



THIS MONTH IN IN NEW YORK

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WHAT'S NEW IN NEW YORK THIS APRIL?

Here's a sneak peek at this month's special features, events, useful tips, latest openings, FREE deals and more—especially for you and your guests!

HOT HAPPENINGS

GLBT MEGA EVENT!

You and your guests are invited to check out the **15th Original GLBT EXPO** at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center (11th Ave., at W. 38th St., 216-2000). The world's oldest and largest business and entertainment event for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community is back for an unprecedented 15th year. This year's Expo offers more than ever, including health and business seminars, wedding expo, travel show, entertainment from France Joli and amberRose Marie, Sister Funk, Brian Kent, The Glamazons and Josh Zuckerman and a gay film festival. It all takes place on Apr. 5, 11 a.m.–7 p.m., and Apr. 6, noon–6 p.m. For more info on the event, call 1-800-243-9774. originalglbtexpo.com

RE-FUR A FRIEND

Looking to make a little extra money? Take advantage of the **Macy's Fur Vault** (151 W. 34th St., btw Broadway & Seventh Ave., 494-1227) referral program. Earn a 3% commission on any closed sale made to a customer who is referred to the Fur Vault (payment is after 60 days of a sale). Please contact Mario or Leslie at the number above to explain the proper procedure and to obtain a commission form. macys.com



STAR SEARCH

America's Got Talent with host Jerry Springer is taping live at **The Hammerstein Ballroom** (Manhattan Center Studios, 311 W. 34th St., at Eighth Ave.), Apr. 9-11, and you and your guests are invited to attend for free! This is the first time NBC has brought the primetime show to New York and it's an amazing chance to be part of a live television taping. Join Jerry, David Hasselhoff, Sharon Osbourne and Piers Morgan in the live studio audience as the best amateur performers in New York compete for a chance to be the next champion of **America's Got Talent**. For more information and tickets, call the ticket hotline (1-888-258-0661) or visit ocattv.com/shows/show/193.



SAVORY CRUISE

Spring means cruise season in New York! This month, **Classic Harbor Line** (Chelsea Piers, Pier 59, 646-336-5270) offers brunch aboard the yacht **Manhattan** every Sat. and Sun., 11 a.m.–2 p.m., on a three-hour cruise aboard the 1920s-style motor yacht. Circle the island of Manhattan, pass under all 18 bridges and take in the beautiful sights of New York City. And there's good news for budding oenophiles: On Apr. 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m., learn the art of wine tasting aboard the **Manhattan**. Taste five different wines and learn what makes each wine different and unique while you swirl, sniff, and taste your way down the Hudson. sail-nyc.com

THE WORLD IS YOUR OYSTER

Shad and shad roe are harbingers of spring, and through the end of Apr. both headline the menu at the historic **Grand Central Oyster Bar** (Grand Central Terminal, lower level, E. 42nd St., at Park Ave., 490-6650). Lovers of this delicacy should head to the historic seafood hot spot located below sea level at Grand Central Terminal for this tasty fish. Executive Chef Sandy Ingber serves broiled shad with bacon and tomato and shad roe. Today's catch is from the waters of Savannah, Georgia. oysterbarny.com

AMAZON IN NYC

Amazônia Brasil, featuring exhibits and workshops that bring models of sustainable living from the Amazon and present a contemporary vision of the region, will take place at various locations throughout the city Apr. 22–Jul. 13. Don't miss the main exhibit at Pier 17 at South Street Seaport, a 13,000-square-foot recreation of the Amazon! You can interact directly with communities living in the heart of the forest via the Internet, meet shamans and artisans from the region in person and purchase indigenous crafts. An exhibit at the World Financial Center will showcase Brazil's foremost furniture and fashion designers along with traditional Amazonian folk art, all made in an environmentally responsible way. The Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian will exhibit São Paulo photographer Rodrigo Petrella's work, along with a film series (May 1–4) and seminars on climate change. amazonia.org.br

FOR EVEN MORE HOT HAPPENINGS

Turn to the April calendar on p. 93 of *IN New York* and "Hot Dates" on p. 8 in *WHERE*. Plan ahead and check out the calendars for May (p. 94) and June (p. 95).

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE NEWS

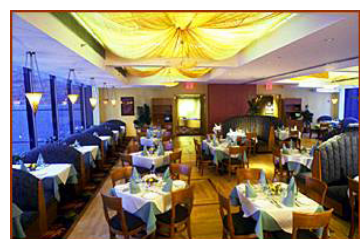
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IT'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE

Apr. 7–27, catch Disney's *The Lion King* 10th Anniversary Exhibit at **The Shops at Time Warner Center** (Columbus Circle, at W. 59th St., 823-6300). This visually stunning experience celebrates the worldwide phenomenon of Broadway's reigning King. For more information visit the Web site. disneyonbroadway.com

OPENING

Treat your palates at **Bistro Milano** (1350 Sixth Ave., at W. 55th St., 757-2600), a sister restaurant of the renowned **BICE Ristorante** and **Remi**. This new Italian eatery's inviting interior has a classic yet comfortable feel. Chef Jose Liriano's passion brings the restaurant's casual menu to life with an international flair, honed at BICE restaurants around the world. Must-try dishes include aged Angus beef hamburgers, homemade pizza, osso buco with saffron risotto and veal chops. The chef's homemade pastas are considered among the best in the world.



FESTIVE INDIAN FEAST

Your taste buds will get a treat at **Utsav** (1185 Sixth Ave., at W. 46th St., btw Sixth & Seventh aves., 575-2525). This beautiful glass-enclosed restaurant is situated on a bridge overlooking W. 46th and W. 47th streets. Delight in a festive Indian buffet lunch for \$17.95 and a \$30 prix fixe pre-theater menu served daily, 5:30–7:30 p.m. Specialties include ginger rack of lamb, cubes of homemade cheese smothered with creamy spinach and Chilean sea bass marinated in the chef's special green chutney and steamed in a banana leaf. For a more leisurely dining experience, enjoy the innovative à la carte menu for either lunch or dinner. And don't forget to try one of the delicious cocktails at the downstairs bar and lounge. **Utsav** also does private parties and catering.

utsavny.com

MEET YOUR DESTINY

To celebrate its grand reopening, the newly renovated **Destiny Beauty & Wellness Day Spa** (794 Lexington Ave., btw E. 61st & E. 62nd sts., 832-0431) is offering *20% off all services through Apr. 30!* Some of their most popular services include a Hydradermie Facial, a deeply nourishing and hydrating facial that uses products by Guinot of Paris; the Beaute Neuve Enzyme Peel, a gentle yet effective fruit enzyme peel featuring Guinot products; Photo Rejuvenation, an anti-aging treatment that uses infrared light technology; and LPG Cellulite Treatment, an effective treatment to fight cellulite. destinybeautyandwellnessdayspa.com

LOCOMOTIVE LORE

The creation of MTA Metro-North Railroad in 1983 ushered in a new era in commuter travel and offered a new lease on life to a failing enterprise. Since then, Metro-North has completely rebuilt and revitalized a critical regional railroad system. *A Railroad Reborn: Metro-North at 25*, a new exhibition at the **New York Transit Museum's Gallery Annex** in **Grand Central Terminal** (Shuttle Passage, E. 42nd St., at Park Ave., 878-0106) illustrates the railroad's dramatic turnaround and features more than 50 artifacts and photographs from the collections of the **New York Transit Museum** and MTA Metro-North Railroad, including a model of the Grand Central North passageway, opened in 1989, a 1920s 25-cycle ammeter from the West Farms substation, one of the specialized third-rail shoes and the original Metro Man. The exhibit is on display through Jul. 6.

mta.info/museum



SPRING SOUNDS

World-class jazz thrives in the heart of New York City's bustling Theater District, where **Iridium Jazz Club** (1650 Broadway, at W. 51st St., 582-2121) packs the house nightly with aficionados of the art form, casual music lovers and other nighthawks. The 15-year-old basement jazz club is home to guitar legend and recording pioneer Les Paul, who appears every Mon night. The world-renowned Mingus Big Band takes the stage every Tues performing the music of esteemed jazz bassist and composer Charles Mingus. Jazz legends who have appeared at the Iridium include McCoy Tyner, Ahmad Jamal, David "Fathead" Newman and Jimmy Heath. This month's performers include Jimmy Bruno on Apr. 16 and Eddie Palmieri and Brian Lynch Apr. 24–29. In addition to the fantastic jazz, the club features great food, with full dinner and tapas menus presented by Executive Chef Brian Heyman. For more info and reservations, visit the Web site.

iridiumjazzclub.com

APRIL ART

The 141st International Exhibition of the **American Watercolor Society** (47 Fifth Ave., at 12th St., 206-8986) opens Apr. 1, 6–8 p.m., at the Salmagundi Club. The exhibition continues through Apr. 27. The gallery is open 1–5 p.m. daily, and 1–8 p.m. on Tues. Closed Mon. (Pictured: "Fresnos," by Linda Erfle, watermedia on paper.) americanwatercolorssociety.org



FREE CONCIERGE EVENTS

- 04.03:** **Axelle Fine Arts Galerie**, 6–8 p.m., cocktail reception provided by **Planethailand212**.
- 04.07:** **Annual Spa Event** at **Great Jones Spa**, 6–8:30 p.m., catered by **Bice Ristorante**.
- 04.10:** **Eli Klein Fine Art**, 6–8 p.m., catered by **Centovini**.
- 04.15:** **Young Frankenstein**, 7 p.m., pre-event TBA.
- 04.16:** **Thurgood**, 8 p.m., pre-event TBA.
- 04.21:** **CODA Gallery**, 6–8 p.m., pre-event TBA.
- 04.23:** **Les Liaisons Dangereuses**, 8 p.m., pre-event at **Chop Suey**, 6 p.m.
- 04.29:** **Just Cavalli**, 6–8 p.m., caterer TBA.

- Ticket offer for **Boeing-Boeing**: Apr. 24, 27, 30.
- Open invitation for complimentary admission to the **Japan Society** (thru Apr. 27).

NOTE: All times and venues are subject to change. Look for your personal invitation in the mail. Please DO NOT RSVP until you have received your invitation.

NAVIGATE IN NEW YORK

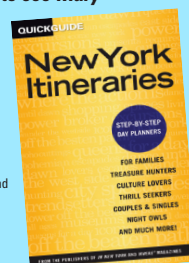
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WIN A WEEKEND FOR TWO IN NEW YORK!

Win two nights at **Hotel Thirty Thirty**; dinner for two at **Remi Restaurant**; two tickets to see **Mary Poppins** on Broadway! **DON'T MISS OUT!** Go to quickguide-ny.com today and click on "Special Offers Sweepstakes" to be included in the drawing. All entries must be received by Jun. 30, 2008. All entries subject to rules and disclaimers as displayed on Web site.



UP-TO-THE-MINUTE NEWS (CONT'D)

Dining, Shows, Shopping and More for You and Your Guests!

TRANSCENDENTAL TREATMENTS

Even if you're not a guest of the hotel, **The Chopra Center & Spa at DREAM** (1710 Broadway, btw W. 54th & W. 55th sts., 246-7600) offers a superlative spa experience. Merging the principles of Ayurveda, an ancient natural health care tradition originating in India, now considered one of the most popular forms of holistic medicine available in the West, with the knowledge of modern medicine to create an integrated path toward health and well-being, spa services are customized to the customer's particular needs to offer optimal balance and nourishment for the mind-body constitution. **Chopra** also uses the art of Hatha Yoga with Dr. Deepak Chopra's Seven Spiritual Laws of Success, blending meditation, asana, pranayama, yoga sutras, chanting, anatomy and wisdom of the ages into an experience of a lifetime. Take advantage of the workshops and educational programs. chopracenterny.com

KING OF THE BLUES

Located in the heart of Times Square (237 W. 42nd St., btw Seventh & Eighth aves., 997-4144), **B.B. King Blues Club's** stage is open seven nights a week, featuring a broad array of the biggest names in rock and R & B. Little Richard, Chuck Berry, Boyz II Men, Etta James, The Meters with The Neville Brothers and Pat Benatar are just a few of those scheduled for the upcoming months. **Lucille's Grill**, situated within the club, is open 11 a.m.–1 a.m. and offers a fully stocked bar, a special \$20 three-course pre-theater prix fixe and no cover/ no ticket-price live blues music every evening. *Save 10% at Lucille's with the ad on p. 65 of this month's issue of WHERE New York.* For a complete show schedule and to learn more about the venue, visit the Web site. bbkingblues.com



WINE AND ROSES

Gallo Nero (404 W. 44th St., at Ninth Ave., 265-6660) means "black rooster" in Italian. It's the designation used by the Italian government to certify a bottle of authentic Chianti—and you'll find plenty of it here. With wine bottles lining the walls of this cozy new Italian canteen, guests can enjoy a selection of cured meats and antipasti before indulging in grilled meats and fish and eclectic dishes such as the fruits of the sea stew served with Moroccan couscous.

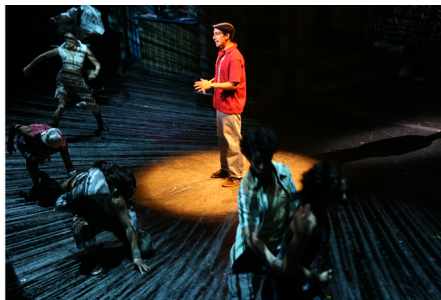
gallonerony.com

SAY IT WITH A DIAMOND

Now with two stores in Manhattan, **Tiffany & Co.** (727 Fifth Ave., btw 56th & 57th sts., 755-8000; 37 Wall St., btw William & Broad sts., 514-8015) offers a full array of **Tiffany** designs, along with many special services. The Fifth Ave. flagship has personal shopping, private salons for consultations, on-site jewelers and engraving and delivery services. The new Financial District location also offers all of these services as well as the option to pick up select online orders. tiffany.com

SPRING INTO NBA ACTION!

Bring your future NBA or WNBA star to Spring Jam at the **NBA Store** (666 Fifth Ave., at 52nd St., 515-NBA1), Apr. 21–25. This world-famous sports mecca is the ultimate destination for free and fun events for the entire family, including: New York Knicks mini-clinics featuring Knicks legend John Starks and WNBA legend Kym Hampton, Knicks City Dancers, a **Build-A-Bear Workshop**® story time, face painters, clowns, Broadway show performances, contests, giveaways and more! Admission is free for all events. nba.com/nycstore



HEIGHTS A HIT!

Broadway's latest musical sensation is at the Richard Rodgers Theatre (226 W. 46th St., btw Broadway & Eighth Ave., 307-4100).

In the Heights, a gripping story of hope and self-discovery set in New York's Latin-flavored Washington Heights neighborhood, was named "Best Musical of the Year" by *New York Magazine* and "Best of 2007" by *The New York Times*, which calls its title song "among the most galvanizing opening numbers in recent Broadway memory." The Associated Press raves that the show's "hip-swaying choreography showcases a cast that can dance as well as it sings—and that's saying something." *The Star-Ledger* calls it "exuberant entertainment" and *Variety* has praised this "uncalculated charmer." intheheightsthemusical.com

HOUSE CALLS FOR YOUR SKIN

Interested in expert skin care—right in the comfort of your hotel? Through Jun. 30, **Dr. Donna R. Kesselman** (74 E. 79th St., at Park Ave., Suite 1C, 988-1700), a board-certified physician specializing in skin care, has some exciting "Spring Renewal" offers for new clients. *Get a complimentary consultation (a \$250 value) as well as \$100 off Botox and dermal fillers (Juvederm, Radiesse, Restylane)—all in-hotel!* Or get these services at her Park Ave. garden office, as well as 15% off all services, including anti-aging facials, chemical peels, massage, acupuncture, reflexology or reiki. **Dr. Kesselman** also offers a range of bridal party services with group packages in-hotel or by limo at her office, including "Botox & Lox" weekend champagne lunches, "Beautiful Bachelorette Party" and "Mother of the Bride."



TEA TIME

Pera Mediterranean Brasserie (303 Madison Ave., btw E. 41st & E. 42nd sts., 878-6301) invites you to experience the infusion of luxury and the soothing aromas of 12 unique loose-leaf teas from the world-renowned Tea Leaves collection. Mon–Sat, 2:30–5 p.m., enjoy relaxing afternoon tea service accompanied by **Pera's** vast tea selection and chef's sweet and savory teatime accompaniments (\$15 per person). peranyc.com

SALUTING BRUNCH

Salute! (270 Madison Ave., at E. 39th St., 213-3440) is giving patrons an even better reason to look forward to the weekend. A new flavorful Italian weekend brunch has been added to the menu, celebrating traditional American brunch items along with Italian favorites and specialty dishes. Executive Chef Carlo Apolloni has created a savory range to please everyone's palate while infusing his own signature touches. Typical Italian-influenced breakfast items include a delicious warm frittata (eggs with peppers, onions, spinach and pancetta) and French toast a la Salute!—a heavenly mixture of homemade brioche, vanilla beans and cinnamon. Brunch is served Sat. and Sun., 11 a.m.–4 p.m. salutenyc.com

CARE BEARS

Have you been to **Build-A-Bear Workshop**® (565 Fifth Ave., at 46th St., 871-7080) yet? Treasured Topaz Teddy arrives Apr. 11 and he's "a gem of a friend." Apr. 18–20 is Fashion Weekend at the store. Get a free fashion dog tag for yourself and for your online character at buildabearville.com™ with a purchase of \$15 or more. Meet Pawlette Coufur®, Fashion Advisor to the Furry Famous, making appearances Sat and Sun, 1–4 p.m. Black Labrador arrives Apr. 25. Apr. 25–30, come in and "lend a helping paw" to the **Build-A-Bear Workshop**® Bear Hugs Foundation to Canine Companions for Independence: \$1 will be donated when you buy any full-sized Bearemy's Kennel Pals®. Also in Apr., your \$1 donation for the purchase of a Purple Satin Heart will be distributed through the **Build-A-Bear Workshop**® Foundation to Autism Speaks! buildabear.com/nyc



SHOE-IN

For the latest fashions in men's footwear, clue your guests in about the **Allen Edmonds** (24 E. 44th St., btw Madison & Fifth aves., 682-3144; 551 Madison Ave., btw E. 55th & E. 56th sts., 308-8305; 1250 Sixth Ave., btw W. 49th & W. 50th sts., 262-4070) Spring Trunk Show, Apr. 17–27. Discover their new spring collection and, while you're there, *save 10% on all footwear and belts.* Plus, save even more on featured styles. See store for selection. allenedmonds.com