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7 Things to Do in New York City's Neighborhoods This Weekend

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Friday, August 8

Start your weekend at MoMA (http://www.moma.org) this Friday evening when galleries are open late and admission after 4 p.m. is free. This week, check out the new exhibition "The Paris of Toulouse-Lautrec

(http://www.moma.org/visit/calendar/exhibitions/1493)," which includes some of the best-known prints and posters of the Belle Epoque and the Moulin Rouge (http://www.imdb.com/title/tto203009/). Open through 8 p.m. on Fridays; free tickets are available in person at time of visit only. 11 West 53rd St. at 5th Avenue, Midtown.

Saturday, August 9

More than 150 teams from around the world will descend on Meadow Lake (http://www.hkdbf-ny.org/home.php? choice=eventschedule)in Queens for the 24th annual Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival (http://www.nycgo.com/events/hong-kong-dragon-boat-festival)at Flushing Meadows Corona Park, 10-27 46th Ave., Long Island City, Queens. Watch the teams race on the water while enjoying cuisine from around the world as well as tap dancing, an orchestra performance, martial arts and other acts on the main stage. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at 111th Street and Grand Central Parkway, Queens. A full schedule of activities is available here (http://www.hkdbf-ny.org/home.php?choice=eventschedule). Admission is free.

Dance fans may be torn between two events on Saturday, each in the city for one day only. Socrates Sculpture Park (http://socratessculpturepark.org)in Long Island City offers the culminating performance of the first week of Dance at Socrates, a residency program in which guest choreographers develop a original, site-specific pieces. At 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, dancers will publicly perform the new work they have been creating since Aug. 4. Read more about the series and its artists here (http://socratessculpturepark.org/programevent/week-1/). Admission is free; no RSVP required. 32-01 Vernon Blvd. in Queens.

Meanwhile, up on West 152nd street in Manhattan, Dance Theatre of Harlem

(http://www.dancetheatreofharlem.org/outreach/2014-dth-annual-street-festival) will present its annual Summer Street Festival (http://www.dancetheatreofharlem.org/outreach/2014-dth-annual-street-festival) from noon to 7 p.m. The party's performance roster will include acts by professional, student and amateur dancers as well as a special appearance by the Dance Theatre of Harlem Company itself. Street vendors will set up on 152nd street to offer food, clothing, books, jewelry and more. West 152nd Street between Amsterdam and St. Nicholas Avenues, Harlem. Festival admission and performances are free.

St. Vincent (http://ilovestvincent.com/#tour), on a worldwide tour promoting her new, self-titled album, will stop in Brooklyn for one evening only at the summer's last "Celebrate Brooklyn! (http://bricartsmedia.org/performing-arts/celebrate-brooklyn)" concert at Prospect Park Bandshell. Brooklyn's own San Fermin (http://www.sanferminband.com/#tour) will open. Seating starts at 6:30 p.m., show begins at 7:30 p.m. Free, but be sure to get there early. 9th Street and Prospect Park West.

Sunday, August 10

Need to enjoy some summer greenery before heading back to work? Check out "Groundbreakers: Great American Gardens and the Women Who Designed Them (http://www.nybg.org/exhibitions/2014/groundbreakers/)," a major exhibition at the New York Botanical Garden introducing the garden creations of early 20th-century American women through flower shows, photography and music. The New York Botanical Garden is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. 2900 Southern Blvd. in the Bronx.

Alternatively, let your weekend pass away to the sweet sounds of bossa nova at SOB's (http://sobs.com/2013/3019/bossa-novabrunch-sundays-20#) (it stands for "Sounds of Brazil"). Bahia native and singer/percussionist Nanny Assis (http://nannyassis.com) will serenade diners with his jazz-samba fusion trio while you enjoy a three course brunch menu and an open sangria bar. Noon to 4 p.m., \$30.99 per person. More information and ticket reservations are available here (http://sobs.com/2013/3019/bossa-nova-brunch-sundays-20#). All ages welcome at 204 Varick St. in the Village.

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