

Six Things to Do in NYC Through October 7, 2018

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Whether you're interested in seeing theater works in development or listening to a biographer discuss her latest book about female artists, there are always engaging things to do in New York City. In Manhattan, you can listen to traditional Japanese music or see choreography set to Bach's concertos, head over to Red Hook in Brooklyn for a festival celebrating Indian music, or check out a sculpture garden for some quiet contemplation in Queens.

Read on for our top event picks in NYC through October 7, 2018.

1. The Six Brandenburg Concertos at Park Avenue Armory

Park Avenue Armory will present a performance set to J.S. Bach's "Six Brandenburg Concertos," choreographed by famed Belgian choreographer Anne Teresa De Keersmaeker, from **Monday to Sunday, October 1 - 7, 2018**.

The evening-long performance, in its North American premiere, explores the movement, dance and transcendental dimension of J.S. Bach's work. Accompanied by B'rock, a baroque orchestra ensemble conducted by Amandine Beyer in their North American debut, the performance will feature 16 dancers of different generations from De Keersmaeker's company, Rosas.

Remaining tickets start from \$70. Performances will be offered on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; and Sunday at 3 p.m. To purchase a ticket, click [here](#).

Performances will be at the Armory's Wade Thompson Drill Hall, located at 643 Park Ave, New York, NY 10065. www.armoryonpark.org.

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2. Ninth Street Women: Mary Gabriel in Conversation with Deborah Solomon

Author Mary Gabriel will talk about her new book with art critic Deborah Solomon at the Whitney Museum on **Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.**

Gabriel's new book, "Ninth Street Women: Lee Krasner, Elaine de Kooning, Grace Hartigan, Joan Mitchell, and Helen Frankenthaler—Five Painters and the Movement That Changed Modern Art," explores the five women artists who transformed the New York art scene in the mid-20th century. In conversation with art critic and biographer Deborah Solomon, Gabriel will discuss this crucial chapter in American art history as well as the struggles and challenges the female artists faced. A book signing and reception will follow the talk.

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$8 for museum members, students and seniors. To purchase, click [here](#).

The talk will be presented in the museum's Susan and John Hess Family Gallery and Theater on the third floor. The Whitney is located at 99 Gansevoort St, New York, NY 10014. www.whitney.org.

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3. Hidejiro Honjoh x ICE: Shamisen Evolution Concert at Japan Society

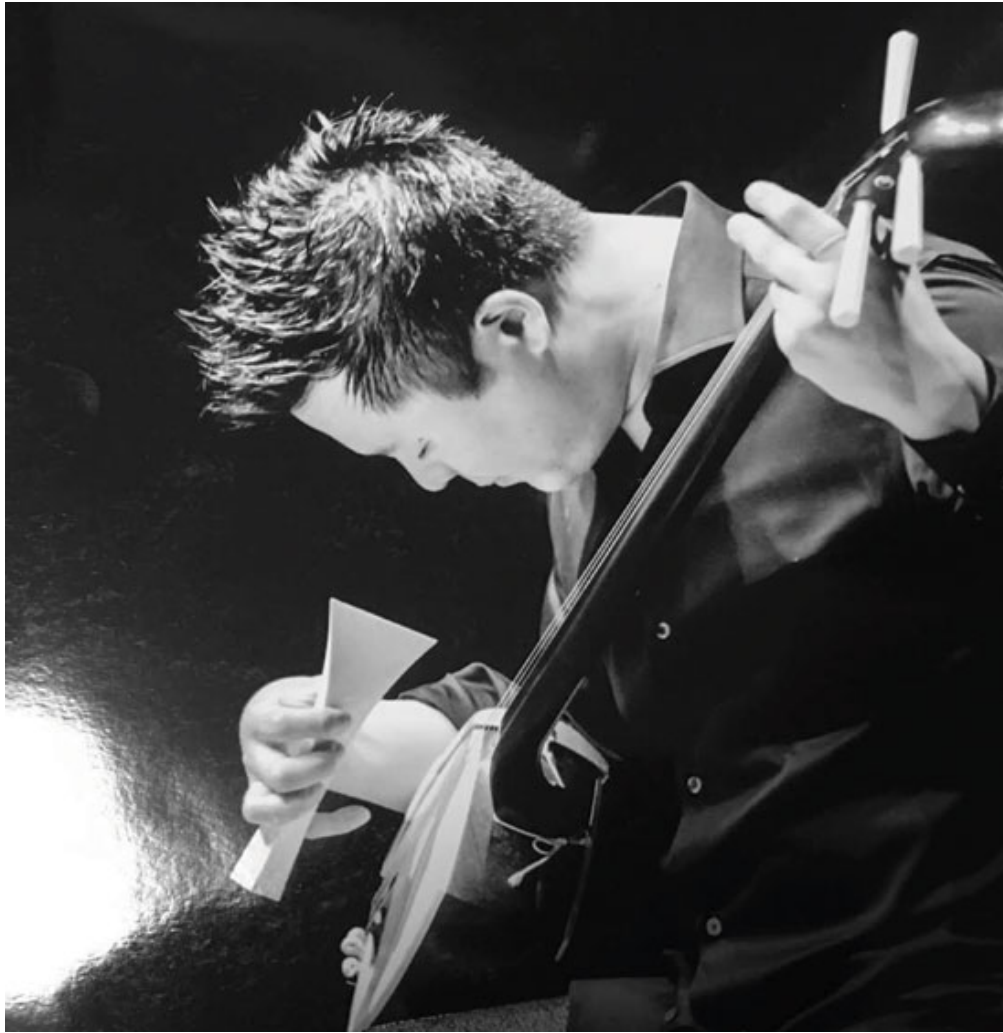
Hidejiro Honjoh will perform with the International Contemporary Ensemble (ICE) at the Japan Society on **Friday, October 5, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.**

Hidejiro Honjoh, a young shamisen prodigy and disciple of Hidetaro Honjoh, will perform with a 21st century voice on the three-stringed traditional Japanese instrument. Playing with ICE, a contemporary musical group, Honjoh's shamisen will be accompanied by piano, cello, electric guitar and more. Featuring work from living American and Japanese composers, the performance will include three world premieres composed by Vjiaj Iyer, Nathan Davies and Yu Kuwabara. The concert will be followed by a MetLife Meet-the-Artists Reception.

Tickets are \$38 for general public and \$30 for Japan Society members. To purchase, click [here](#).

The Japan Society is located at 333 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017. www.japansociety.org.

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Hidejiro x ICE: Shamisen Evolution. Courtesy of Hidejiro Honjoh and the Japan Society.

4. Ragas Live Festival at Pioneer Works

Returning for its seventh year, the Ragas Live Festival, a two-day festival of Indian music, will be held this year at Pioneer Works on **Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7, 2018**.

Featuring more than 60 world-class musicians, the Ragas Live Festival will run for 24 hours and 24 sets, with traditional Indian classical music and contemporary cross-cultural collaborations. The traditional Indian music of ragas, which were meant to be played at certain times of day, will evoke the moods of the respective hour of the day, be it sunrise or midnight. A visual experience accompanying the music, curated by Nitin Mukul and featuring layers of paint being built upon transparent sheets of ice, is designed to heighten the experience of the different hours. The festival will include acts such as the Ritual Ensemble; the Navatman Music Collective & Bulgarian Voices Trio; Max ZT and Karsh Kale; and many more.

The festival will begin on Saturday, October 6, at 5 p.m. and run until Sunday, October 7, at 5 p.m. One-day tickets purchased in advance are \$30, or \$35 if bought the day of; a two-day pass can be bought in advance for \$50, or the day the festival begins for \$60. To purchase, click [here](#).

Pioneer works is located at 159 Pioneer St, Brooklyn, NY 11231. www.pioneerworks.org

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5. The Socrates Annual at Socrates Sculpture Park

The Socrates Sculpture Park's annual exhibition will open on **Sunday, October 7, 2018 with a celebration from 3 to 6 p.m.** Installed on October 7, 2018, the exhibition will remain on view through March 10, 2019.

To promote the diversity of processes, material approaches and subjects in sculpture, the yearly exhibition showcases the distinct work of 15 sculptural artists who spent a summer-long fellowship making use of outdoor studio spaces throughout the park. This year's exhibition features a range of media, from resin and rubber to textile and sound, with artists exhibiting projects ranging from a "decolonial greenhouse" to audio-sculptural portraits of hip-hop legends, among others. Approaches include community-centered pedagogy and production, material experimentation, and redeployment of historical forms of construction, among others. Several artists created works employing representations of the human figure, while others are examining contemporary and historical land-use, among other subjects and themes.

Admission is free. The Socrates Sculpture Park is located at 32-01 Vernon Blvd, Long Island City, NY 11106. www.socratessculpturepark.org.

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"Into the ground" by Joe Riley & Audrey Snyder, 2018. Courtesy of the artists and Socrates Sculpture Park.

6. Scratch Night @ TNC

Theater for the New City will present another Scratch Night on **Monday, October 8, 2018 at 7 p.m.**

Scratch Night, which was first started in the United Kingdom in 2000, allows artists to present work in progress to an audience for one night. Theater for the New City, the first theater in America to present a scratch night, looks for a variety of the most daring artists to try out their coolest thoughts on stage. Through the theater's scratch ballot, the audience can not only enjoy a variety of theatrical works, but can also help in each work's development. All theatrical forms are welcome, as well as all stages of development.

A \$5 donation is suggested.

Theater for the New City is located at 155 First Avenue (between 9th & 10th Streets), New York, NY 10003. www.theaterforthenewcity.net.

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