Stuff to Do!

While in NYC to celebrate the achievements of your student’s time at MSM, take advantage of the wonderful offerings of the city! MSM’s Office of Student Life has compiled a list of entertaining venues and programs that you do not want to miss!

FREE EVENTS!

International Food Fest: May 16-17
Ninth Avenue International Food Festival features food from around the world, international music and dance, artists and vendors, and children’s rides and games on 9th Avenue. The festival will take place on 9th Avenue between 42nd and 57th Street. See the festival’s website to obtain more information!
http://ninthavenuefoodfestival.com/

Dance Parade: May 16
Watch colorful dancers perform ballet, break dance, disco, hula, and samba in NYC’s Dance Parade. The parade begins at 21st and Broadway at 1 PM and continues to Tompkins Square Park where the parade will culminate in DanceFest from 3-7 P.M. See the parade’s website to obtain more information!
http://danceparade.org/

Carnegie Hall presents:
Matuto at the Bronx Library: May 16 at 2:30 P.M.
The lively, joyous sound of Matuto entwines Brazilian folk music with the flatpicking guitars and fiery fiddling of American bluegrass. The line-up of Matuto, whose name means “country boy” in Brazilian slang, features a pandeiro (Brazilian tambourine) master, a New York–based singer-guitarist, a percussionist known for his work with Herbie Hancock, plus an array of talented folk, world, and jazz musicians. See Carnegie Hall’s website for more information!
http://www.carnegiehall.org/Calendar/2015/5/16/0230/PM/Neighborhood-Concert-Matuto/

Union Square Farmers’ Market: May 15-16 from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.
Enjoy a lovely time at the market in one of the most lively and colorful places in Manhattan! Eat some great home-made food while strolling around the beautiful park, discover amazing local produce and all sorts of flowers and plants. Meet the farmers and enjoy some activities like cooking demos, creative workshops, etc. Check the website for info on what will happen may 15-16.
http://www.grownyc.org/greenmarket/manhattan-union-square-sa
**Musical Programs**

The New York Philharmonic & Warner Bros. presents:

**Bugs Bunny at the Symphony**: May 14-16

Classical music gets a hilarious twist when a certain “Wascally Wabbit” gets involved. This side-splitting tribute for all ages features Bugs Bunny’s greatest classic Looney Tunes while the New York Philharmonic plays Carl Stalling’s original scores inspired by Wagner (Kill de Wabbit!), Rossini (The Rabbit of Seville), and Liszt live! See the NY Philharmonic’s website to reserve tickets with prices ranging from $55-145.


American Ballet Theatre: May 16

While the Metropolitan Opera is on break for the summer, the house plays host to one of the country’s most phenomenal dance ensembles: the American Ballet Theatre. Enjoy the musical works of Frédéric Chopin, Arnold Schoenberg, Leonard Bernstein, Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky, Ernest Chausson, and Aaron Copland in stunning productions by the ABT on Saturday at both 2 P.M. and 8 P.M. See the Met’s website to reserve tickets with prices ranging from $20-$200.


Carnegie Hall presents:

Evgeny Kissin: May 16 at 8 P.M.

Evgeny Kissin is always exciting, but never more so than when he performs music by composers with whom he is most closely associated. Kissin returns to Carnegie Hall with works by his repertoire staples—Chopin and Liszt—as well as sonatas by Beethoven and Prokofiev. See Carnegie Hall’s website for more information.

http://www.carnegiehall.org/Calendar/2015/5/16/0800/PM/Evgeny-Kissin/

Metropolitan Opera Orchestra performs:

Berlioz’s *Symphonie fantastique*: May 17

The Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, one of the nation’s premiere performing forces under the direction of Maestro James Levine, will be performing in the Stern Auditorium at Carnegie Hall. They will be performing a daring program of Brahms’s Piano Concerto No. 1, featuring Yefim Bronfman at the piano, and Berlioz’s *Symphonie fantastique*. See Carnegie Hall’s website to reserve tickets with prices ranging from $21-$150.

http://www.carnegiehall.org/Calendar/2015/5/17/0300/PM/The-MET-Orchestra/
**NYC Tourist Attractions**

**Freedom 911 Memorial & Statue of Liberty Tour**
This award-winning, NYC-licensed guided tour combines all those great landmarks with a walking tour around the site of the former World Trade Center Twin Towers (Ground Zero) and a tour around historic Lower Manhattan. See the following website to schedule and plan your tour. Tickets start at $50!

http://www.nyctrip.com/Pages/Index.aspx?PageID=1354

**Harlem EatUp! Festival: May 14-17**
Harlem EatUp! is a brand new festival in Harlem, New York, celebrating the food, culture and spirit of Harlem. This highly anticipated weekend festival will represent the renewed spirit of Harlem while paying homage to its roots. A variety of events will be held throughout the weekend to feature nationally and locally renowned artists from the culinary, fine arts and performing arts worlds. As part of its mission and dedication to Harlem, net proceeds from festival ticket sales will be donated to beneficiaries Harlem Park to Park and Citymeals-on-Wheels, two non-profit organizations which provide a positive and direct impact on the Harlem community. Ticket prices start at $35, see website for details.

http://harlemeatup.com/

**Hidden Secrets of Central Park**
Take a guided walk through the lesser known and often missed parts of the park. See some of the beauty you otherwise might miss, and learn about its history. Tours are three hours and are offered daily. See website for reservations. Tickets are $95 for adults and $35 for children.

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Museums
NYC plays host to hundreds of museums that promote the education and understanding of almost any culture that you can imagine! Most of the museums provide wonderful discounted rates or are free of charge. See the following website to obtain more information!
http://www.ny.com/museums/all.museums.html

The Museum of Modern Art presents: Bjork
MoMA celebrates the multi-faceted career of the Icelandic diva with a retrospective encompassing the many mediums she’s worked in: music, of course, but also art, costume design, and video, among others. Ticketing information available online.
http://www.timeout.com/newyork/things-to-do/bjork#tab_panel_3

Brooklyn Museum presents: “Basquiat: The Unknown Notebooks”
This show presents some 160 pages culled from the artist’s notebooks—sketch but also examples of the artist’s poetry and other writings—along with related paintings and works on paper. See the website for more information.
http://www.brooklynmuseum.org/exhibitions/basquiat_notebooks/

Map available at:
https://www.pinterest.com/pin/133911788894264141