

Hi Lori!

Hope you had a great holiday weekend! Keep reading for a brief update on what we've been up to:



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You're Invited!



THIS Saturday, July 12th from 11am-3pm, join us to celebrate the [Summer Launch of Paths to Pier 42!](#)

- * Celebrate [City of Water Day](#) at Pier 42!
- * Visit new art installations created by the [2014 artists](#) working on the pier
- * Participate in hands-on artmaking workshops with the artists
- * Bring a [memorable item to create a sculptural cast of](#), while sharing stories of these objects with others!
- * Fish in the East River! Join a fishing clinic with the [LES Ecology Center](#) from 11am-1pm
- * Be a Citizen Scientist! Conduct fun science experiments with [Two Bridges](#)
- * Live music by [Metropolitan Klezmer](#) - classic klezmer sounds and bold new interpretations!
- * Experience The Pleasure Project (2pm), a performance/public space intervention with luciana achugar, a choreographer working with [LMCC's Arts East River Waterfront Initiative](#)
- * Pack a picnic or sample food offerings from local food trucks!
- * Free! All are welcome!

Click [here](#) to view the event flyer and more details.

Paths to Pier 42 is a project of [Good Old Lower East Side](#), Hester Street Collaborative, [Lower East Side Ecology Center](#), [Lower Manhattan Cultural Council](#), and [Two Bridges Neighborhood Council](#), in close partnership with the [Lower East Side Waterfront Alliance](#), [NY State Senator Daniel Squadron](#), and the [NYC Department of Parks & Recreation](#).

We are also looking for volunteers to help with set up and break down for the event, please contact Anna Pelavin at anna@hesterstreet.org if you're interested in volunteering.

The Making of Paths to Pier 42: An Interview with Chat Travieso



[Chat Travieso](#) was one of five commissioned artist in 2013 who, in collaboration with graphic designer [Yeju Choi](#), the project team, advisory committee, volunteers and most importantly, local feedback and support, transformed Pier 42 into a vibrant and accessible waterfront park for the community. This summer, Chat is expanding upon his 2013 project as a resident artist for the 2014 season of Paths to Pier 42.

HSC had the opportunity to ask Chat Travieso about his experience working on the Paths to Pier 42 project. Chat's project *On A Fence* transforms the fence surrounding the park into an interactive structure that incorporates seating, signage and play areas. The project seeks to invert the function and meaning of the fence from a physical barrier to a place of inclusion.

Read the interview [here](#)!

The QueensWay Mobile Toolkit at the Center for Architecture



This past spring as a part of our work on the QueensWay feasibility Study, HSC launched the [QueensWay Mobile Toolkit](#): a portable community engagement instrument which contains a series of game-like activities to create a welcoming and enjoyable space for feedback.

This summer, the Queensway Mobile Toolkit will be on view at the [Center for Architecture](#) as part of [The QueensWay Connection: Elevating the Public Realm exhibition](#), which presents entries to the latest ideas competition developed by the [AIANY Emerging New York Architects \(ENYA\)](#) committee. Entrants were challenged to design a vertical gateway for the elevated viaduct portion of a 3.5 mile stretch of abandoned railway in central Queens, currently under study for conversion into an urban greenway by [The Trust for Public Land](#), [Friends of the Queensway](#), and their design consultants, [WXY Architecture and Urban Design](#) and [dlandstudio architecture + landscape architecture](#).

The Exhibition will be on view at the Center for Architecture from July 17 - October 31, 2014.

P.S.134 Annual Garden Celebration!



Congratulations to our wonderful P.S.134 students on all their hard work in their outdoor classroom this year! This spring the students learned about sustainable food systems and created a series of murals about composting. They also learned about and cared for native plants that will be transplanted to Pier 42 as part of the Paths to Pier 42 artist team [Combo Colab + Stereotank's installation](#).

Check out photos of the Garden Celebration [here](#), and learn more about HSC's Ground Up design education programs, [here](#).

Get Broadway Tickets and Support HSC!



HSC recently became a [Givenik charity](#), which means you can buy discount tickets at [Givenik.com](#) to hit Broadway shows like [The Lion King](#), [Kinky Boots](#) and [If/Then](#), and 5% of every ticket will support HSC!

Visit [Givenik.com](#) for more details.

ABOUT HSC

***Hester Street Collaborative's** (HSC) mission is to empower residents of underserved communities by providing them with the tools and resources necessary to have a direct impact on shaping their built environment. We do this through a hands-on approach that combines design, education, and advocacy. HSC seeks to create more equitable, sustainable, and vibrant neighborhoods where community voices lead the way in improving their environment and neglected public spaces.*

HSC is always looking for new partners and collaborators, to help us build a more equitable and sustainable New York City, click [here](#).

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