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BETTY & BRIAN'S WEDDING

Our wedding & reception will be held in the DUMBO neighborhood of Brooklyn. It's an easy 8 minute cab ride from Williamsburg.

BROOKLYN BRIDGE PARK

The park actually extends from the manhattan bridge past the brooklyn bridge, wrapping around the waterfront all the way south to the Red Hook neighborhood. Our ceremony will be held on a pebble beach near the north end, in the shadow of the Manhattan Bridge.

I Main Street, DUMBO, Brooklyn

GALAPAGOS ART SPACE

The reception is conveniently located a half block from the ceremony site.



16 Main Street, DUMBO, Brooklyn; (718) 222-8500





BROOKLYN TO DOS

BEDFORD & N. 6TH: THE NEW EAST VILLAGE / HAIGHT & ASHBURY

For most of the 'aughts, Bedford Avenue & N 6th Street was the counter-cultural capital of New York (and by extension, the world.) Today most of the artists and urban frontiersmen have been pushed east by rising rents and gleaming glass condo towers; but the Bedford Avenue strip remains a vibrant commercial and cultural center. Spend an afternoon exploring the countless boutiques, galleries, restaurants and bars. Spend the night at the unique restaurants and clubs.

Bedford Avenue from Grand Street to North 12th Street, Williamsburg

FLOATING KABARETTE*

Galapagos reclaims the circus with this recurring cabaret night, featuring performances by dancers, musicians and DJ Franklin Ayala. Expect burlesque, magic, trapeze and more from "some of New York City's best performers" (The New York Times). www.galapagosartspace.com/artist/floating-kabarette

*Complimentary admission for all Betty & Brian wedding guests, immediately following the Saturday night reception at Galapagos.

NITEHAWK CINEMA

Dinner and a movie. This new Williamsburg 3-screen theater takes gastro-cinema to the next level with full service meals during the movie. Betty loves the fried brussel sprouts with bacon and Brian loves the mushroom croquettes. Plus there is a lobby bar and a downstairs café that stays open late for a night cap.

136 Metropolitan Avenue, Williamsburg; 718.384.3980 www.nitehawkcinema.com

BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN

Founded in 1910, this 52-acre garden has many specialty gardens and collections, including our favorites: Japanese Hill-and-Pond Garden and the Shakespeare Garden. Don't miss *Hanami*, one of Betty and Brian's annual spring traditions of viewing the cherry blossoms. The BBG has more than 200 cherry trees of over 42 species that bloom all spring and they should be in early to full bloom during the week of our wedding.

900 Washington Ave, Prospect Heights, Brooklyn; 718.623.7200 www.bbg.org

MAST BROTHERS CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Handcrafting the world's greatest chocolate is their life's work. Come to Brooklyn, check out their factory, hang out in their tasting room and learn about how American craft chocolate is truly made! Tasting Room is open everyday I 2pm-7pm. Brian's faves: Maine Sea Salt & Black Truffle.

www.bedfordcheeseshop.com

ESSENTIALS

SUPERMARKET - FOODTOWN

By far the best supermarket in the area. Stick up on goods for your apartment rental. Don't worry about lugging your stuff back, they do home delivery.

159 North 3rd St (between Bedford Ave & Driggs Ave), Williamsburg; 718.302.5533

KINGS PHARMACY

A mom & pop drugstore - the last of a dying breed. There's also a Duane Reade across the street but you know... Shop Local!

241 Bedford Ave (bet. N 3rd & N 4th), Williamsburg; (718) 782-1000

BROOKLYN DRINKS

BROOKLYN OENOLOGY

Local wine from NY. Try a flight of 4 wines and snack on local cheeses, charcuterie, and pates. 209 Wythe Avenue, Williamsburg; 718.599.1259 www.brooklynoenology.com

DRAM

Highbrow cocktails for the fussy imbiber made by knowledgeable bartenders or in this case mixologists. Light snacks are served with cheese & charcuterie.

177 S. 4th St (nr. Driggs Ave.), Williamsburg; 718.486.3726 www.drambar.com

BROOKLYN TAXIS

METROLINE CAR SERVICE

Pickups are usually in 5 minutes or less. Ask for the price on the phone to make sure the driver doesn't pull a fast one on you. Welcome to NY!

390 Metropolitan Avenue; 718.388.1800 www.metrolinecars.com

NORTHSIDE LUXURY

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207 Bedford Ave (between 6th St & 5th St), Williamsburg; 718.387.2222

Spanish market-style restaurant with three wood-burning ovens churning out homemade breads and a tapas menu of yummy deliciousness! BYOB for now while they wait for their liquor license - call ahead to be sure.

291 Kent Ave (at S. 2nd St), Williamsburg; 718.782.8810

CAFE DE LA ESQUINA AT WYTHE DINER (MEXICAN)

Casual cafe inside an old diner serving classic Mexican fare like taquitos, guisados (stewed meats), and moles. Open late til 2am. Start off with a ceviche and then dig into a brisket taco with a beet salad on the side.

225 Wythe Ave (nr. N. 3rd St), Williamsburg; 718.393.5500 www.esquinanyc.com

BROOKLYN WOK SHOP (CHINESE)

A pared-down menu of snacks (buns and wings), soups (wonton, short ribs), and Cantonese staples like General Tso's and orange beef, all made with healthy, sustainable ingredients and meat that is free of antibiotics and hormones.

182 N 10th Street (btwn Bedford and Driggs Ave), Williamsburg; 347.889.7992 www.brooklynwokshop.com

BEST PIZZA (DELIVERY)

As the name implies, this place serves the best pizza. Toppings are a must as the New York-Neapolitan crusts are thin and light on sauce, cheese, and much distinctive flavor; a white ricotta pie and a square "grandma" version topped with pureed anchovies offer a bit of variety. Betty also loves the italian combo sub and meatball sub and often orders them for lunch.

33 Havemeyer St. (nr. North 7th St), Williamsburg; 718.599.2210 www.best.piz.za.com

FORNINO (PIZZA)

Wood-burning pizza and pizza toppings plucked from the chef's own garden and greenhouse. Betty's fave: CALABRESE (*Tomato*, *Mozzarella*, *Sopressata Picante*, *Parmigiano*). Brian's fave: VONGOLE (*Mozzarella*, *Clams*, *Pecorino Fresco*, *Garlic*, *Parmigiano*, *Oregano*).

187 Bedford Ave (nr. North 7th St), Williamsburg; 718.384.6004. www.forninopizza.com

BEDFORD CHEESE SHOP

The finest cheeses and meats in the land. We usually stock up here for waterfront picnics with a Amy's baguette. They also have a really good selection of gourmet food from all over the word.

229 Bedford Ave (between 4th St & 5th St), Williamsburg; 718.599.7588

111 North 3rd Street (between Berry St & Wythe St), Williamsburg; 718.388.2625 www.mastbrothers.com

BROOKLYN NAVY YARD

New York magazine rated this the Best Tour in their recent 'Best of New York' 2012 survey. We haven't been on it yet but thought the seafaring side of the McConnell clan might be interested.

The Brooklyn Navy Yard's visually spectacular expanse is crisscrossed by an entertaining, informative, and oddly uplifting \$30 excursion run by the Urban Oyster tour company. Touching on almost 400 years of city history, the trip traverses the giant naval yard in about two hours. The complex's life story includes not just a rise (at its peak, it employed tens of thousands of workers turning out aircraft carriers) and a fall (it was left largely unused for almost 30 years) but an ongoing resurrection as a haven for artists and entrepreneurs, which should cheer up anyone who's spent too much time recently thinking about economic and political malaise.

63 Flushing Ave., nr. Carlton Ave., Ft. Greene; 347.618.8687

BROOKLYN BREWERY

The Brooklyn Brewery--founded in 1987 is leading the world in beer made in Brooklyn. We picked this specifically with cousin Michael in mind. Take a tour and drink some beer.

Small batch tours Monday - Thursday, 5pm sharp. Reservation required. \$8 Saturday-Sunday Free "no-reservation" Tours at 1pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm and 5pm.

79 North 11th Street (between Berry St & Wythe St), Williamsburg; 718.486.7422 www.brooklynbrewery.com

SMORGAS BREWERY

Located inside Brooklyn Brewery's tasting room in Williamsburg, SmorgasBrewery features a rotating lineup of five Brooklyn Flea food vendors every Sunday. Beer + Flea food, it's a Brooklyn match made in heaven! Admission is free, food and beer are not.

Sunday, Noon-5pm 79 North 11th Street (between Berry St & Wythe St), Williamsburg; 718.486.7422 www.brooklynbrewery.com

BROOKLYN FLEA

The Sunday Flea market features a mix of vintage, antique, handmade, and food vendors with a gorgeous skyline view to boot.

Sunday, I Oam-5pm, Rain or Shine. East River Waterfront (btw. North 6 + 7 St.), Williamsburg; No Phone. www.brooklynflea.com

SMORGASBURG (GIANT FOOD MARKET)

Smorgasburg happens every Saturday on the Williamsburg waterfront. There is also a Greenmarket with 5-10 farmers at Smorgasburg, as well as packaged and prepared foods, purveyors from New York City and across the region, and other food-related vendors for a total of 75 amazing vendors bringing the yummy. Stop by early to beat the crowds and graze before the wedding! We have so many favorites below:

- **Mile End** elevates brisket to heretofore unknown levels of smoked-meat amazingness, redefining the Jewish deli for our time.
- Kumquat Cupcakery mini cupcakes for big appetites.
- **Shorty Tang's** legendary sesame noodles have been revived by his grandsons to universal acclaim.
- Bon Chovie make magic happen between an anchovy and a deep fryer.

Saturday, I Oam-5pm, Rain or Shine East River Waterfront (btw. North 6 + 7 St.), Williamsburg; No Phone. www.brooklynflea.com

McCarren Park Greenmarket

Greenmarket supports farmers and preserves farmland by providing an opportunity for growers to sell fruits, vegetables and farm products directly to New Yorkers in their neighborhood. Every Saturday 8am-3pm.

McCarren Park (Bedford Avenue & Driggs Ave) www.grownyc.org/greenpointgreenmarket

SUNSET AT GRAND FERRY PARK

We almost had our wedding ceremony here because we've had so many special sunset moments over the year. Ultimately we decided it was too small to accommodate all of our friends and family. A nice place just for a stroll and to take a moment.

Grand Street (at waterfront), Williamsburg

BROOKLYN EATS

AURORA (ITALIAN)

This cozy brick- and wood-lined Italian is great for dining in (lovely garden room), or take-out and delivery. Their homemade pastas via a chef from Piedmont are always on point and brunch and prix fixe lunch are good deals with a glass of wine.

70 Grand St (nr. Wythe Ave), Williamsburg; 718.388.5100 www.aurorabk.com

TRAIF

This is a casual spot that specializes in anti-kosher small-plates: (think razor clams with bacon, modernist crudos, and short-rib sliders with cheese). The plates are all appetizer size which allows you to share and taste more items from the menu. Trust us, you will want to try more items from the menu. This also a great spot for a late night bite or a smaller size meal.

229 South 4th St. (Roebling & Havemeyer), Williamsburg; 347.844.9578 or info@traifny.com/

PETER LUGER (STEAKHOUSE)

A Brooklyn institution for good reason! Family selected and dry aged in their own aging box. Make sure to order sliced tomatoes & onions and creamed spinach on the side. The hamburgers only available at lunch are also a good option. You must order a side of sizzling thick cut bacon.

178 Broadway (at Driggs Ave), Williamsburg; 718.387.7400 www.peterluger.com

PIES-N-THIGHS (SOUTHERN/SOUL)

This pie-and-fried-chicken outpost serves the best fried chicken in Brooklyn, shrimp and grits, pulled pork, brisket, pies, and a bacon, egg, and cheese sandwich on a housemade biscuit.

166 S. 4th St (at Driggs Ave), Williamsburg; 347.529.6090 http://news.piesnthighs.com

ROEBLING TEA ROOM (NEW AMERICAN)

We know Jeanne will love the selection of teas they have. Good place for leisurely lunch. Once an industrial space, this high-ceilinged room now feels more like a social club, with its creamy wainscoting, low lighting, and small tables clustered around a central bar. By day, the neighborhood freelance brigade set up shop with laptops and books, so feel free to bring your newspaper and settle in. The smoked salmon on pumpernickel and macaroni and cheese are top picks.

143 Roebling St. (at Metropolitan Ave), Williamsburg; 718.963.0760 www.roeblingtearoom.com

CHIMU

A surprise favorite, Chimu specializes in Peruvian cuisine. Start off with a Pisco Sour cocktail which is the peruvian margarita. The ceviche, Iomo saltado and parihuela soup will give you a taste of the Andes.

482 Union Ave (Between Skillman & Conselyea St), Williamsburg; (718) 383-0045

MERCADO ON KENT (TAPAS)