

September 6, 2019

# Rebecca Seawright



Dear Neighbor,

Welcome back to school parents and students! As a mom of two children who graduated from the New York City public school system, I know the feeling of excitement and anticipation at the start of a new school year.

In New York State, approximately 1.5 million students ride school buses to and from school every year. Out of concern for their safety, it is illegal to pass a stopped school bus with a stop arm, however, according to the New York Association for Pupil Transportation, an estimated 50,000 drivers illegally pass a stopped school bus every day. This week, in time for the new school year, legislation I am proud to have supported goes into effect, install stop-arm cameras on school buses holding drivers accountable and ensuring that students are safe on their way to and from school.

As a Member of the New York State Assembly Education Committee, my goal is to put schools and students at the fore of our legislative and budgetary discussions and decision making. Please keep me informed of how we can work to improve our schools and where funding may be needed. We are pleased to be able to share this [important resource guide](#) including some of the following information:

- Students have a right to a safe and supportive school environment year-round, free from bullying, discrimination, and harassment. If your child experiences bullying or harassment at school, report the incident by contacting the Respect for All liaison at your child's school, calling the Respect for All hotline at 718-935-2288, or emailing the Office of Safety and Youth Development (OSYD) at [RespectforAll@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:RespectforAll@schools.nyc.gov).
- There are services in place to aid students with disabilities that could affect their learning, including physical impairment, trouble reading, or behavioral issues. For more information, click [here](#).
- Get involved! Keep in touch with your child's teachers and school administrators, join the school's Parents Association (PA) / Parent Teacher Association (PTA), School Leadership Team (SLT), School Wellness Council, or Citywide and Community Education Councils (CECs). For more information about CECs, click [here](#).

This week, I joined the School Construction Authority and my East Side colleagues in cutting the ribbon to open a pre-k center, adding 180 new seats to be filled by four-year-olds on the Upper East Side at 355 East 76<sup>th</sup> Street. It was an exciting moment to be one step closer to ensuring that all families have the same access to quality education in their own neighborhood.

Please join us at any of the upcoming events I am pleased to sponsor:

**Roosevelt Island Shred-a-thon**

Motorgate Turnaround, 688 Main Street  
Saturday, September 14 from 10:00am-1:00pm

**Third Avenue Street Fair**

66th- 86th Street on Third Avenue  
Sunday, September 15 from 10:00am-6:00pm

**Emergency Preparedness Training**

Cornell Tech, 2 West Loop Road, Roosevelt Island  
Thursday, September 19 from 2:00pm - 3:30pm

**92nd Street Y Street Fest '19**

Lexington Avenue from 79 to 94 Street  
Sunday, September 22 from 12:00pm-5:00pm

**\*\*\*FEATURED EVENT \*\*\***

**New York State Assembly Manhattan Delegation Census Job Fair**

**\*\*\* 2 LOCATIONS!\*\*\***

The Census Bureau is hiring! Come learn more about the Census and the jobs available. Apply for Census takers and administrative positions. Starting pay rate is \$25/hr!

**Downtown Event**- Wednesday, September 25 from 6:00pm-8:00pm-Pace University, Aniello Bianco Room, One Pace Plaza (between Spruce Street and Frankfort Streets)

**Uptown Event** - Thursday, September 26th from 6:00pm-8:00pm- Location TBD

**Upper East Side & Roosevelt Island Town Hall with New York City Comptroller Scott Stringer**

Lenox Hill Neighborhood House  
331 East 70 Street (between First and Second Avenues)  
Wednesday, October 2 from 7:00pm-9:00pm  
Doors open at 6:30pm

**Department of Finance Rent Freeze Clinic**

Community Office of Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright  
1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets)  
Monday, November 4 from 10:00am-1:00pm

If our office may be of service, remember that we are just a call, email or visit away!

Sincerely,

Rebecca



[Click to Visit Our Website](#)

As Featured in the Patch...

**180-Seat Pre-K Center Opens On UES For 2019 School Year**



***"I commend Council Member Ben Kallos for helping to secure the space for critically needed pre-k seats on the Upper East Side of Manhattan. As a member of the Education Committee in Albany and as a mother of two children who graduated from the City's public school system I have seen first-hand the need to invest more dollars in public education. I am pleased that we are closer to ensuring that all families have the same access to quality education in their neighborhood,"*** said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.



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UPPER EAST SIDE, NY - Upper East Side families sending their children to their first days of preschool this week can breathe a sigh of relief knowing they don't have to take their four-year-olds to school in Lower Manhattan.

[Read more  
patch.com](https://www.patch.com)

Urban Outreach Center

Request for Men's Clothing Collection



Josephine Wilson, Assistant Director of the Urban Outreach Center is requesting that neighbors spread the word that there is a desperate need for Men's Clothing.

Anyone interested can drop donations at:

Church Of The Living Hope  
161 East 104th Street  
Bet. Lexington and 3rd Avenue  
Monday-Friday 9AM-1PM

Jan Hus no longer takes donations at the old location.

## Upcoming Events

 **NEW YORK CITY COMPTROLLER**

# SCOTT M. STRINGER

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney	Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer	State Senator Liz Krueger	State Senator José M. Serrano
Assemblymember Dan Quart	Assemblymember Robert J. Rodriguez	Assemblymember Rebecca A. Seawright	Council Member Keith Powers

## UPPER EAST SIDE & ROOSEVELT ISLAND

# TOWN HALL

- ▶ Tell us what's on your mind
- ▶ Help improve New York City
- ▶ Learn what the Comptroller's Office can do for you

**PARTNERING ORGANIZATIONS**

Carnegie Hill Neighbors, Community Board 8, East Sixties Neighborhood Association, East 72nd Street Neighborhood Association, East 79th Street Neighborhood Association, East 86th Street Merchants/Residents Association, Four Freedoms Park Conservancy, Friends of the East River Esplanade, Lenox Hill Neighborhood House, Madison Avenue BID, Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center

**Wednesday, October 2, 2019**  
Doors Open at 6:30 PM  
Time: 7PM – 9PM

**Lenox Hill Neighborhood House**  
331 E 70th St (70th St btwn 1st and 2nd Ave)  
New York, NY 10021

To RSVP and for more information, please call (212) 669-3916, or email [action@comptroller.nyc.gov](mailto:action@comptroller.nyc.gov)  
If you need language translation services or other special accommodations, please call 212-669-4315.

 Accessible facility

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# THE CITY'S CONSTITUTION?

# You can vote on that.



The New York City Charter is our city's constitution—an instruction manual for our local government. It describes how the city spends our tax dollars, the powers of our elected officials, and how decisions are made about changes to our neighborhoods.

On November **fifth**, New Yorkers across the **five** boroughs will vote on **five** ballot questions that could change our local elections, how police officers are held accountable, how the city budget is set, government ethics rules, and how land in the city is developed.

**On November 5, 2019, you can vote on that.**

## 2019 BALLOT PROPOSALS SEPTEMBER COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS:

SEPTEMBER 9 <sup>th</sup>	QUEENS	QUEENS BOROUGH HALL
SEPTEMBER 10 <sup>th</sup>	BROOKLYN	BROOKLYN BOROUGH HALL
SEPTEMBER 16 <sup>th</sup>	MANHATTAN	JOHN JAY COLLEGE
SEPTEMBER 17 <sup>th</sup>	STATEN ISLAND	COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND
SEPTEMBER 18 <sup>th</sup>	BRONX	ANDREW FREEDMAN HOME

**\*\* All meetings are 6:30pm-8:00pm \*\***

Translation and Accommodations available upon advance request,  
email: [info@charter2019.nyc](mailto:info@charter2019.nyc)



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## Charter Revision Commission 2019

You can vote on that.

[Read more](#)

[www.charter2019.nyc](http://www.charter2019.nyc)



## Community Board 8 Calendar

The Manhattan Community Board 8 (CB8M) represents the Upper East Side of Manhattan and Roosevelt Island. CB8M is comprised of 50 volunteer members who serve as advocates and service coordinators for the community and its...

[Read more](#)

[www.cb8m.com](http://www.cb8m.com)



## Moving for Life Dance Exercise Class @ John Jay Park

Join us at John Jay Park for a Moving for Life Dance exercise class. The class is catered to older adults. It starts with a focus on breath and stretch and transitions



into gentle aerobics and strengthening through dance moves. The class finishes ...

[Read more](#)

[www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)



 Carl Schurz  
**PARK**  
Conservancy

presents the 47th  
**GRACIE SQUARE  
ART SHOW**



East End Avenue  
84th to 88th Streets

Saturday & Sunday  
Sept. 7th & 8th, 2019  
10:00am - 5:00pm

Rain or Shine  
Free Admission

[www.graciesquareartshow.org](http://www.graciesquareartshow.org)

 **Dorian's**  
SEAFOOD MARKET

 **Ottomanelli**  
Butcher Shoppe  
Est. 1900

 **Yura on**  
East End  
50 East End Ave.  
(212) 879-8730

 **HALSTEAD**  
Terry Lamb  
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Real Estate Broker  
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terry@halstead.com  
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# LEARN ABOUT THE NYC RENT FREEZE PROGRAM!

ASSEMBLY MEMBER  
REBECCA SEAWRIGHT

&

**NYC**  
Department of Finance

LEARN ABOUT THE SENIOR CITIZEN/ DISABLED RENT INCREASE  
EXEMPTION PROGRAM FOR RENTERS IN NEW YORK CITY!

WED. SEPTEMBER 4  
WED. NOVEMBER 6  
10:00AM - 1:00PM

COMMUNITY OFFICE OF  
ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA SEAWRIGHT  
1485 YORK AVE (78/79 STREETS)



TO RSVP CALL 212-288-4607  
OR EMAIL [SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV](mailto:SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV)





# VOLUNTEER FOR DOROT'S ROSH HASHANAH PACKAGE DELIVERY

Bring warmth and companionship to an older neighbor with a Sunday morning visit. Sign up for the East or West Side location for orientation, package pick-up, and a home visit assignment.

**Sunday, September 22, 2019  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

## **West Side**

DOROT  
171 West 85<sup>th</sup> Street  
(East of Amsterdam Avenue)

## **East Side**

Central Synagogue - Community House  
123 East 55<sup>th</sup> Street  
(Between Park and Lexington)

**REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!  
WWW.DOROTUSA.ORG/ROSH**

Group opportunities also available! For more information, please contact: [sstahl@dorotusa.org](mailto:sstahl@dorotusa.org)



#DOROTUSA #DOROTPD



DOROT alleviates social isolation among older adults through the assistance of volunteers, fostering mutually beneficial relationships while enabling older adults to remain independent in their homes.

*DOROT's Rosh Hashanah Package Delivery was generously endowed by Mrs. Bella Wexner to honor her parents Lena and Harry Cabakoff. We are also grateful to the estate of Sanford H. Goldstein for its support of DOROT's Holiday Package Delivery programs.*





LENOX HILL NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

# Sparking Wellness and Creativity through Art

**A Program for Individuals with Memory Impairments**

This five-session course designed for individuals with mild to moderate cognitive impairments, including dementia, will explore the use of art to spark creativity, expressive outlets and cognitive stimulation. The person-centered process will focus on each individual's strengths and the development of their own creative style.

**No previous art experience required!**

**5 Tuesdays from October 15<sup>th</sup>-November 12<sup>th</sup>**

**3:00pm-4:30pm**

**331 East 70<sup>th</sup> Street between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenues,**

**4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**Total Fee: \$175**

**Pre-registration required.**

<https://www.lenoxhill.org/sparkingwellness>

**For More Information Contact:**

Jamie Shoneman at 212-218-0526 or [jshoneman@lenoxhill.org](mailto:jshoneman@lenoxhill.org)

331 East 70th Street, New York, NY 10021 | [www.lenoxhill.org](http://www.lenoxhill.org)

**Roosevelt Island Events**

# Roosevelt Island Community



## SHRED-A-THON



**Senator  
José M. Serrano**



**Assembly Member  
Rebecca A. Seawright**



**Council Member  
Ben Kallos**

**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

**10:00am-1:00pm**

**Motorgate Turnaround**

**688 Main Street**

**(Next to Gristedes)**



Office of Senator José M. Serrano, 212-828-5829

Office of Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, 212-288-4607

Office of Council Member Ben Kallos, 212-860-1950





**GOVERNOR ANDREW M.  
CUOMO & NYS SENATOR  
JOSÉ M. SERRANO**



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# **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TRAINING**

**Thursday, September 19th, 2019  
2:00 - 3:30 PM**

**Cornell Tech  
2 W Loop Rd  
New York, NY 10044**



*Learn how to prepare for emergencies and receive a  
**FREE NYS Disaster Preparedness Kit!***

**RSVP Required. Register online at  
<https://prepare.ny.gov/training-events>**

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR HELP WITH REGISTRATION, PLEASE  
CONTACT SENATOR SERRANO'S OFFICE AT  
212-828-5829

**In conjunction with:**

**Congressmember Carolyn Maloney, NYS Assembly Member Rebecca  
Seawright, NYC Council Member Ben Kallos, & Manhattan  
Community Board 8**