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Going home guide
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Letter from the editors

Hello!

The Justice Initiatives Team at Brooklyn Public Library is glad to present our latest issue of *Bridges*, a zine for our incarcerated neighbors throughout New York.

In these pages, you'll find a combination of information and entertainment. There's news about HALT Solitary and the Less is More Act; games, like a word search, crossword puzzle, and Sudoku; reading recommendations from library staff and friends; information on health and wellness; and much more.

There's also information about life after incarceration: what to do, where to go, how to manage the strange transition. Reentry can be an overwhelming process but we're here to support you through it, and many other organizationstoo. We've included interviews with some of them, with their contact info for whenever you're ready to reach out.

Thanks for reading and we hope you enjoy! We welcome your thoughts and feedback. Write to us anytime at:

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Feature

Coming Home

Coming home from incarceration can be exciting and intense. There are many barriers to navigate, but you don't have to figure them all out alone. Once you are back in your community, the library can help you with everything from using a computer to finding a job, filling out immigration papers, learning a language, getting books and information, and a lot more.

The library is a free, safe place to be in New York. Everyone is welcome. We'll be glad to see you there. Here, you'll see some helpful library services. You'll also learn about other community organizations that support the transition back home.

The Library Offers:

Education:

Take classes on reading, writing, math, and technology. There are also English classes and conversation groups for speakers of other languages.

You can get a High School Equivalency, too. BPL's High School Equivalency Program (HSE) can prepare you for the GED test. Get test prep study guides, and more. All you need is a library card! And due to COVID-19, you may be eligible for the Fast Track HSE diploma.

Text 732.930.0082 or call the Central Library Learning Center: 718.230.2191 to learn more.

Computer Services & Classes

Use computers, internet and wi-fi. Print, copy and scan papers. Take computer classes and digital technology trainings. Get free access to online newspapers, journals and databases. Call 718.YOUR.BPL or 718.968.7275 to learn more.

Immigrant Services

Get 1-on-1 immigration legal assistance. Join citizenship preparation classes (you must register in advance) or preparation group meetings (these are drop-in classes, no registration necessary). Join English conversation groups that meet weekly. Call 718.230.2007 to learn more.

Getting a Passport

Apply for a U.S. passport and/or passport card. Appointments required. Call BPL's Passport Office at Central Library at 718.230.2292 for more information.

Getting a City ID

Regardless of your legal status, if you're 10 and older and live in New York City, you can apply for IDNYC. Use IDNYC to enter public buildings; open a bank account; get free/discounted tickets to some of NYC's best museums, movie theaters and events; and use at health and wellness centers.

For more information, speak to a staff member at your local branch. Or call 311 and say "ID NYC."

Health Services

Brooklyn Public Library can connect you to health and wellness resources, mental and physical health workshops, and clinics. Call 718.230.2768 for more information.

Help With Getting a Job

Get 1-on-1 help with resumes and job searches (by appointment). Take classes on starting a business, planning your finances, creating a resume of work experience, and more. Learn tips for writing a cover letter, preparing for interviews, and getting education and certifications needed in your industry. Get advice on accessing government benefits. Call 718.623.7000 option 3 and ask for the Business & Career Center.

Need to borrow a suit & tie or dress for a job interview?

For men's suits, contact:	For dresses & women's suits, contact:
NeON Clothing Closet	Bottomless Closet
345 Adams Street	16 East 52nd Street, 15th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201	New York, NY 10022
	Tel: 212.563.2499

Services for Elders

Join events, workshops, and classes for adults ages 55+. Get information on health care, housing, education and veteran services. Call 718.236.1760.

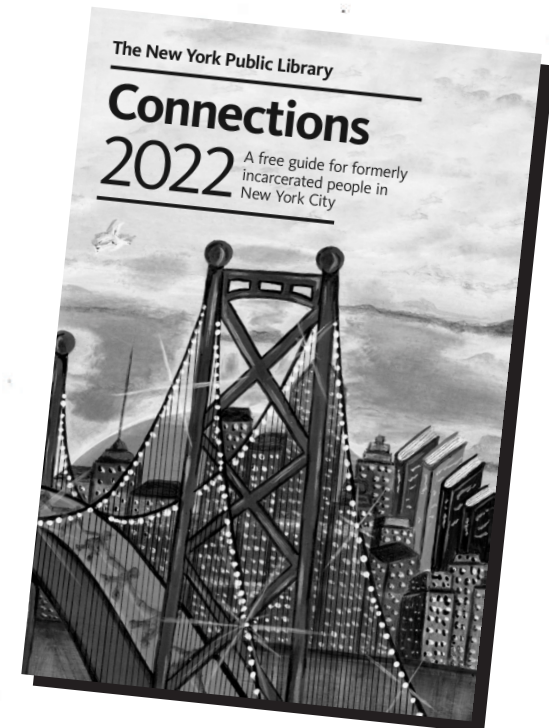
Community-Based Organizations & Resources

Connections

From our Friends at New York Public Library (located in Manhattan, the Bronx, and Staten Island): *Connections* is a guide to reentry services in New York. Write to NYPL and they will send you a copy:

Jail & Prison Services
The New York Public Library
40 West 20th Street
New York, NY 10011

Call 917.275.6975.



Fortune Society

We offer social services to people with incarceration histories—no matter how recent or long ago the incarceration took place. Here you can find *housing and housing referrals; connections to public benefits; employment services; case management; mental health and substance use services; recovery support; free hot meals; access to the creative arts; and more.*

We also offer the Fatherhood Initiative program, which *helps fathers reconnect with their children; develop parenting and relationship skills; provide material and financial support; and recognize and manage emotions.*

Fortune believes in the power and leadership of those with first-hand experience. Our team includes professionals with backgrounds and life experiences similar to those of participants.

What impact has the COVID-19 pandemic had on your services? The bulk of our services moved fully remotely at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. Now, new protocols have been adopted for safe in-person programming, though we still offer remote access. The pandemic has made everyone's lives more online. We are here to offer *classes and support in using technology—phones, computers, and more.*

Do you have a message for incarcerated people who are planning their reentry? Patience is key in avoiding stress during the return home. Change and growth take time and patience is needed to reach goals. It might not be immediate—but know that *you are on your way.*

What is the best way for incarcerated people to reach you? Write to:

The Fortune Society
29-76 Northern Boulevard
Long Island City, NY 11101

Housing Works

Our Justice Initiatives Department provides reentry services for individuals who have had contact with the criminal legal system in the past 5 years. This includes:

- » *Case management*
- » *Benefits and entitlements enrollment*
- » *IDs and documents retrieval*
- » *Connection to medical and wellness services (including Mental Health Services and Substance Use Treatment, etc.)*
- » *Job training program, paid internship and job placement.*

Our strengths are setting *personalizing goals and treatments to YOUR needs.* We offer medical and behavioral health services in addition to reentry services. We also provide specialized services for LGBTQPIA+ clients or gender non-conforming clients.

We don't provide family support or legal services, but loved ones are eligible to access Housing Works infrastructure of health care services including case management, primary care, mental health services and substance use services.

What impact has the COVID-19 pandemic had on your services? Housing Works Justice Initiatives remains open Monday - Friday 9 am to 5 pm throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Both in-person and telehealth services are available.

Do you have a message for incarcerated people who are planning their reentry? Our team is here to connect you to any resources you need. *We believe in second chances and supporting your individual reentry journey.*

What is the best way for incarcerated people to reach you? Contact Ms. Millspaugh to enroll:

By mail:

301 W 37th Street
5th Floor NY, NY 10018

By phone:

212.465.8304 ext. 4843

More Organizations

The Osborne Association

Osborne provides services for defendants, the formerly incarcerated, people on probation and parole, people in prison, and families of currently and formerly incarcerated people.

We also offer educational and vocational support; court advocacy; outpatient substance counseling; job-readiness and employment services; harm reduction services; HIV/AIDS case management. We provide letters of reasonable assurance upon request

Call:

Brooklyn office: 718.637.6560.

Manhattan office: 212.324.5577.

The Bronx office: 718.707.2600.

Kings County Reentry Task Force

KCRTF offers help with Medicaid and SNAP enrollment; computer classes; job placement (including help making a resume); High School Equivalency classes; full case management; assistance with IDs (our office pays for birth certificates if you were born in NYC) and GEDs.

Call: 718.250.3281

Book Reviews

Manga Edition

Every issue, we'll be offering reading recommendations from library workers and friends. The theme of this issue is MANGA. We think you'll find the books described below totally suspenseful, funny, and surprising. And if you have any requests for reading recs, write to us at the Justice Initiatives BPL address.



One Piece by Eiichiro Oda

The best-selling manga of all time, *One Piece* has stayed on top of the game since its release in 1997. The action-adventure epic follows a young man named Luffy on his journey to find the "One Piece," a mythical treasure revered by pirates around the world. Along the way, he meets all kinds of unlikely characters, putting together a band of misfits that eventually become the closest of friends. In possibly the greatest, most detailed

fictional world ever created, the islands of *One Piece* are filled to the brim with jaw-dropping spectacles, intriguing conspiracies, and lovable characters to join you on this 100+ volume masterpiece.



Attack on Titan by Hajime Isayama

In the world of *Attack on Titan*, humanity cowers from the titans, a mysterious race of gigantic, humanoid beings that desire one thing: to eat people. The walls protecting humanity

stood tall for a hundred years, until the fateful day when a 50-meter titan blasted through the walls. The protagonist, Eren Jaeger, watches his mother get eaten and vows to avenge her by killing every single titan. Follow Eren on his journey to become humanity's greatest hope and unravel history's biggest secrets.



Dragon Ball
by Akira Toriyama

Dragon Ball was one of the most iconic manga of the 1980s. It swept American households and was many kids' introduction to Japanese cartoons, or anime. *Dragon Ball* (along with its sequels *Dragon Ball Z* and *Dragon Ball Super*) takes place in a futuristic world where martial arts are far more

powerful than guns and swords. Goku, a warrior from another planet, becomes Earth's mightiest hero as he fights off all kinds of dangerous threats from outer space, other universes and even the future.



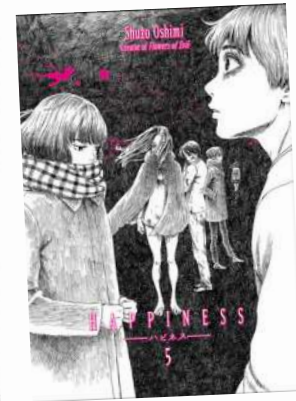
Berserk
by Kentaro Miura

Berserk is a dark masterpiece unparalleled in its unique story and art. Set in a medieval Europe-inspired fantasy world, the story centers around a lone warrior named Guts who has only ever known how to kill. We follow his adventures from being the captain of a mercenary group, to going on a vengeful crusade to kill every demon in his path. Page after page, you can feel the passion and creativity of author Kentaro Miura.



Slum Wolf
by Tadao Tsuge

A collection of Tsuge's short comics from the 1960-70s. These stories are rooted in Tsuge's post-World War II childhood, including the marginalized people in his community. The visual style is *gekiga*, which means "dramatic pictures"—you can see it in the intense, elaborate details. Tsuge creates fantastic characters out of mysterious strangers, while exploring themes of violence, masculinity, and history.



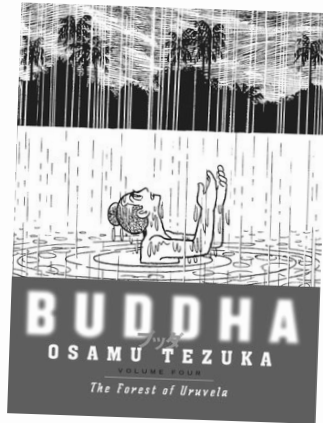
Happiness
by Shūzō Oshimi

This 10-volume series draws a comparison between being a teenager and being a vampire—and dares to ask: which one is actually worse? In the first volume, Makoto Ozaki is scrambling through his first year of high school, when a mysterious girl attacks him one night and offers a choice between dying or becoming something different entirely. A lot of high contrast and grotesque imagery, as is par for the course in horror manga.



Boys Run the Riot
by Keito Gaku

The title of this manga is also the name of the fashion line started by the series' main characters. Ryo is trans but isn't able to come out. Wearing affirming clothing is one of the few things that makes him feel like himself. With another student, Jin, he starts this streetwear brand that takes him on an adventure of self-discovery. A wonderful, recent addition to the growing catalog of queer manga by queer creators.



Buddha
by Osamu Tezuka

The epic chronicle of Guatama Buddha—the first Buddha's—life. Both harrowing and funny, it dives into the mythical life and legend of *The Buddha* as he embarks on a quest for a true understanding of life, suffering, and happiness. The many stories told along the way explore the lives of those around *The Buddha*, who were forever affected by him and his journey.

News & Current Events

A selection of news updates from New York, Spring & Summer 2022

The Less Is More Act

Signed by Governor Kathy Hochul in September 2021, the *Less Is More Act* affects New Yorkers who have been arrested, are incarcerated, or are on parole. Here's what it does, starting in March 2022:

- » **Restricts** the use of incarceration for people who have *non-criminal technical violations* of parole.
- » **Bolsters due process:** Instead of being detained in local jails, people who have been accused of a non-criminal technical violation will be issued a written notice of violation AND a date to appear in court. Hearings will be held in the community, in a location accessible to the public NOT inside jails, as is the current practice.
- » **Requires speedy hearings:** People who are under community supervision will be entitled to a *speedy hearing* upon an alleged violation of their conditions of release. Hearings for people on parole who are in the community will be completed within 55 days. Hearings for people who have been detained will be completed within 35 days INSTEAD OF 105 days, as is the case today.
- » **Provides good time credits:** Most people on parole will be eligible to earn a *30-day "earned time credits" reduction* in their

community supervision period for every 30-day period in which they do not violate a condition of supervision.

TAP Restoration

In January 2022, Governor Kathy Hochul released a budget that restores Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) eligibility to incarcerated New Yorkers. This program will expand prison education programs. Turn on the TAP NY campaign had this to say: "A college degree is one of the most impactful opportunities anyone can get." Turn on the Tap NY is a statewide campaign made up of community groups, directly-impacted advocates, alumni of college in prison programs, and college-in-prison providers working together to repeal the ban on TAP grants for incarcerated students.

Calls for Fair Elder Parole

Release Aging People in Prison (RAPP) and the People's Campaign for Parole Justice are calling on New York State lawmakers and Governor Hochul to pass a package of reforms that promote justice and safe communities:

- » **Elder Parole (S.15A/A.8855A):** This would provide *incarcerated people aged 55 and older* who have already served 15+ years an opportunity for parole release consideration. This would include some of the state's oldest and sickest incarcerated people.
- » **Fair and Timely Parole (S.7514/A.4231):** This would provide a more meaningful parole review process for incarcerated people who are *already eligible for parole*. It would also ensure that people are evaluated

for release based on *who they are today*, including their rehabilitation, personal transformation and their current risk of violating the law.

HALT Solitary

The Senate passed the Humane Alternatives to Long-Term Solitary Confinement Act (HALT). Sponsored by Senator Julia Salazar, this legislation (S.2836) limits the use of solitary for all incarcerated persons to 15 days, implements *alternative rehabilitative measures*, and ends the use of solitary for *vulnerable incarcerated populations*.

Additionally, this bill creates guidelines for *humane conditions* in solitary, outlines reporting requirements, and adds due process protections (this means *prohibiting* any individual from being placed in solitary BEFORE they have received a disciplinary hearing OR access to counsel).

The Marijuana Regulation & Taxation Act

The Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act (MRTA) was signed into law on March 31, 2021, *legalizing adult-use cannabis* (also known as marijuana, or recreational marijuana) in New York State. The legislation created a new *Office of Cannabis Management (OCM)* governed by a Cannabis Control Board to comprehensively regulate adult-use, medical, and hemp cannabis. The OCM will issue licenses and develop regulations to outline how and when business can participate in the new industry.

Share Your Experiences

New York City jails and state prisons have independent oversight organizations that you can contact directly to report on the conditions of your incarceration.

For New York State Prisons:

The Correctional Association of New York is the only independent organization in New York with authority under state law to *monitor prisons* and report findings to the legislature and the broader public.

In addition to onsite prison monitoring visits, CANY confidentially communicate with incarcerated people about their experiences through the mail, one-on-one interviews, and collect phone calls.

Call:

CANY at 212.254.5700

Write to:

Correctional Association of New York
P.O. Box 793
Brooklyn, NY 11207

For New York City Jails:

The Board of Correction carries out independent oversight and enacts regulations to support safer, fairer, smaller, and more humane NYC jails.

The Board works to

- **Ensure compliance** with minimum standards "for the care, custody, correction, treatment, supervision, and discipline of all persons held or confined under the jurisdiction of the Department of Correction"
- **Investigate** any matter within the jurisdiction of the Department
- **Review grievances from inmates** and staff
- **Evaluate** the performance of the NYC Department of Correction (DOC)
- **Make recommendations** on areas of key correctional planning.

Call:

the Board of Correction at 212.669.7900

Write to:

NYC Board of Correction
2 Lafayette
Room 1221
New York, NY 10007

Zen Meditation Instructions

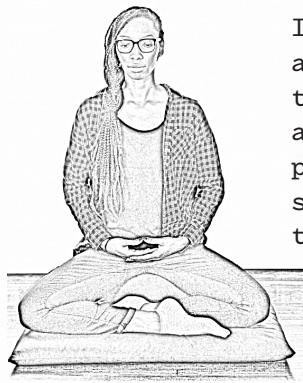
The Buddha's meditation practice spread from India to China, to Japan, to other parts of Asia, and eventually to the West. *Zazen*, a form of seated meditation, is at the very heart of Zen practice. We often see body, breath, and mind as separate. In zazen we begin to see how they are *one*.

When you're nervous, you may find yourself breathing quickly and shallowly; when your mind is relaxed the breath is deeper, easy, and effortless.

Meditation is free. All you need to meditate is your own body. We hope these steps bring you relaxation and calm, even in stressful surroundings:

1. Sitting

Start by sitting on the floor, to be grounded and stable.



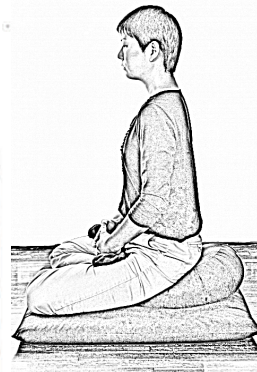
If you like, you can sit on a small pillow, a rolled-up towel, or a bundle of clothes—anything that raises the pelvis and hips just a little, so that the knees can touch the ground.



- b** It's also fine to sit in a chair. Keep your feet flat on the floor and scooch forward on the chair, so you're supporting your spine. If you have back issues and you need to lean on the back of the chair, try placing a pillow, towel, or rolled-up piece of clothing between the small of your back and the back of the chair, to keep your *spine long*.

2. Posture

Keep an awake and relaxed posture, like the seated Buddha.



- a** Keep the back straight and centered. This allows the diaphragm to move freely and breathing to be easy and natural.
- b** Tuck the chin in tucked in so that your neck is in line with your spine.
- c** Center your nose in line with the navel.
- d** Try to avoid leaning forward or backward.
- e** Let your muscles soften, so there's little or no tension in the body.

3. Breathing

If it's comfortable, breathe through your nose and allow your mouth to be gently closed.

- a As you breath, press your tongue lightly against the upper palate, behind your front teeth.
- b Lower your eyes, resting your gaze on the ground about 2-4 feet in front of you.
- c Fold your hands in the *cosmic mudra*: place your dominant hand in your lap, and rest your other hand over it, so that both are facing up. Lightly touch the tips of your thumbs together.

4. Focusing on the breath

Notice the simple sensation of inhaling and exhaling. You can feel this in your nostrils, in your chest and in your diaphragm. Pick one area to focus on.

- a While you are concentrating on the breath, it's normal for thoughts, worries, or emotions to come up. Notice these and let them go, returning your awareness to the breath.
- b Each time you return to the breath you are developing an important aspect of mindfulness. We call this power of concentration *yoriki*, or spiritual power.

5. Try counting

Beginning meditators often find it helpful to count breaths to steady their awareness.

- a Inhale—at the end of the inhalation, count 1 in your mind.
- b Exhale—at the end of the exhalation, count 2.
- c Continue until you get to 10, then come back to one and start again.
- d If you get lost, start again at 1.

6. Be patient with yourself

There's a reason meditation is called "a practice": it takes a lot of practice!

- a Your mind thinks all the time; that's just what it does. When your mind begins to wander—a thought arises, or you feel distracted or bored—just notice that thought. There's no need to judge it. Just let it go and return to the breath.
- b Meditation, good posture and breathing all take a lot of focus and time to get comfortable with. Give yourself time and you will get there!

The human mind is fundamentally free, spacious, vibrant and relaxed. In zazen we learn to uncover that mind, to see who we really are, to experience this world as it really is. **Meditation is always there for you to return to when you need it.**

To connect with other meditators and support your practice, you can write to:

National Buddhist Prison Sangha
PO Box 156
Mount Tremper, NY 12457

Health Resources

Prison Health News

Prison Health News publishes a newsletter four times a year for people in prison about health issues like COVID-19, Hepatitis-C, HIV, diabetes, asthma, depression, PTSD, exercise, nutrition, LGBTQ health and more. Write to them to ask for a free subscription:

Prison Health News
4722 Baltimore Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19143



Correctional Health Services Update: NYC Health + Hospitals

Correctional Health Services is the direct provider of health services in NYC jails. They also provide some transitional planning and reentry health services. CHS runs the following programs:

Community Connections Service (CCS)

- » Transitional planning.
- » Medicaid applications, counseling, and Naloxone training.
- » To speak with CHS staff, enter your PIN, dial 777#, and give your name and book and case number; Monday-Friday, 8 am to 5pm.

Community Re-entry Assistance Network (CRAN)

CRAN connects anyone released from New York City jails to mental health, medical, substance use, housing, and social services in the community:

- » Get CHS prescriptions upon release from jail, IDNYC cards, clothing & hygiene kits
- » Submit benefits and housing applications
- » Make healthcare appointments. If you have a serious mental illness, you are also eligible for case management services in the community.

Monday-Friday, 9 am to 5pm. Some services are available over the phone and *walk-ins* are available at the *Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Queens* offices; clients should call ahead to make an appointment for *Staten Island*.

Office addresses and telephone numbers on following page (26).

Bronx
 1020 Grand Concourse,
 North Professional Wing
 Bronx, NY 10451
 Telephone: 718.538.7416

Brooklyn
 175 Remsen Street
 5th floor
 Brooklyn, NY 11201
 Telephone: 718.975.0180

Manhattan
 80 Centre Street
 Suite 200C
 New York, NY 10013
 Telephone: 718.975.0180

Queens
 120-34 Queens Boulevard
 Suite 225
 Kew Gardens, NY 11415
 Telephone: 718.268.5657

Staten Island
 120 Stuyvesant Place
 Suite 410
 Staten Island, NY 10301
 Telephone: 718.975.0180

Point of Reentry and Transition (PORT) Practices

PORT Practices are clinics in the community providing outpatient primary care and mental health services to individuals recently released from New York City jails.

PORT Practices are staffed by teams of community health workers (CHWs), nurses and doctors. The CHWs are the point persons for patients, helping them navigate the healthcare system and connect to social services.

Patients can get medication regardless of their insurance status. They can also find insurance or health care coverage options, based on eligibility.

Call PORTLine to schedule an appointment and ask about the range of services available: 646.614.1000, Monday-Friday, 9 am to 6pm

Bellevue Hospital PORT Practice
 462 1st Avenue
 New York, NY 10016

Kings County Hospital PORT Practice
 451 Clarkson Avenue
 E Building
 Brooklyn, NY 11207

Have concerns about the health care you received in the City's jails? Contact CHS Patient Relations by calling 347.774.7030 from Monday-Friday, 8 am to 4pm.

Word Search

In Bloom

R	S	A	S	A	S	P	A	R	A	G	U	S	A
H	T	M	B	P	I	B	F	E	N	N	E	L	H
H	E	U	R	H	U	B	A	R	B	A	T	S	P
C	E	C	P	G	K	I	W	I	I	L	F	T	O
A	B	M	M	S	A	E	N	T	N	A	A	R	T
N	N	P	P	A	N	M	S	O	P	T	V	A	A
I	C	N	E	I	N	S	H	M	E	K	A	W	T
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- SPINACH
- CHERRY
- KALE
- MANGO
- APRICOT
- FENNEL
- ARTICHOKE
- KIWI
- LEMON
- SPRING ONION
- PEAS
- FAVA BEANS
- POTATO
- BEETS
- STRAWBERRY
- PEPPERS
- ASPARAGUS
- CARROT
- TOMATO
- RHUBARB

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/3321688/>

Sudoku

5	3			7				
6			1	9	5			
	9	8					6	
8				6				3
4			8		3			1
7				2				6
	6					2	8	
			4	1	9			5
				8			7	9

Crossword Puzzle

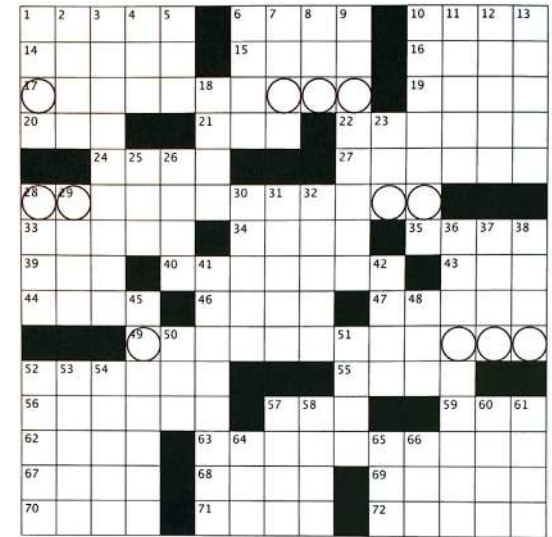
Lateral Play Erik Agard

ACROSS

1. Fancy boat
6. ___ opera
10. Old-fashioned version of "does"
14. Sneeze sound
15. Prefix for "centric"
16. Farm size unit
17. Quarterback who led the 49ers to Super Bowl XLVII
19. Person with predictive powers
20. Word after a typo in a quote
21. Clips with jingles
22. Colorless, odorless gas
24. One might be chocolate or French
27. Window coverings
28. Cause time to expire, in football lingo
33. Similar
34. Opinion
35. "Sounds right"
39. D.C. United org.
40. Wood-cutter's tool
43. Wood-cutter's tool
44. Regarding
46. 3-Down unit
47. Donut count
49. Actress who played an agent in the football comedy "The Game Plan"
52. Exit a union
55. Shout
56. Loving touch
57. Hawaiian instrument, for short
59. ___ Cruces, NM
62. "Ha, dream on!"
63. Football play ... and a hint to this puzzle's theme
67. Coral structure
68. Prefix meaning "very"
69. Sauce in fancy burgers
70. "What ___ is new?"
71. 3-Down unit
72. Amassed

DOWN

1. Talks up a storm
2. ___ na tigela (Brazilian fruit dish)
3. Lineup of things to do



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4. Bunny leap
5. Ring bearer
6. Transmit
7. French yeses
8. Rainbow shape
9. Hawaiian raw fish dish
10. Colorful top
11. Singer Frank
12. Fashion fad
13. "___ a tip..."
18. Like some bad decisions
23. Doting attention, for short
25. Type
26. Wallow in nervousness
28. ___ Sutra
29. Problems
30. Tony winner set in Argentina
31. Acknowledges in an academic paper
32. "Here, I'll do it"
36. Unfathomable amount
37. CEO, for example
38. Run that's about six miles
41. Makes available for a fee
42. Precipice
45. Georgia featured in a Santa Fe museum
48. Creature that hoots
50. 3-ft. measures
51. Applied henna to
52. Frightening incident
53. Canvas holder
54. Bawls
57. A Swiss Army knife has many
58. Captain on board the Enterprise
60. Org. co-founded by Helen Keller
61. Something to do to ads or stones
64. Hoops group
65. Hoop holder
66. Sorento automaker

Resources

Book by Mail Programs

These organizations send books to folks who are incarcerated. Whether you're reading to learn or for fun (or both!), you can send them a letter with your contact information and your book requests.

Books Thru Bars | New York City, NY

Incarcerated individuals seeking books can write to:

NYC Books Through Bars
c/o Bluestockings Bookstore
116 Suffolk Street
New York, NY 10002

Books Thru Bars | Ithaca College, NY

IC Books Thru Bars
P.O. Box 113
Brooktondale, NY 14817

Binnacle Books

The Beacon Prison Books Project provides books to people currently incarcerated in New York State, by request. Please note, we are not able to fulfill every request that we receive, but we do our very best to do so. We offer alternatives when certain titles aren't available. Requests may be sent to:

Beacon Prison Books Project
PO Box 132
Beacon, NY 12508

Upstate New York Resources

Prisoners' Legal Services of New York

The mission of Prisoners' Legal Services is to provide high-quality, effective legal representation and assistance to incarcerated individuals, help them to secure their civil and human rights and advocate for more humane prisons and for a more humane criminal legal system. Ask them about:

- » Tier III disciplinary hearings
- » Jail time
- » Parole jail time and sentencing cases
- » Excessive use of force claims resulting in serious injury
- » Serious medical and mental health claims
- » Child support and visitation issues
- » First amendment claims.

PLS Locations & Contact Information on following page (32)

Albany

41 State Street
Suite M112
Albany, NY 12207
518.438.8046

Prisons:

CNYPC	Mid-State
Coxsackie	Mohawk
Eastern	Otisville
Edgecomb	Queensboro
Great Meadow	Shawangunk
Greene	Sullivan
Hale Creek	Ulster
Hudson	Wallkill
Marcy	Walsh

Buffalo

14 Lafayette Square
Suite 510
Buffalo, NY 14203
716.854.1007

Prisons:

Albion	Lakeview
Attica	Orleans
Collins	Rochester
Gowanda	Wende
Groveland	Wyoming

Ithaca

114 Propect Street
Ithaca, NY 14850
607.273.2283

Prisons:

Auburn	Five Points
Cape Vincent	Southport
Cayuga	Watertown
Elmira	Willard

Newburgh

10 Little Britain Road
202 & 204
Newburgh, NY 12550
845.391.3110

Prisons:

Bedford Hills	Great Haven
Downstate	Sing Sing
Fishkill	Taconic

Plattsburgh

24 Margaret Street
Suite 9
Plattsburgh, NY 12901
518.561.3088

Prisons:

Adirondack	Gouverneur
Altona	Moriah Shock
Bare Hill	Ogdensburg
Clinton	Riverview
Franklin	Upstate

BPL Correspondence

As library workers, we believe that access to information is your right! Have questions about something? It can be about almost anything: recipes, sports, history, nature—whatever comes to mind. Send us a letter and we'll find the answer.*

If you are on Rikers and have access to a tablet, you can find us in the Library Hub—save yourself a stamp and message us there. Otherwise, write to us at:

Justice Initiatives
Brooklyn Public Library
240 Division Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11211

* NOTE: At this time, we can only answer letters and questions from individuals in New York state. We cannot answer questions about someone's personal address or information.

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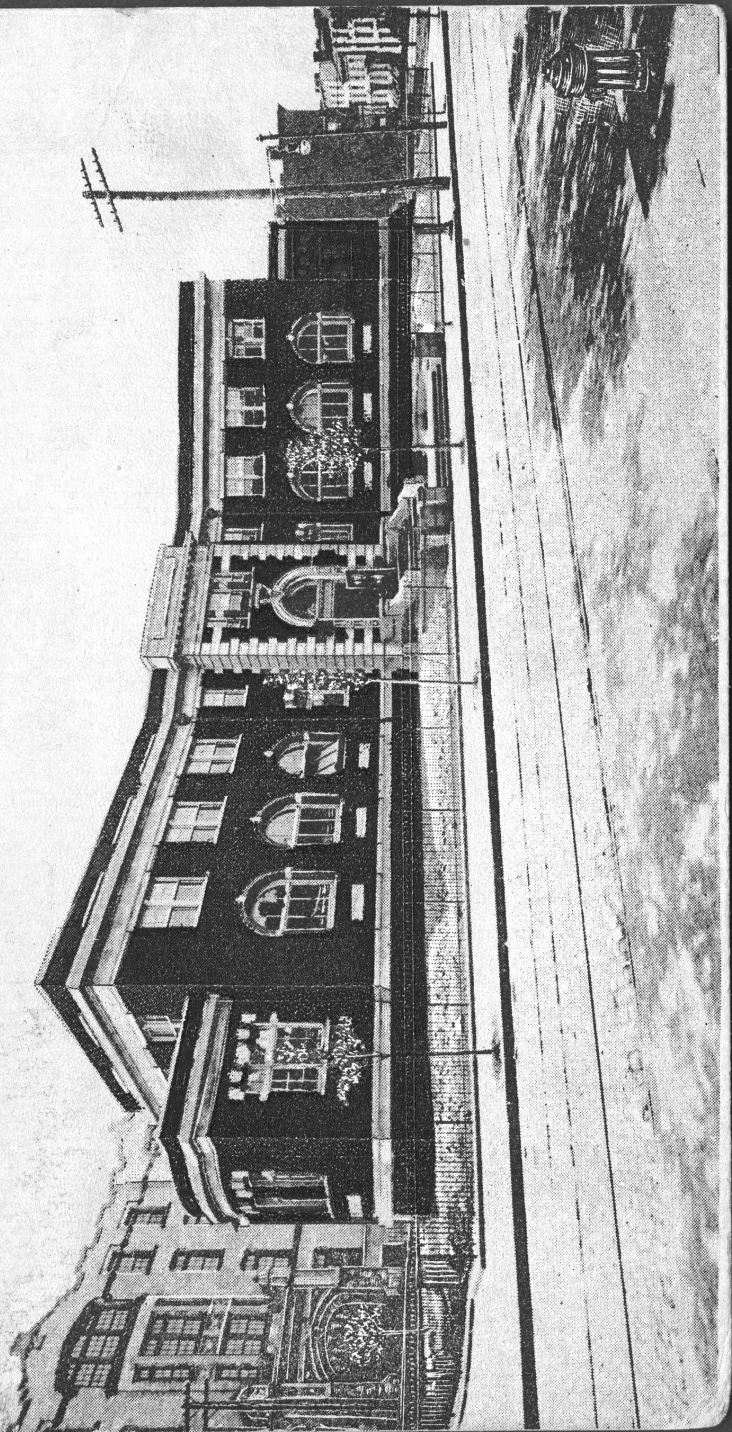
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Sudoku

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View of Carnegie library, 1909, now known as Williamsburgh Branch of Brooklyn Public Library (and home of Justice Initiatives), 1909