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Phishing Texts are Fraudulent Messages Intended to Trick the Recipient into Installing Malicious Software or Handing Over Private Information

The New York State Division of Consumer Protection and the New York State Department of Health today warned New Yorkers of a text message phishing scheme targeting those attempting to validate vaccine status to try to steal personal information. Phishing texts are fraudulent messages to trick the recipient into installing malicious software onto a computer or mobile device or designed to obtain data or sensitive personal information to commit identity theft.

The State of New York and many private employers recently required certain employees to be fully vaccinated, and scammers are exploiting the policy to try steal people's personal and private information. The illegitimate text message shown below attempts to impersonate the NYS Department of Health and tells the recipient they are required to enter their information to validate their vaccination status. The site the message links

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I AM PAC Endorses Joann Ariola for NYC Council



Italian American PAC (I AM PAC), at Ariola campaign Headquarters in Howard Beach, is I AM PAC President James C. Lisa and I AM PAC VP Robert Fonti presenting the I AM PAC endorsement to Joann Ariola candidate for NYC Council in the 32 Council District. Pictured above (l to r) I AM PAC VP Robert Fonti, I AM PAC Pres. James C Lisa, NYC Council Candidate Joann Ariola and Justice Augustus C. Agate (Ret.). The members of I AM PAC firmly believe that Joann Ariola is the right candidate to represent the 32 Council District.

Crystal Windows Executives Unveils Statue Honoring Late Borough President Claire Shulman



Pictured above at the unveiling of the six-foot bronze statue honoring former Queens Borough President the late Claire Shulman at Crystal Window & Door Systems is (l. to r.) Ellen Young, Queens Borough President Chief of Staff Franck Joseph, Queens Deputy Borough President Rhonda Binda, Senator John Liu, President of Crystal Window & Door Systems Steve Chen, Congresswoman Grace Meng, Senator Toby Stavisky, Assemblyman Daniel Rosenthal and Founder and Chairman of Crystal Thomas Chen. See story on page 2.

Councilman Moya Legislative Success Supported by Labor Unions



Councilman Francisco Moya rallies with 32BJ members before his legislation protecting shelter guards passed in the City Council. (Photo by Dean Moses)

As he eyes a run for City Council speaker, Queens Councilman Francisco Moya scored points with key labor unions with the passage of a key piece of legislation just days after another of his bills was signed into law by Mayor Bill de Blasio.

On Oct. 7, the City Council

approved Moya's bill, Intro. 2006, establishing prevailing wage requirements for guards at city-contracted shelters. The measure requires all shelter operators that contract with the Department of Homeless Services to ensure all

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to is also fraudulent. Anyone who receives such a text message should delete it right away.

Scammers use email or text messages to trick you into giving them your personal information. They may try to steal your passwords, account numbers, or Social Security numbers. If they get that information, they could gain access to your email, bank, or other accounts. Scammers launch thousands of phishing attacks like these every day. Entering any information could put anyone at risk of identity theft.

To help protect against phishing or smishing (SMS phishing) scams, the NYS Office of Information Technology Services (ITS) and the Division of Consumer Protection recommend the following precautions:

- DO exercise caution with all communications you receive,

including those that appear to be from a trusted entity. Inspect the sender's information to confirm the message was generated from a legitimate source.

- DO keep an eye out for telltale signs of phishing - poor spelling or grammar, the use of threats, the URL does not match that of the legitimate site. If the message does not feel right, chances are it is not.

- DON'T click on links embedded in an unsolicited message from an unverified source.

- DON'T send your personal information via text. Legitimate businesses will not ask users to send sensitive personal information through text message.

- DON'T post sensitive information online. The less information you post, the less data you make available to a cybercriminal for use in developing a potential attack or scams.

For more information on phishing scams, as well as steps to mitigate a phishing attempt, visit the NYS Office of Information Technology Services Phishing Awareness resources page at <https://its.ny.gov/resources> or the Division of Consumer Protection Phishing Scam Prevention Tips page at <https://dos.ny.gov/identity-theft-prevention-and-mitigation-program>.

The New York State Division of Consumer Protection serves to educate, assist and empower the State's consumers. For more consumer protection information, call the DCP Helpline at 800-697-1220, Monday through Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm or visit the DCP website at <https://dos.ny.gov/consumer-protection>. The Division can also be reached via Twitter at @NYSConsumer or Facebook at www.facebook.com/nysconsumer

Crystal Windows Executives Unveils Statue Honoring Late Borough President Claire Shulman

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Thomas Chen, founder and Chairman of Queens-based national manufacturer Crystal Window & Door Systems, and Steve Chen, Crystal President, unveiled a six-foot bronze statue honoring former Queens Borough President the late Claire Shulman. Thomas Chen personally commissioned the statue by award-winning sculptor Yutien Chang to celebrate Shulman as a true champion of business in Queens and a mentor to him and Crystal Windows as the company grew over the years.

Over 40 members of the Queens business community, media, and elected officials attended the press conference, sharing their memories of working with Claire. "When I was starting my window manufacturing company in

Queens, Claire helped me avoid many of the typical setbacks immigrant entrepreneurs face," said Thomas Chen. "She encouraged me to take executive business courses, engage reputable service providers and suppliers, and make Crystal Windows a good corporate citizen."

The statue is a bronze six-foot tall lifelike portrayal of Claire Shulman. The artist, in collaboration with Thomas and those who knew Claire well, depicted Shulman in motion, as was characteristic of the former Queens Borough President. The statue will only be displayed at Crystal Windows for a short time. Its permanent home will be Crystal Park, Thomas Chen's private 200-acre art park and nature preserve in Dutchess County, NY. The statue will stand on an 18-foot by 8-foot metal path-

way base in the shape of an infinity sign, symbolizing Shulman's continuous drive forward and her boundless energy. "I was thrilled Claire was able to visit Crystal Park in October 2019 to see the location selected for her statue along a wooded path overlooking the lake," said Thomas Chen. "Sadly, Claire did not get to see the completed work, but we are glad to share it with her many friends in Queens." Shulman passed away in August 2020 at the age of 94.

The Shulman statue is on temporary display at Crystal's Queens headquarters and main production facility through Friday, October 22, 2021, and friends of Claire Shulman and members of the public are welcome to visit. Then the exhibit will be moved and installed permanently at Crystal Park.

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security and fire guards are paid no less than the prevailing wage and would empower the comptroller to monitor contracted shelter operators' compliance and investigate violations and complaints.

Moya said, "New York City cannot be the capital of the world if our own don't have economic capital and are struggling to make ends meet." Moya went on to say, "Prevailing wages for shelter security and fire guards is one way we move forward towards creating an equitable standard of life that everyone deserves and should have, no matter where you come from, where you live or where you work."

Moya rallied with members of 32BJ SEIU, which claims many of its over 4,000 shelter security workers suffer homelessness themselves at a rate four times higher than the New York City average while also working uninsured During a City Hall Park rally before the bill was passed. Moya said "Over 90% of the

workforce is made up of people of color, and they struggled to bring food to the table, pay their rent and access lifesaving medical debt," 32BJ President Kyle Bragg said. "No one who is working full time should be worried about keeping a roof over their heads. You get up every day, you go to work in service of the public, and you should not worry about how you put food on your table."

On Tuesday, Oct. 5, the mayor signed another legislation Moya worked on, Intro. 2397-A into law, which requires severance pay for hotel service employees if a hotel with more than 100 rooms that laid off over 75% of its employees or closed during the COVID-19 pandemic fails to reopen by Nov. 1. If a hotel does not reopen by Nov. 1, the legislation requires the hotel to pay a weekly benefit of \$500 per employee for a period of up to 30 weeks.

"The signing of this bill is another step forward towards a fair economic recovery from COVID, a pandemic that has hit hard the very communities that

hotel workers represent," Moya said. "This legislation is not only providing our city's greatest ambassadors with a much-needed economic lifeline, we are also protecting the livelihoods of families and revitalizing New York City's hotel industry. We are already seeing the impact of this legislation with two major NYC hotels announcing [that] they're reopening, representing 1,000 jobs and counting. I look forward to seeing more hotels reopening, more people getting back to work, more tourism, and a better and stronger NYC."

"Encouraging hotels to reopen and recall their workers, this bill will give thousands of New Yorkers the hope and financial security they so desperately need," NY Hotel Trades Council President Rich Maroko said. "Major hotels have already announced their reopening and are calling workers back to their jobs thanks to this legislation. We thank Mayor de Blasio for signing it into law and Council member Moya for leading the charge."

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Assemblyman Colton is Calling on All The New York City's Parents to Oppose The Mayors Decision to Abolish The Gifted & Talented Program

Assemblyman William Colton (D – Gravesend, Bensonhurst, Bath Beach, and Dyker Heights) is alerting parents that Mayor de Blasio has made the announcement today Friday, October 8, 2021, that he is eliminating the G&T Program, on a Friday before a holiday weekend when important new events are not generally announced, to avoid facing the press. NYC's Chancellor Porter played a big role in convincing Mayor de Blasio to revamp the system by ending the public school G&T Program in its current structure. The city intends to roll out the plan fully in December of 2021, the Mayor's final days in office... Assemblyman Colton is calling on all the New York City's parents to oppose Mayor's decision to abolish the Gifted & Talented Program.

"This pronouncement was made without any engagement with parents and it seeks to tie the hands of the next Mayor. It is a disgrace that in this year where the State Legislature budgeted additional billions of dollars to

reimburse NYC for decades of shortchanging, not only has that the Mayor's clueless Department of Education failed to expand all of those programs which would enable it to develop the programs which will meet the unique needs of all children, included our many gifted children, but now they decided to eliminate Gifted and Talented classes, while also failing to reduce class size or to expand successful programs to meet the individual needs of all its children. It ignores time-tested educational techniques which show policies must engage parents in best meeting the unique needs of all the children, whether such needs helping underperforming students with creative remedial programs, assisting students with special needs through the actual implementing of individualized educational plans to meet their needs, transitioning ESL students with bilingual programs, or enriching music and arts to stimulate students with programs designed for advancing their cultural talents, etc.," Colton stated.

As a former public school teacher and longtime leader in advocating for restoring the billions of dollars to high-needs schools like NYC, I condemn the sneak attack on public schools Gifted and Talented Programs, which threatens to drive tens of thousands of students out of the public schools. We cannot let them do this to our children, who are the future of our city. Therefore, I am calling on all New York City's parents to stage citywide and local rallies, to protest against the NYC DOE plan to cancel the successful Gifted and Talented Programs. NYC Mayor and NYC Chancellor must provide educational excellence for all the children, and not fail their education or discourage them to succeed in life. As an elected official my job is to advocate for people's rights and I promise that I will lead this fight and we will prevail. Together we can reverse Mayor's decision and demand to restore G&T Programs and other programs that reach out to meet all children's unique needs," Colton said.

NYC Votes Announces New York City's 2021 General Election Debates

The New York City Campaign Finance Board announces the 2021 general election will feature two debates among candidates for Mayor and one debate for Public Advocate candidates. The debates will be broadcast live by the Debate Program partners listed below and will be simulcast by NYC TV.

Public Advocate Debate - Tuesday, October 19, 7 - 8 pm
Broadcast by Spectrum News NY1, THE CITY (livestream)

Candidates Appearing: Devi Nampiaparampil and Jumaane Williams

Spectrum News NY1 is co-hosting with THE CITY, Citizens Union, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and Social Work Votes (Columbia School of Social Work & Latino Leadership Institute).

* This debate is not required under city law since two or more candidates have not met the non-partisan, objective, and nondiscriminatory criteria established in the Campaign Finance Act. The candidates are appearing voluntarily and a "leading contenders" debate for this office will not be held.

Mayoral Debate - Wednesday, October 20, 7 - 8 pm
Broadcast by WNBC-TV, Telemundo 47

Candidates Appearing: Eric Adams and Curtis Sliwa

WNBC-TV is co-hosting with Telemundo 47, Politico, Citizens Budget Commission, and New York Urban League.

Mayoral "Leading Contenders" Debate - Tuesday, October 26, 7 - 8 pm

Broadcast by WABC-TV, Univision 41 Nueva York, 1010-WINS
Candidates Appearing: Eric Adams and Curtis Sliwa

WABC-TV is co-hosting with The League of Women Voters of NYC, Univision 41 Nueva York, Hispanic Federation, and NAACP NYS Conference.

ABOUT THE DEBATE PROGRAM - The NYC Campaign Finance Board (CFB) has administered debates for every citywide election since 1997. The debates are a key component of NYC

Votes, the CFB's nonpartisan voter engagement initiative. City law calls for two debates to be held per election (primary and general election), per citywide office (mayor, comptroller, and public advocate). If only one candidate qualifies for a debate, that debate is not held. Candidates participating in the city's matching funds program must participate in each debate for which they have met objective, nonpartisan eligibility criteria.

DEBATE PARTICIPATION THRESHOLDS - Candidates participating in the city's public matching funds program are required to participate in each debate for which they meet non-partisan, objective eligibility criteria. Candidates who are not participating in the campaign finance program may be invited to the debate by the sponsors, if the candidate meets the eligibility criteria.

Under New York City's Campaign Finance Act, must have raised and spent 2.5% of the spending limit for that office as reflected in the campaign finance disclosure reported prior to the debate.

NYC Debate Eligibility Criteria - 2021 Elections

Office Sought Spending Limit
Debate Participation Threshold
Mayor \$7,286,000 \$182,150
Public Advocate, Comptroller \$4,555,000 \$113,875

For the second, "leading contenders" debate for each office, the debate sponsors may use additional, objective, nonpartisan, nondiscriminatory criteria. The full criteria for all debates is available here.

NYC Votes is the nonpartisan voter engagement initiative of the New York City Campaign Finance Board (CFB) and its Voter Assistance Advisory Committee (VAAC). In addition to promoting voter registration, participation, and civic engagement in New York City through its many programs and partnerships, NYC Votes sponsors the city's official Debate Program and produces the citywide Voter Guide.

Meng Statement on Phasing Out of Gifted And Talented Programs in NYC Public Schools

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens) issued the following statement on New York City's plan to phase out Gifted and Talented programs in public schools.

"Gifted and Talented curriculums have provided students with crucial challenges that help them reach their full potential in the classroom. Phasing out this program is a mistake. Families in my

district and across New York City have anxiously waited for when the promised public engagement process would begin.

Reforming the process would be the harder choice, and instead of making any adjustments, the City is taking the easier way out by implementing a mass elimination of the program.

G&T seats should be expanded

to all communities throughout New York City and the testing process should be improved. All students deserve to benefit from them. They should be an option for every child, regardless of where students reside, and regardless of their family's socioeconomic status.

I urge the City to immediately reconsider its decision."

Assemblyman Braunstein's Statement on The Mayors Announcement related to the Gifted & Talented Program

"The Mayor's decision to eliminate NYC's Gifted & Talented program instead of building upon its success is highly disappointing. For years, the

G&T program has offered high-achieving students a challenging and rigorous learning environment where they could reach their greatest potential. It is my hope

that the incoming administration reconsiders this decision and offers full parental and community engagement on this important issue."

Senator John Liu Statement on Mayor's Announcement About Gifted & Talented Programs

New York State Senator John Liu, chairperson of the Senate's Committee on NYC Education, stated the following about Mayor Bill de Blasio's announcement amounting to the elimination of gifted and talented programs (G&T) in NYC public schools.

G&T has been an integral option for generations of NYC school kids who learn at an accelerated rate for their grade level, and has offered hope for thousands of parents who otherwise would have completely lost confidence in public schools. There's no question that G&T has also been the subject of criticism and controversy, and perhaps

changes are in order. However, given the magnitude and impact of such changes, public discourse is absolutely essential, and Mayor de Blasio understood that when he said on January 13 that he will have an intensive public engagement with all stakeholders to think through what's right for the future.

It's utterly laughable for de Blasio to announce the changes and then claim that he will now engage stakeholders in the next two months. De Blasio's sudden fiat that G&T will be eliminated is disingenuous if not outright detestable, given that there is not nearly enough time left in his term

to have any meaningful public engagement and for him to put any changes in place. He leaves the next administration with yet another mess to clean up, and with public school parents and their children once again suffering the consequences.

This move by de Blasio becomes a most vivid example of how public school parents are discounted and disenfranchised under mayoral control and will undoubtedly be invoked repeatedly as the legislature contemplates extension, modification, or revocation of mayoral control as its expiration in state law approaches in June 2022.

Maloney, Ocasio-Cortez, And Torres Tour Rikers Island

Members Call on City to Address Inhumane Conditions, Release Low-Level Offenders

Representatives Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12), Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (NY-14), and Ritchie Torres (NY-15) toured the Rikers Island jail complex and spoke with Rikers' officials regarding the current state of the facility.

"Today, we saw first-hand the horrific conditions that individuals incarcerated on Rikers Island are living under and the support staff and corrections officers are working under. It is inexcusable that the number of in-custody deaths on Rikers Island has more than quadrupled over the past two years, including five individuals who have died of suspected suicides this year alone. While we welcome the signing

of the Less is More Act, we must take action to improve conditions at the facility for incarcerated people, support staff, and corrections officers. To address overcrowding, we can act today by beginning the decarceration process, supporting individuals' return to their communities, and working with the Courts to reduce pretrial sentencing and to expedite hearings for those currently incarcerated.

"The City, State, and federal government must immediately take action to correct the humanitarian crisis on Rikers Island, and provide a safe and clean environment – including ensuring access to medical care for those incarcerated there. The inhumane conditions we witnessed today are a stain on the City and State of New York. Riker's horrific history must come to an end."



Queens County Top Construction Projects to be Honored at Queens Chamber Of Commerce's 2021 Building Recognition Awards

Gala to be held October 27th at the TWA Hotel at John F. Kennedy Airport

Carlo Scissura, President & CEO of the New York Building Congress to deliver keynote address

The Queens Chamber of Commerce has announced the 29 outstanding construction projects that will be honored at its 2021 Building Recognition Awards October 27, held at the iconic TWA Hotel at John F. Kennedy Airport. The evening will celebrate excellence in the construction and design of building projects in Queens and feature a keynote address by Carlo Scissura, President & CEO of the New York Building Congress.

The Queens Chamber of Commerce has hosted a Building Awards ceremony since 1926. For over 90 years, business and community leaders have gathered to honor buildings and projects that have contributed to the architectural betterment of Queens and keep the borough vibrant, sustainable and livable.

"As Queens continues to grow and thrive, our real estate and development community has met the challenge. Despite a challenging year and a half, many exciting projects that will contribute to the vibrancy of our borough have moved forward. We look forward to coming together to honor these projects at our 2021 Building Awards on October 27 at the TWA Hotel," said Tom Grech, President and CEO of the Queens Chamber of Commerce.

"The Queens Chamber of Commerce has been a guiding light for one of New York City's fastest growing boroughs," said Carlo A. Scissura, President and CEO of the New York Building Congress. "I am delighted and honored to deliver the keynote address as we recognize the recent building wave in Queens and celebrate everything the World's Borough has on the horizon."

If you are interested in purchasing tickets or would like to learn about sponsorship opportunities, you can find out more on the Queens Chamber of Commerce's website or call 718.898.8500, ext. 123 or email Joanne Persad at jpersad@queenschamber.org.

The building projects being recognized in 2021 are:

NEW CONSTRUCTION

Commercial

BJ's Wholesale Club
Architect - SBLM Architects
Builder - CM&B Construction Management & Builders, Inc.

Health Care Related

J&J Medipia Properties, LLC
Architect - Design Group In
Builder - Nextcom Construction Inc

Industrial

Home Depot Maspeth

Architect - WD Partners Inc.
Builder - Aurora Contractors Inc.
Astoria On Stage LLC

Architect - Gluck + Architects
Builder - Urban Atelier Group
Stream Plumbing Inc.

Architect - HCD Architect PC
Builder - Sheng Sheng Construction Inc.

The Film Factory

Architect - Alta Indelman, Architect

Builder - G Builders LLC
Hotels & Motels
Resorts World Casino and Hotel Expansion

Architect - Perkins Eastman
Builder - Plaza Construction LLC
The Rockaway Hotel

Architect - Morris Adjmi Architects

Builder - BISP Development LLC
Four Points by Sheraton

Architect - Raymond Chan Architect P.C.

Builder - Century Construction Group Corp.

Mixed Use - Residential/Commercial/Industrial

Skyline Tower
Architect - Hill West Architects

Builder - Newline Structures
Flushing Garden Condominium

Architect - Angelo Ng & Anthony Ng Architects Studio, P.C.

Builder - Green House Town Corp.

One Sixteen
Architect - Fischer + Makooi Architects

Builder - Marcal Contracting Co. LLC

Multi Dwelling Residential Buildings

Marine Terrace
Architect - Gran Kriegel Associates

Builder - Monadnock Construction, Inc.

30-82 Crescent Street
Architect - Costa Architecture + Engineering, LLP

Builder - Park Construction Corporation

Office Buildings
The Woodworks

Architect - JLS Designs Architecture + Planning

Builder - Barone Management LLC

Schools & Colleges
PS 303

Architect - Rawlings Architects PC

Builder - EW Howell Co., LLC
INTERIOR DESIGN AWARD WINNERS

Hotels & Motels
Resorts World Casino and Hotel Expansion

Architect - Perkins Eastman
Builder - Plaza Construction LLC

Interior Designer - Toby Bishop
The Rockaway Hotel

Architect - Morris Adjmi Architects

Builder - BISP Development LLC
Interior Designer - Anna Capelen and Chloe Pollack-Robbins

REHABILITATION, RE-

ADAPTIVE USE ALTERATION, OR ADDITION AWARD WINNERS

Commercial

Maspeth Federal Savings
Architect - B+W Architecture D.P.C.

Builder - Setauket Contracting Corp.

Industrial
GMDC Ozone Park Industrial Center

Architect - Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners LLP

Builder - Westerman Construction Company

American Airlines Hangars 3 & 5 Facade

Terminal B, LaGuardia Airport
Architect - AECOM

Builder - CDS Mestel Construction Corp.

Health Care Related
Innolabs

Architect - JB+B
Builder - Pavarini McGovern

NY Spine Care
45-18 Court Square, Long Island City, NY, 11101

Architect - Chan Engineering P.C.

Builder - Nextcom Construction Inc.

Queens Surgical Center
Architect - STANTEC

Builder - Phoenix Medical Construction

Schools & Colleges
Vaughn College Cafeteria

Architect - Graf & Lewent Architects

Builder - Stuart Berger Construction; Division of Cook & Krupa

Our Lady of Lourdes 3K School
Architect - Velocity Architecture & Engineering Group, DPC, A Company of BRAVO

Builder - Litehouse Builders, Inc.

OPEN OR ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACE
Hotels & Motels

The Rockaway Hotel
Architect - Morris Adjmi Architects

Builder - BISP Development LLC
PUBLIC WORK INFRASTRUCTURE & CIVIL PROJECTS

Terminal B Arrivals & Departures Hall at LaGuardia Airport

Architect - HOK & WSP USA

Builder - Skanska Walsh Joint Venture

SUSTAINABLE BUILDINGS
Multi Dwelling Residential Buildings

Beach Green Dunes II
Architect - Curtis + Ginsberg Architects

Builder - L+M Builders Group

About the Queens Chamber of Commerce - The Queens Chamber of Commerce is the oldest and largest business association in Queens, representing more than 1,400 businesses and more than 150,000 Queens-based employees. Its mission is to foster connections, educate for success, develop/implement programs and advocate for members' interests. www.queenschamber.org



Since it's a bit early, Queens spends this week getting ready for an upcoming Halloween explosion with Jazz, dance, art, Open House events, a declining Soviet leader, and birds of prey.

- Oct. 15, Gorbachev. Heaven, Oct. 24. Screenings of Vitaly Mansky's documentary on Mikhail Gorbachev. The Soviet Union collapsed under Gorbachev, who's now condemned by his own people. This film finds him living alone in an empty house outside Moscow. Museum of the Moving Image, 36-01 35th Ave., Astoria's Kaufman Arts District.

- Oct. 15, Communicating Beyond Words, Oct. 31. Flushing Town Hall's first indoor exhibit since March 2020 features 12 artists from diverse cultural backgrounds who use letterforms as their visual elements. See more than 30 pieces, including illustration, street art, calligraphy, tattoo art, and paintings. FTH, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

- Oct. 15, Take Root + Fertile Ground, Oct. 17. Three days of new and developing dance performances. Take Root is on Oct. 15 and Oct. 16 at 8 pm. Fertile Ground is on Oct. 17 at 7 pm. Green Space, 37-24 24th St., Long Island City.

- Oct. 16, City Corps Artist Showcase, Oct. 17. Two days of art-making, performance, screenings, and poetry readings by exceptional local artists in two venues. Queens Museum, NYC Building, and Queens Theatre, 14 United Nations Ave. S., Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

- Oct. 16, Open House at Riis Park, 10 am. National Park Service Rangers and Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy educators lead tours of buildings and landscapes in Jacob Riis Park. The day ends with a campfire on the beach. Meet at the Wise Clock, Jacob Riis Park, Rockaway Peninsula.

- Oct. 16, Jazz Concert, 2:30 pm. Argentine bassist Pablo Lanouguere and his group perform as the closing segment of the Louis en Casa celebration. Louis Armstrong House Museum, 34-56 107th St., Corona.

- Oct. 16, Art Making and Wellness, 1 pm. Activities include a sound bath, wind chime works, the chance to create a short film, and tours. Lewis Latimer House Museum, 34-41 137th St., Flushing.

- Oct. 16, Twas the Night Before Christmas, 7 pm. An outdoor screening of this stop-motion animation film that takes the audience to Halloween Town, where Jack "Pumpkin King" Skellington takes over Christmas. Queens Botanical Garden, 43-50 Main St., Flushing.

- Oct. 17, Raptorama, 10 am. Four hours of up-close views of local hawks, owls, and eagles and other raptor-related programming, thanks to the Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy, NYC Audubon, American Littoral Society, and National Park Service. Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, 175-10 Cross Bay Blvd., Broad Channel.

- Oct. 17, Lioness Women in Jazz, 2:30 pm. Grammy Award-winning baritone saxophonist Lauren Sevian leads a night of tremendous jazz music. Flushing Town Hall, 137-35 Northern Blvd.

- Oct. 18, Civil Rights on Long Island, 7 pm. Suffolk County Community College history lecturer Christopher Verga discusses his new book on Civil Rights on Long Island during this virtual Greater Astoria Historical Society event.

- Oct. 21, Robert Klein, 7 pm. Queensborough Performing Arts Center streams a spontaneous and hilarious conversation with the legendary comedian Robert Klein, who has entertained audiences on Broadway, television, and film for more than 40 years.

- Oct. 21, Mandala Sip-N-Paint, 6:30 pm. Under an outdoor tent, Masa Kitani of Creative Scene teaches participants how to paint a wine glass mandala style. Alley Pond Environmental Center 224-65 76th Ave., Oakland Gardens.

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ARIES
 (Mar. 21 - April 20)
 Follow your desires. Don't be afraid to ask for assistance. Confusion is clear and you'll need some sound advice. Rest and relaxation is needed. Your lucky numbers are 4,6,9.

LIBRA
 (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
 Be cautious when dealing with foreigners. Partnerships will be successful. Avoid any gossip and be careful that you aren't misinterpreted. Your lucky numbers are 1,9,7.

TAURUS
 (Apr. 21 - May 21)
 Good results will come through business trips. You will attract new potential business clients, you've been a little down and a lift is coming. Your lucky numbers are 2,9,7.

SCORPIO
 (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
 You will be emotional about personal mistakes you have made in life. Don't evade issues or twist the truth around. Your lucky numbers are 4,8,7.

GEMINI
 (May 22 - June 21)
 You have good ideas for home improvement projects. Don't spend too much. Do not yield to children or relatives when they don't deserve it. Your lucky numbers are 5,4,2.

SAGITTARIUS
 (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)
 Relationships have not been the best for you lately. Acknowledge your lover's needs. Don't count on your friends to do things. Your lucky numbers are 2,4,6.

CANCER
 (June 22 - July 22)
 Problems on your job are likely. Quiet restful day just catching up on reading will be your best bet. Travel will be fun but costly. Your lucky numbers are 1,5,4.

CAPRICORN
 (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)
 Enjoy the company of others and be a good listener. Your energetic personality will make you the center of attention at social gatherings. Your lucky numbers are 3,6,5.

LEO
 (July 23 - Aug. 22)
 Look into a real estate investment. Look for professional guidance in making the right investment. Do not let in-laws upset you. Your lucky numbers are 8,3,2.

AQUARIUS
 (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
 Don't be so irritable with family members. Think before you make any major decisions regarding your professional direction. Watch your investments. Your lucky numbers are 8,1,9.

VIRGO
 (Aug. 23 - Sept. 23)
 Be forceful and vibrant and you will get your way. Take care of any dealings with local official agencies. Be inquisitive ask a lot of questions. Your lucky numbers are 6,9,1.

PISCES
 (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)
 Change will be required to make your life more pleasant. Think about making favorable changes in your career. Your investments are looking better. Your lucky numbers are 6,8,4.

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Did You Know?

- If your DNA was stretched out it would reach to the moon 6,000 times
- Everyone has a unique tongue print
- You begin to feel thirsty when your body loses 1% of water
- Hiccups usually lasts for 5 minutes
- Not all your taste buds are on our tongue (10% are on the insides of your cheeks)
- The life span of a house fly is between 10 to 25 days
- A dolphins top speed is 60kmh (37mph)
- The smallest dog is the Chihuahua
- A sharks top speed is 70kmh (44mph)
- There are 70 million sheep in New Zealand (with 4 million people)
- The worlds smallest bird is the 'bee hummingbird' found in Cuba
- African elephants only have 4 teeth
- The first English dictionary was written in 1755
- The rarest type of diamond is green
- MasterCard was originally called MasterCharge
- The US flag has 13 stripes (representing the original 13 states)
- Men are stuck by lightning 7 times more than women
- Tokyo was once known as Edo
- Women make up 49% of the worlds population

Answer to Last Weeks Puzzles

"Sudoku"

8	2	4	9	6	7	1	3	5
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7	1	8	6	5	3	2	9	4
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"Crossword Puzzle"

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"Try And Find"

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I	E	A	S	Y	B	A	K	E	O	V	E	N	S	E
L	Y	N	O	D	S	L	I	N	K	Y	O	O	M	T
A	O	E	U	Y	S	J	Z	X	E	X	U	M	C	H
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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| 5. Sweeping story | 2. At the peak of |
| 9. Darlings | 3. Novice |
| 14. Ear-related | 4. Emanation |
| 15. Aquatic respiratory organ | 5. Conceit |
| 16. Boredom | 6. Column |
| 17. A list of the financial assets | 7. Of a pelvic bone |
| 19. Chordophones | 8. Haberdasher |
| 20. Trail | 9. Erase |
| 21. Soaped | 10. Habituate |
| 23. Skydiver's friend | 11. Initial wager |
| 25. Artist's workroom | 12. Regretted |
| 28. Frozen water | 13. Female sibling |
| 29. Large | 18. Physically weak |
| 32. Summon to return | 22. Monger |
| 33. Startled cry | 24. Consign |
| 34. An abandoned calf | 25. Rebel |
| 35. Ailments | 26. Informs |
| 36. Decorative jugs | 27. Panache |
| 38. Shortly | 29. African language |
| 39. Close violently | 30. Graven images |
| 40. Woman | 31. Segments of DNA |
| 41. Be a snitch | 33. Snake-like fish |
| 43. Eastern Standard Time | 34. Hypersomnia |
| 44. Hearing organ | 37. Trait of being cautious |
| 45. Demagnetize | 42. Small terrestrial lizard |
| 46. Any drug that destroys viruses | 44. Termination |
| 48. Encumbered | 45. Spend time ineffectually (slang) |
| 50. TV, radio, etc. | 46. A noble gas |
| 54. Yeasts, mushrooms and molds | 47. Corrupt |
| 55. Parts of a bound book | 48. Prickle |
| 57. Heavenly hunter | 49. Pearly-shelled mussel |
| 58. An exchange involving money | 51. Expunge |
| 59. Swill | 52. Press |
| 60. Tine | 53. Vipers |
| 61. Killed | 54. Dandy |
| 62. Cravings | 56. Church bench |

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AM Kim And Nursing Home Family Advocates Meet With Governor Hochul For The First Time Since Taking Office

Assemblymember Ron Kim and nursing home family advocates met with Governor Kathy Hochul to discuss full accountability and transformative solutions to the nursing home and eldercare system. This is the first time a sitting governor met directly with Assemblymember Kim, who is Chair of the Committee on Aging, and the families who lost their loved ones during the Covid-19 nursing home crisis.

Nursing home family advocates and AM Kim have been demanding greater transparency and accountability for the state's failed Covid-19 nursing home policies that led to thousands of untimely and unnecessary deaths. Additionally, the group proposed six actions the governor must take in order to avoid another tragedy taking place in elder care facilities.

Assemblyman Ron Kim: "It's no secret that during the pandemic the previous governor prioritized meeting with his top industry donors rather than families of hospital and nursing home patients. Consequently, the state chose to protect industry profits, disguised as industry stability, over saving people's lives. Today, was a refreshing start to what I hope translates into a better and more caring New York that will be honest about mistakes in the past, and center solutions around patient and resident care for the future. We still have a long road before we can achieve accountability but



Pictured taken from a September 29, 2021 rally for nursing home victims in front of Governor Kathy Hochul's office.

we are thankful for taking a step in the right direction today."

Janice Dean: "Today was just the first small step in the right direction and I want to thank Assemblymember Ron Kim and family advocates for getting us here. Governor Hochul has a tremendous opportunity to expose Andrew Cuomo's wrongdoings while taking our state in the right direction. I hope she will continue working with us to deliver justice."

The Arbeen Family: "We've always been consistent in our advocacy for a full public apology and recognition by the state for their deadly mistakes, an independent state investigation into what

happened, and a full reconciliation of the death toll of nursing home residents. We ask Governor Hochul when our father's death is going to be properly counted by DOH as a nursing home facility."

Voices for Seniors: "After more than a year of gaslighting and deceit by the most powerful politician in our state, we remain very skeptical of anyone who occupies the governor's office. We hope today is not just another attempt to shut us up and control the narrative around nursing home deaths. We look forward to a real partnership with Governor Hochul to put our elderly lives over campaign donations."

Congressman Tom Suozzi Tours Rikers Island Facility



Along with other Members of Congress, decries current situation as unacceptable and dangerous for both prisoners and correction officers

Congressman Thomas Suozzi (D - Long Island, Queens), along with other Members of Congress, toured the Rikers Island jail complex and spoke with Rikers' officials regarding the current state of the facility.

"Today I toured the Rikers Island Jail Complex with other Members of Congress. As Nassau County Executive, I oversaw the Corrections Facility which, before I assumed office, had been placed under a federal consent decree due to substandard conditions in 2000. Under my administration, we were

removed from federal oversight. I know firsthand that the deteriorating infrastructure that I witnessed today, the staffing levels, and years of mismanagement have led to the failure of the Rikers facility.

People are clamoring for the closing of Rikers. There are credible plans, that will require some amendments to build new facilities, utilize alternatives to incarceration for appropriate nonviolent offenders, along with other plans to close facilities and reduce the prison population, but no such relocation can take place for at least six years! Six years!

Rikers' physical plant must be improved. Staffing must be reassessed and adequate. Management must lay out a clear vision and a plan to implement that vision.

I applaud the hard-working men and women of the Corrections Department for doing their job under subpar conditions. I am heartened by the new Commissioner and management's efforts to make incremental improvements over the past month, and I offer my help and expertise to make further improvements, but the current situation remains unacceptable and dangerous for both prisoners and corrections officers."

Senator Ramos Issues a Statement on Announcement From The Port Authority



Following a statement by the Port Authority of NY and NJ, Senator Jessica Ramos issued the following statement:

"The announcement of a halt on the LGA Airtrain is welcome news,

and I want to express gratitude to Governor Hochul for heeding the advocacy of the Sensible Way to LGA Coalition. This project was nonsensical from the start and failed to meaningfully address the problems it claimed to solve. I'm confident that the Port Authority's review will reveal what we already knew: this was a \$2.1 billion dollar vanity project, and that money can be better spent to build 21st-century public transit that Queens can be proud of."

Back to School Concert

Members of the Queens District Attorneys office Community Partnerships Division recently joined a Back to School concert at Roy Wilkins Park in Jamaica to give out school backpacks to returning NYC students.

Our Youth Empowerment team provided families with information on our upcoming Legal Explorers program for high school students, as well as information on our Student Advisory Council.

If you have a child or student who may be interested in our programs, contact YouthEmpowerment@queensda.org for additional information. Recruitment is currently underway!



Democrat Linda Lee Secures Endorsements From Barry Grodenchik, David Weprin And Mark Weprin

The three most recent Councilmembers from the 23rd district in Queens come together to endorse Linda Lee for the seat.

Democrat Linda Lee received the endorsements of Councilmember Barry Grodenchik, Assemblymember David Weprin, and former Councilmember Mark Weprin - the past three Councilmembers to have held the 23rd District seat. The three elected officials gathered in Hollis Hills at 188th Street, which is co-named Saul Weprin Street, near PS 178 where David and Mark Weprin attended elementary school, to highlight the history and tradition of public service and community advocacy that Grodenchik, David,



and Mark Weprin know Linda Lee will continue as the next Councilmember for the area.

"As a public-school parent, longtime district resident, com-

munity board member, and social service agency leader, Linda Lee is ready to represent our district

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Queens College Receives \$446,500 from Blackstone Charitable Foundation to Implement Entrepreneurial Skills-Building Program for Students

Queens College has received a three-year, \$446,500 award from the Blackstone Charitable Foundation to implement Blackstone LaunchPad (BLP), an entrepreneurial skills-building program for students. The initiative, available to students in any major, is especially timely with the college having recently announced its new business school. BLP students will have opportunities to participate in business pitch competitions, ventures, conferences, workshops, and speaker series.

Queens College is among nine CUNY colleges chosen as BLP partners in 2021. The BLP network, founded in 2008, now encompasses 46 schools in the United States and Ireland.



New York's Bowne House Historical Society Admitted to The National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom

Oldest house in Queens was the home of abolitionists and prominent New York Quaker activists

Bowne House's extensive archival holdings recognized for manuscripts documenting Bowne House residents' aid to freedom seekers fleeing slavery and the family's connections to the anti-slavery movement.

The National Park Service's National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom has announced the selection of the Bowne House Historical Society in Flushing, Queens as one of its newest members. The only Network to Freedom designation in the Borough of Queens, and one of only a few in Greater New York, Bowne House is one of 18 new admissions made during the 42nd round of Network applications. Recognized for the strength of its extensive archival holdings, Bowne House has been designated as a facility for the research of Underground Railroad history in New York. It joins more than 695 other Network admissions made since the program's founding in 1998.

As part of the Network to Freedom, Bowne House is expected to draw visitors to Queens from throughout the United States and



abroad to research the history of one of New York City's earliest houses whose association with the Underground Railroad is well documented. The museum will also develop programs around the story of Bowne family members' role during the Abolition movement.

U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens), who supported the Bowne House's application to the National Network to Freedom commented on its admission. "The Bowne House is an exceptional resource that continues

to preserve our borough's history, and highlight the pivotal role Queens played in the fight for religious freedom. I'm thrilled that it has been accepted to the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom, and I am proud to have urged the National Park Service to include the facility on its latest round of listings. I look forward to this recognition creating even more interest in the Bowne House, and bringing more visitors to our borough. It will help

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State Senator Jabari Brisport Visits The Sunnyside UP pre-K program at Sunnyside Community Services

On October 6, State Senator Jabari Brisport, representing New York's 25th State Senate District and Chair of Committee on Children and Families, visited the Sunnyside UP pre-K program at Sunnyside Community Services in Queens. The visit was part of his nine-week, state-wide child care listening tour, where he will hear from child care providers and parents about the challenges they are facing.

Senator Brisport was joined by State Senator Michael Gianaris of New York's 12th State Senate District; Phillip Barsamian, who was representing Assembly Member Catherine Nolan of Assembly District 37; Andrew Hevesi of Assembly District 28; Zakiyah Ansari, Advocacy Director for the Alliance for Quality Education; Judy Zangwill, Executive Director of Sunnyside Community Services; and Kelly Connolly, Director of Early Childhood for Sunnyside Community Services.



Pictured from left to right: Phillip Barsamian, representing Assembly Member Cathy Nolan; Zakiyah Ansari from Alliance for Quality Education; State Senator Michael Gianaris; State Senator Jabari Brisport; Judy Zangwill of Sunnyside Community Services; Kelly Connolly of Sunnyside Community Services; and Assembly Member Andrew Hevesi.

Assemblyman David Weprin Advocates For Greater Transparency at Correctional Facilities

in Letter to Governor Hochul And Commissioner Annucci



On February 16, 2021, then-Governor Andrew Cuomo signed legislation, sponsored by Assemblymember David Weprin, into law which permits the the Correctional Association of New York (CANY) to "access, visit, inspect, and examine all state correctional facilities". Under the law, CANY is also required to conduct periodic inspections of each correction facility and provide a report to the Governor, the State Legislature and the public about their findings. The purpose of this law, which took effect on May 31, 2021, is to promote greater transparency and oversight for our correctional system.

Subsequently, the Department of Corrections & Community Supervision (DOCCS) created a waiver that directly contradicts the law. Although a waiver is required under chapter amendments, the terms of the waiver infers with CANY's ability to properly perform their duties as described by the law. DOCCS' actions are deeply worrisome. Out of concern, the Assemblymember has written a letter to Governor Kathy Hochul and Commissioner Annucci to prevent usage of the proposed language in the current waiver and adopt language which is in compliance with the chapter amendments. Please see the letter below.

October 12, 2021
ATTN: The Honorable Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224
Dear Governor Hochul,

I am deeply disturbed to learn that the Department of Corrections & Community Supervision (DOCCS) is requiring staff from the Correctional Association of New York (CANY) to sign a waiver that curtails their access and ability to monitor correctional facilities. I sponsored legislation which permits the correctional as-

sociation to "access, visit, inspect, and examine all state correctional facilities". A1249/S875 was signed into law by Governor Cuomo with chapter amendments on February 16, 2021.

The purpose of this law, which took effect on May 31, 2021, is to promote greater transparency and oversight for our correctional system. According to Correction Law § 146 (3) d, CANY is required to conduct periodic inspections of each correction facility and provide reports to the Governor, legislature, and the public about the conditions and issues at each such facility. The current waiver that DOCCS is requiring CANY staff to sign will prevent them from providing comprehensive reports:

"I am a member of the Correctional Association Visiting Party authorized to visit, inspect, and examine state correctional facilities pursuant to Correction Law § 146(3). I acknowledge that I will not use any information or provide any information obtained through the authorizations provided in Correction Law 146(3) for litigation, personal business, or non-Correctional Association business, or to conduct personal relationships or non-Correctional Association related relationships with incarcerated individuals. I further acknowledge I am not currently involved with litigation as a named party, or otherwise, against the Department or its employees. I further acknowledge I will follow all safety and security instructions and procedures set forth by the facility Superintendent and executive staff of the Department. I understand if I violate any terms of this waiver or exceed the permissions set forth in Correction Law §146 (3), the Department may revoke my authorization to visit state correctional facilities indefinitely."

The current language of the waiver is an unacceptable violation of the law as agreed to in the chapter amendments, as provided in Correction Law § 146 (3) f, that were negotiated with DOCCS, the Governor's office, the Senate, and the Assembly.

The limits that are being placed on CANY via the proposed waiver prevent them from properly performing their duties and obligations as defined by this law. I support the following language for the waiver, which is in compliance with the law and its purposes:

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Resorts World New York Participating in Annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Will make \$10,000 donation in honor of former team member

Resorts World New York (RWNY) announced today it is partnering with the American Cancer Society for its annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk, scheduled for Sunday, October 17th. Every year, these walks unite communities behind the American Cancer Society's efforts to save lives from breast cancer through research.

This year's event holds special meaning for the RWNY team, as they will be walking in honor of former team member Tonia Schieren, who lost her fight against cancer in 2019. Re-

sorts World New York is also donating \$10,000 to the American Cancer Society in Schieren's memory.

"Tonia Schieren was a friend to everyone. She was always happy, always smiling, and never took anything in life for granted. She is truly missed and would have been honored to be remembered in this way," said Mary Ann Montalvo, Customer Relationship Representative, Resort World New York City.

Members of the community are invited to join the team from Resorts World New York City (RWNYC) for the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk at Flushing Meadows Corona Park in Queens, New York. The Resorts World Catskills (RWC) team is taking part in the same event at the

Woodbury Common Premium outlets in Woodbury, New York, and residents there are welcome to join them for that walk.

This year, all participants are required to register for the event for safety measures:

WHAT: Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

WHEN: Sunday, October 17th, 2021

8:00 a.m.

WHERE: Flushing Meadows Corona Park
Promenade of Industry & Universe Court
Corona, New York 11354
Woodbury Common Premium Outlets
498 Red Apple Court
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Queens Theatre Presents City Artist Corps Showcases on Two Weekends this Month

Program features dozens of New York City artists awarded grants to support performers disproportionately impacted by COVID-19

This month Queens Theatre (QT) presents four City Artist Corps Showcase events featuring 33 artists who each received a \$5,000 City Artist Corps Grant to present various works of song, dance, film, theatre and more to the public.

City Artist Corps Grants support NYC-based working artists who have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. The program distributed one-time grants to over 3,000 artists to help sustain their practice and engage the public across the City's five boroughs during summer and fall 2021. Artists have used the grant to create new works, a phase of a work, or restage preexisting creative activities across any discipline.

The City Artist Corps Grant program is funded by the \$25 million New York City Artist Corps (CAC) recovery initiative created by Mayor de Blasio and the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs (DCLA). CAC launched in June 2021 with The New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA) as lead partner and support from the Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment (MOME). Queens Theatre is an organizing partner for the program.

The City Artist Corp Showcase at Queens Theatre (QT) will take place during two weekends - Saturday, October 16th and Sunday, October 17th, 2 PM - 8:30 PM and Saturday, October 23rd, 1:30 PM - 8:45 PM and Sunday, October 24th, 12 PM - 9 PM. Each day will feature several different artists presenting their projects to the public at Queens Theatre's 472 seat Claire Shulman Theatre, the intimate Cabaret space and the award-winning glass-walled Nebula Lobby which boasts sweeping views of Flushing Meadows Corona Park.

The showcase features:

Saturday, October 16th
Ready to Heal/Ready to Grieve
2:00PM

Queens The Series 2:00 PM
The Influence of Musical Theatre on Jazz 2:30 PM
Carmen Meets Lola 4:30 PM
Confessions of a Lens 6:00 PM
Poetry and Film Night with Kimberly Reyes 8:30 PM

Sunday, October 17th
Ready to Heal/Ready to Grieve
2:00PM

Flying with Broken Wings, 12:00 PM
Ellis Island, 2:00 PM
David Krakauer & Friends, 4:00 PM
Sincerely, Erik and Andros in the City, 5:00 PM
Swing Into The Past, 6:45 PM
After the Cut, 8:00 PM
Flamenco Music and Dance, 8:30 PM

Saturday, October 23rd
How To Make Hell Cozy, 1:30 PM
Under One Sky, 1:45 PM
Songs & Poetry of Migration, Refuge & Finding Home, 4:00 PM
Salomé v. John, 6:15 PM
COLORFULL Storytelling, 8:30 PM
Roots to Rap: Evolutions of American Rhythm, 8:45 PM

Sunday, October 24th
DiverseCity Plan, 12:00 PM
Inner City Fencers, 12:00 PM
Five Short Documentaries, 2:00 PM
Yu.S.Artery/Wave of Colors, 2:15 PM
EXTERNO: Screening and Q&A, 4:30 PM
Eric Stockton Music, 4:30 PM
Journey Through Song, 6:45 PM
Art Thou An Artist? Yes, I Arted, 7:30 PM
Mi Gente LIVE, 9:00 PM

All events are free, most require advance reservations at: www.queens theatre.org. All guests 12 years of age and up must present proof of COVID-19 vaccination upon arrival at the Queens Theatre facilities and patrons over the age of 18 must also show a valid form of ID. Masks are required, regardless of vaccination status. Learn more about our COVID Safety Protocols here.

For more details about the City Artist Corps Showcase, artist bios and social media information, visit Queens Theatre at: <https://queens theatre.org/the-city-artist-corps-showcase/>.

Hundreds of City Artist Corps performances will take place in public spaces throughout the five boroughs through October 31st, as well

as at additional showcases presented by The Clemente Center, Street Lab, OpenCultureWORKS, National Sawdust and LPAC.

About Queens Theatre - Queens Theatre (QT) is a performing arts center located in Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens, NY. Its mission is to provide high-quality performances and programs that are accessible to the residents of Queens, the most diverse county in the nation. The Theatre's work reflects and celebrates its community. QT presents dance companies, produces, presents, and develops new works of theatre, family programming, community engagement events and initiatives, and offers a range of education programs onsite, in schools and in senior centers. In 2016, QT launched, and has since expanded, Theatre For All (TFA), a groundbreaking initiative to advance the inclusion of disabled people in the performing arts. Since COVID-19, QT has produced a range of digital programming - readings of new plays, wellness checks with performances for seniors, original dance showcases, a Storytellers series, an online round of its TFA training program for Deaf/Disabled actors, and more.

About City Artist Corps - The City Artist Corps, a \$25 million recovery initiative, has awarded grants to 3000 NYC-based working artists. The grants provide vital support to artists who were hard hit by the pandemic and often left out of other local and federal relief opportunities.

The City Artist Corps is aiding NYC's recovery through a broad range of in-person community engagement activities - performances, workshops, film screenings, exhibitions and more - at locations across the City. The events have been ongoing since July and will continue through October 2021.

Among the live events are a series of Showcases happening throughout the month of October, hosted by Venue Partners: Queens Theatre, The Clemente Center, Street Lab, OpenCultureWORKS, National Sawdust and LPAC.

The City Artist Corps is made possible with funding from the New York City Department of

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Velázquez Demands Transparency, Accountability Over Contracts Awarded to Self-Serving NYC Housing Executive

In light of a New York Times report detailing abuse of public funds by Jack Brown III, CEO of the nonprofit organization CORE Services Group, Congresswoman Nydia M. Velázquez (D-NY) has sent a scathing letter to the New York City Department of Social Services demanding answers.

According to The Times, the City awarded more than \$352 million to Mr. Brown's non-profit, CORE, which Mr. Brown then allegedly directed into his for-profit companies—including a security guard company, a maintenance company, and a catering company. At the same time Mr. Brown and his relatives were

personally benefiting from this scheme, residents of the homeless shelters run by CORE were reportedly left to live dire conditions and failed to receive many of the supportive services. In the letter, Velázquez presses the City, demanding if any federal funds were used in the awarding of Mr. Brown's contracts. She also asks for transparency on the City's vetting process and prior knowledge of Mr. Brown's financial history.

"Claiming to care about the homelessness crisis while using public funds to line your own pockets is an egregious abuse and Mr. Brown must be held fully accountable," said Velázquez.

"In addition, the public deserves answers from the City on how Mr. Brown was able to secure and maintain these contracts in the first place. Especially during a global pandemic where housing conditions have direct links to the spread of COVID-19, the City must be doing everything in its power to advance the needs of the unhoused."

Velázquez is the highest-ranking member from New York City on the Housing, Community Development, and Insurance subcommittee in the House of Representatives, with jurisdiction over all federal housing and homelessness matters.

NY State Senator Ramos Travels to DC to Follow-Up on Constituents' Unpaid Fema Claims Following Hurricane Ida

A full calendar month after President Biden and FEMA representatives visited neighborhoods impacted by Hurricane Ida, some residents of East Elmhurst are still waiting on relief. On Thursday morning, NY State Senator Jessica Ramos, who represents New York's 13th District in the State Senate, which includes the Queens neighborhoods of Corona, East Elmhurst, Jackson Heights, and parts of Astoria, Elmhurst, and Woodside, will have a meeting with Senate

Majority Leader Chuck Schumer to follow up on these claims.

"Over the past two years, my community in East Elmhurst has been through one crisis after another. My district was the national epicenter for COVID-19, and just as we were starting to feel a glimmer of recovery, Hurricane Ida devastated my neighbors' homes. It was extremely meaningful for President Biden to immediately visit my district, but some of the people who live in the exact homes he walked by

on his tour are still waiting on FEMA a month later. While we continue to work on infrastructural changes on the city and state level, I'm coming to DC today to follow-up and ensure we deliver real relief." - State Senator Jessica Ramos

The Senator will also be meeting with fellow elected officials to discuss childcare and climate infrastructure and will attend a rally in support of including a path to citizenship in the reconciliation package.

Senator Sanders' Overdose Prevention Bill Signed into Law by Governor Kathy Hochul

Senator James Sanders Jr. is proud to announce that Governor Kathy Hochul has signed his opioid prevention bill into law.

Bill S911/A2354 promotes the use of opioid antagonists to combat and prevent drug-related overdoses.

"Opioid addiction is a scourge on our society--causing great pain and suffering on those addicted, their families and friends," Sanders said. "Deaths from opioid overdoses nationwide was nearly 50,000 in 2019, according to the CDC. This legislation will lead to less opioid deaths by encouraging people to use medicine that can save lives since using such medicine will not be used as evidence against them in a court of law."

Opioid antagonists, such as naloxone, have been in existence since the 1960s and have helped in preventing numerous heroin and opiate over-dose-related deaths in emergency situations. Recent

legislation and actions by law enforcement and chemical dependence prevention and treatment providers have increased the availability of naloxone to those with addiction to heroin and opiates.

At hearings and roundtable discussions held by the Assembly, chemical dependence prevention and treatment providers, physicians, drug policy experts, and law enforcement all cited the importance of the availability of opioid antagonists in preventing overdose-related deaths.

Although medical treatment is required after an opioid antagonist is administered, its use and possession should not be discouraged amongst those who need it most. By prohibiting the possession of opioid antagonists as evidence in court of possession of controlled substances, this bill would help to encourage people to obtain and possess opioid antagonists and continue to save lives.

"Opioid antagonists such as naloxone (Narcan) are a vital tool in the fight against the overdose deaths which have devastated New York's communities during the pandemic and for decades longer," said Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz, who introduced the companion bill in the Assembly. "Experts, such as drug treatment providers, physicians, law enforcement, and others all believe in the importance of having opioid antagonists available to prevent overdose-related deaths. Thank you to Governor Hochul for signing this important bill into law, State Senator Sanders for his partnership in carrying this legislation, and all of our colleagues who have been working hard to end the opioid epidemic. I am very proud that now people who may be in the best position to reverse an overdose do not have to avoid carrying Narcan out of fear of legal consequences."

Pheffer Amato Delivers Testimony Regarding the Cross Bay Memorial Bridge to MTA

On Thursday, September 30, Assemblywoman Stacey Pheffer Amato (D-South Queens) delivered testimony at the Central Business District Tolling Program (CBDTP) Public Meeting, hosted by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. CBDTP would charge vehicles that enter or remain in Manhattan's Central Business District,

with the goals of improving air quality, lowering traffic, and helping the MTA improve its transit system.

"If we want to talk about toll equity, we need to start right here in Rockaway. In my district, we have the only intra-borough bridge in New York State," Pheffer Amato said. "I'm glad that the MTA is discussing this issue,

because toll equity has been on the minds of Queens residents for years. The toll on the Cross Bay Veterans Memorial Bridge (CBB) needs to be eliminated immediately, and this should be a top priority of the MTA."

More information about the Central Business District Tolling Program can be found at <https://new.mta.info/project/CBDTP>

Assemblyman David Weprin Advocates For Greater Transparency at Correctional Facilities

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"I am a member of the Correctional Association Visiting Party authorized to visit, inspect and examine state correctional facilities pursuant to Correction Law § 146 (3). I acknowledge that I will not use any information or provide any information obtained through the authorizations provided in Correction Law 146 (3) for the purpose of non-Correctional Association business. I further acknowledge I

am not currently a named party in litigation against the Department or its employees. I further acknowledge I will follow all safety and security instructions and procedures promulgated by the Department." I ask that you urge DOCCS to adopt the language above, which is in compliance with the chapter amendments.

Thank you,
David I. Weprin
Chair, Assembly Committee on Correction

Queens Theatre Presents City Artist Corps Showcases on Two Weekends this Month

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Cultural Affairs and the Mayor's Office of Media and Entertainment and administered by lead partner New York Foundation for the Arts. Queens Theatre serves as the organizing partner for City Artist Corps and is leading the coalition of venue partners presenting City Artist Corp Showcases this month.

City Artist Corps Grants were administered in partnership with re-grant and arts service organizations to support outreach, provide

technical assistance for prospective applicants, and inform the grantee selection process in service of the city's diverse cultural communities. Partners include: Asian American Arts Alliance, A.R.T./New York, Black Public Media, Brooklyn Arts Council, Bronx Council on the Arts, Bronx Documentary Center, Dance/NYC, Firelight Media, Flushing Town Hall, Indie Theater Fund, Lower Manhattan Cultural Council (LMCC), MakerSpace NYC, New Music USA, Poets & Writers, and Staten Island Arts.

Resorts World New York City Celebrates 10th Anniversary With 2022 BMW Convertible Giveaway

Other prizes include \$75,000 cash and more

Resorts World New York City announced today that as part of its 10th anniversary celebration, guests will have a chance to win big—driving off in style in a brand-new 2022 BMW convertible or walking away with lots of cash!

Guests can play any VLT slot machine to earn entries to the 2022 BMW Giveaway until October 27th.

The winning doesn't stop there. Guests can try their luck at the Win Your Share Of \$75,000 Cash Promotion until Wednesday, October 27th, playing any electronic table game to earn entries all month long.

For more information on all of our 10th anniversary promotions, please visit: www.rwny.com/promotions.

Guests are now also invited to book their stay at New York City's first and only casino-hotel, Hyatt Regency JFK Airport at Resorts World New York. Visit <https://rwny.com/hotel/> for more information.

"It's time to celebrate our 10th anniversary and that means big chances to win big prizes!" said Darlene Monzo, Chief Marketing Officer of Genting Americas East, which operates Resorts World New York City. "What better way to leave Resorts World after a day of gaming and entertainment, than in a brand-new BMW convertible

or with a bag full of cash. We look forward to celebrating this milestone anniversary and we can't wait to welcome guests to Resorts World this month."

In addition to promotions and giveaways, Resorts World New York City also offers guests experiences in excitement, and luxury that are unmatched in the city that never sleeps. Sugar Factory, the world-renowned café, and confectionary shop is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Hyatt Regency JFK Airport at Resorts World New York.

Resorts World New York City provides unparalleled gaming and entertainment featuring two unique levels of gaming, Times Square Casino and Fifth Avenue Casino.

Resorts World will be celebrating its 10th anniversary all month long. Since opening its doors in 2011, RW has generated more than \$3 billion in revenue for New York's public schools, partnered with dozens of community organizations to invest in the economic and social progress of Queens, and has used its grounds to help the community in times of need—including serving as a COVID-19 testing site, hosting blood drives and serving as an emergency management staging area for future disasters.

For more information about Resorts World New York City or to make a reservation, please call +1-833-671-1234 or visit www.rwny.com/.



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New York's Bowne House Historical Society Admitted to The National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom

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more people learn about the Underground Railroad and Queens' long tradition of fighting for freedom and liberty. Congratulations to the Bowne House!"

Also commenting on admission to the Network to Freedom was Rosemary Viotor, Vice-President of the Bowne House Historical Society's Board of Trustees, who said, "Bowne House is thrilled to join the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom. We are looking forward to sharing our history with local, regional and national visitors to the Borough of Queens as we continue to research and develop new and inspiring educational programs for the public and students of all ages."

For further information about Bowne House Historical Society, please visit www.bownehouse.org

Bowne House, built c. 1661, is the oldest house in Queens. It is listed as a New York City landmark and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The House's archives span nearly 350 years of Bowne

family material, including manuscripts discussing the Abolition movement and the Underground Railroad in New York. Preserved by nine generations of Bowne family members, the archives tell the story of one prominent New York family that included horticulturists, political and religious leaders, captains of industry, artists and writers, and Walter Bowne, 59th Mayor of New York City, serving from 1829-1833.

The family's role helping freedom seekers escape from slavery is evidenced through pre-Civil War letters dating between 1842 and 1850 revealing three Bowne House residents - Samuel, Robert, and William Bowne Parsons - were active in a network assisting multiple freedom seekers. These brothers fundraised for the New York Vigilance Committee and served as Underground Railroad operatives. Their letters document contact with prominent anti-slavery activists throughout New York State, including Rev. Simeon Jocelyn, Rev. Henry Ward Beecher and the philanthropist, Lewis Tappan.

Twice per calendar year, the Network to Freedom reviews applications from sites, research facilities, and programs with verified connections to the Underground Railroad. Diane Miller, the Network's National Program Manager, commented, "We are eager to work alongside our new members sharing Underground Railroad history with the public. Each time we accept a site into the Network we are inspired by the power of the Underground Railroad and the stories of those brave women and men who sought their freedom."

Aside from Bowne House, among new admissions to the Network are Pensicola Pass, an Underground Railroad shipping channel in Florida; the Henry Massey Escape Site in Maryland from which a 14 year old boy fled to freedom; Alabama's Fort Gaines from which numbers of freedom seekers escaped throughout the Civil War; the historic Wilson Bruce Evan site in the abolitionist stronghold of Oberlin, Ohio; and the Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area in Kansas.

Linda Lee Secures Endorsements From . . .

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in the city council. Linda has my enthusiastic support, and I look forward to seeing her elected in November," said Council Member Barry S. Grodenchik, who has represented Council District 23 since 2015.

"Linda Lee is a homeowner and public school parent who understands what our families care about and who knows how to fight for our communities. I'm proud to endorse her and vote for her to be our next City Councilmember," said Assemblymember David Weprin.

"Linda Lee is an ideal candidate to represent our community. As the head of a nonprofit serving seniors, educating youth, and keeping families healthy, Linda has the skills and experience to deliver for District 23. And as a mom of two boys in our great public schools who loves the Mets and rock and roll, Linda is deeply steeped in values that make this a great place to live, work and raise a family," stated former Councilmember Mark Weprin.

Democratic City Council nominee Linda Lee said "It is so humbling to have earned the support of Councilman Barry Grodenchik, and David and Mark Weprin. For decades, these men have dedicated their lives to public service, fought for us City Hall, and delivered for the residents of Eastern Queens. I'm excited to carry on that tradition, learn from their experience, and deliver on the issues that our families care most about when elected to the City Council."

Lee is currently the President and CEO of Korean Community Services, a community-based nonprofit in Queens that provides social services to the community. If elected, Lee would be the first Korean-American elected to the Council, and the first woman and person of color elected in District 23.

Lee has been endorsed by Congressmembers Tom Suozzi, Grace Meng, and Gregory Meeks, State Senators John Liu, Leroy Comrie, Toby Ann Stavisky, and Jessica Ramos, Assemblymembers Nily Rozic and Catalina Cruz, our teachers, nurses, and detectives unions, along with many other labor unions, civic organizations, and local leaders. Assemblymember David Weprin previously endorsed Linda during the Democratic Primary, and is reiterating his support for her to take his former seat in the General Election.

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SUMMONS AND NOTICE Index No. 702401/2019 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS NYCTL 1998-2 TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN AND NYCTL 2017-A TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiffs, v. The heirs-at-law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, assignees, lienors, creditors, successors-in-interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through IRIS P. WARNER A/K/A IRIS WARNER, DECEASED, by purchase, inheritance, lien or interest in and to the premises described in the complaint herein, and all creditors thereof, and the respective husbands, or widowers of hers, if any, all of whose names and addresses are unknown to Plaintiffs; SLYN CHANAN-PENSON; REGINA TYSON A/K/A REGINA WARNER A/K/A REGINA V. WARNER; YVETTE BROWN A/K/A YVETTE B. BROWN A/K/A YVETTE B. WARNER; DEREK WARNER; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT AUTHORITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU Borough: Queens Block: 10438 Lot: 39 and "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #100," the names of the last 100 defendants being fictitious, the true names of said defendants being unknown to plaintiffs, it being intended to designate fee owners, tenants or occupants of the lien premises and/or persons or parties having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the lien premises, if the aforesaid individual defendants are living, and if any or all of said individual defendants be dead, their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, committees, devisees, legatees, and the assignees, lienors, creditors and successors in interest of them, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by, through, or against the said defendants named as a class, of any right, title or interest in or lien upon the premises described in the complaint herein, Defendants. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in the above-entitled foreclosure action, and to serve a copy of your answer on Plaintiffs' attorney within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner than by

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personal service within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. Queens County is designated as the place of trial. The basis of venue is the location of the subject premises. Dated: October 8, 2021 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an Order of Honorable David Elliot, a Justice of the Supreme Court, dated October 4, 2021, and filed with supporting papers in the Queens County Clerk's Office on October 5, 2021. This is an action to foreclose a tax lien covering the property known as 189-11 Mangin Avenue, Saint Albans, New York 11412 and identified as Block 10438, Lot 39 ("Tax Parcel"). The relief sought is the sale of the Tax Parcel at public auction in satisfaction of the tax liens. In case of your failure to appear, judgment may be taken against you in the sum of \$22,541.67, together with interest, costs, disbursements and attorneys' fees of this action, and directing the public sale of the Tax Parcel. PHILLIPS LYTTLE LLP /s/ Anthony J. Iacchetta Attorneys for Plaintiffs NYCTL 1998-2 Trust and The Bank Of New York Mellon, as Collateral Agent and Custodian, and NYCTL 2017-A Trust and The Bank Of New York Mellon, as Collateral Agent and Custodian 28 East Main Street Suite 1400 Rochester, New York 14614 Telephone No. (585) 758-2110 110/14,21,28&11/4/2021



If Insurance Doesn't Cover Your Loss, Other Sources Can Help

Many New Yorkers who suffered losses from Hurricane Ida are covered by their insurance. But even the best coverage may not satisfy every need, which is why state, federal and nonprofit programs are available.

FEMA may send you a letter saying you are not eligible for federal disaster assistance or requesting additional information.

FEMA provides assistance to applicants for their uninsured or underinsured disaster-caused expenses and serious needs. Applicants are required to inform FEMA of all insurance coverage that may be available to them including flood, homeowners, vehicle, mobile home, medical, burial, etc.

Insured applicants must provide documentation that identifies their insurance settlements or benefits before FEMA will consider their eligibility for categories of assistance that may be covered by private insurance.

Reasons you may receive FEMA determination letter include:

- Occupancy has not been verified;
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- Proof of identity has not been verified;
- FEMA did not receive

insurance settlement documents.

You should read the letter carefully so you can provide the information or documents FEMA is requesting.

If you have any questions about the letter or about FEMA's decision, have your FEMA registration number available when you call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 (711/VRS). Lines are open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week, and operators can connect you to a specialist who speaks your language. If you use a relay service such as video relay service, captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service.

Under federal law, FEMA cannot duplicate payments to individuals or households for losses covered by insurance.

If you are insured, you should contact your insurance company to file a claim right away and ask for documents that inform about your insurance coverage, benefits, and settlements, documents detailing exactly what is covered and is paid under your claim. Then mail the information to FEMA, Individuals & Households Program, National Processing Service Center, P.O. Box 10055, Hyattsville, MD 20782-7055, or fax it to 800-827-8112. Include your FEMA registration number

on all the documents.

You can appeal any decision within 60 days from the date of FEMA's decision letter. Guidelines for appeals can be found in that FEMA letter.

You are strongly encouraged to return a completed U.S. Small Business Administration loan application if you received one. This is a necessary step to be considered for some other forms of disaster assistance. You may submit your SBA application at <https://DisasterLoanAssistance.sba.gov> or call SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 for more information. You may also visit any Disaster Recovery Center. Find one at DRC Locator (fema.gov).

The deadline to apply for FEMA disaster assistance is Sunday, Dec. 5.

For information on the flood insurance requirements for recipients of federal disaster assistance, visit <https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-05/FloodInsuranceRequirements-080119.pdf>. For additional online resources as well as FEMA downloadable pamphlets, visit DisasterAssistance.gov and click "Information."

For referrals to agencies that support community-specific needs, visit <https://>

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Notice of formation of SLR Management Group LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 8/18/2021. Office located in Queens County. Luis Hidalgo has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to 6648 Myrtle Avenue, Glendale NY 11385. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 9/9,16,23,30,10/7&14/2021

MISATA REALTY HOLDINGS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/02/2021. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 21 14 Hoyt Avenue South, Astoria, NY 11102. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 9/9,16,23,30,10/7&14/2021

Notice of Formation of TOMICH LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/6/21. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Michelle Ly, PO Box 750335, Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: any lawful activity. 9/9,16,23,30,10/7&14/2021

Notice of formation of Pierogi Queens LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY on 6/25/2021. Office is located in Queens. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC 57-34 Catalpa Ave., Ridgewood NY 11385. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 10/7,14,21,28,11/4&11/2021

Notice of Formation: L&M Plumbing LLC, Art. Of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/14/2021. Office Location: QUEENS COUNTY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3808 Union St Ste 10C, Flushing, NY 11354 Purpose: Any lawful activity. 10/7,14,21,28,11/4&11/2021

Notice of Formation of DE HOYOS DENIM LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/20/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 156-07 71 Avenue, Apt 2A, Flushing, NY 11413. Purpose: any lawful activity. 10/7,14,21,28,11/4&11/2021

Levine 49th Street, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 9/22/2021. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 24-20 49th Street, Astoria, NY 11103. General Purpose. 10/7,14,21,28,11/4&11/2021

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NURIDE MOBILITY, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 7/9/21. Office in Queens Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 33-24 Northern Blvd., 5th Fl., Long Island City, NY 11101, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 9/16,23,30,10/7,14&21/2021

Notice of Formation of RASTAFARI FARMZ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/29/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 147-43 Hook Creek Blvd, Apt 1, Rosedale, NY 11422. Purpose: any lawful activity. 9/30,10/7,14,21,28&11/4/2021

Notice of Formation of C-TECH LOGISTICS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/09/21. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 225 Beach 97th Street, Apt. 1, Rockaway Park, NY 11693. Purpose: any lawful activity. 9/30,10/7,14,21,28&11/4/2021

Notice of Formation of HighLux Dance LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/1/21. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3058 34th St, Apt 2E, Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: any lawful activity. 9/30,10/7,14,21,28&11/4/2021

Notice of Formation of MEAL BABE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/27/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 248-25 Northern Blvd, Suite 1J-216, Little Neck, NY 11362. Purpose: any lawful activity. 9/30,10/7,14,21,28&11/4/2021

Notice of Formation of SWARGA ENTERPRISES, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/23/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 42 Broadway, Fl. 12-200, New York, NY 10004. Purpose: any lawful activity. 10/7,14,21,28,11/4&11/2021

DKT Contractors LLC filed w/ SSNY on 5/6/14. Office: Queens Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 15405 Barclay Ave., Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: any lawful. 10/7,14,21,28,11/4&11/2021

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PAS14A LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 2/16/2017. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 41-33 St., Long Island City, NY 11101. General Purpose. 9/16,23,30,10/7,14&21/2021

RIIND BEAUTY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 7/27/21. Office in Queens Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 6725 Dartmouth St Apt 4N Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 9/16,23,30,10/7, 14&21/2021

AYESHA MANNAN D.O. PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/01/21. Office: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 230-36 148th Avenue, Springfield Gardens, NY 11413. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Medicine. 9/16,23,30,10/7,14&21/2021

Mairead Flynn Rogan, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/27/2021. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 30-70 29th St., 1st Fl., Astoria, NY 11102. General Purpose. 9/16,23,30,10/7,14&21/2021

19-88 77th Street LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/24/2021. Cty: Queens. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 76-02 21st Ave., East Elmhurst, NY 11370. General Purpose. 9/16,23,30,10/7,14&21/2021

Notice of Formation of TIBET BIG APPLE CLEANING SERVICE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/21/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 49-11 108 Street, 1st Floor, Corona, NY 11368. Purpose: any lawful activity. 9/16,23,30,10/7,14&21/2021

CANE GROVE FARMERS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/13/2021. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 10145 126 Street, Richmond Hill, NY 11419. Reg Agent: Bibi Zabeeda Surujbali, 10145 126 Street, Richmond Hill, NY 11419. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 9/23,30,10/7,14,21&28/2021



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File No.: 2020-1205/A CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK BY THE GRACE OF GOD, FREE AND INDEPENDENT To: Mitsushi Nishiyama, Kiyohito Nishiyama, Haruya Nishiyama, Yuuki Nishiyama, Kazutomi Nishizuka, Hirokazu Makino, Sumiko Kubo, Miho Watanabe, DCM Services, Attorney General of the State of New York

The unknown distributees, legatees, devisees, heirs at law and assignees of MIEKO NISHIZUKA, deceased, or their estates, if any there be, whose names, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown to the petitioner and cannot with due diligence be ascertained A copy of this citation and the accounting, as well as all amendments to it, if any, shall be served on the Guardian Ad Litem, Raymond Chin, Esq.

Being the persons interested as creditors, legatees, distributees or otherwise in the Estate of MIEKO NISHIZUKA, deceased, who at the time of death was a resident of 40-05 Ithaca Street, Apt 4D, Elmhurst, NY 11373, in the County of Queens, State of New York. SEND GREETING:

Upon the petition of LOIS M. ROSENBLATT, Public Administrator of Queens County, who maintains her office at 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, Queens County, New York 11435, as Administrator of the Estate of MIEKO NISHIZUKA, deceased, you and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before the Surrogate at the Surrogate's Court of the County of Queens, to be held at the Queens General Courthouse, 6th Floor, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, City and State of New York, on the 2nd day of December, 2021 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, why the Account of Proceedings of the Public Administrator of Queens County, as Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, a copy of which is attached, should not be judicially settled, and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow a reasonable amount of compensation to GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., for legal services rendered to petitioner herein in the amount of \$9,615.23 and that the Court fix the fair and reasonable additional fee for any services to be rendered by GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ., hereafter in connection with proceedings on kinship, claims etc., prior to entry of a final Decree on this accounting in the amount of 6% of assets or income collected after the date of the within accounting; and why the Surrogate should not fix and allow an amount equal to one percent on said Schedules of the total assets on Schedules A, A1, and A2 plus any additional monies received subsequent

10859 43 LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/12/2021. Office: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Martha Coronel, 36-43 205th St, Bayside, NY 11360. Purpose: any lawful act. 9/23,30,10/7,14,21&28/2021

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). NAME: GRAND ELM PROPERTY LLC - Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/21/2021. Office location: QUEENS County. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 85-42 GRAND AVE, ELMHURST NY 11373. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 9/30,10/7,14,21,28&11/4/2021

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to the date of this account, as the fair and reasonable amount payable to the Office of the Public Administrator for the expenses of said office pursuant to S.C.P.A. §1106(3); and why the claim from DCM Services in the amount of \$627.95 should not be rejected; and why each of you claiming to be a distributee of the decedent should not establish proof of your kinship; and why the balance of said funds should not be paid to said alleged distributees upon proof of kinship, or deposited with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York should said alleged distributees default herein, or fail to establish proof of kinship.

Dated, Attested and Sealed 28th day of September, 2021 HON. PETER J. KELLY Surrogate, Queens County JAMES LIM BECKER Clerk of the Surrogate's Court GERARD J. SWEENEY, ESQ. (718) 459-9000 1981 Marcus Avenue Suite 200 Lake Success, New York 11042

NOTICE: THIS CITATION IS SERVED UPON YOU AS REQUIRED BY LAW. AS A RESULT OF THE MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE COURT TO COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, PHYSICAL PRESENCE AT THE COURTHOUSE ON THE RETURN DATE IS LIMITED. THEREFORE, IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE RELIEF REQUESTED, YOU, OR AN ATTORNEY ON YOUR BEHALF, MUST CONTACT THE COURT PRIOR TO THIS DATE IN THE MANNER SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED NOTICE. IF YOU DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT AS SET FORTH IN THE NOTICE IT WILL BE FOUND YOU CONSENT TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED. Accounting Citation 10/7,14,21&28/2021

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Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). NAME: GRAND ELM PROPERTY LLC - Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/21/2021. Office location: QUEENS County. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 85-42 GRAND AVE, ELMHURST NY 11373. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 9/30,10/7,14,21,28&11/4/2021

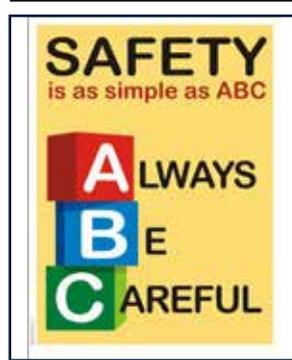


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Notice of Formation of 90-46 Corona Ave LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/19/17. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Llubica Janjic, 69-55 Juno St, Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: any lawful activity. 10/14,21,28,11/4,11&18/2021

MMETRO 11TH ST LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/08/2021. Office loc: Queens County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 48-02 25th Avenue, Suite 400, Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 10/14,21,28,11/4,11&18/2021

Notice of Formation of KERACLAY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/17/2021. Office location: Queens County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 13550 128th Street, South Ozone Park, NY 11420. Purpose: any lawful activity. 10/14,21,28,11/4,11&18/2021



If Insurance Doesn't Cover Your Loss, Other Sources Can Help

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www.211nys.org/contact-us or call 211. For New York City residents, call 311.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration activated its Disaster Distress helpline. This toll-free, multilingual, crisis support service is available 24/7 at 800-985-5990 for disaster survivors who are experiencing emotional distress. American Sign Language users can contact the helpline via videophone at 800-985-5990, or by selecting the "ASL Now" option on the right side of the webpage at Disaster Distress Helpline-ASL Now.

For the latest on New York's Hurricane Ida recovery efforts, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4615. Follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/femaregion2 and www.facebook.com/fema.

QDA Katz Meets With the President



QDA Melinda Katz had the distinct honor of meeting President Joe Biden during his recent trip to New York City. We had the opportunity to discuss public safety issues and the recent renovation of LaGuardia Airport.

During my tenure as the Borough President, I assisted in the ef-

forts to redevelop the dilapidated airport. As the District Attorney, I am dedicated to working with our law enforcement partners on all levels of government to make sure that the entry ports in our Borough are safe and secure. I thank the President for taking the time to meet with me.

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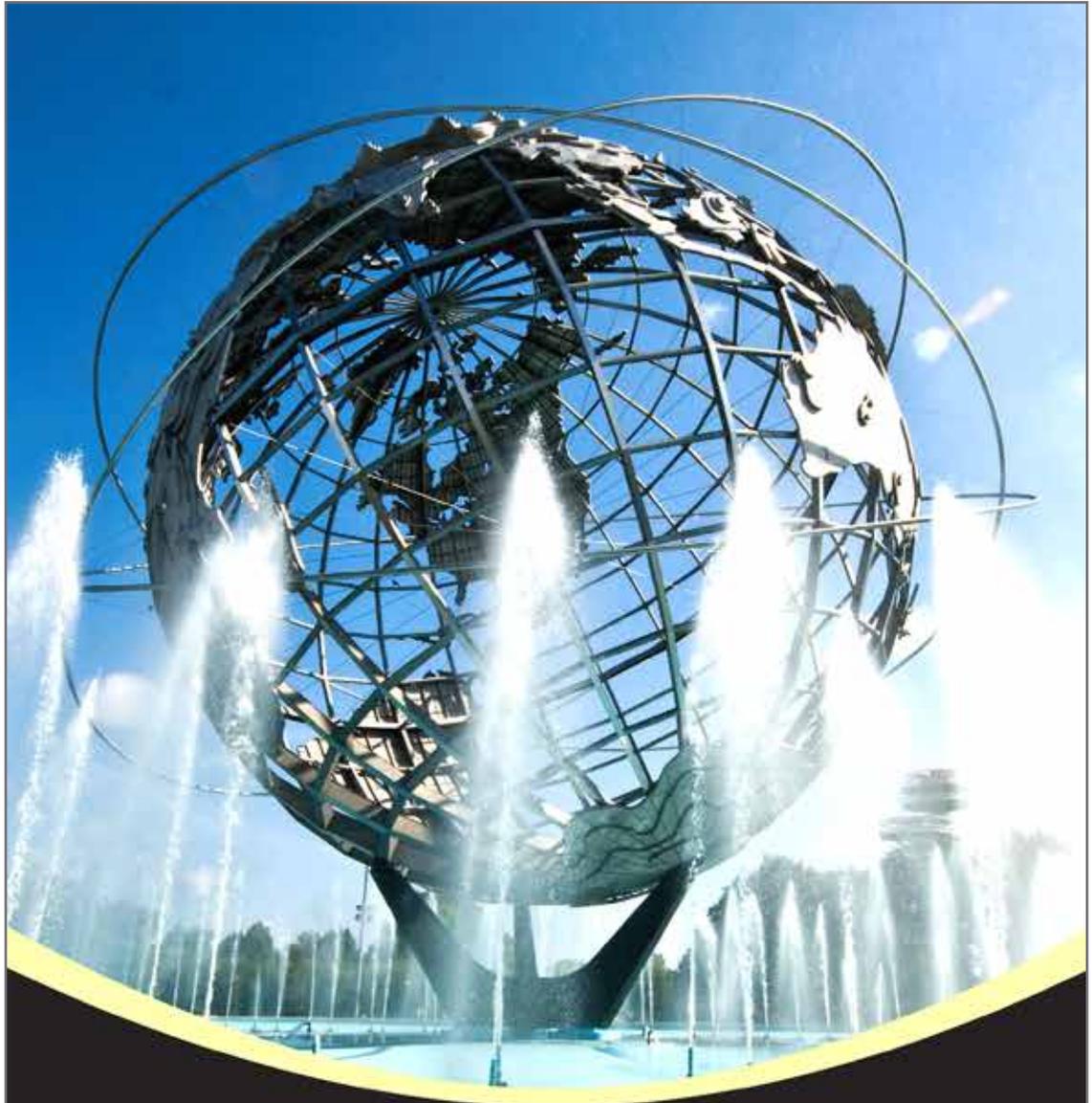
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