue Galerie

Deeply studied landscapes, self portraits, drawings and paintings of mothers and children present the first US retrospective of the short-lived artist who was a major figure in the history of German Expressionism.

Closes September 90

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