

SCAVENGER HUNT

Day Glo December at MCNY

Find these objects to learn about and celebrate the art, music, and culture of the 1980s in New York City!

RECOMMENDED FOR PLAYERS AGES 7-107

1ST FLOOR WORLD CITY

LEVEL 100

1 In the 'eighties many made NYC their new home
From near and far they all roamed
A flyer in pink,
To teach kids and build links
To their culture, together they weren't alone

HINT

This Volume 1 flyer has a circular drawing on it.

2 Art that Keith Haring has drawn
A dance-a-thon fundraiser, right on!
A colorful poster,
Who will soon dance the most-er?
Raising money to help everyone

HINT

This poster has a drawing of five colorful people dancing.

2ND FLOOR PUPPETS OF NEW YORK

LEVEL 200

3 Find us in a fun group of three
Years ago, we performed on TV
One green and two pink
We are singing in sync
To children we brought joy and glee

HINT

These three puppets were designed by Jim Henson and were used in the '80s.

4 We are bugs but won't make you say "eek!"
Look the same but we are both unique
Big orange bows
We're friendly—hello!
Fuzzy bodies and pink rosie cheeks.

HINT

These puppets were created by Craig Marin and Olga Felgemacher in 1979.

3RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NEW MUSIC

LEVEL 300

5 Making music brought me to fame
I picked "Cool" for my cool middle name
Boombox on my shoulder,
I couldn't be bolder
Who took this photo, what's their name?

HINT

This black and white photo was taken in 1985.

6 Created from red paint that sprayed
Spelled out "Midge," my name, unafraid
On a train car,
In the Bronx—not so far!
What year was it when I was made?

HINT

There is a school bus in this photograph.

7 Red poster with words bright in blue
About a cool party, I'll tell you!
"Beyond Words" was its name,
To dance was its game
This party made art dreams come true

HINT

This poster advertised a party that happened on April 9, 1981.

8 My name starts with an M and ends with an A
Singing, dancing, and performing are my forté
December sixteenth nineteen-eighty-two
I'm off to the Danceteria—woo hoo!
How old was I on this day?

HINT

People call me by just my first name.

After you complete the scavenger hunt, stop by the North Gift Shop on the 1st Floor and get a totally tubular prize!

ANSWER KEY

1ST FLOOR WORLD CITY LEVEL 100

1 **Chinese Cultural Activities, Vol. 1** 1977
Lent by Transfiguration Chinese School

2 **Gay Men's Health Crisis dance-a-thon fundraising letter** 1991
Designed by Keith Haring (reproduction)
Museum of the City of New York
Gift of Mark Ouder Kirk, X2011.12.133

2ND FLOOR PUPPETS OF NEW YORK LEVEL 200

3 **The Snowths** 1976–1981
Designed by Jim Henson and built by Caroly Wilcox
Mahna Mahna 1969/1992
Designed by the Jim Henson Company with patterns
by Don Sahlin

4 **Herbert and Lulu the Hobo Bugs** 1979
Designed, built, and performed by Craig Marin and Olga Felgemacher (The Flexitoot Puppets)

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3RD FLOOR NEW YORK NEW MUSIC LEVEL 300

5 **LL Cool J NYC** 1985
Artist: Janette Beckman
Pigment print
Courtesy of the photographer
(ANSWER: Janette Beckman)

6 **Midge, The Bronx** c. 1980
Artist: Martha Cooper
© Martha Cooper
(ANSWER: 1980)

7 **[Beyond Words poster]** 1981
Artist: John Sex
Screen print
Collection of Eric Haze

8 **[Madonna with dancers on the Danceteria rooftop]** July 1983
Artist: Bob Gruen
Gelatin silver print
Courtesy of the photographer
(ANSWER: 24 years old)

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