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TBA Celebrates 60th Anniversary

Elect officials, members and friends joined the TBA, on September 7, as it marked 60 years serving the Turtle Bay community.

Local government representatives, who have worked with the TBA, turned out to congratulate the association with commemoration plaques, at this

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17th Precinct Commanding Officer Deputy Inspector Nicole Papamichael.



NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer and TBA President Bill Curtis.



TBA Director Dolores Marsh (r.), with Detective Jeffrey Arlotta (l.).



Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer and TBA President Bill Curtis.



N.Y. State Senator Liz Krueger and TBA President Bill Curtis.

Dan Garodnick is Leaving Office. What Next?

As term limits decree, Councilman Daniel R. Garodnick will soon leave office. Having had his support over the course of three terms, the Turtle Bay Association's board and the residents of Turtle Bay are sorry to see him go and wonder about his future plans.



Dan's leadership has helped steer actions and decisions affecting many core issues,

including health, safety and ethics. He recently introduced or helped enact laws promoting safety at construction sites, disclosure by landlords of a building's energy efficiency to potential buyers and renters, and reporting and oversight of NYPD surveillance technologies. The large, green trash cans, with the TBA logo, that now sit at corners in the neighborhood, embody his commitment to our community; a grant from Dan made them possible.

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Event Calendar

TBA Annual Meeting Honoring Councilman Daniel R. Garodnick

Monday, November, 13, 6:30 pm
Report to Membership.
Light food and wine.

TBA Holiday Toy Drive & Party

Sunday, December 3
3-5:30 pm
Parnell's Bar and Restaurant
First Avenue and 53rd Street
Admission New Toy or Gift.
Light refreshments. Paying bar.
Info: 212-751-5465



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 special occasion that celebrated and renewed the TBA's commitment to the care and preservation of the Turtle Bay neighborhood, as it continues to grow and change.

The party took place at Japan Society's landmarked building. The structure, completed in 1971, translates traditional Japanese architectural forms into a modernist idiom, and is a cultural highlight of the Turtle Bay neighborhood.



NYC Public Advocate Trish James and TBA President Bill Curtis.



Shelby Garner of U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney's staff.



TBA Who's Who

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 between 48th and 49th Streets,
 outside wall of supermarket.

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Community Calendar

17th Precinct Community Council

Open Meeting
 Last Tuesday every month, 6 pm
 Sutton Place Synagogue
 225 East 51st Street
 212-826-3228

(No meetings July, August, December)

Community Board 6

Full Board Meeting
 Second Wednesday every month,
 7 pm
 NYU Medical Center
 550 First Avenue
 212-319-3750

Now live online at
<http://wp.cbsix.org/live>



How to Protect Your Identity

The recent data breach at Equifax affected 143 million people and serves as a reminder of how important it is to protect your personal information. This seems to be more difficult than ever: If a major financial institution like Equifax can't secure private data, what are individuals supposed to do? The NYPD has provided tips and steps you can take to prevent identity theft.

Thieves Don't Need to Know Much

Identity theft requires only a few pieces of valid personal information: name, address, birth date, social security number and mother's maiden name. Armed with these, thieves can take over your financial accounts, open new bank accounts, apply for credit and debit cards in your name and make expensive purchases, apply for

loans and social security benefits, rent apartments, and establish accounts with utility and telephone service providers. Your credit can quickly be damaged, and your efforts to correct the resulting problems can become a nightmare.

Protect Your Credit Cards

- Don't carry extra credit cards in your wallet or purse, and cancel the ones you no longer use.
- Be wary of unsolicited emails and

messages that request you to confirm credit card numbers, passwords, and other such information.

Shred Personal Papers

Shred all bills, credit card charge receipts and statements, credit applications, insurance forms, bank statements, expired charge cards, and pre-approved credit offers before recycling with other paper or discarding in the garbage.

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Perhaps his most far-reaching achievement has been his role as prime sponsor of the East Midtown Rezoning, recently passed by the City Council. It is the result of complex negotiations and compromises among politicians, developers, religious institutions and civic groups, on a tangle of issues, such as landmarks, the price of air rights and improvement of the Lexington Avenue subway's aging infrastructure.

The TBA itself was among the many interested parties. We protested part of the rezoning, which allowed development of tall commercial buildings along the east side of Third Avenue. This would enable office towers to encroach farther on residential areas, and block sunlight from the streets. Dan heard us and ensured that the section between 46th and 51st streets would have rules preventing such encroachment. His willingness to work extra-hard for his constituents has been a hallmark of his term in office, and will make a lasting difference to Turtle Bay.

As for what's next, Dan says, "As a life-long New Yorker, it has been an honor to represent Turtle Bay in the City Council over the past 12 years. But I'm not going far – I plan to stay involved and engaged, and stand ready to support my neighbors now and in the future."

On November 7, citizens of District 4 will vote on Dan Garodnick's successor. We look forward to building a relationship with our new council member, and also to watching Dan as he continues his extraordinary leadership in whatever he chooses to do next. The Turtle Bay Association wishes him all the best of luck.

City Council Passes Midtown East Rezoning

On August 8, the City Council passed the Midtown East Rezoning intended to promote commercial development in the 78-block area stretching north-south from 57th to 39th streets and east-west from Third to Madison avenues. Councilman Dan Garodnick was the main sponsor of the bill.

Midtown East is critical to the city's economy. It produces 10 percent of its real estate taxes and hosts a weekday workforce

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| 17th Precinct Crime Statistics | | | |
|--|--------------|-----------|---------------|
| Report Covering 2017 through September 24 | | | |
| | Year to Date | | |
| | 2017 | 2016 | % Chg. |
| Murder | 0 | 0 | ***.** |
| Rape | 1 | 0 | ***.** |
| Robbery | 1 | 2 | -50.00 |
| Felony Assault | 1 | 2 | -50.00 |
| Burglary | 1 | 0 | ***.** |
| Grand Larceny | 7 | 19 | -63.20 |
| Grand Larceny Auto | 1 | 0 | ***.** |
| Total | 12 | 23 | -47.83 |
| Transit | 1 | 1 | ***.** |
| Housing | 0 | 0 | ***.** |
| Petit Larceny | 10 | 7 | -42.90 |
| Misd. Assault | 5 | 4 | 25.00 |
| Misd. Sex Crimes | 2 | 0 | ***.** |
| Shooting Vic. | 0 | 0 | ***.** |
| Shooting Inc. | 0 | 0 | ***.** |

From 17th Precinct Website

All figures are subject to further analysis and revision. All degrees of rape are included in the rape category.

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National Night Out Against Crime



Arts & Culture

Turtle Bay Music School

244 East 52nd Street
212-753-8811 tbms.org

Free Artist Series Concerts Fridays, 7 - 8 pm Em Lee Concert Hall

November 3

Victor Dizon, piano. TBMS faculty member Victor Dizon will be joined by pianist Racquel Borromeo. Dizon performs an eclectic mix of Latin American Dances, capped by an American Jazz Ballet Suite written and arranged for two pianos.



November 17

Renee Heitmann, soprano. Heitmann will delve beyond the song in this in-depth program of Broadway musical scenes.



December 8

Diane Taublieb, flute. Taublieb and friends will present an evening of flute-focused chamber music featuring duets, trios and quartets from both well-known and lesser-known composers.



Wednesday,

December 13, 7 - 9 pm

Handel's Messiah Sing-Along. No experience is required to attend and sing along at this annual festive event. All are welcome. Please RSVP to participate. Free and open to the public, with a festive reception to follow.



Saturday,

December 16, 1 - 3 pm

Saturday Music Project Holiday

Concerts. Come and enjoy performances by students of the Saturday Music Project. Free. Call the school to learn more about the program.



Japan Society

333 East 47th Street
212-832-1155 japansociety.org
Call or visit website for Box Office and Gallery hours. Gallery Admission: \$12; students and seniors \$10; members and children under 16 free. Free to all on Friday nights, 6 pm - 9 pm.

Business & Policy

Wednesday, November 8, 9 am

2018 Global Economic Outlook: Gaining Momentum or Slowing Down?

This program features renowned economics experts Nouriel Roubini, Atsushi Nakajima and Emiliya Mychasuk discussing the entangled geopolitical tensions, economic and monetary policy factors that threaten the global recovery and financial markets. How should we deal with these challenges and analyze the global economic trends going into 2018? In this program, speakers discuss the forces shaping the global economy, their impact on economic growth, and prospects for the U.S., Japan and Asia. Moderator: Emiliya Mychasuk, US Online News Editor, Financial Times.

9 - 9:30 am: Registration & Buffet Breakfast
9:30 - 11:30 am: Panel Discussion and Q&A
11:30 am - 12:30 pm: Networking Reception

This is a free event. However, you must register in advance to confirm your seat for the lecture. Seating is available on a first come, first served basis. For more information, please contact the Business & Policy Program at 212-715-1208 or email register@japansociety.org.

Lectures

Friday, December 1, 6 pm

The Southern Barbarians Arrive: Navigating the Nanban Screens.

Screen paintings depicting Europeans in Japan (nanban byōbu) have long been admired for their vivid portrayals of the brief encounter between Japan and Europe in the Age of Exploration. Learn about these images from Japan's "Christian Century" with Prof. Matthew McKelway (Columbia University), who will address questions of artistic competition and collaboration, and the thematic adjustments that underlie what these works of art say about their time and audience. Second in a three-part lecture series. Single lecture ticket: \$15/\$12 Japan Society members, seniors and students.

Friday, December 15, 6 pm

Architecture of Time: Enoura Observatory, Where Consciousness & Memory Originate.

Join exhibition artist Hiroshi Sugimoto for this introduction to Enoura Observatory, the headquarters of his Odawara Art Foundation, which received Japan Society grants in 2011 and 2014 and opened to the public this October. Sugimoto will also discuss his other recent architectural projects and their connection to his photographic practice and exhibitions, including Gates of Paradise. Tickets \$39/\$33 Japan Society members, seniors and students.

Theater

Noh-Now Series

Thursday, December 7, 7:30 pm

Friday, December 8, 7:30 pm

Saturday, December 9, 7:30 pm

Hanjo. Based on a 14th-century noh play with the same title, Hanjo, by provocative Japanese author Yukio Mishima (1925-1970), is a timeless tale of love, loneliness and betrayal performed in English and Japanese. Tickets: \$35/\$30 Japan Society members.



Thursday, January 11, 7:30 pm

Friday, January 12, 7:30 pm

Saturday, January 13, 7:30 pm

Sunday, January 14, 4 pm

Mugen Noh Othello. Satoshi Miyagi and his company SPAC return to New York with another literary masterpiece, Othello. Miyagi re-tells Shakespeare's tragedy through noh theater's most distinct storytelling structure, mugen noh, or a play that features a spirit. Told from the perspective of Othello's wife Desdemona, who returns as a ghost after her death, Miyagi's production is replete with stunning masks and costumes as well as powerful live music and chanting. It will be performed in Japanese with English titles. Tickets: \$35/\$30 Japan Society members.



Project C.A.R.T. Provides Free Transportation for Seniors

The C.A.R.T. (Community Arranged Resident Transportation Program Project) van service for seniors provides free specialized transportation for the frail elderly. Each year, hundreds of passengers – including those with wheelchairs – are served five days a week.



five vans take seniors to and from medical appointments and hospitals, planned activities at senior centers, and entitlement programs on which they depend. C.A.R.T. also delivers meals to homebound seniors living in mid-Manhattan.

Operating in Manhattan, from the Battery to 96th Street on the East Side and to 110th Street on the West Side, C.A.R.T.'s

In addition, Project C.A.R.T. provides private car service for seniors who need special transportation within Manhattan. Private car service is approved for emer-

gencies as well as for medical, social service, and entitlement appointments. It is also available for visits to relatives and friends in hospitals or nursing homes.

The project is funded by the New York City Department for the Aging. Services are provided by the New York Foundation for Senior Citizens, 490 Second Avenue, New York, NY 10016. Telephone: 212-956-0855. Email address: nyfscinc@aol.com. Website: <http://www.nyfsc.org/support-services/free-transportation>. Follow on Facebook and Twitter.

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If You Become a Victim, Call

- Your creditors and banks to change all passwords and PINs
- Credit bureaus to request a fraud alert/victim Impact file:
 - Equifax www.equifax.com
800-685-1111
 - Experian www.experian.com
888-397-3742
 - Trans-Union www.tuc.com
800-916-8800
- Department of Motor Vehicles
- Social Security Administration Fraud Hotline 1-800-269-0271
- Nearest U.S. Postal Inspection Office
- Federal Trade Commission's identity

theft hotline at 877-438-4338

- If you are a victim of check fraud, call:
 - Telecheck at 800-710-9898
 - Equifax at 800-437-5120

Opt Out

You can opt out of pre-approved credit offers at 1-888-5-OPTOUT (567-8688).

And report such unsolicited offers to:
National Do Not Call Registry
www.donotcall.gov
888-382-1222

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of 250,000. A zoning update is seen as vital for the future. Locally, the area needs to keep up with development on the far west and lower end of Manhattan. Globally, the city seeks to maintain its place among

essential world business locations.

To achieve this, new office buildings, designed for the digital age, are needed to replace and complement old buildings. The city hopes that the new zoning will help add 6.5 million square feet of office space to the existing 60 million in the area. This will also call for modernizing the Lexington Avenue subway's overburdened and aging infrastructure. Under the new zoning, developers will be required to pay upfront to improve subway entrances and create wider stairways.

Based on "The Future Is Looking Up for East Midtown", Editorial Board, 8/8/17, and "New York City Council Approves Rezoning Plan for Midtown Manhattan", by Patrick McGeehan, 8/9/17, The New York Times.



TBA MEMBERSHIP COUPON

Yes, I want to join the Turtle Bay Association to help support our community's quality of life.

Annual Membership Dues

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior \$15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Family \$30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business \$40 | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> Pacesetter \$250 |

Name _____

Address _____ Apt _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

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- I would like to become more involved in TBA activities.

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A Contemporary History of Turtle Bay
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