

## **Ground Transportation**

### **Airports /Hotel**

Consult with individual hotel for specific information about transportation from the airport to the hotel. Transportation from LaGuardia International Airport to Hotels described under LODGING is available free of charge through courtesy shuttles provided by each hotel (not including the YMCA). Please check with individual hotel about hours of shuttle service. Typically they want you to call them to request transportation to the hotel even though they may have regular shuttle service between the hotel and airport. Note: If your flight arrives late evening or early morning, you may need to provide your own transportation to the hotel.

Transportation from Kennedy International Airport to Hotels described under LODGING is available for a fee. Taxis are typically in the US\$25-30 range, Busses are typically in the US\$5-7 range, and the train is US\$2.50 (ONE WAY). Please check with individual hotel to see if there are any special rates and for directions.

To get from the Airports to the YMCA

If you choose to use public transportation to get from the Airport to the YMCA. (Note: bus and train schedules vary so check ahead of time to make sure your route is running at the time you need to make your trip.

### **LGA (LaGuardia)**

Take the Q48 bus from La Guardia Airport station to Main Street, Flushing.

Walk North on Main St (towards 39th Ave).

Turn right onto Rt-25a.

The Y is on the Right

### **JFK**

Take the JFK AirTrain from John F Kennedy Airport station heading to Jamaica Station

Get off at Sutphin/Jamaica Station

Transfer to the E train at Sutphin Blvd - Archer Av station heading Downtown

Get off at Union Turnpike - Kew Gardens

Transfer to the E train from Union Turnpike - Kew Gardens station heading Downtown

Get off at Roosevelt Av - Jackson Heights

Transfer to the 7 train from 74 Street-Broadway station heading to Queens / Flushing

Get off at Main St - Flushing

Exit near intersection of Main St and Roosevelt Ave

Walk North on Main St towards 39th Ave

Turn right onto Rt-25a

The Y is on the Right

### **Taxi**

Manhattan is the only borough with reliable roaming taxi service. In Queens you must call by phone for a taxi to pick you up and drop you off. Here is a list of reliable taxi

services that cover Queens, including the airports, as well as provide transportation to other destinations in the City.

Cooperativa: +1-718-699-1111

Dominica: +1-718-507-1700

Santo Domingo: +1-718-699-5959

### **Car**

Auto rental is available at each airport and the rental agent can provide directions to any of the hotels. Hotels all have their own parking. Ask about whether there is a parking fee. Hotels also have access to car rentals, limousine, and taxi services, as well as special shuttles to Midtown Manhattan. Parking Rates for select hotels is as follows:

Sheraton: US\$9 per day discounted rate

Holiday Inn: No fee for hotel guests

Marriot: US\$16 per day

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### **Driving Instructions**

For those traveling to the New York Hall of Science by car, here are driving directions:

#### **From the East (Long Island) Northern Long Island and Northeastern Queens:**

Long Island Expressway (LIE) westbound, or Grand Central Parkway westbound to LIE westbound. Exit the LIE at 108th Street. Right on 108th Street. Right on 52nd Avenue to 111th Street. Left on 111th Street. Right at 49th Avenue into the New York Hall of Science entrance drive.

#### **From Southern Long Island and Southern Queens**

Southern State Parkway westbound to Belt Parkway westbound. Belt Parkway to Exit 19 (Van Wyck Expressway/I-678 North). Take the Van Wyck north and merge onto the Grand Central Parkway west at Exit 10- on the left- toward La Guardia Airport/Triboro Bridge. Continue on the Grand Central to LIE westbound. Follow directions, From Northern Long Island and Eastern Queens.

#### **From Manhattan/Midtown Tunnel**

Long Island Expressway eastbound, staying in the right-hand lanes. Exit at 108th Street. Left on 108th Street. Right on 52nd Avenue to 111th Street. Left on 111th Street. Right at 49th Avenue into the New York Hall of Science entrance drive.

#### **From Bronx/Westchester/New England**

Cross the Whitestone Bridge, bearing right at the end onto the Whitestone Expressway. Exit onto Grand Central Parkway eastbound. Take exit 10, bearing right to follow the Midtown Tunnel signage. Right on Corona Avenue. Right on 111th Street. Right at 49th Avenue into the New York Hall of Science entrance drive.

#### **From Northern Manhattan/The Bronx (Triborough Bridge)**

Grand Central Parkway eastbound to Exit 10, bearing right to follow the Midtown Tunnel signage. Right on Corona Avenue. Right on 111th Street. Right at 49th Avenue into the New York Hall of Science entrance drive.

### **From Brooklyn**

Brooklyn-Queens Expressway to Long Island Expressway (LIE) eastbound. Stay in the right-hand lanes and exit at 108th Street. Left on 108th Street. Right on 52nd Avenue to 111th Street. Left on 111th Street. Right on 49th Avenue into the New York Hall of Science entrance drive.

### **Parking**

Parking is available at the New York Hall of Science at no charge for Workshop/Conference attendees. The parking lot is adjacent to the museum. Turn right, just past the museum entrance. If there is an attendant at the booth, tell them you are with the conference.

### **Trains**

All major regional train lines have frequently scheduled trips to New York City.

National:

- Amtrak: [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com)

Regional:

- Metropolitan Transportation Authority: <http://www.mta.info/index.html>

- New Jersey Transit <http://www.njtransit.com/>

### **Local:**

Local rail travel is provided by the MTA (see above) New York has one of the best public transportation systems of any large city. Its world-class subway provides unlimited transfers to anywhere in the city for US\$2.50 per trip. They have converted to a magnetic card system that can be purchased at any subway stop from vending machines using cash or credit cards. The New York City subway system can be a little daunting for outsiders. To help the unfamiliar get around, you can plan a trip using HopStop <http://www.hopstop.com/> It can show you how to get around using the subway and bus system as well as best walking routes. Like Mapquest or GoogleMaps, you plug in the starting and end addresses and it gives you exact trains and transfers to get where you are going.