



# MAKE MUSIC NEW YORK!

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## Make Music News: September 21, 2007

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Welcome to the September 2007 newsletter for **Make Music New York**: a free citywide musical celebration each June 21.

For one day a year -- the first day of summer -- public spaces in all five boroughs become informal musical stages for all New Yorkers, amateurs and professionals, to perform for friends, neighbors, and passers-by, turning the city into a festival of live music making.

Read on to learn more, or see our [website](#).



## MMNY 2008 Block Parties: 12/31 Deadline, Workshop Next Month

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On Thursday, June 21, 2007, New York joined more than 340 cities around the world in the first annual **Make Music New York**.

Thousands of individual musicians performed in some **560 free outdoor concerts** across the five boroughs, while cultural institutions and community groups -- from [Carnegie Hall](#) to [soup kitchens](#) -- used the festival to raise awareness of their offerings, reaching people in their own neighborhoods and [media audiences](#) from [Paris](#) to [Sydney](#).

**Next year, on June 21, 2008, Make Music New York will fall on a Saturday.** It's going to be even bigger and better, and a prime time for your group to close the street for



## a musical block party!

To get permission to close a street in NYC, you must be a local nonprofit or community-based organization. Applications must be filed by April 21, 2008... but we're asking everyone to file them by **December 31, 2007**, which will allow us to get them approved quickly, and to promote the block parties heavily in the press and through our media partners.

To learn more, please join us for a workshop on **Tuesday, October 2nd or Thursday October 4th**, where we will give you all of the forms and guide you through the permit process.

### MMNY BLOCK PARTY INFORMATION SESSIONS:

WHEN: **Tuesday, October 2nd** and **Thursday, October 4th**

TIME: **6:30pm -- 7:30pm**

WHERE: **305 Seventh Avenue, 15th floor**

(Citizens Committee offices, between 27th and 28th streets)

RSVP: [makemusicny@gmail.com](mailto:makemusicny@gmail.com) (and let us know which session you'll be attending)

## Making Music in NYC the Rest of the Year

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**MMNY 2008** is still nine months away. If you're looking for places to perform between now and then, we'd like to suggest two resources.

(1) **Susie Tanenbaum**, the **Street Performers' Advocacy Project**, and **Citylore** have produced what may be the [definitive guide](#) to playing music on the streets of New York. It explains your rights as a street or subway musician, with lots of advice about how to negotiate with MTA station managers and police. [Take a look!](#)

(2) **New York Performing Arts Spaces** has a great database to help match musicians to rehearsal and performance spaces throughout the

City. Their rehearsal space section is particularly strong, with about 500 spaces to choose from, starting at \$5 an hour.

## Office Space Needed!

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**Make Music New York is seeking office space** -- a desk or two. The non-profit organization [Citizens Committee for NYC](#), which has generously donated the space we now occupy, will soon be remodeling its offices, leaving us space-less. Our needs are modest, our staff charming. [Drop us a line!](#)



### **[And Now, A Word From Our Sponsors...](#)**

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[Time Out New York](#), one of our closest media partners, is holding its signature tasting celebration at [Skylight](#) (275 Hudson St) on **Monday, September 24th** from **6:30 to 9:30pm**. Featured restaurants include [Maze by Gordon Ramsay at the London](#), [L'atelier de Joel Robuchon](#), [Craftsteak New York](#), [Morimoto](#) and many more. Enjoy signature dishes, along with drink offerings by **Chopin vodka** and **Stella Artois**. Tickets are still available for \$100 and include a copy of the Eating & Drinking 2008 guide. **Order now at** [www.timeoutnewyork.com/eat](http://www.timeoutnewyork.com/eat).

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