

Jane's Walk Media Guide

Jane's Walk NYC! Celebrating Jane Jacobs and New York City

Join us May 6-8 for Jane's Walk 2022! This annual event is a global festival of free, volunteer-led, neighborhood walks that generate conversation about the city and celebrate its vibrant past, present, and future. This year, the festival will feature in-person guided group walks, self-guided in-person walks, virtual talks, social media activations, and more!

Looking for inspiration? Check out the below book titles to get started!

Books

- Jane Jacobs: Urban Visionary by Alice Sparburg Alexiou
- Ideas that Matter: The Worlds of Jane Jacobs by Max Allen
- The Walker: On Finding and Losing Yourself in the Modern City by Matthew Beaumont
- My City, My New York: Famous New Yorkers Share Their Favorite Places by Jeryl Brunner
- Field Guide to the Natural World of New York City by Leslie Day
- Oddball New York: From Avenue A to Z by Lindley Farley
- Wrestling with Moses: How Jane Jacobs Took on New York's Master Builder and Transformed the American City by Anthony Flint
- What We See: Advancing the Observations of Jane Jacobs by Stephen A. Goldsmith
- The Battle for Gotham: New York in the Shadow of Robert Moses and Jane Jacobs by Roberta Brandes Gratz
- Walking in the City with Jane: A Story of Jane Jacobs by Susan Hughes
- Jane Jacobs' Legacy: Science of and Love for the Creative City by Dany Jacobs

- The Death and Life of Great American Cities by Jane Jacobs
- Names of New York by Joshua Jelly-Schapi
- Subwayland: Adventures in the World Beneath New York by Randy Kennedy
- Genius of Common Sense: Jane Jacobs and the Story of the Death and Life of Great American Cities by Glenna Lang
- Block by Block: Jane Jacobs and the Future of New York by Timothy Mennel
- Reconsidering Jane Jacobs by Max Page
- Oasis y Vitrinas Transformacion Espacio Publico en Nueva York by Ana Morcillo Pallares
- Hidden New York: A Guide to Places that Matter by Marci Reaven and Stevie Zeitlin
- Secret New York by T.M. Rives
- The Walkable City: From Haussman's Boulevards to Jane Jacobs' Streets and Beyond by Mary Soderstrom
- Creating Walkable Places by Adrienne Schmitz and Jason Scully
- Who the Hell is Jane Jacobs...and What Are Her Theories All About? by Deborah Talbot

Consult your local library for recommendations based on your Jane's Walk topic!

Or visit the Greenacre Reference Library and MAS Archives at https://www.mas.org/greenacre, open for inquiries/research assistance (closed for in-person visits). Contact Erin Butler, ebutler@mas.org, (212) 935-3960 x1274. For more ideas, go to https://www.librarything.com/catalog/MAS-GreenacreLibrary. In upper left, select "All Collections" or "Jane's Walk 2022."



WHAT IS MAS?

For more than 125 years, the Municipal Art Society of New York (MAS) has lifted up the voices of the people in the debates that shape New York's built environment, leading the way toward a more livable city from sidewalk to skyline. In addition to organizing Jane's Walk, we advocate on planning, preservation, and policy issues that shape New York's built environment and offer many public programs and walking tours throughout the year.

WHAT IS JANE'S WALK?

Jane's Walk is an annual festival of free, volunteer-led, neighborhood walks that generate conversation about the city and celebrate its vibrant past, present, and future, taking shape in a collection of in-person and virtual experiences.

WHO WAS JANE JACOBS?

Jane Jacobs was a famous urban activist and writer who lived from 1916-2006. She is best known for galvanizing New Yorkers to stop Robert Moses' project that would have built an expressway through Greenwich Village. She believed in the power of individuals to influence their city. Today, her principles represent the participatory planning approaches that have been embraced in communities around the world.

WHO CAN I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FESTIVAL?

We're here to help! Contact the Jane's Walk team at janeswalknyc@mas.org with any questions you may have.