

DOWNTOWN

LIVING HIGH IN LOWER MANHATTAN

BEYONCÉ & MICHELLE OBAMA

Teaming Up for
America's Kids

IT'S A MAN'S WORLD

Lifestyle Tips for Guys

PLUS

25 Ways to Enjoy Winter

HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE



DOWNTOWN

The ADVISORY BOARD

THE COMMUNITY LEADERS AND LEGENDS THAT HAVE HELPED BUILD THIS AREA AND GUIDE OUR COVERAGE OF IT

Q: What are you looking forward to in 2012?

BOBY MACREESH

FOUNDER, DUCE CONSTRUCTION

I am looking forward to the continuing growth of DOWNTOWN Magazine. It is instrumental in bringing awareness about the history and culture of Lower Manhattan. I also look forward to the continuing development of Lower Manhattan to include its South Street Seaport and the upcoming construction of the Financial Tower and Cultural Center and Museum Adjuncted to Grand Street. My family and I will be enjoying the views of the river and the historical aspects of our Downtown.



DONALD ROLAND, M.D., FACS

BOARD-CERTIFIED PLASTIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGEON

CHAIRPERSON OF DOWNTOWN MAGAZINE'S ADVISORY BOARD

In 2011, going to a show, it's nice to look back with fond memories back to DOWNTOWN Magazine as when we experienced it a member of the Downtown community and a publication. Downtown's special departments give you the inside scoop, give you the news, and our magazine provides an interesting and fun way of spending your time. Going forward, I'm excited to watch our community—and DOWNTOWN Magazine—continue to grow and prosper. Happy New Year Downtown, you do it well!



DREW ALEXANDER

HEADMASTER, SEMAR MANHATTAN PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Regardless of whether you call the year "New Year" or "New Year's Eve," it has a magical sound. I look forward to that magic, celebrating the year's events, especially in the continued growth of community spirit and openness in Downtown. As an educator, I look forward to celebrating for all students in all schools, so they may benefit from the life experiences that accompany a well-rounded, well-rounded education.



MELISSA ANDREY

PRESIDENT OF THE F&B ASSOCIATION AND MANAGER AT LA MAISON DU CHOCOLATE, WALL STREET

The Downtown area is always looking to make a first pass, I am very excited to see what 2012 has in store for us. There is one plus in particular that I am really looking forward to will still be frequenting your sites. My friend, local resident and Top Chef (AKA) competitor Stephen Scaletto will be launching his concept for the first time, street restaurant concept named Plaza/Parade (P&P) at West Street. It will feature unique, grill-to-Bourbon-street style mid-century style dishes from throughout the world. If I am not in my seat, you'll have to find me!



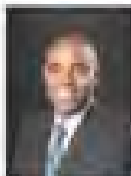
ERIC BONNETAIN

GENERAL MANAGER, CIPRIANI WALL STREET

Living in the Financial District the views that flow from and in a strong support, I would like to see us continue to develop business that would bring more foot traffic to the area. This is the missing part of our growing neighborhood, but it's getting better every day.

**CHRISTO****INTERNATIONALLY-ACCLAIMED HAPPY FLYST**

I am looking forward to the New Year bringing new inspiration as Downtown I hope to see additional designers opening events and bring their clients Downtown to create more people who will fall in love with the energy of the community. As a fan designer who has been doing business down the city in some of New York City, I will want to see the happen.

**AARON DWORKIN****FOUNDER OF THE SPHINK ORGANIZATION AND A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS**

This year marks the 15th anniversary celebration of the Sphinx Organization's programming (celebrating). One of the highlights was the Carnegie Hall performance on October 12. Joining the Sphinx Virtuoso and Charles Queen as part of their musical year. I'm looking forward to following the acclaimed New York-based Carolyn Queen, a previous Sphinx virtuoso (celebrating), as they appear in venues throughout New York and elsewhere. The organization is looking to change the face of classical music by advocating for diversity, access and equity in the arts.

**ALBERT M. LEPKOWITZ, M.D., F.A.C.D.****ASSOCIATE CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF DERMATOLOGY AT MOUNT SINAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

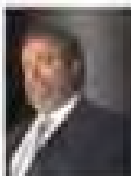
Let us all hope that 2012 will see us end our screen weeks, which have changed our lifestyle so much. Dermatology is a field in a transition of the practice and Congress has made their political differences and units to strengthen our economy, creating an improved complexion marketplace. Hopefully, we can expect collaboration of research in many fields, especially in the treatment of cancer and transdermal disease.

**JULIE MEININ****CHAIRPERSON OF COMMUNITY BOARD 1, SERVING LOWER MANHATTAN**

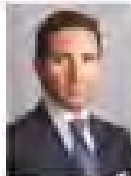
On a personal note, I am most looking forward to reading my ideas being given and done, and here, I look forward to playing golf again on Pier 23, enjoying their games at Downtown Soccer and making up on Sunday mornings and reading with them. For the community, I am looking forward to the opening of the Battery Park City community center, meeting communities on the Park Slip, working on the and redevelopment of the Line 7 area, and looking to build more affordable housing for our neighborhood.

**JEFFREY MENKES****PRESIDENT AND CEO, DOWNTOWN HOSPITAL**

In September 2011, I had the honor and privilege of "joining hands" with many Downtown residents, community leaders and hospital colleagues in an address of our Local Manhattan community. In the coming year, I look forward to the continued building of successful and our hospital's continued provision of high-quality medical services to meet the healthcare needs of our rapidly growing community.

**DREW NIEPORNT****CHAIRPERSON OF THE MYBAG RESTAURANT GROUP**

I am looking forward to seeing the transformation of my beloved Madison Square Garden, home of the New York Rangers, New York Knicks and home to many concerts and shows.

**LUIGI ROSABIANCA****PRINCIPAL AND FOUNDER OF ROSABIANCA & ASSOCIATES, PLLC**

According to the French: "It is not with your eyes, or your, with your neighbors, and it's every day you find you a better view." I will accept that in context, but with the French knowledge that some years we good partners, neighbors need to work. From time to time and work across here, a community is finding York. French also had an affair in French music.

**JEFF SIMMONS****VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNICATIONS, DOWNTOWN ALLIANCE**

Lower Manhattan will continue to grow globally with continued progress in the World Trade Center and the addition of a diverse group of new businesses, residents and amenities that will improve our living and transportation across to our cultural heritage. Personally, I am also excited about the 2012 River to River Festival, which should continue to promote the best of music, art and culture in this New York Square mile.

DOWNTOWN

The ADVISORY BOARD

THE COMMUNITY LEADERS AND LEGENDS THAT HAVE HELPED BUILD THIS AREA AND GUIDE OUR COVERAGE OF IT

Q: What are you looking forward to in 2012?

RORY McCREESH

FOUNDER, DUCE CONSTRUCTION

I am looking forward to the continuing growth of *DOWNTOWN* Magazine. It is instrumental in bringing awareness about the history and culture of Lower Manhattan. I also look forward to the continuing development of Lower Manhattan in areas such as South Street Seaport and the inspiring construction of the Freedom Tower and Cultural Center and Museum dedicated to Ground Zero. My family and I will be enjoying the many new sites and new restaurants opening all over Downtown.



BUILDING EXCELLENCE



Building relationships, building friendships
and naturally, building remarkable residences.
At Duce Construction Corporation we pride
ourselves on our ability to establish firm client
relationships before we establish a project
relationship. We invite you to visit our website to
view our featured published projects.

www.DuceCC.com | www.DuceGreen.com

Email us today at info@DuceCC.com

Tel: (212) 316-2400 • Fax: (212) 316-2429

Architectural + Interior Design by CLODAGH®

Photography by Joergen Geerds, Copyright 2011©

BUILDING EXCELLENCE®
duce
duce