



AWNY

JANUARY 2011



WHAT'S ON in JANUARY

10 All Ages Playdate

Monday January 10th, 10:30am till midday
 Host: Megan Brown with Isla (21 mths)
 Where: UWS mid 80's
 RSVP: by Friday 7th Jan to
 meganbrown10@gmail.com or 646 752 4725

12 January Coffee Morning

Wednesday 12 January 10.30am
 Australian Consulate, 150 E 42nd St, 34th Floor
 No need to RSVP, bring photo ID for the consulate

28 January Girls Night Out

Friday January 28 from 9pm
 Boqueria Tapas Restaurant
 171 Spring St btw West Broadway & Thompson
 Cost: \$40 Chefs Menu
 including dessert + tax/tips and drinks.
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 Web: <http://www.boquerianyc.com>

28 AAA & G'Day USA Black Tie Gala

Friday, January 28, 2011
 7:00pm - Cocktail Reception
 Museum of American Finance
 48 Wall Street, New York
 8:00pm - Dinner followed by Dancing
 Directly across the street at Cipriani Wall Street
 55 Wall Street, New York
 For further information,
 email australiaday@aaanyc.org
 or call 212 338 6860 ext 211

6-9 Voyager: The Films of Peter Weir

January 6-9
 Film Society of Lincoln Centre
 The Walter Reade Theater
 165 W. 65th St. (upper level)
 on the Upper West Side.
www.filmlinc.org

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Have you joined us on Facebook?

... a great way to keep in touch with AWNY news and events, and share information with other members.

Link to us at > [facebook/awnyc](https://www.facebook.com/awnyc)

Australian Women in New York is a program of the



New York Living Tip #7: Do you have one?

We are always looking for great tips to share with the AWNY group about living in New York. Do you have a favorite place or something you have learnt that you would like to share?

Please email to Lori Scinto
lascinto@gmail.com

AWNY Classifieds

Like to promote your business or let other AWNY members know about an event, project or organisation you are involved in?

Need to sell, swap or buy something?

Have a question that another AWNY member might be able to help with?

We are encouraging AWNY members to make use of our classifieds section - free to AWNY members and a great way to communicate with the AWNY network.

Entries can sent to Marcia L. Callaghan at the American Australian Association email: marcia.callaghan@aaanyc.org

Non - members may post classifieds for a fee of US\$20.00.



If you would like to subscribe to the Consulate's eblasts on Australian events within the New York area, please email Fiona.Gosschalk@dfat.gov.au.

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Events Around Town This January ...

Central Park - Wollman Rink

Amateur and veteran skaters alike flock to the rink at Central Park. The view of the city is spectacular--especially after it snows.

56th St and 6th Ave.

1.212.439.6100

until Spring 2011

New York Botanical Garden Holiday Train Show

More than a dozen model trains zip along a quarter-mile of track, weaving their way through nearly 150 tiny replicas of iconic NYC sights and landmarks.

Bronx River Parkway at Fordham Rd., Bronx

1.718.817.8716, **until Jan. 9**

Le Parker Meridien Annual Gingerbread House Display

The hotel has teamed up with City Harvest once again for this annual display. This year, the elaborate structures - designed by folks from the Treats Truck and Billy's Bakery - are inspired by Movies made in New York, including "Big".

Le Parker Meridien

119 W. 56th St. btw. 6th and 7th.

until Jan. 9

New York Transit Museum Holiday Train Show

Vintage Lionel trains travel through a miniature Manhattan to reach the North Pole.

New York Transit Museum, Gallery Annex
Grand Central Station

Corner of E. 42nd and Vanderbilt Ave.

1.212.878.0106, **until Jan. 17**

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Australian Association & G'Day USA**

Black Tie Gala

presented by National Australia Bank

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Black Tie

Please join us as we honour

Anthony Pratt

for his significant business accomplishments
in the United States.

Featured Entertainment

David Campbell

*World renowned entertainer and one of
Australia's most loved performers*

Priscilla Queen of the Desert

*Performances by cast members of
the upcoming Broadway*

musical Nick Adams, Jacqueline B. Arnold,
Ashley Spencer & Anastacia McCleskey

Reserve Tickets Now

For Corporate Table Reservation Form click [here](#)

For Individual Ticket Reservation Form click [here](#)

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The Walter Reade Theater is located at 165 W. 65th St. (upper level) on the Upper West Side. As **The Film Society of Lincoln Center's** core venue, the theater is home to year-round presentations of independent film, international cinema, documentary and retrospectives.

Voyager: The Films of Peter Weir

January 6-9

Peter Weir in person on January 7 & 8!

From the outback of his native Australia to the Amish country of rural Pennsylvania, and from Indonesia on the brink of revolution to the perilous peaks of the Himalayas, six-time Oscar nominee Peter Weir is the modern cinema's tireless explorer of inhospitable landscapes, fascinated by strangers in strange lands and by those experiences that test our physical, emotional and psychological limits. We are pleased to welcome Peter Weir for this career-spanning retrospective, including a special sneak preview of his new epic, *The Way Back*.

Save with a Three-Film Pass!

\$27 General Public/ \$21 Students & Seniors / \$18 Members

An Evening with Peter Weir

In a rare North American appearance, Weir joins the Film Society's Scott Foundas for an evening of film clips and conversation, tracing his career from his early days at the forefront of the Australian New Wave to his adventures in the Hollywood trade.

Admission

\$15 General Public
 \$13 Students & Seniors
 \$12 Members

Please note: This event is not included in the Three-Film Pass.

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AWNY January Coffee Morning

**Wednesday, January 12, 2011
 10.30am**

Join us for coffee and morning tea at the Australian Consulate.



MUMS&BUBS



With December such a busy month for everyone, and many people heading to warmer climates for the holidays it was a quiet month for the group.

I would really love to put some winter playdates into the calendar for January or February. Please contact me asap if you can host something in your home.

I am making my annual exodus back to Australia for 6 weeks on Feb 16, and need someone to monitor the weekly emails whilst I am away. I will try to have as much as I can diarized before I go so it's mostly sending out a reminder email weekly.

Don't forget to send through details and a pic or two of any new arrivals for the stork report to me. Congrats to recent parents, please send me something when life settles down at home.

AMB Events in January

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Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas wherever it was spent.

Megan Brown

AWNY Mums & Bubs Coordinator



AWNY CHRISTMAS LUNCH *Hayley Skurowski*

Following on from previous year's traditions where AWNY ladies come together for a weekend Christmas Holiday lunch, I was lucky enough to host an informal lunch for a small group of Australian Women all living in New York. Our venue was Malatesta - a quaint, family operated Italian restaurant in the West Village.

One of my favourite things about being part of the AAA, AWNY and an Australian Woman living in New York generally, is that it never ceases to amaze me how many Australian ladies live here! When I think that I must have met every Aussie Lady living in New York, I am so happily surprised to find that there are more and more and more to meet!

This lovely little event brought no exception!

It brought together a small group of us that had never met each other before. Of course we all wanted to know everything about each other and what had brought each one of us to New York. I never tire to hear another Australian Lady's story, always feeling so proud and inspired by such fabulous stories; where each woman has come from, what they have achieved in their courageous move from their Aussie roots to New York. Some of us in the lunch group being considerably now part of the New York City furniture, so to speak, with children and businesses that are All-American grown, to the complete opposite. One of the Ladies was a recent arrival to New York within the last 6 months. Her story is one of my favourites, almost heroic and conquering in spirit! A change from her local Sydney roots brought a desire to live in New York albeit initially on course without a visa, job, friends or place to live! Following a short stint of nothing less than super determination and motivation, she is still here but now with a fabulous job, visa, place to live and plenty of new friends!

While we all were getting acquainted with one another we shared starter salads of delicious calamari, mozzarella and mushrooms, and followed with pastas of choice. My ragu was particularly amazing. Admittedly when it first landed in front of me in all of its glorious over sized portion, I of course expected to be taking half of it home with me. Well, that proved very quickly to not be the case! One perfectly large and happily devoured meal!

As always with Australian women in New York, secrets were shared and favourite haunts were exchanged! Stories of similarities and differences, loves and solidarity for New York and American traditions were both empathized with and celebrated. The best flea markets, 2nd hand furniture finds, spa pedicures and of course the new Italian restaurant that we had all experienced together!

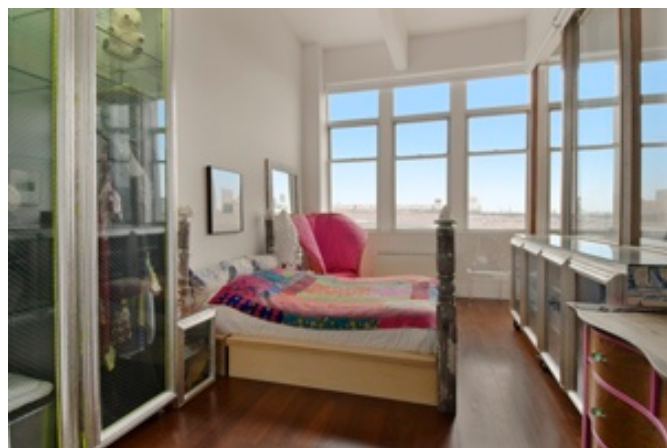
- Hayley



AWNY Property for Rent

ABUNDANT LIGHT AND AMAZING CITY VIEWS IN WILLIAMSBURG

Light and view abound in this stunning split 2BR/2BA loft. With over 1240 s.f. of incredible loft space, this highly customized enclave is a must-see! From the hand-built glass wall divider that showcases the dramatic Williamsburg Bridge and a grand sweep of the Manhattan skyline and open skies beyond from every room to its newly installed reclaimed solid wood floors. Located in the Gretsck Building, Williamsburg's premiere full service condominium with 24 hour concierge.



Features

- Asko dishwasher & Subzero Fridge
- Wolf Professional Stove, Washer/Dryer & Central AC
- Custom Glass Wall, Limestone Granite and Marble Kitchens and Baths
- Custom Reclaimed Honey Floors
- 6 ft (2 person) Soaking Tub
- Roof Deck with amazing Manhattan views
- All storage customised with Elfa closet systems
- Master suite with separate his and her closets

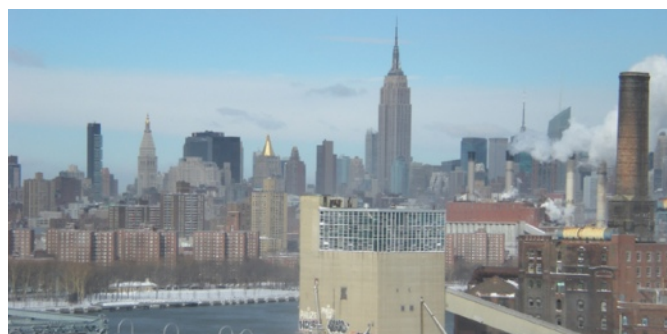
Availability

Apartment available immediately
\$4500.00 per month



Interest to be directed to Lee Iannarone

liannarone@hotmail.com 917-545-6852



AWNY Property for Rent

LUXURY WATERFRONT APARTMENT FOR RENT

CITYLIGHTS AT QUEENS LANDING, LONG ISLAND CITY, NY

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATHROOM, DESIGNER KITCHEN, separate BREAKFAST BAR, BALCONY

\$4,000 PER MONTH (BY OWNER)
1050 SQUARE FOOT

DAZZLING DIRECT MIDTOWN MANHATTAN VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM, THIS FULLY RENOVATED AND ARCHITECT DESIGNED APARTMENT OFFERS LUXURY LIVING.

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MASTER BEDROOM INCLUDES BUILT IN

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CUPBOARDS AND MARBLE ENSUITE BATHROOM WITH GLASS ENCLOSED SHOWER AND CUSTOM CABINETS.

2ND BEDROOM HAS BUILT IN CUPBOARD AND DIRECT MIDTOWN MANHATTAN VIEWS & SEPARATE BATHROOM.

BUILDING AMENITIES INCLUDE: 24/7 CONCIERGE, FITNESS CENTRE WITH DAILY CLASSES, SAUNA, OUTDOOR TENNIS COURTS, LANDSCAPED DECK, ONSITE PARKING, AND BIKE STORAGE.



THE APARTMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE RENT - BOARD APPROVAL REQUIRED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
DEBBIE CHAPPEL
- 646 716 2945

10 QUESTIONS with Claire Gibson

Hometown

I grew up in central western NSW, and have spent most of my life in Melbourne but I was working on secondment in London before moving here.

Lived in New York

Nearly 2 years

Neighborhood

Pound Ridge - Westchester County, NY. An hour North of Manhattan close to the CT border - very green and leafy (or not - right now it's very white and brown)

What brought you here?

My boyfriend, who is Australian but has lived here for 16 years

What do you do?

Working part-time in R&D, developing a business, volunteering and looking out for work opportunities. I used to work for Lonely Planet in their photographic library.

Loves most about New York

The sound of 8 million different drums beating almost in time. The friendly people, the art and the slightly competitive anything goes attitude to fashion.

Loves least about New York

Pushy shoppers (I always think it's going to be fun but then remember it's competitive). People who walk through a door that you've opened and don't say thank you.



Favorite NY spot

Union Square Greenmarket, The Frick, The Village in Spring

Memorable “only in New York” moment

Walking behind a woman (yes really with big fur, big heels and small dog) on Fifth Avenue barking down a mobile phone ... “whaadaya mean ya won't go coach, ya father goes coach, i go coach ...” I couldn't keep up with her to hear what happened next ...

Misses most about Australia

Australia Post. The sometimes harsh light, the sound of kookaburras.

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“Taking the Drama Out of Your International Relocation”

We are currently offering a big New Year's discount for its Core Services package, which includes: a minimum of two months pre- and post-move email and Skype consultation (plus phone consultation after arrival in New York); a personalized Welcome Kit tailored to your new neighborhood; and apartment checks and reports.

Please see our stylish and informative [website](#) for more details. My Move Ease's [Facebook page](#) is also a great resource for those relocating to New York and for new arrivals alike. It includes a wealth of fun and useful information on diverse topics such as: Finding a Home, Life in Your New City, How to Job Hunt and Food Glorious Food. If you're planning a move to New York from Australia (or anywhere else for that matter!)

We hope to hear from you soon.

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Would you like to contribute to the AWNY
Newsletter?

If you have visited somewhere of interest
recently, in or beyond New York,
or have book, restaurant, or
entertainment recommendations,
we would love to hear from you!

The deadline for Newsletter contributions
is the 20th of each month.

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are not guaranteed placement.
We welcome your submissions
and ideas.

Please contact us!

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