

Museum of the City of New York and Manhattan Neighborhood Network Launch Content Partnership

Public access cable network to air Museum's Future City Lab symposiums, featuring Matt Katz, Dan Barber, Julia Moskin, Eddie Bautista, and other prominent voices discussing the challenges of urban planning and living

(New York, NY | Nov 2, 2018)—The Museum of the City of New York and the Manhattan Neighborhood Network (MNN) have launched a content partnership, focusing on the Museum's Future City Lab—the third gallery within the Museum's award-winning New York at Its Core exhibition—and its urban planning symposium series. These events, organized by Future City Lab Director Kubi Ackerman, gather leading academics, journalists, and activists to discuss the ongoing issues facing New Yorkers and city dwellers at large. In disseminating these discussions to a larger audience, the Museum and MNN seek to continue and contribute to an ongoing conversation—how do we make our cities more livable?

Coverage began with last year's airing of the *New York's Future in a Changing Climate* series, which explored the different ways that New Yorkers can respond to climate change, and continues with the current *Housing Tomorrow's City* series, which explores the city's housing challenges. After each symposium airs on MNN Channels 1 and 5, video will be available to the public on the Museum's website.

"Partnering with MNN is a natural outgrowth of our ongoing mission to elevate and discuss the important issues that affect New Yorkers," said Whitney W. Donhauser, President and Ronay Menschel Director of the Museum of the City of New York. "Having MNN as a content production and distribution partner enables the Museum to further expand its reach to new audiences while continuing to educate the public at large on what is happening in this thriving yet complicated metropolis called New York City."

"MNN is pleased to partner with the Museum of the City of New York to help amplify critical conversations about the future of New York City," said Dan Coughlin, President and CEO of Manhattan Neighborhood Network. "Working with the Museum to capture, distribute and archive these important talks provides viewers with media that informs and impacts understanding about critical issues that are of concern to all New Yorkers."

Housing Tomorrow's City

Alternate Visions: Bold Proposals for Housing New Yorkers

Thursday, Dec 6, 6:30pm | Airs on MNN 1 and 5 on Wednesday, December 19, 8:00pm New York City is in the midst of an affordability crisis which poses an existential threat to the city's characteristic vitality and diversity. Hear five distinct proposals—as diverse as the city itself—from thought-leaders and activists trying to reframe our current approach to housing.

Rooted in Place: Stories of Home in the City

Tuesday, February 12, 6:30pm | Airs on MNN 1 and 5 on Wednesday, February 27, 8:00pm What are the emotional and psychological dimensions of home-making? Come hear stories of creating, maintaining, and losing one's home in a city in which every inch of space is a commodity.

Proactive Planning: Grassroots Approaches to Neighborhood Change
Wednesday, April 24, 6:30pm | Airs on MNN 1 and 5 on Wednesday, May 8, 8:00pm
In a city where change is the only constant, how can New Yorkers participate meaningfully and proactively in planning for their neighborhoods' future?

Dwelling in the Future: Imagining the Housing of Tomorrow
Wednesday, June 19, 6:30pm | Airs on MNN 1 and 5 on Wednesday, July 3, 8:00pm
Cutting-edge designers and thinkers present provocative ideas about how we might live in a future New York.

All video content from **New York's Future in a Changing Climate** series can be viewed here, including City of Rising Waters: A Symposium; Greening the Grid: New York's Energy Future; Liquid Assets: New York's Watersheds & Waterways; and Feeding the Apple: New York's Future Food Supply.

About Future City Lab

The Future City Lab is an innovative, interactive gallery which invites you to consider the big challenges facing New York City today and to imagine approaches and solutions for a better future. The exhibition captures the pulse of the city through creative design games, immersive data--driven animated maps, dynamic data visualizations, and artistic interpretations of New York's diverse subcultures, street life, and the sometimes invisible but prevalent patterns of city living. Together they bring contemporary history to life and invite visitors to help imagine the city's future.

About the Museum of the City of New York

The Museum of the City of New York fosters understanding of the distinctive nature of urban life in the world's most influential metropolis. It engages visitors by celebrating, documenting, and interpreting the city's past, present, and future. To connect with the Museum on social media, follow us on Instagram and Twitter at @MuseumofCityNY and visit our Facebook page at Facebook.com/MuseumofCityNY. For more information please visit www.mcny.org.

About Manhattan Neighborhood Network

Founded in 1992, <u>Manhattan Neighborhood Network</u> is New York City's free public-access cable network. Operating seven channels (<u>Community</u>, <u>Lifestyle</u>, <u>Spirit</u>, <u>Culture</u>, <u>HD Community</u>, <u>MNN-FSTV</u> and <u>NYXT.nyc</u>) and reaching over 600,000 cable subscribers in the Manhattan area on Spectrum,

Verizon and RCN, MNN is the largest public-access cable network in the nation, with programs airing in more than 40 languages. Find MNN on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and at mnn.org.

MNN also produces the cable and digital channel NYXT.nyc (pronounced next dot N.Y.C.). Presented in partnership with 100 Manhattan community-based organizations, NYXT.nyc shines a spotlight on groups that are working to connect people and build neighborhoods. NYXT.nyc is available on Spectrum 1992, FiOS 38, and online at nyxt.nyc.

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