

Hi Lori!

School is back in session and fall is fast approaching! Keep reading for a brief update on what we've been up to:



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You're Invited to the..



On Saturday September 27th, from 12-4pm, please join us on Pier 42 for the last public event of the season: the [Paths to Pier 42 Fall Festival!](#)

- * Participate in workshops with the 2014 [artists and designers](#)
- * Walk by the corner of Madison & Rutgers Streets on your way to Pier 42 to experience a performance intervention by choreographer [Luciana Achugar](#) at 12pm
- * Join a guided tour of completed art installations on the pier at 1pm
- * Enjoy theatrical performances by youth from the [Vision Urbana](#) Empire Mentorship program at 2pm
- * Join [Combo Colab and Stereotank](#) for a sound workshop and drumming performance on their installation, Drumreef 42 at 2:30pm
- * Design and build a kite during [Two Bridges Neighborhood Council's](#) 2nd annual LES Kite Festival (all day), and fly your creation in the competition at 3pm!
- * Free! All are welcome!

View the event flyer [here](#).

Paths to Pier 42 is a project of [Good Old Lower East Side](#), Hester Street Collaborative, [Lower East Side](#)

Making of Paths to Pier 42: An Interview with Takashi Horisaki & Team



[Takashi Horisaki](#) is one of five commissioned artists in 2014 who, in collaboration with the project partners, advisory committee, volunteers and most importantly, local feedback and support, is transforming Pier 42 into a vibrant and accessible waterfront park for the community.

HSC had the opportunity to ask Horisaki and his team about their experience working on [Paths to Pier 42](#). Horisaki's project [Social Dress LES - Material Memories](#) focuses on the local history and potential futures of the Lower East Side community, seeking a self-driven representation of the neighborhood through the collaborative voices of its residents. This interactive project is based on a series of workshops, engaging longer-term residents of the housing complexes in the area through the casting of items of personal significance in thin latex, while encouraging participants to tell their personal stories.

Read the interview [here!](#)

Project Team: Takashi Horisaki, Bethany Chan, Bianca Yee, Cole Tracy, Grace Shun, Jordan Delzell, Meredith Cristal, Nissim Ram, and Zoe Penina Baker

Making of Paths to Pier 42: An Interview with Tattfoo Tan



This summer we have had several opportunities to learn about the practices of the Paths to Pier 42 artists! Also interviewed recently for the [Making of Paths to Pier 42](#) series - artist [Tattfoo Tan](#):

Tan's project [New Earth Apocalypse Knowledge Advancement](#) (NEAKA) is a metal key frame catamaran installed on Pier 42 and ceremonially christened with salt. Tan sees the vessel as a spiritual reminder of an uncertain future due to societal collapse (population, climate, water, agriculture and energy) and a call to action in preparation to face such challenges. NEAKA also serves as a vitrine for [New Earth Meal Ready-to-Eat](#) (NEMRE), a part of Tan's ongoing social practice project, through which he inspires others to practice the ancient food preservation technique of dehydration, not only to help prepare for future disaster, but to provide nutritious meals in the present, knowing every ingredient and wasting none.

Read the interview [here](#)!

Support HSC Through Design With Benefits & Amazon Smile!



This month, there are a couple new ways to support HSC's community design and design education programs!

In July, HSC was one of three organizations featured by [Design with Benefits](#), an online store featuring products made with social and environmental benefits in mind. Thanks to an amazing 94% percent of voters who visited the site, we will be receiving a percentage of the store's profits from August and September - so [shop to your heart's content](#) and you will be supporting [our work](#).

And for those of you who use Amazon, we are now linked with [Amazon Smile](#)! This means that if you use [this link](#) when you shop on Amazon, HSC will receive a small portion of the profits from your purchase!

HSC Meet & Greet Next Friday!



After a temporary hiatus and an office renovation courtesy of [Leroy Street Studio](#), HSC Meet & Greets are back!

[HSC Meet & Greets](#) are monthly open houses in our workshop for people interested in learning about or volunteering with the organization. They highlight our current projects and opportunities to get involved. Meet and Greets will generally happen on the second Friday of each month from 5-7pm with snacks and drinks. If you know folks that would be interested in getting involved, this is a great way of introducing them to HSC!

Dates:

Friday, September 12th from 5-7pm

Friday, October 10th from 5-7pm

Please email Anna Pelavin at anna@hesterstreet.org if you are interested in attending.

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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