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NYC Pop-Up Shops: 8 Places to Find Cool Holiday Gifts

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In our [Local Holiday Gift Guide](#), we've been sharing our favorite places to buy unique gifts in New York City, like [craft fairs](#) and [holiday markets](#). We also love browsing the eclectic wares at all of the pop-up shops that appear in NYC at this time of year.

WHAT TO DO TODAY?

Wed 1	Thu 2	Fri 3	Sat 4	Sun 5	Mon 6	Tue 7
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Mobilis In Mobili: An Exhibition Of Steam Punk Art And Appliance
FREE ✓ **Picks**
Wooster Street Social Club
12:00pm

First Wednesdays Bronx Culture Trolley **FREE** ✓ **Picks**
Longwood Art Gallery at Hostos Community College
5:30pm

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These temporary retail stores are often (but not always) set up by

businesses that don't normally sell goods directly to the public, and they've become extremely popular over the past few years. This holiday, magazines like *Wired* and *Real Simple*, Dylan's Candy Bar and even Lady Gaga have pop-ups in New York City.

Read on for the scoop on eight awesome pop-up shops in NYC this holiday.

Wired Pop-Up Store – Midtown West

42nd Street and Broadway

Wednesday-Sunday noon-7pm through Saturday, December 24.

The mag's super-cool shop is a great place to find gifts for the geeks on your list. Unfortunately, this year's shop is located in tourist-packed Times Square, but it's worth pushing your way through the crowds to try out all of the techie gadgets for sale here.

Jade's ToyBox – Tribeca

124 Hudson Street between North Moore and Ericsson Place

Monday and Friday 9am-7pm; Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday 11am-7pm; Sunday 11am-5pm through Wednesday, December 28.

The annual toy pop-up returns, but it's not just about shopping. In addition to browsing fair-trade goods and playthings made from renewable or eco-friendly materials, families can enjoy fun activities like writing letters to Santa, crafts, storytime and a cookie swap. [Visit the website for a full schedule of events.](#)

Toys R Us Express – Citywide

Locations and hours vary.

Although Toys R Us reduced its number of pop-up shops this holiday season, there are still a few. Often these temporary sites are less busy than the permanent locations. [Visit TRU's website to find an Express store near you.](#) We know there's one on Sixth Avenue in the Manhattan Mall, one in the Bronx and a few in Queens, plus a bunch in New Jersey where the retailer is based.

Holiday Pop-Up: Artists & Fleas at Chelsea Market – Chelsea

15th Street and Tenth Avenue

Friday, December 16-Saturday, December 31 10:30am-7:30pm.

Various Manhattan theaters

12:00am

The African Drum

York College Performing Arts Center

12:00am

Broadway Week

Various Manhattan theaters

12:00am

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Tickets for the NY International Children's Film Fest go on sale today! They sell out fast <http://t.co/stNWVeqP>

It is frighteningly warm out there.



The stalwart Brooklyn market is coming to downtown Manhattan for two weeks. Browse goods like cool clothing and funky art by local independent designers and artists. Yes, we mentioned this in our [holiday markets roundup](#), but it sounds so awesome we thought it was worth repeating.

[Real Simple Pop-Up Shop at Bryant Park – Midtown West](#)

Sixth Avenue and 42nd Street

Thursday, December 8-Tuesday, December 13 11am-10pm

Bryant Park already has a [free ice-skating rink](#), a [lovely carousel](#) and a [fabulous holiday market](#). For one week, you'll also find this pop-up from the high-end publication. Enjoy food tastings and makeovers, snag gift bags and buy items that were featured in the the mag's December gift guide. Better hurry: The pop-up closes this Tuesday. [Visit the website for a complete schedule of events](#).

[Gaga's Workshop at Barneys New York – Midtown East](#)

660 Madison Avenue

Monday-Wednesday, Friday-Saturday 10am-8pm; Thursday 10am-9pm; Sun 11am-7pm through Monday, January 2.

The wares at this pop-up are just as outlandish as Barneys' [Gaga holiday windows](#) (that's one of them above). We love the [kooky toys](#), especially the magnetic Gaga dress-doll. The pop star's collection also includes clothes, candy, cosmetics and more inspired by her outrageous style. Bonus: Barneys is donating 25% of sales from the pop-up to Gaga's anti-bullying nonprofit [Born This Way Foundation](#).

[Dylan's Candy Bar Pop-Up Shop – Midtown West](#)

1095 Sixth Avenue at 42nd Street

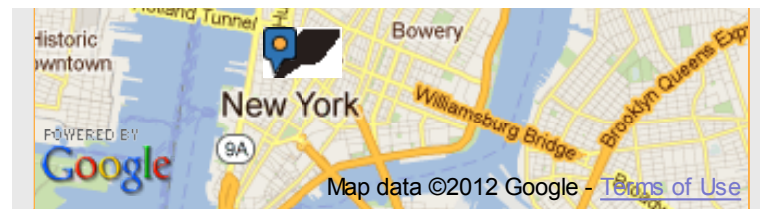
Monday-Thursday 10am-10pm; Friday-Saturday 10am-11pm; Sunday 10am-9pm through Sunday, January 8.

Even though its flagship store is in Midtown East, Dylan's decided to open this 7,000-square-foot holiday shop filled with candies and treats galore, and as chocolate lovers we're not complaining. The chain's first-ever pop-up also features a candy Christmas tree and a giant gingerbread house.

[Jingle: A Holiday Pop-Up Store in Chelsea Market – Chelsea](#)

15th Street and Tenth Avenue

Monday-Saturday 10:30am-7pm; Sunday 10:30am-6pm through Friday,



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Katz27

oops - hazards of multitasking - just saw it was already on the top of the list - thanks Mommy Poppins!

Kathis

Another museum that makes you check your stroller is the Museum of the Moving Image at Kaufman Astoria Studios....fortunately it's not too big a museum to go through, but definitely a consideration...

Kathis

December 23.

Now in its fifth year, this pop-up showcases eclectic wares by 20 artists. Find jewelry, kitchen wares, beauty products, chocolates and more.

Find other great gift spots in our [NYC Shopping Local Gift Guide](#) and lots of other seasonal fun in our [Holiday Guide](#).



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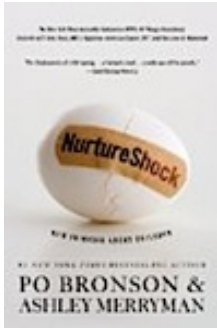
[Mini Kick Scooter - for kids age 2-5, 3-w heel scooter](#)
The best scooter for preschoolers.



[The Manhattan Directory of Private Nursery Schools](#)
Still the best reference for NYC preschools.

What We're Reading

Me



[The most interesting and life-changing parenting book I've read.](#)

The Big Kid



[My daughter loved this so much, we read it aloud to the whole family. Then moved on to the next one. \(grade 3 and up\)](#)



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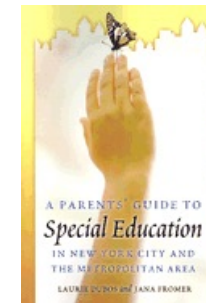
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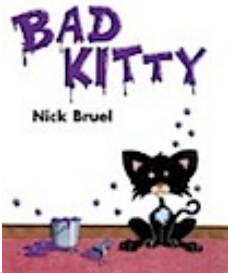


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Phil and Teds Double Stroller
Narrow enough for the grocery
store aisle.

The Little Kid



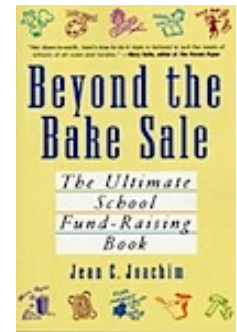
[Bad Kitty is hilarious as he works his way through an alphabet of naughtiness.](#)

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- > Independent Toy Stores in New Jersey
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- > Things To Do With Kids This Weekend in New Jersey January 28-29: Winter Fest, Baby Fest and More!



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