

# **News**

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## **FREE OUTDOOR SUMMER EVENTS SERIES TO BE HELD AT NEW YORK CITY'S PREMIERE WATERFRONT VENUE**

***-- Free concerts, movies, dances, music and boxing highlight the 2010  
"Take Me to the River" celebration at Hudson River Park--***

**New York, NY – April 27, 2010:** For the 18<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, Hudson River Park -- New York's premiere waterfront venue -- will sponsor a free outdoor summer event series. The "Take Me to the River" celebration will include free concerts, movies, dancing, music, boxing, fishing, family events and more!

This summer visitors can expect free outdoor fun almost every day of the week at Hudson River Park, the 550-acre riverfront park that stretches from Battery Place up to W. 59<sup>th</sup> Street along the Hudson. Hudson River Park's annual "Take Me to the River" celebration has something for everyone: food aficionados can spend a Sunday getting a taste of NYC's best BBQ; hipsters and rock fans can listen to some of the hottest 'indie' bands around; families can stop in for a RiverFlicks movie; while lovers can stroll along the river accompanied by the perfect sunset.

**Below Please Find Hudson River Park's Full Summer Calendar:**

For Further Information Please Visit: [www.hudsonriverpark.org](http://www.hudsonriverpark.org)

Or, call the park info line: **212-627-2121**

## **Sunset on the Hudson**

**Relax on the grass as the mellow sounds of Guitar Man David Ippolito provide the soundtrack to the stunning summer sunset.**

HUDSON RIVER PARK'S PIER 45

Christopher Street and the Hudson River – Greenwich Village

Fridays, June 4 – August 20 (except for July 2); 7:00 – 9:00PM

Every Friday from June 4 through August 20 (except for July 2), enjoy the gorgeous sunset and mellow sounds of New York's acclaimed Guitar Man David Ippolito from this spectacular grass covered pier that stretches 900 feet into the majestic Hudson River.

## **Stars of Tomorrow**

**See Tomorrow's Jazz and Classical Superstars – Today!**

HUDSON RIVER PARK'S PIER 45

Christopher Street and the Hudson River – Greenwich Village

Tuesdays, June 8 – August 17; 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Enjoy music from Bach to Bebop on Tuesday nights, as students from both the *New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music* and from *Mannes College The New School for Music* perform on one of Hudson River Park's most beautiful piers. Performances begin on June 8.

## **RiverRocks**

**[www.RiverRocksNYC.com](http://www.RiverRocksNYC.com)**

**New York City Favorites at a One-of-a-Kind Waterfront Venue.**

HUDSON RIVER PARK'S PIER 54

West 14<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River - Meatpacking District

6:00 – 10:00 PM

On the waterfront, right in the heart of New York City's Meatpacking District, Hudson River Park's signature concert series is the place to be this summer! With exciting bands and fantastic views in all directions, RiverRocks is certain to create a memorable and rockin' summer night!

For more information check out the RiverRocks website at [www.riverrocksnyc.com](http://www.riverrocksnyc.com)

Thursday

**RiverRocks**

July 8

**Sweet Harmonies and Americana Grooves Rock the River**

**Co-Headliners – Phosphorescent & Dawes**

## **Phosphorescent**

Fronted by singer/guitarist Matthew Houck, Phosphorescent is an infectious indie folk/alt country band that performs a modern version of what Gram Parsons once dubbed “Cosmic American Music” --- music that could be from another era, but sounds perfect right here, right now, any time, any season.

## **Dawes**

With its debut release *North Hills* in 2009, Dawes produced an ode to their hometown, Los Angeles, and in so doing gained critical attention as “a perfect band” with an “authentically vintage” sound. They are known to create Southern-tinged tunes that are graceful and poetic, yet firmly L.A. rock-n-roll.

Thursday  
July 22

## **RiverRocks**

### **Brooklyn Rockers Perform Their Epic Yet Intimate Songs**

#### **Headliner – The Antlers**

The emotional, self-released debut album *Hospice* by The Antlers catapulted the fledgling Brooklyn band into the stratosphere in 2009. Their music has evolved from post-rock to “a massive sound” doused in delay, reverb and unrehearsed chaos.

## **Dinosaur Feathers**

Dinosaur Feathers may come from Brooklyn, but musically the roots of the band extend to locales around the globe. The trio’s music sails through Motown melodies, tropical grooves and African rhythms to get its tropical surf-pop sound.

Thursday  
August 12

## **RiverRocks**

### **Critical Favorites Perform on the Hudson**

#### **Headliner – Deerhunter**

Musically, Deerhunter is, and has been, many things – ambient punk, noise rock, art rock, shoegaze, post-punk and plain pop. Their second and third albums *Cryptograms* and *Microcastle* were ranked by music critics and aficionados alike as among the best albums of their respective years -- and the latter ranked among the best of the past decade.

## **Real Estate**

**Real Estate**’s sound wafts in on vibes of hazy summers from days past living in the burbs. Flagged by *Stereogum* as a “Band to Watch,” this Yo La Tengo-influenced quartet recently released its debut, full-length LP *Real Estate* and garnered critical praise and “best new music” accolades.

## **Rumble on the River**

### **Outdoor Boxing in the Shadow of the Intrepid.**

HUDSON RIVER PARK'S PIER 84

West 44<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River

Thursday, August 5 (rain date August 6); 7:00 – 10:00 PM

**Sponsored by MetroPCS & Scion**

In the shadow of the Intrepid, one of Hudson River Park's most exciting events returns to Pier 84. As the sun sets, the action rises, when amateur boxers from the New York area compete in the square circle. This event is produced in conjunction with Church Street Boxing Gym. Event is free and open to the public with special ticketed VIP ringside seating also available. VIP tickets go on sale June 14<sup>th</sup> at [www.fridaynightfightsnyc.com/tickets.php](http://www.fridaynightfightsnyc.com/tickets.php)

## **Blues BBQ Festival**

### **Amazing Blues + NYC's Best BBQ = the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Blues BBQ Festival!**

HUDSON RIVER PARK'S PIER 54

West 14<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River – Meatpacking District

Sunday, August 22; 2:00 – 9:00 PM

Back for the 11<sup>th</sup> year, Hudson River Park's annual Blues BBQ Festival brings the best Blues bands from across the country together with the finest New York City BBQ restaurants for a fantastic summer day on the river. This year's acts will include Smoking Joe Kubek and Bnois King Band, the Teeny Tucker Revue and many more blues greats to be announced in the coming weeks. This feast for your senses brings you the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of a true southern BBQ experience! Check [www.hudsonriverpark.org](http://www.hudsonriverpark.org) for updates to the lineup.

## **MoonDance**

### **Dance the Night Away Under the Stars**

HUDSON RIVER PARK'S PIER 54

West 14<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River – Meatpacking District

Sundays, July 11 – August 8; 6:30 – 10:00 PM

Whether you've been dancing for years or want to learn how to boogie like a pro, Hudson River Park's MoonDance is your chance to strut your stuff under the stars! Free lessons from Dance Manhattan begin the evening before New York City's favorite dance bands perform. MoonDance takes place Sunday evenings on Hudson River Park's Pier 54 - no experience necessary. Featured styles include swing, tango and salsa. Free dance lessons begin at 6:30pm courtesy of Dance Manhattan. Live bands go on at 7pm!

July 11 - David Berger Jazz Orchestra (Swing)  
July 18 - Los Hermanos Colon (Salsa)  
July 25 - Nu D'Lux (Salsa)  
Aug 1 - Hector DelCurto's Eternal Tango Orchestra (Tango)  
Aug 8 - George Gee Swing Orchestra (Swing)

## **RiverFlicks – Two Nights – Two Piers – Two Themes**

**[www.RiverFlicksNYC.com](http://www.RiverFlicksNYC.com)**

**Enjoy all-time favorite movies outdoors along the Hudson River!**

Wednesday evenings at Hudson River Park's Pier 54: Themed Movie Series Geared towards **Adults** – Films are rated PG-13 and R

Friday evenings on Hudson River Park's Pier 46: Family oriented movies suitable **for all ages** - Films are rated G or PG.

Movies begin at dusk (generally around 8:30pm)  
Complimentary popcorn. Beverages and snacks available for purchase.

For more information check out the RiverFlicks website at [www.riverflicksnyc.com](http://www.riverflicksnyc.com)

## **RiverFlicks for Grown-Ups**

### **Theme: I *STILL* Know What You Saw Last Summer!**

See the Stars, under the stars - watch all of your favorite blockbusters from 2009 on the big screen, again! This time around, they're all FREE. From a night out in Vegas to the far reaches of outer space, Hudson River Park's RiverFlicks has all of last year's favorite summer hits!

**Outdoor Movie Series Geared towards Adults - Films are rated PG-13 and R**  
**Sponsored by amNew York.**

#### **Hudson River Park's Pier 54**

West 14<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River – Meatpacking District

Wednesdays, July 7 – August 18

Movies begin at dusk (generally around 8:30pm)

Movies are rated PG-13 and R

Free Popcorn

- July 7           **The Hangover** - Four friends, one night, no recollection. Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms and Zach Galifianakis piece together their lost night in search of their missing friend on the day of his wedding.  
Rated R
- July 14           **I Love You, Man** - Paul Rudd has a fiancé, a ring and tux for his wedding. The one thing he's missing: a best man. A random encounter leads to a new friend. Could this be his best man, or just a disaster waiting to happen?  
Rated R
- July 21           **The Proposal** - Faced with the prospect of losing her visa status and being deported to Canada, Sandra Bullock does what anyone else in her situation would do: she proposes to her assistant in an attempt at gaining citizenship.  
Rated PG-13
- July 28           **District 9** - A large corporation attempts to evict aliens from their South African refugee camp home, known as District 9.  
Rated R
- August 4           **Julie & Julia** - Julie Powell is dissatisfied with the direction her life is headed. To shake things up she begins to attempt to cook all 524 recipes from Julia Childs' culinary classic: *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*.  
Rated PG-13
- August 11           **Public Enemies** - Johnny Depp plays the notorious 1930's bank robber John Dillinger in this gritty, action-packed crime drama.  
Rated R
- August 18           **Star Trek** – Re-imagining the classic Star Trek franchise, this new Captain Kirk assumes command of the Enterprise as they battle the evil Captain Nero in his attempt to destroy the Earth.  
Rated PG-13

## **RiverFlicks for Kids**

### **Theme: Family Favorites**

Join us at Hudson River Park's Pier 46 as we screen new and classic films for the whole family!

**Outdoor Movie Series features family oriented movies suitable for all ages - Films are rated G & PG.**

### **Hudson River Park's Pier 46**

Charles Street (just north of Christopher St.) and the Hudson River – Greenwich Village

Fridays, July 9 – August 20

Movies begin at dusk (generally around 8:30pm)

Movies rated G and PG

Free Popcorn

- July 9            **The Wizard of Oz** – Join us again for the annual screening of The Wizard of Oz and follow Dorothy as she meets the Scarecrow, the Tin Man and the Cowardly Lion as they travel down the Yellow Brick Road in search of the great and powerful Oz!  
Rated G
- July 16           **Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs** - Amateur inventor Flint Lockwood has finally done it! He's created a machine that makes food out of water! Unfortunately, it has ended up high in the clouds and now whenever it rains, it pours food! Can Flint save the city from gastronomic disaster?  
Rated PG
- July 23           **The Great Muppet Caper** – Kermit the Frog and Fozzie Bear travel to London to report on a string of high-profile jewelry thefts, including that of the coveted baseball diamond! Along the way they meet up with the rest of the Muppet gang and attempt to solve the case.  
Rated G
- July 30           **Monsters vs. Aliens** - When a mysterious Alien robot invades Earth, the military has no choice but to enlist the help of top secret Monsters to help fight off the invasion.  
Rated PG
- August 6           **Big** - Be careful what you wish for because you just might get it! When 12-year-old Josh Baskin makes a wish to be big, the next morning he wakes up as a grown up!  
Rated PG
- August 13        **Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs** - Join Ellie, Manny, Diego and Sid on their latest adventure! After “adopting” three dinosaur eggs, Sid is brought to a strange underground world where dinosaurs flourish. His friends are never too far behind, as they attempt to rescue him.  
Rated PG

August 20      **Annie** - Little Orphan Annie manages to keep an upbeat positive attitude, even though she's stuck in a gloomy orphanage with the mean Miss Hannigan. The kind and wealthy Oliver Warbucks takes her in to his home and his heart, while attempting to find Annie's long lost parents.

Rated G

## **Big City Fishing & River Workshops**

Yes, you can fish in the Hudson River and it's better than ever at Hudson River Park! We provide rods, reels, bait and instruction. So come on down and try your luck at fishing while enjoying the warm sun and cool breezes.

### **Hudson River Park's Pier 46**

Charles Street and the Hudson River – Greenwich Village

### **Hudson River Park's Pier 84**

West 44<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River

Weekends from May 29 through Labor Day

Tuesday through Sunday in July and August

10:00AM – 4:30PM

Camp groups interested in experiencing our River Workshops should call or log onto [http://www.hudsonriverpark.org/education/summer\\_programs.asp](http://www.hudsonriverpark.org/education/summer_programs.asp) to learn more and schedule a program that includes: water quality, science, Hudson River history and ecology.

## **Getting There**

### **Hudson River Park's Piers 45 & 46**

#### **Christopher Street and the Hudson River – Greenwich Village**

Take the 1 or Path to Christopher Street. Walk west and cross West Street/9A.

Landmarks and Conveniences: Christopher Street fountain, restrooms and snack bar.

### **Hudson River Park's Pier 54**

#### **14th Street and the Hudson River – Meatpacking District**

Take the A, C, E or L to 14th Street OR take the M14 bus to Tenth Ave and 15th Street.

Cross West Street at 14th and walk south.

Landmarks and Conveniences:

Pier 54: Arch at entrance way to the pier



## **Hudson River Park's Pier 84**

### **44th Street and the Hudson River**

Take the M42 bus to the Hudson River or take the A, C, E to 42nd Street and walk west and cross 12th Ave at 43rd Street.

Landmarks and Conveniences: Pier 84: Contains a restaurant, boathouse, bike rental and fountain.

(Located between Circle Line Cruises 42<sup>nd</sup> St. and the Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum)

### **About the Hudson River Park Trust**

The Hudson River Park Trust is a partnership between New York State and City charged with the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the five-mile Hudson River Park.

The Trust is as a public benefit corporation and 501(c)(3) and is governed by a thirteen member Board of Directors. We employ a focused, diverse staff with experience in parks, design, finance, public policy, operations and maintenance. The Trust is governed by the Hudson River Park Act, a 1998 law that established both the park and its governing requirements.

The Trust works with a 50-member Advisory Council, the local elected officials and Community Boards 1, 2, and 4, as well as civic and environmental groups in the park planning process.

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