



Minton's Harlem

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There is magic everywhere in New York. On the subway I once sat next to Ron Carter's wife and spent the day reminded of his beautiful style and beautiful sounds. Even the garbage underfoot here is beautiful. Then after winter, the first days of sun arrive and music from open-car windows fills the streets, like Summertime, by DJ Jazzy Jeff and Will Smith. There's even a 95-year-old man who rides past me on rollerblades down Lexington Avenue. There is beauty everywhere here in all forms and shapes; it's like Irving Penn's series of personal work at Pace/MacGill Gallery."



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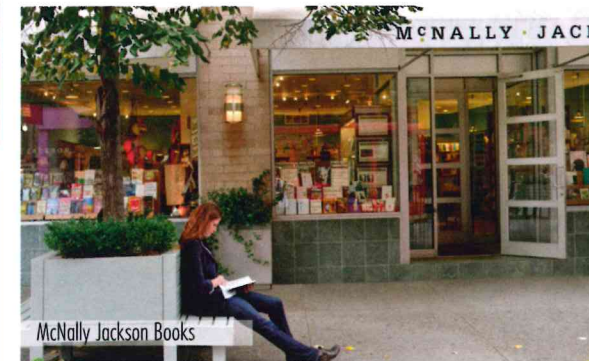
El Museo del Barrio



Central Park



Lombardi's Pizza



McNally Jackson Books



The Carlyle

FOOD/DRINKS
The Carlyle has the best hotel bar

Minton's Harlem and its executive chef Joseph "JJ" Johnson prepares a wonderful brunch

BEAUTY
For facials, Sharon Grelsamer at dangene: The Institute of Skinovation

Running laps around Central Park's Reservoir

ENTERTAINMENT
El Museo del Barrio, NY's leading Latino cultural institution

Lombardi's Pizza in SoHo is a cheesy but must-do tourist event

STAY
For a family trip, check into The Surrey

On a budget, The Jane hotel offers bunk bed rooms with communal bathrooms down the hall

SHOPPING
For vintage needs, Artists & Fleas in Chelsea or Williamsburg, Brooklyn

Dashwood Books for hostess gifts

The Evolution Store in SoHo is fabulous for bones and fossils

McNally Jackson Books offers lectures, shopping and more

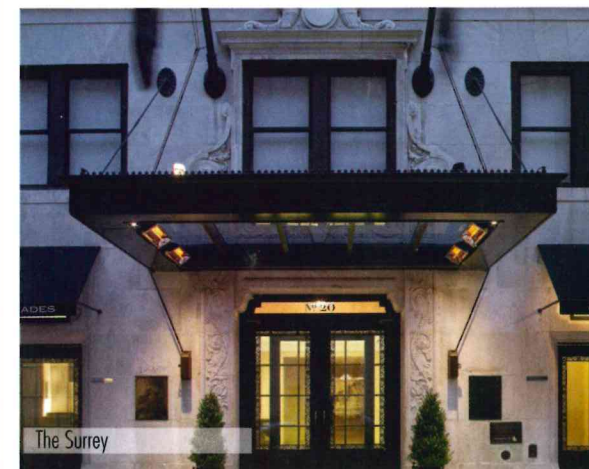
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The Evolution Store



The Jane hotel lobby



The Surrey

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