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# New York Today: The Women Who Built the City

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*Good chilly Tuesday morning. Welcome to fall.*

When German artists claimed responsibility for planting two white flags atop the Brooklyn Bridge over the summer, they said they were tributes to the bridge's builders, John and Washington Roebling.

Perhaps there should have been a third flag.

Emily Warren Roebling, Washington's wife, oversaw the engineering on the bridge construction for more than a decade after her husband was disabled.

There are women behind other celebrated sites in our city, too.

The Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden at the New York Botanical Garden in the Bronx, for example, was designed by Beatrix Farrand.

The triangular arrangement, with radiating paths and flower beds, is considered one of the most beautiful rose gardens in the world.

The skyscraper originally known as the Union Carbide Building, which now houses the JPMorgan Chase world headquarters on Park Avenue, was designed by Natalie de Blois.

The steel-and-glass tower became an icon of 1960s architecture; the architect did not.

To commemorate women's contributions in the field, the Beverly Willis Architecture Foundation has started a project called Built by Women NYC.

It is looking for 100 structures or built environments in New York City designed or constructed by women, to include in walking tours, interactive maps and more.

It is accepting nominations through Oct. 31.

You may also share suggestions in the comments or on Twitter by using #nytoday.

Here's what else you need to know.

## **WEATHER**

Sunny and briskish, with a high of 70.

Tonight, good stargazing weather.

## **COMING UP TODAY**

- World leaders, including President Obama, are at the United Nations for the climate change meeting. Mayor de Blasio speaks at 8 a.m.

- Rob Astorino, the Republican candidate for governor, speaks on Fox 5's "Good Day New York." 7:30 a.m.

- The city's Campaign Finance Board celebrates National Voter Registration Day with free public events around the city. ...

- ... That will include a "Just Say Yes to Voting" party, with music by Hot 97, at City Hall Park. 10 a.m.

- "The Business of Pot: The Stakes are High" is the title of a marijuana-themed breakfast panel hosted by Crain's at John Jay College. 8:30 a.m. [\$80]

- A weeklong exhibition for Blondie's 40th anniversary is up at the Chelsea Hotel storefront gallery. 1 p.m.

- President Enrique Peña Nieto of Mexico talks about recent developments at the Council on Foreign Relations. 2 p.m. (not 1:15 as we reported earlier).

[Livestream]

- President Nicolas Maduro of Venezuela speaks at Hostos Community College in the Bronx. 6 p.m.

- Free small food for commuters: Ghirardelli hands out its new mini chocolates in Grand Central's Vanderbilt Hall.

- Stargazing from the High Line begins at dusk.

- Yankees host Orioles, 7:05 p.m. (YES). Mets at Nationals, 7:05 p.m. (SNY).

- For more events, see The New York Times Arts & Entertainment guide.

## COMMUTE

- **Subway and PATH**

- **L.I.R.R., Metro-North, N.J. Transit, Amtrak**

- **Roads:** Check traffic map or radio report on the 1s or the 8s.

- **Alternate-side parking:** in effect till Thursday.

- **Air travel:** La Guardia, J.F.K., Newark.

## IN THE NEWS

- The United States Attorney Preet Bharara warned that his office stood ready to file a civil rights lawsuit against the city if it failed to force changes at Rikers Island. [New York Times]

- Climate change protesters tangled with police at a Wall Street demonstration. [New York Times]

- A man dressed as a polar bear was among those detained. [Animal New York]

- A jury in Brooklyn found Arab Bank liable for knowingly supporting terrorism in the Middle East. With 300 plaintiffs, damages could be in the billions. [New York Times]

- Security agents at J.F.K. Airport found two guns, 350 rounds of ammunition and 33 pounds of marijuana in the luggage of a Barbados-bound Canadian woman. [New York Times]

- A black bear killed a Rutgers student during a hike in New Jersey. [New York Times]

- The woman who was recently struck by a bicyclist in Central Park has died. [New York Times]

- A speed camera installed at a Belt Parkway exit ramp in Brooklyn issued 6,000 summonses in a single day. [Sheepshead Bites]

- The police officer killed in a Bronx van crash on Sunday was not wearing a seatbelt, nor were several other injured officers, an official said. [Daily News]

- Former Mayor Bloomberg is back working at his media company because, he says, “the alternative, in my case, is staying home and talking to Diana about feelings.” (Diana is his girlfriend.) [Daily Intel]

- Scoreboard: Yankees blank Orioles, 5-0. Bears ground Jets, 27-19.

- For a global look at what’s happening on Tuesday, see Your Morning Briefing.

### **AND FINALLY ...**

On this date in 1938, the so-called 5,000-Year Time Capsule was buried at the site of the upcoming 1939 World’s Fair, in Queens.

The time capsule, to be opened in 6939, contained more than 100 items.

They included a woman’s hat, a man’s pipe, a lump of coal, poker chips, a message from Albert Einstein and a 10 million word “record of our present day

civilization,” The Times reported.

(The record was compressed into 1,100 feet of microfilm.)

Merely 25 years later, the torpedo-like capsule was disinterred, and plans were made to replace it with a new one at the 1964 World’s Fair.

“The new capsule will incorporate advances since 1938 in medicine, and health, space science, atomic energy, the start and conclusion of World War II and other interim information,” The Times reported.

A book giving the first capsule’s exact location had been published and sent to 3,000 libraries and monasteries around the world.

“A comparable book will be prepared for the new capsule,” The Times assured.

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