

Virtual Adult Storytime

Theme: New York City

The purpose of the Virtual Adult Storytime is to provide older adults in the Wadsworth Community with content to facilitate sharing and reminiscing during a time we cannot meet in person.

Story/ Book/ Folktale (People of all ages benefit from hearing stories read aloud. For older adults it can be a chance to stir memories and use their imagination)

NEW YORK CITY FACTS:

- A little over 8 million people live in New York City. That means 1 in every 38 people in the United States call the city home.
- More than 800 languages are spoken in New York City, making it the most linguistically diverse city in the world. 4 in 10 households speak a language other than English.
- France gifted the Statue of Liberty to the United States in 1886 for its centennial celebration. The statue was shipped as 350 pieces in 214 crates and took 4 months to assemble at its current home on Ellis Island.
- The New York Public Library has over 50 million books and other items and is the second largest library system in the nation after the Library of Congress. It is also the 3rd largest library in the world.
- Manhattan was purchased from the native people in 1626 for the modern equivalent of US \$1000
- 1 out of every 21 New Yorkers is a millionaire
- The Empire State Building has it's own zip code - 10118

Video link to books read about NYC:

https://youtu.be/4pODGXn_qis

- The man who walked between the towers by Mordicai Gerstein

- Pale Male : citizen hawk of New York City / by Janet Schulman

Travel Guides:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/travel/destinations/north-america/united-states/new-york/new-york/>

<https://www.iloveny.com/>

“Tell Me a Story” Pictures (A picture can truly say a thousand words; the pictures included here can spur older adults to remember and even be creative in describing a story from the image. After prompting them, let them become the storytellers.)

Use leading statements and questions such as:

“What is happening in this photo?”

“Who has seen this before?”

“Tell me if you had one of these?”

“This one is funny.”

Etc.

See attached pictures below:

- A. Times Square
- B. Central Park
- C. Statue of Liberty
- D. Empire State Building
- E. The Brooklyn Bridge
- F. Rockefeller Center

Video Links (These are provided for supplementing the theme. Music, dance, etc. enrich auditory, visual, and memory in older adults. Entertainment and engagement are enhanced with these tools)

Frank Sinatra’s New York New York

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EUrUfJW1JGk>

Short Travel Videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9yqNodA6nl>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=prNQF0s9hu0>

Theme-related Activities (Continued enrichment of the theme provided)

NYC Word Find:

<https://www.puzzles-to-print.com/printable-word-search/PDFs/new-york-city-word-search.pdf>

NYC Coloring Pages:

<http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/countries-cultures/united-states/50-states/new-york>

NYC Pale Male:

<http://palemale.com/>

<https://www.audubon.org/news/pale-male-legend-he-still-alive>

Library Resources (If anyone is interested in this topic, here are some resources that can be provided to you. Please contact the outreach team at outreach@wadsworthlibrary.com and the items can be placed on hold or delivered to you.)

- New York City brick by brick : a love letter in lego by Jonathan Lopes

- Discoveries: America National Parks - Statue of Liberty & New York City (DVD)
- Green Place to Be, A: The Creation of Central Park [DVD]
- West Side story (DVD)
- Broadway : a history of New York City in thirteen miles by Fran Leadon
- Going into town : a love letter to New York
- Man on wire (DVD)
- The Walk (DVD)

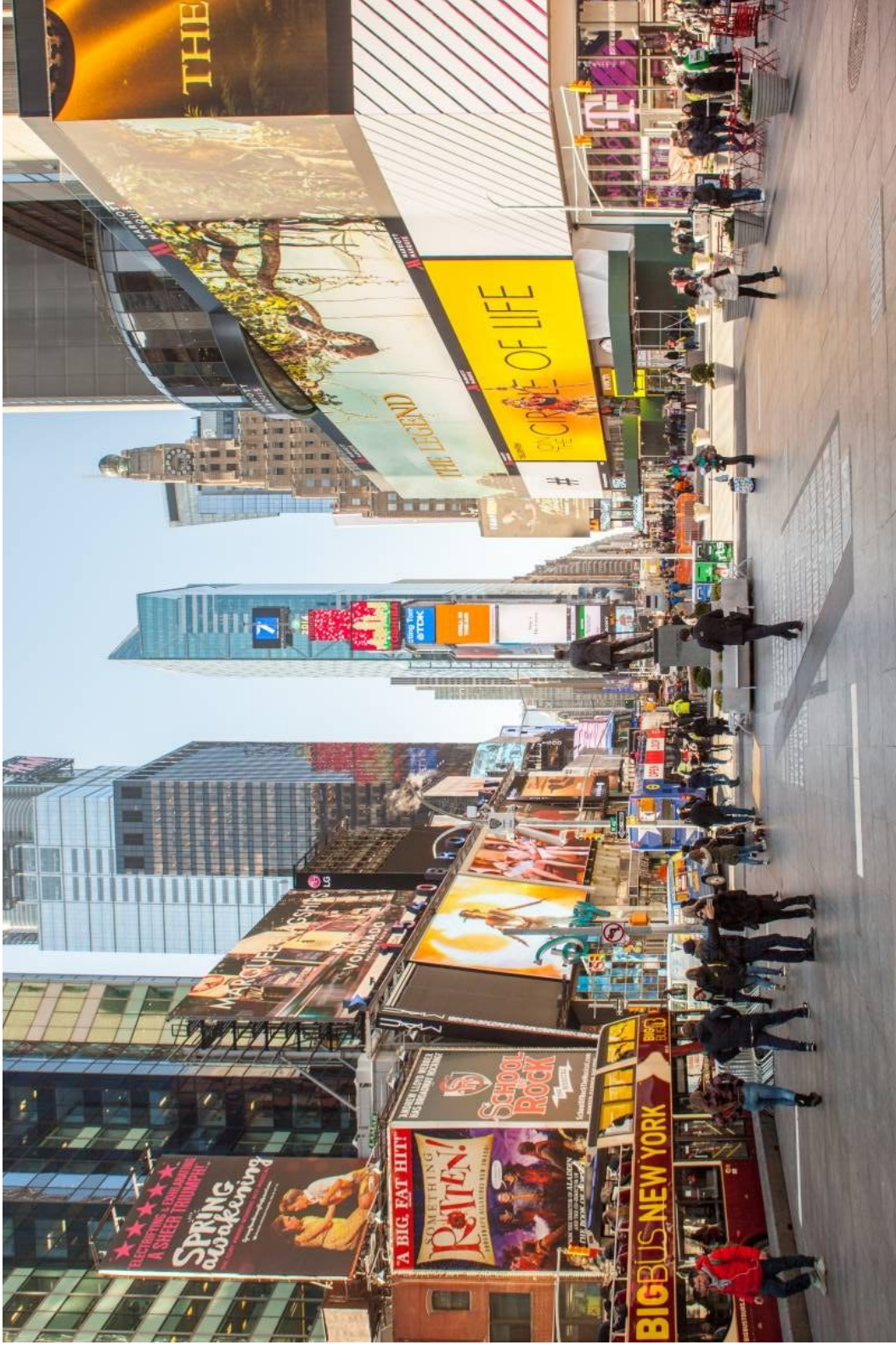


NYC Skyline

New York City



NYC Map



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