May 3-5: 275+ Free Walking Tours of New York City

Municipal Art Society Hosts Annual Tribute to Urban Activist Jane Jacobs

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(April 16, 2019 | New York, NY) On May 3-5, thousands of New Yorkers will take to the streets for a global festival of free, volunteer-led walking conversations inspired by urban activist Jane Jacobs. All of the walks combine the simple act of exploring neighborhoods with personal observations, local history, and civic engagement. A typical walk is 90 minutes and is free and open to the public, but space may be limited. Registrations are encouraged.

Now in its ninth year, Jane's Walk is celebrated in more than 200 cities around the world. Jane's Walk NYC, hosted by the Municipal Art Society of New York, is the largest of these festivals. What started as a handful of walks in 2011 has since grown into a three-day event featuring hundreds of walks across all five boroughs.

The full list of walks and registration is available online at <u>https://www.mas.org/janes-walk-nyc/</u>

Featured 2019 Jane's Walks:

- <u>A Medicinal Tree Grows in Brooklyn</u>: Find a cure for what ails you with a primer on the healing properties of McCarren Park's vegetation (sample at your own risk!)
- Explore Long Island City's waterfront, <u>the neighborhood too tough for Jeff Bezos</u> (kids, dogs, and bikes welcome)
- Bring your pup on Jane's Dog Walk: a tour of Prospect Park during off-leash hours
- <u>The park that defeated a parkway</u>: Visit the scenic greenspace along the Bronx River that helped inspire the plan to demolish the Sheridan Expressway
- Fresh, Wild, Fly 'n Bold: Learn about the nightclubs that showcased late 1980s hip hop
- Trace the path of the <u>long-lost Polo Grounds Shuttle</u> on a trip back in time to Dodgers-era New York
- <u>One lawyer, Two Bridges, and four supertall towers</u>: Learn about the history and current legal fight over the future of this mid-rise waterfront community with MAS's in-house legal fellow
- Start date night off right with a <u>twilight tour of the Heights and DUMBO</u>
- Hear the secrets of <u>Нью-Йорк's Mid-Manhattan Library</u>... depending on how good your Russian is
- Check out The New York Times-featured Jane's Walk: Gay Bars that Are Gone
- From Crow Hill to Crown Heights: A stroll through Black History in Central Brooklyn
- Visit <u>"Suffragist City"</u> and get to know New York's role in the fight for the 19th Amendment
- Meet the <u>insects and arthropods of Staten Island</u> on a kid-friendly adventure through Snug Harbor