

**ALL RACES, ALL FACES:
A GUIDE
TO NEW YORK CITY'S IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES**

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INTRODUCTION

Immigration and immigration reform are hot-button issues in American public debate and are expected to remain at its forefront for years to come. And while the debate goes on, in our country that was shaped and defined by immigration more than any other, today's immigrants are facing major challenges, from the threat of deportation for the undocumented to anti-immigrant bias and barriers to economic integration that affect even many naturalized citizens. The present economic climate makes some of these challenges at times more daunting than those encountered by previous generations of newcomers to America.

Meanwhile, immigrants today are considerably more diverse than ever before. And there are also significant inequalities across immigrant groups, reflecting a wide range of conditions in their countries of origins (from humanitarian emergencies in countries like Haiti to the collapse of industrial societies in parts of the former Soviet Union) as well as the legacies of restrictions against certain immigrant groups (such as the Chinese Exclusion Act that was in effect from 1882 to 1943 or the national origins quotas on immigration from all countries except Latin America that was implemented from 1921 to 1965). While the remarkable diversity and complexity of our immigrant population has been gaining attention, the substance of the debate on immigration reform is still too often limited to one or two of the most visible, numerous, and politically influential groups and their concerns. As a result, most of us remain by and large woefully uninformed about the breadth of experiences and cultural as well as historical backgrounds represented by today's immigrants who are often living right next door. Immigration activists and immigrant service providers frequently do not know enough about the composition, interests, and concerns of smaller or even medium-size communities, or the extent of professional accomplishments among their members. (On the other hand, many among us who know very well the work of some famous artists, writers, scholars, and athletes may at the same time be totally unaware of their immigrant backgrounds.)

As a result, millions of people in these communities are left out of the debate and pushed to the margins of our political and economic system, particularly if they are not native or fluent English speakers. This, in turn, limits the numerical power of the national coalition of advocates for a comprehensive reform of our broken immigration system.

The Black Institute has been at work to address this problem through a strategy of increasing the visibility of smaller and medium-size immigrant communities and helping them acquire their own voice in the immigration debate, thus advancing their integration into the wider society. In doing this, we are guided by our perspective on immigration as fundamentally a civil rights issue and the notion that the experience of the Black Civil Rights struggle in the US has a universal significance and is relevant to other minority groups in our country and internationally that are facing similar challenges. Or, to paraphrase the saying of John Donne that was frequently invoked by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., "no community is an island." And neither should it feel like being an island.

This vision is at the core of the Integration Project developed under TBI's newly established Department of Intercommunal Affairs. Given that this work has a significant educational component,

aimed at improving the knowledge and understanding of immigrant communities by the wider American society, as well as among themselves, we envision a series of educational publications about them. These publications will help us ‘match faces with names’ – the faces of illustrious foreign-born achievers with the names of their respective immigrant communities. The present directory, put together by Dr. Dmitri Daniel Glinski, Director of Intercommunal Relations at TBI, is intended to be the first, introductory volume in this potential series.

The purpose of this book is to provide short, dictionary-style portraits of every immigrant community in New York City (as defined by its respective country of origin) that has 10,000 or more people, according to the latest estimates of the American Community Survey (ACS). The article on each community includes as much as was feasible to include from the following information:

- 1) Community size:
according to the 2000 Census (the latest precise count) as well as the three latest ACS estimates, with percentage of change from 2000 to 2012;
- 2) Data on naturalizations:
(both nationwide and in NY State, which in this case is an indicator of the number of long-term residents of NY from this particular community), as well as the nationwide issuance of permanent residency green cards, the number of refugees and asylum recipients (if any), and the number of deportations (removals);
- 3) Key areas of settlement
- 4) Major community or community-related holidays and annual events;
- 5) Key immigration-related nonprofits
(for large communities with a significant number of nonprofits and thus greater specialization, we included only those organizations that actually work on immigration-related issues as part of their core mission; for smaller communities, that may have only one organization in the entire city, that organization is included, even if it may not be an immigrant service provider);
- 6) Present and past elected officials, if any;
- 7) A brief bio of one or two community members who have made a major contribution to American society, such as scholars, writers, entertainers, or diplomats;
- 8) Occasional web links or other relevant sources of additional information.

Note that this book covers immigrant populations only, not people of immigrant ancestry (which may become the subject of one of our subsequent publications). Thus, organizations representing particular minorities in general, such as Latino or Black, are not included unless working with immigrant populations is part of their core mission. Elected officials or community leaders are included only if they are immigrants themselves, i.e. born outside of the US, rather than of immigrant parents.

Finally, the book contains a set of tables and charts representing the data in items 1 and 2 above. Statistical data in the book are based on the US Census, including American Community Survey, as well as on their detailed analysis in NYC Department of City Planning’s publication, *The Newest New Yorkers*:

Characteristics of the City's Foreign-Born Population (2013 edition). The information on nonprofit organizations is based on the IRS list, their 990 forms and websites.

It is our hope that this directory will become a handy information resource for government officials, educators, immigration lawyers, community organizers, immigrants themselves, and all others who have either professional or personal interest in the diversity of our immigrant New Yorkers and the demographic, organizational, and cultural dynamics within specific communities.

Bertha Lewis

President & Founder,
The Black Institute

I. TABLES AND CHARTS
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II. IMMIGRANTS FROM THE CARIBBEAN

DOMINICANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Dominican Republic natives in NYC	369,186	370,896 (+/-5,929)	387,212 (+/-8,211)	408,309 (+/-12,942)	11% growth
Incl. Bronx	124,032	154,200 (+/-4,090)	163,199 (+/-4,878)	176,007 (+/-9,233)	↑
Brooklyn	59,362	56,220 (+/-2,314)	58,106 (+/-3,173)	61,590 (+/-4,999)	↑
Manhattan	125,063	105,981 (+/-3,223)	108,365 (+/-3,585)	113,072 (+/-7,601)	↓
Queens	59,444	52,391 (+/-2,544)	55,167 (+/-3,342)	54,034 (+/-5,736)	↓
Staten Island	1,285	2,104 (+/-458)	2,375 (+/-707)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	15,638 in NY State; 33,351 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	19,920
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	24
Deported (nationwide)	2,833

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key neighborhoods: Manhattan - Washington Heights; Bronx – Concourse, Marble Hill, Mount Hope, University Heights-Morris Heights, Van Cortlandt Village, Highbridge; Brooklyn – Bushwick, some in Cypress Hills, East New York, Sunset Park; Queens - Corona.

Key holidays and annual events:

Jan. 21 – *Our Lady of Altagracia*;

Jan. 26 – *Duarte's Birthday*;

Feb. 27 – *Independence Day* (from Haiti);

July - *Festival de Gran Parada Dominicana del Bronx*

August - *Dominican Day Parade* (on 6th Avenue)

Aug. 16 – *Restoration Day*;
Sept. 26 – *Our Lady of Las Mercedes*;
Nov. 6 – *Constitution Day*;
Dec. 1- *Independence Day* (from Spain)

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Alianza Dominicana*



Mission: "To strengthen communities and affirm the value of family and community life by forging strategic partnerships, developing and implementing model programs to provide support and protection to those in need and create opportunities for social and economic development. Alianza values and promotes leadership, self-sufficiency, health, education, and economic opportunities that guarantee the fullest development of children, youth, and families."

Founded: 1985

Address - 530 West 166th Street 6th fl., New York, NY 10032; E-mail - info@alianzaonline.org;

Phone – (212) 740-1960

Website - www.alianzaonline.org/.

Leadership: Board Chair – Mariela Fermin, Executive Director – Robert A.Espailat

Memberships: Hispanic Federation

- *Community Association of Progressive Dominicans*

(Asociación Comunal de Progresistas Dominicanos)



Mission: "...to promote and develop the physical, emotional, social and economic well-being of the residents of Upper Manhattan, the Bronx, and New York City by facilitating community empowerment through education, provision of human services, and the development of individual skills and community leadership."

Founded: 1979

Address - 3940 Broadway 2nd fl., New York NY 10032; Email – shiciano@acdp.org; Phone – (212) 781-5500

Website - www.acdp.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Kim Ramos, Executive Director – Soledad Hiciano

Memberships: Hispanic Federation

- *Dominican Women's Development Center*



Mission: "...to aid in the growth and development of our self esteem by affirming our identity and solidarity through multicultural and holistic social services as well as with the provision of educational, economic and cultural development programming.

DWDC is committed to the organizing of women to actively participate in the elimination of gender inequality and the promotion of social justice."

Founded: 1988

Address - 519 West 189th Street, Ground Floor, New York, NY 10040; Email - dwdcinfo@gmail.com; Phone - (212) 994-6060

Website - www.dwdc.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Rita Mella, Executive Director – Rosita M. Romero

Memberships: Hispanic Federation

- *Centro Altagracia de Fe y Justicia, Inc. (CAFeJu)*

Mission: “putting faith into action, promoting social justice, through dynamic collaborations and needs-based initiatives, in service to the communities of Washington Heights and Inwood.”

Founded: 2006

Address - 511 W. 164th St., New York NY 10032; Email – info@centroaltagrancia.org; Phone - (212) 568-2115

Website - www.centroaltagrancia.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Gerard Chojnaski, Executive Director – Richard Espinal



- *Centro Civico Cultural Dominicano*

Mission: “to enrich and empower the Dominican and Hispanic community, professionally, educationally, civically, and culturally through workshops, art exhibits, and promotions at various community events”

Founded: 1962

Address - 619 W 145th St, New York, NY 10031

Leadership: Board Chair – Denise Dominguez, Executive Director – Maria D Galvan

- *Gran Parada Dominicana De El Bronx / Society of Dominican*

American Leaders of the Bronx / Casa Cultural Dominicana Del Bronx



Mission: “TO PRESENT THE CULTURE AND TRADITION TO THE DOMINICAN PEOPLE AND OTHER NATIONALITIES RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES AND ABROAD THE MAJOR PROGRAM IS RUNNEDIN COUNTY OFTHE BRONX”

Founded: 1989/1990

Address - 815 Gerald Ave., Suite 6N, Bronx NY 10451; Email -

lagranparadadominicanadelbronx@yahoo.com; Phone – (718) 993-4463

Website - www.paradadominicanadelbronx.org

Leadership: Executive Director – Felipe Febles

- *Juan Pablo Duarte Foundation*

Mission: “to provide moral and financial support to Latino students who follow the dream to become honorable members of the Latino Community in the United States The Juan Pablo Duarte Foundation is committed to finding a way of encouraging academic excellence, ethnic pride and social interaction based on community opportunity.”

Founded: 2003

Address - PO Box 779, New York, NY 10040; Phone - (212) 740-6806

Website - www.jpdfoundation.org/

Leadership: President – Joaquin Labour, Executive Director – Laura Acosta

- *Dominican Medical Association*

Mission: “DMA is a non-for-profit organization sited in New York City, which offers multiple services to enhance professional development of our members. We are also committed to caring for the urban underserved Latino community by providing an ample spectrum of care, including preventive health education.

We provide our members with the skills and tools needed to successfully get into the health care system of the United States (USA), in order to become excellent clinicians and culture sensitive healers.”

Founded: 1997

Address - 5030 Broadway, New York NY 10034; Phone - (646)-943-1502

Website - www.dmanewyork.org

Leadership: President – Francisco Roa, M.D., Board of Directors Chair – Bienvenido Fajardo, M.D.

- *Dominico-American Society of Queens*

Mission: “...to improve the community's self-image in order to help our population reach its highest goals and aspirations.”

Founded: 1993

Address - 40-27 97th Street, Corona NY 11368; Phone - (718) 457-5395 / (718) 457-5312

Website - <http://www.dominicoamerican.org>; Twitter - @DASQ4027

Leadership: Board Chair – Joseph Awad; Executive Director – Jose Tejada

Memberships: Hispanic Federation

- *Dominican Sunday, Inc.*

Mission: “To aid the community”

Founded: 1995

Address – 175 West 107TH Street, New York, NY 10025

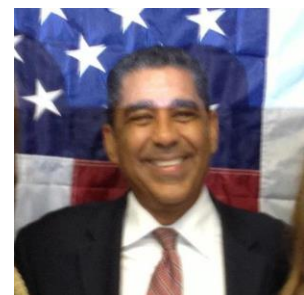
Leadership: President – Altagracia Hiraldo, Executive Director – Katherine Hiraldo

Dominican-American elected officials:

- *Adriano Espaillat* – NY State Senator

District 31 (Democrat)

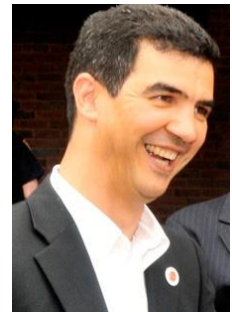
Born in 1954 in Domingo. Graduated from Bishop Dubois High School (on W. 152nd Street) in 1974, and from Queens College with Bachelor of Science in Political Science in 1978; has a state certificate of conflict resolution mediator. Served as the Manhattan Court Services Coordinator for the NYC Criminal Justice Agency; as Director of the Washington Heights Victims Services Community Office; as Director of



Project Right Start; and as President of the 34th Precinct Community Council. Member of Dominican-American Advisory Board of New York State Governor Mario Cuomo (1991-1993). Member of NY State Assembly (1996-2010), where he chaired committees on small business and children & families and the Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic & Asian Legislative Caucus. Elected to the State Senate in 2010. Currently Ranking Member of the Housing, Construction & Community Development Committee. (Official bio - www.nysenate.gov/senator/adriano-espaillat/bio.)

- *Ydanis Rodriguez* – NYC Council Member
Manhattan, District 10 (Democrat)

Born in 1965 in Licey al Medio, Dominican Republic. Immigrated to NYC in 1983. Graduated from City College of New York with BA in Political Science and Master's in Bilingual Education. Founding teacher at Gregorio Luperon High School (1992), where he taught until 2006. Ran for City Council in 2001 and 2003 before being elected in 2009 and re-elected in 2013. Served as Chair of the Committee on Higher Education (2010-2013) and is currently Chair of the Committee on Transportation. (Official bio - www.council.nyc.gov/d10/html/members/biography.shtml.)



- *Dr. Guillermo Linares* – NYC Council Member from 1992 to 2001, NY State Assemblymember from 2010 to 2012.

Born in 1951 in Cabrera, Dominican Republic. Immigrated to the US in 1966 and settled in the Bronx. Graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School; from the City College of New York, where he also obtained his master's degree in bilingual education; and from Fordham University, in school administration and supervision. Defended his dissertation at Columbia University's Teachers' College (2005). In 1979, he founded the Community Association of Progressive Dominicans. In 1991, became the first Latino and the first Dominican immigrant elected to an office in the US. In 1999, appointed Chairman of the White House Initiative for Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans; in 2004-2010, served as NYC Commissioner for Immigrant Affairs. (See www.tc.columbia.edu/news.htm?articleID=8605, which is also the source of the photo.)



- *Gabriela Rosa* – NY State Assemblymember, 2012-2014
District 72 (Democrat)

Born in 1966 in Santo Domingo. Graduated from Universidad Pedro Henriquez Ureña with BA in Marketing (1986) and from Instituto Tecnológico de Santo Domingo (NTEC) with Bachelor of Science in Economics and earned a certificate of Advanced English Teacher at the Dominican American Institute. Moved to NYC in 1994. After working on the staff of NY State Assembly and NY City Council members, she was elected to the Assembly in 2012. Resigned in June 2014 after pleading guilty to criminal charges.



Other notable natives of Dominican Republic in NYC:

- *Erich E. Kunhardt*

Physicist

b. 1949, Monte Cristi

Immigrated to the US in 1956. Obtained his Bachelor of Science from NYU (1969), defended his dissertation in electrophysics at the Polytechnic Institute of NYU (1976), where he currently teaches applied physics. Received an honorary doctorate from the Institute of Electrophysics of the Russian Academy of Sciences (1992). Author of the concept of 'Technogenesis' dealing with commercialization of technologies. Kunhardt's webpage and photo source - <http://engineering.nyu.edu/people/erich-e-kunhardt>.



JAMAICANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Jamaica natives in NYC	178,922	173,358 (+/-3,709)	175,850 (+/-6,057)	181,481 (+/-8,811)	1% growth
Incl. Bronx	51,120	51,335 (+/-2,225)	51,423 (+/-3,185)	51,339 (+/-4,759)	↑
Brooklyn	73,580	70,286 (+/-2,394)	70,588 (+/-3,084)	70,748 (+/-4,729)	↓
Manhattan	5,886	4,999 (+/-637)	4,980 (+/-910)	5,700 (+/-2,171)	↓
Queens	47,145	45,379 (+/-2,353)	47,284 (+/-3,150)	51,774 (+/-5,786)	↑
Staten Island	1,191	1,359 (+/-311)	1,575 (+/-563)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	5,277 in NY State; 15,531 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	7,600
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	63
Deported (nationwide)	1,311

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Bronx – Williamsbridge-Olinville, Woodlawn-Wakefield, Eastchester-Edenwald-Baychester; Brooklyn – Canarsie, Rugby-Renssen Village, Crown Heights, Prospect Lefferts Gardens-Wingate, East Flatbush-Farragut; Queens – Springfield Gardens-Brookville, St.Albans; Staten Island – Wakefield, Tremont.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Aug. 6 - Independence Day*
- *Labor Day Caribbean Carnival*

Notable Jamaica natives in NYC:

- *Peter Blair Henry*

Economist

b. 1969, Kingston

Graduated with B.A. from Oxford University in math and from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in economics. Defended his dissertation in economics at MIT. Was professor of international economics at Stanford University Graduate School of Business. In 2008, was a member of Barack Obama's Presidential Transition Team and was appointed to the President's Commission on White House Fellowships. Since 2010, he serves as the Dean of NYU's Leonard N. Stern School of Business. Serves on the board of directors of the National Bureau of Economic Research and on the Council on Foreign Relations. (Full bio - www.peterblairhenry.com/biography.)



GUYANESE

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Guyana natives in NYC	130,647	136,905 (+/-4,306)	140,675 (+/-5,448)	140,853 (+/-8,424)	8% growth
Incl. Bronx	14,868	13,058 (+/-1,162)	12,609 (+/-1,545)	13,153 (+/-2,299)	↓
Brooklyn	46,425	43,010 (+/-2,102)	43,757 (+/-2,862)	43,847 (+/-4,119)	↓
Manhattan	1,727	2,118 (+/-504)	3,118 (+/-1,027)	3,970 (+/-2,133)	↑
Queens	66,918	77,716 (+/-2,959)	80,177 (+/-4,174)	79,237 (+/-5,849)	↑
Staten Island	709	1,003 (+/-344)	1,014 (+/-409)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	3,990 in NY State; 6,201 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	3,969
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	5
Deported (nationwide)	172

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens (mostly Guyanese of Asian Indian descent) – South Ozone Park (the area of 101 and Liberty Avenue), Richmond Hill (Liberty Avenue between Lefferts and Van Wyck), Jamaica, Queens Village; Brooklyn (mostly Guyanese of African descent) – East New York, Crown Heights, Prospect Lefferts-Gardens, Canarsie, East Flatbush-Farragut, Rugby-Remsen Village.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *May 26* - Independence Day
- *First Monday in August* – Emancipation Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Guyanese Nurses Associations of America*
Mission: “Charitable & humanitarian activities”
Specific program service: 1) Scholarship incentive awards for high school and college students; 2) Charitable assistance to nursing schools and health related charitable organizations in the US and Guyana; 3) Nursing student scholarship program
Founded: 2010
Address - PO Box 30262, Brooklyn NY 11203-0262; Phone – (718) 283-7167
Website - www.guyanesenurse.org/
Leadership: President – Noreen Millington



Notable Guyana natives in NYC:

- *Rhona Fox*
Actress
b.1979, Essequibo
Rhona Fox is a film and TV actress. She is of Indian origin and went to high school in the Bahamas where she moved with her teacher parents. She moved to NYC after graduating from high school in 1995. Here, she graduated in communications, with a minor in economics, from the State University of New York at Albany. She worked as a producer at ABC and FOX affiliates. In 2006, she became the editor of Jamrock, a Caribbean lifestyle magazine in NYC. Later, she founded her own music PR and media marketing agency, Fox Fuse. In 2012, she earned a proclamation from the City of New York for her work as an actress; in 2013, she was recognized as the emerging actor of Caribbean heritage. Her detailed bio can be found on her own site www.rhonafox.com/



Main websites, blogs, and other sources of interest:

Famous Guyanese People, www.crazykelvin.com/aboutme/guyana.htm#Uv_AMPldWSo

HAITIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Haiti natives in NYC	95,580	91,040 (+/-3,442)	93,416 (+/-5,386)	95,213 (+/-7,224)	0.4% decline
Incl. Bronx	1,463	3,157 (+/-584)	3,562 (+/-975)	2,844 (+/-1,644)	↑
Brooklyn	61,267	56,417 (+/-2,623)	59,556 (+/-4,082)	63,869 (+/-5,851)	↑
Manhattan	5,083	4,355 (+/-679)	4,553 (+/-1,066)	5,947 (+/-2,274)	↑
Queens	27,212	26,535 (+/-1,874)	25,258 (+/-2,030)	22,144 (+/-3,001)	↓
Staten Island	375	576 (+/-191)	487 (+/-214)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	2,436 in NY State; 19,114 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	4,038
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	682
Deported (nationwide)	683

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Flatbush/East Flatbush-Farragut, Canarsie, Flatlands, Queens Village, Prospect Lefferts Gardens-Wingate, Crown Heights, Erasmus, Rugby-Remsen Village, Kensington; Queens – Queens Village, Springfield Gardens-Brookville, Cambria Heights

Key holidays and annual events:

- Jan. 1 - Independence Day
- Jan. 2 – Ancestors Day
- Sunday, mid-May - Haitian Flag Day Parade: location - Eastern Parkway from Utica Avenue to Grand Army Plaza
- Dec. 5 - Discovery of Haiti Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Haitian-American Community Coalition (formerly Haitian Centers Council, HCC)*

Mission: “to champion the well-being of its constituents through advocacy, empowerment, health education and supportive services. This is achieved by providing information, access to services and various resources toward the goal of self-sufficiency.”

Founded: 1982

Addresses -123 Linden Blvd., 3rd fl., Brooklyn NY 11226;

Phone (718) 940-2200;

1001 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn NY 11213; Phones - (718) 221-9640, (718) 778-0947;

E-mail - info@hccinc.org

Website - www.hccinc.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Nicole Baron Rosefort, Executive Director – Andre K. Peck



- *Haitian Americans United for Progress (HAUP)*

Mission: “...helps low-income families and individuals to live healthy and productive lives. ... dedicated to providing a supportive environment through education, training, culture, networking opportunities, and other support services, that allow members of the community to successfully adapt and thrive.”

Founded: 1975

Address - 221-05 Linden Blvd., Cambria Heights, NY 11411; Phone - (718) 527-3776

Website - www.haupinc.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Rulx Rosefort, Executive Director – Elsie Saint Louis Accilien.



- *Dwa Fanm (Women’s Rights in Haitian Creole)*

Mission: “to empower all women and girls with the freedom to define and control their own lives. Through service, education, advocacy and grassroots programs, Dwa Fanm works to end discrimination, violence, and other forms of injustice in New York City and abroad.”

Founded: 1999

Address - P.O. Box 23505, Brooklyn, New York 11202; Phone - (718) 222-6320; Hotline: (866) 345-3266 or (347) 677-3135

Twitter @DwaFanm



- *Flanbwayan Haitian Literacy Project*



Mission: "To transform the lives of Haitian newcomer youth through education and leadership development and to raise awareness of immigrant education issues both in the community and citywide."

Founded: 2005

Address - 208 Parkside Avenue, 2nd Floor, Brooklyn NY, 11226; Phone – (718) 774-3037

Website - www.flanbwayan.org/

Leadership: Executive Director – Darnell Benoit

- *Haitian American Alliance of New York, Inc. (HAA)*

Mission: "to empower Haitian Americans in the U.S. through increased participation in all areas of political, social, and economic endeavors."

Founded: 1996

Address - 486 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, New York 11238

Website - www.haany.org/

Leadership: President – Yolette Williams, LCSW.



- *Haiti Cultural Exchange*

Mission: "to develop, present and promote the cultural expressions of the Haitian people. We seek to raise awareness of social issues and foster cultural understanding and appreciation through programs in the arts, education and public affairs."

Founded: 2009

Address - c/o FiveMyles Gallery, 558 St Johns Place, Brooklyn, NY 11238; Phone - (347) 565 4429

Website - <http://haiticulturalx.org/>; Twitter @HaitiCulturalX



Immigrant elected officials:

- *Mathieu Eugene* – NYC Council Member (Democrat, Brooklyn, District 40)
Born in 1954 in Cap Haitien. Graduated from Regina Assumpta College and obtained his medical degree at Universidad Del Norte Este in Mexico. Founder of YES (Youth, Education and Sports), a nonprofit in Brooklyn; co-founder of the Committee for the Development of Northern Haiti. Elected as the first Haitian-American Council Member in a special election in 2007, re-elected in 2009 and 2013. (Official bio - <http://council.nyc.gov/d40/html/members/home.shtml>.)



Other notable Haiti natives in NYC:

- *Nathalie Handal*
Poet, writer, teacher
b. 1969 in Haiti



Photo from:
www.nathaliehandal.com/biography.htm

Nathalie Handal is a poet, writer, playwright and professor at Columbia University. She was born in Haiti to Palestinian exiles. She graduated with MA in creative writing from Simmons College in Boston, with MFA from Bennington College in Vermont, and with master's in philosophy in English and drama from Queen Mary College the University of London. She is the author of the widely acclaimed *Poet in Andalusia*, of poetry books *The NeverField*, *The Lives of Ruin*, *Love and Strange Horses* and other works, and editor of anthologies of international poetry, including *The Poetry of Arab Women: A Contemporary Anthology*. She is on the advisory boards of the Center for Literary Translation at Columbia University and of the Levantine Center in LA. She is currently adjunct assistant professor of English and Comparative Literature at Columbia University.

(See full bio at www.nathaliehandal.com.)

TRINIDADIANS AND TOBAGONIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Trinidad and Tobago natives in NYC	88,794	90,855 (+/-2,702)	89,489 (+/-3,819)	89,389 (+/-6,137)	0.7% growth
Incl. Bronx	6,145	6,537 (+/-835)	6,245 (+/-1,126)	4,976 (+/-1,133)	↓
Brooklyn	52,256	52,675 (+/-2,238)	52,736 (+/-3,038)	49,799 (+/-3,925)	↓
Manhattan	2,852	3,764 (+/-742)	3,088 (+/-715)	3,262 (+/-1,241)	↑
Queens	26,255	26,544 (+/-1,834)	26,232 (+/-1,988)	30,011 (+/-3,466)	↑
Staten Island	1,286	1,245 (+/-358)	1,188 (+/-300)	No data	↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	2,595 in NY State; 5,596 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	2,822
Deported (nationwide figure)	224

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn (mostly Trinidadians of African descent) – Crown Heights, Flatbush/Prospect Lefferts Gardens-Wingate/East Flatbush-Farragut, Rugby-Renssen Village, Canarsie, East New York, Flatlands; Queens (mostly Trinidadians of Asian descent – South Ozone Park (the area of 101 and Liberty Avenue), Richmond Hill (Liberty Avenue between Lefferts and Van Wyck).

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Friday-Tuesday before Ash Wednesday* - West Indian Day (Labor Day) Carnival
- *Aug. 1* - Emancipation Day
- *Aug. 31* - Independence Day
- *Sept. 24* - Republic Day
- *Dec. 26* - Boxing Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Trinidad & Tobago Alliance (NA), Inc.*
Mission: Provides annual scholarships
Email - sterling@trinidadandtobagoalliance.org, info@trinidadandtobagoalliance.org,
carol@trinidadandtobagoalliance.org; Phones - (347) 739-9954, (347) 413-6182
Website - <http://trinidadandtobagoalliance.org/>

Notable Trinidad and Tobago natives in NYC:

- *Geoffrey Richard Holder*

Actor, director

b. 1930, Port of Spain

Geoffrey Richard Holder is an actor, choreographer, director, dancer, painter, costume designer, singer, and voice-over artist. One of four children, he started dancing with his brother at the age of seven. In 1952, choreographer Agnes de Mille saw him dance on Saint Thomas (US Virgin Islands) and soon brought him to New York. In 1955-1956, he was a principal dancer with the Metropolitan Opera Ballet in NYC. In 1975, he won two Tony Awards for direction and costume design of *The Wiz*, the all-black musical version of *The Wizard of Oz* (the first Black male to be nominated in either category). In 1978, he directed and choreographed the Broadway musical, *Timbuktu*. He also won a Guggenheim Fellowship for his painting and published a book of his photography in 1986. He and his wife, dancer Carmen de Lavallade, were the subject of a film, *Carmen & Geoffrey* (2004).



BARBADIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Barbados natives in NYC	27,065	23,462 (+/-1,270)	23,831 (+/-1,929)	24,558 (+/-3,051)	9% decline
Incl. Bronx	2,164	1,715 (+/-361)	2,196 (+/-796)	3,659 (+/-1,411)	↑
Brooklyn	19,249	16,525 (+/-1,003)	16,165 (+/-1,539)	16,236 (+/-2,594)	↓
Manhattan	927	904 (+/-274)	938 (+/-405)	689 (+/-626)	↓
Queens	4,466	4,131 (+/-552)	4,297 (+/-747)	4,470 (+/-1,444)	↑
Staten Island	259	187 (+/-87)	235 (+/-124)	No data	↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized (in NY State)	330 in NY State; 687 nationwide
Green card recipients (in NY)	235
Deported (nationwide)	49

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Crown Heights, Rugby/Remsen Village, Canarsie, East Flatbush/Farragut, Prospect Lefferts Gardens/Wingate, East New York.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March-April* - Good Friday
- *June-July* - Crop Over
- *Nov. 30* – Independence Day

Key immigrant service organizations:

- *Barbados Nurses Association of America*
Mission: "Educational and charitable services"
Founded: 1967.
Address - PO Box 30231, Brooklyn NY 11203; Phones - (718) 241-0752, (347) 413-7085
Leadership: President – Joan Cumberbatch

Notable Barbados natives in NYC:

- *Edward Kamau Brathwaite*

Poet, essayist

b. 1930, Bridgetown

Edward Brathwaite is primarily known as poet, and is also author of many nonfiction writings and critical essays (including works on Black cultural life in Africa and in the diaspora, such as *Folk Culture of the Slaves in Jamaica*). He graduated from Pembroke College, Cambridge, and received his doctorate in philosophy from the University of Sussex (1968). He served as an education officer in the Government of Ghana and taught at the University of the West Indies. In 1966, he was a co-founder of the Caribbean Artists Movement. He won Guggenheim and Fulbright Fellowships, the Neustadt International Prize for Literature, and the Casa de las Americas prize for poetry. In 2006, he became the International Winner of the Griffin Poetry Prize for his collection *Born to Slow Horses*. He is currently a professor of comparative literature at NYU and divides his time between NYC and Barbados.



Photo from
www.griffinpoetryprize.com

GRENADIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates		
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year
Number of Grenada natives in NYC	Not counted	19,175 (+/-1,299)	19,924 (+/-1,837)	23,836 (+/-3,681)
Incl. Bronx		530 (+/-207)	489 (+/-228)	329 (+/-236)
Brooklyn		16,711 (+/-1,163)	17,459 (+/-1,685)	21,109 (+/-3,286)
Manhattan		345 (+/-181)	473 (+/-316)	615 (+/-683)
Queens		1,538 (+/-364)	1,483 (+/-365)	1,783 (+/-892)
Staten Island		51 (+/-54)	20 (+/-32)	No data

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	476 In NY State; 683 nationwide
Green card recipients (in NY)	671
Deported (nationwide)	28

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Rugby-Remsen Village, Prospect Lefferts Gardens, East Flatbush, Crown Heights, Canarsie, Flatlands.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Feb. 7* – Independence Day
- *First Monday of August* – Emancipation Day

Key immigrant service organizations:

- *Grenada New York Adventist Organization*

Mission: “to provide opportunities of enhancement and empowerment for all, to better serve our community in an impactful manner. ... we also strive to find avenues to better the prospects of our brethren in the tri-island state of Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique.”

Founded: 1983

Address - 686 E 77th St, Brooklyn, NY 11236; Phone - (718) 440-0239.

Leadership: President – Crafton Calliste.

Website - www.gnyao.org/

Notable Grenada natives in NYC:

- *‘The Mighty Sparrow’, a.k.a. Slinger Francisco*

Singer, songwriter

b. 1935, Gran Roi

Slinger Francisco is a singer, songwriter, and guitarist known as the “Calypso King of the World”. Born in a fishing village, he moved to Trinidad with his parents when he was one year old and grew up in Port of Spain. He started his singing career as a child and received his performing nickname, ‘Little Sparrow,’ while in his teens. He started performing as a carnival singer in 1954 and in 1956 won Trinidad’s Carnival Road March and Calypso King competitions with his most famous song, “Jean and Dinah” (also known as “Yankees Gone) that celebrated the departure of US military from Trinidad. He made his first trip to New York trying to win American audience in 1958, and started spending a large part of his time in NYC since mid-1980s, with an apartment in Jamaica, Queens. He released 40 of his albums in 1960s and 1970s. In 2008, he released a song for Barack Obama’s presidential campaign, “Barack the Magnificent.” Among his most recent appearances, he performed in January 2014 at a concert in his honor at Melanie’s Sports Bar in Brooklyn.



VINCENTIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates		
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year
Number of St.Vincent and the Grenadines' natives in NYC	Not counted	13,268 (+/-1,139)	14,261 (+/-1,444)	15,087 (+/-2,935)
Incl. Bronx		464 (+/-205)	365 (+/-175)	214 (+/-305)
Brooklyn		11,373 (+/-1,024)	12,487 (+/-1,414)	12,811 (+/-2,701)
Manhattan		149 (+/-118)	93 (+/-112)	67 (+/-113)
Queens		1,163 (+/-295)	1,201 (+/-394)	1,995 (+/-1,053)
Staten Island		119 (+/-101)	115 (+/-180)	No data

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized (in NY State)	309 in NY State; 511 nationwide
Green card recipients (in NY)	503
Deported (nationwide)	28

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Crown Heights, Prospect Lefferts Gardens/Wingate, Rugby/Remsen Village, East Flatbush/Farragut, East New York, Canarsie.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March 14* - National Hero's Day; *May 28* - Whit Monday; *July 2-3*: Carnival; *August 3*: Emancipation Day; *October 27*: Independence Day; *December 26*: Boxing Day

Key immigrant service organizations:

- *St. Vincent and the Grenadines Diaspora Committee of New York*



Mission: “to build meaningful linkages between the Diaspora and the relevant institutions and people in SVG and the USA, and to focus on strengthening the policy-making processes in SVG and the USA as they relate to policies directly and indirectly affecting Vincentians living in the USA and in SVG... seeks to become a body that will work in cooperation with other organizations and individuals in the Vincentian Diaspora and in St. Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG) and in the non-Vincentian society, in order to assist in building the capacities of Vincentians and their institutions at home and abroad to develop themselves in the Diaspora and to advance the progress of SVG.”

Founded: 2010

Email - svgdiaspora@gmail.com; Phone - (718) 344-7920

- *Council of St. Vincent and the Grenadines’ Organizations, USA (COSAGO)*

Email - cosagonyc@hotmail.com

Website - <http://cosago.homestead.com/>

Leadership: President – Ms. Laverne McDonald

- *Vincentian-American Independent National Charities, Inc.*

Address - P.O.Box 360181, Brooklyn NY 11236

- *St. Vincent and the Grenadines’ Ex-Teachers Association*

P.O.Box 201, Vanderveer Station, Brooklyn NY 11210

Elected officials:

- *Kendall Stewart* (b. 1951, Union Island) was a NYC Council Member in 2001-2009, representing District 45 (Flatbush, Brooklyn). He was one of twelve children in a seaman’s family. He graduated from Trinidad’s Caribbean Union College and came to Brooklyn in 1973. Here, he graduated from City College and the New York College of Podiatry and is now a practicing podiatrist. He became a US citizen in the 1980s. He has also been the Democratic District Leader for the 58th Assembly District. While serving in the City Council, he chaired its Subcommittee on Immigration.



Other notable Vincentian natives in NYC:

- *Donn Bobb*

Broadcaster

Don Bobb is a veteran, award-winning broadcaster from the Caribbean with more than 30 years’ experience in the field. Originally from St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Donn is Chief Executive Producer and Chief of Caribbean Programmes at United Nations Radio. He has extensively covered the



Caribbean, having worked at Radio St. Vincent, Radio Antilles in Montserrat, ABS TV in Antigua (1981-1982), and as stringer for the Associated Press. In New York, Donn also worked at WLIR Radio for 20 years in various capacities as a disc-jockey, news writer and presenter. Trained in the UK, Donn has traveled the world covering breaking news assignments and sustainable development conferences in Africa, Europe, Asia, the Caribbean and the Pacific. Donn holds a Bachelor's degree in Mass Communications.

Relevant links:

- *Saint Vincent and the Grenadines* blog (<http://svgblog.blogspot.com/>), by Karl Eklund

CUBANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Cuba natives in NYC	26,030	18,188 (+/-1,099)	16,985 (+/-1,254)	15,049 (+/-2,354)	42% decline
Incl. Bronx	4,635	3,433 (+/-501)	2,956 (+/-524)	2,425 (+/-860)	↓
Brooklyn	3,863	3,274 (+/-435)	2,966 (+/-657)	2,566 (+/-1,099)	↓
Manhattan	8,255	5,009 (+/-571)	4,608 (+/-640)	4,365 (+/-1,291)	↓
Queens	8,580	6,045 (+/-646)	6,047 (+/-922)	5,493 (+/-1,266)	↓
Staten Island	697	427 (+/-180)	408 (+/-173)	No data	↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	345 in NY State; 31,244 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	396
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	1,948
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	29
Deported (nationwide)	56

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Manhattan – Washington Heights.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Cuban Independence Day* – May 20
- *Cuban Day Parade* – date: 1st Sunday in May, noon; location: Manhattan, Sixth Avenue, from 44th Street to Central Park

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *The CINTAS Foundation* (formerly The Cuban Art Foundation)

Mission: "To encourage artistic expression and appreciation by offering grants to artists, architects, composers and creative writers of Cuban descent living outside Cuba, and by making their art available to the public."

Founded: 1950s.

Address - C/O Nancy Reisman, Esq., Secretary, Morris & McVeigh, 767 Third Avenue, 4th fl., New York, NY, 10017

Website - www.cintasfoundation.org/

Leadership: President - Hortensia E. Sampedro



- *Cuban Artists Fund*

Mission: "to foster the vitality and spirit of Cuban artists in United States, Cuba and throughout the Diaspora

community, to raise global awareness and understanding of Cuban cultural achievements, to build an international network of support and partnerships for the Cuban arts community, and to play a leadership role in promoting better understanding among American, Cuban, and Cuban Diaspora artists, art professionals, academics, and communities."

Founded: 1998

Address - 10 Park Avenue, Suite 12 A, New York, NY 10003; Phone - 973 670 0691; Email - carlos@cubanartistsfund.org

Website - www.cubanartistsfund.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Ben Rodriguez-Cubenas, Executive Director – Carlos Pomares



Cuban Artists Fund

- *Centro Cultural Cubano*

Mission: "founded by Cuban exiles to preserve, develop, and disseminate our rich Cuban and Cuban-American cultural heritage within a democratic framework of freedom and autonomy, alien to totalitarian ideologies, values handed down to us by our founding fathers since the 19th Century."

Founded: 1997

Address - Times Square Station, P.O. Box 2608, New York, NY 10036; Email - cccofny@aol.com

Website - www.cubanculturalcenter.org/

Leadership: President – Manuel Castedo

Notable Cuba natives in NYC:

- *Isabel Toledo*

Fashion designer

b. 1961 in Cuba

Isabel Toledo is a fashion designer; recipient of the 2005 Cooper-Hewitt National Design Award (with her husband Ruben Toledo); creative



director of Anne Klein in 2006-2007; one of her clients has been Michelle Obama. (Photo by Ed Kavishe, Fashion Wire Press - <http://fashionwirepress.com/>).

General Caribbean immigrant organizations:

- *Caribbean Women's Health Association*

Founded: 1982

Address: 3512 Church Ave., Brooklyn NY 11203

Phones – (718) 826-2942, (718) 940-9505, (718) 940-9501

Website www.cwha.org

Leadership: Executive Director – Cheryl A. Hall, email chall@cwha.org

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III. IMMIGRANTS FROM CENTRAL AMERICA

MEXICANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Mexico natives in NYC	122,550	179,821 (+/-6,771)	187,163 (+/-7,948)	186,495 (+/-9,276)	52% growth
Incl. Bronx	20,962	42,220 (+/-3,020)	44,821 (+/-4,106)	42,921 (+/-6,282)	↑
Brooklyn	39,605	52,289 (+/-2,696)	53,935 (+/-3,517)	56,399 (+/-5,517)	↑
Manhattan	19,426	22,554 (+/-2,096)	22,186 (+/-3,249)	18,648 (+/-5,248)	↓
Queens	37,667	54,358 (+/-3,568)	57,126 (+/-4,514)	57,774 (+/-5,549)	↑
Staten Island	4,890	8,400 (+/-1,088)	9,095 (+/-1,677)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,248 in NY State; 102,181 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,910
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	463
Deported (nationwide)	306,870

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Corona, Elmhurst, Jackson Heights; Brooklyn – Sunset Park, Bushwick, Flatbush; Manhattan – East (Spanish) Harlem, Washington Heights; Bronx – Concourse, Mott Haven; Staten Island – North Shore, Port Richmond, West Brighton, Tompkinsville.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Sept. 16 – Mexican Independence Day (celebrated with Grito de Dolores / Mexican Day Parade around Sept. 16; website - <http://mexicandayparadeny.org/>)
- May 5 – Cinco de Mayo (celebrates Mexican victory over the invading French in the Battle of Puebla)

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Asociacion Tepeyac de New York*

Mission: "The center works with Latino immigrants advising them on labor rights, immigration, tenant-landlord cases as well as coordinating cultural events. Tepeyac is devoted to inform, organize, and educate Mexican and Latino immigrants and their families about rights, resources, develop community leaders and organizations."

Founded: 1997

Address - 38 West 38th Street, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10018

Website - www.tepeyac.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Brian O'Dwyer, Executive Director – Joel Magallan

Memberships: Hispanic Federation



- *The Mexican Cultural Institute of New York*

Mission: "to strengthen the image of Mexico and foster a better understanding of our country through its art and culture. Our objectives include making sure that our activities have a high and lasting impact among all the multiethnic and multicultural communities in the New York City area.

In addition, the Institute aims to generate interest among the Mexican communities in the Tri-State region by presenting Mexico's most relevant artistic expressions ranging from the Pre-Columbian period to contemporary art."

Founded: 1991

Address - 27 East 39th Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10016

Website - <http://mciny.org/>

Leadership: Executive Director – Caterina Toscano, Email ctoscano@consulmexny.mx



- *Casa Mexico Inc.*

Mission: "To advocate for Mexican and Latin Immigrants in problems of labor, health, education, and other miscellaneous problems as well as to preserve the traditions and cultural and spiritual treasures of their countries that form their moral and psychological basis."

Address - 113 East. 117 Street, New York, NY 10035; Email: casamexicoincny@yahoo.com / oficina@casamexicoinc.org; Phone - (917) 668 - 9085

Website: <http://www.casamexicoinc.org>

Leadership: President – Isabel Navarro, Interim Director – Carlos Navarro

- *Mano A Mano: Mexican Culture Without Borders*

Mission: "dedicated to celebrating Mexican culture and promoting the understanding of Mexican traditions through arts, culture, humanities, and annual celebrations of holidays (Day of the Dead/Día de Muertos; Christmas/Posadas y



Pastorelas), as well as festivals, concerts, performances, processions, installations and seminars. Mexicans and New York area residents celebrate the richness and diversity of Mexican arts in five key areas: music, dance, visual arts, verbal arts and ritual, and culinary traditions.”

Founded: 1997

Address - 550 W. 155th Street. New York, NY 10032; Email - info@manoamano.us; Phone - 212-587-3070

Website - www.manoamano.us; Twitter @ManoaManoMexico

Leadership: Executive Director – Juan Carlos Aguirre

- *MASA NY (Mex-Ed Mexican Educational Foundation of New York Inc.)* – formerly Mexican American Students’ Alliance

Mission: “to promote educational attainment, committed leadership and civic engagement among underserved students living in New York City, with a particular focus on those of Mexican descent.”

Founded: 2001

Address - c/o Immaculate Conception Church, 389 East 150th Street, Bronx NY 10455;

Email - info@masany.org; Phone - (646) 481-5890;

Website - www.masany.org; Twitter @masanyorg

Leadership: Board Chair & Co-Founder - Dr. Robert Smith, Executive Director – Aracelis Lucero



Notable Mexico natives in NYC:

- *Lilliam Barrios-Paoli*

NYC government official

Lilliam Barrios-Paoli is currently serving as NYC Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services since 2014. Graduated from Universidad Iberoamericana and obtained her Masters’ and doctoral degrees in Cultural and Urban Anthropology from the New School of Social Research. Taught at City University, Rutgers University, Montclair State College, and Hunter College. Was Vice



President of the New York City Partnership, Executive Director of the Literacy Volunteers of NYC, Senior Vice President and Chief Executive for Community Investment of the United Way of NYC, and President & CEO of Safe Space NYC. Served in the City government since 1987, as Commissioner of the Department of Employment, Commissioner of the Human Resources Administration, Housing and Preservation Development, and Department of Personnel. In 2008-2013, was Commissioner of the Department for the Aging. (Full bio - <http://www1.nyc.gov/office-of-the-mayor/lilliam-barrios-paoli.page>.)

SALVADORANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of El Salvador natives in NYC	26,802	30,190 (+/-1,953)	32,936 (+/-3,213)	36,354 (+/-4,270)	36% growth
Incl. Bronx	3,293	4,734 (+/-793)	5,733 (+/-1,197)	5,024 (+/-1,851)	↑
Brooklyn	5,308	6,233 (+/-956)	5,688 (+/-1,265)	6,558 (+/-1,774)	↑
Manhattan	2,546	2,544 (+/-637)	3,454 (+/-1,311)	3,708 (+/-1,602)	↑
Queens	15,478	16,311 (+/-1,371)	17,604 (+/-2,088)	20,127 (+/-3,551)	↑
Staten Island	177	358 (+/-190)	457 (+/-309)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,137 in NY State; 16,685 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,770
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	327
Deported (nationwide)	18,677

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Jamaica, Far Rockaway/Baywater; Manhattan – Washington Heights; Brooklyn - Flatbush.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Sept. 15 - Independence Day

Key immigrant services organizations:

- *Centro Salvadoreño*

Mission: “achieve a better quality of life for the Latino immigrant Community through the education and Information of their rights as immigrants and citizen living in this democracy. And empower the community with the necessary tools to understand and be part of the changes of them In this new home, and work for a better country all together as new USA citizens.”

Founded: 1987

Address - 40 Washington Street1, Hempstead, NY 11550

Phone – (516) 565-1550

Leadership: President – Jorge Rivas

Notable El Salvador natives in New York:

- *Ariela Suster*

Fashion designer

b. in San Salvador

Ariela Suster is an apparel and fashion designer. She graduated from Skidmore College in 2000 in psychology and dance and then studied marketing at Harvard. She then moved to NYC, starting as an intern at *Harper’s Bazaar*. She later worked as a fashion assistance at *Lucky Magazine* and then as a Fashion and Accessories Editor of the *InStyle Magazine* (2004-2009). In 2011, she became the founder and owner of The Sequence Collection (www.sequencecollection.com). Its products are hand-made by local artisans in El Salvador.



HONDURANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Honduras natives in NYC	32,358	32,859 (+/-2,174)	32,113 (+/-2,526)	30,360 (+/-3,712)	6% decline
Incl. Bronx	12,774	13,463 (+/-1,322)	13,721 (+/-1,619)	11,978 (+/-2,204)	↓
Brooklyn	9,117	7,998 (+/-1,052)	7,945 (+/-1,072)	9,330 (+/-1,726)	↑
Manhattan	3,426	2,907 (+/-657)	1,815 (+/-633)	1,881 (+/-835)	↓
Queens	6,019	7,129 (+/-1,013)	7,560 (+/-1,498)	6,728 (+/-1,862)	↑
Staten Island	1,022	1,362 (+/-412)	1,072 (+/-548)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	651 in NY State; 5,294 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	819
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	234
Deported (nationwide)	31,515

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Bronx – Mott Haven/Port Morris, Concourse; Brooklyn - Bushwick, East New York; Queens – Jamaica.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March 11-Apr. 12* - Garifuna Heritage Month, proclaimed by Bronx Borough President
- *Apr. 12* – Garifuna Arrival Day (celebrating the arrival to Central America in 1797)
- *Sept. 15* - Independence Day

Key immigrant services organizations:

- *Garifuna Coalition USA, Inc. / Garifuna Coalition Advocacy Center*

Mission: “to serve as a resource, a forum, and advocate for Garifuna issues and a united voice for the Garifuna community...

The Garifuna are an ethnic group of mixed ancestry - descendants of Carib, Arawak and African people living along the Caribbean Coast in Belize, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Honduras and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.”

Founded: 1998

Address - 391 East 149th Street, Suite 215, Bronx, NY, 10455; Email -

info@garifunacoalition.org; Phone - (718) 402-7700;

Website - www.garifunacoalition.org

Leadership: President – Jose Francisco Avila



Notable Honduras natives in New York:

- *Carlos Campos*

Fashion designer

b. 1973, El Progreso

Carlos Campos, a son of a Honduran master tailor, left his native country for NYC at the age of 13. He studied fashion design at The Fashion Institute of Technology. He initially was a design consultant for Zara and other brands and a Broadway costume designer for various productions, including *Jersey Boys* and *Fiddler on the Roof*. In 2007, he launched his own brand, Carlos Campos NYC (located on W.

35th Street). In 2010, he co-produced costumes for a project of the New York City Ballet. In

2013, he received Vanidades Icon of Style Award. In 2008, at the invitation of the President of Honduras he founded Honduras Global. His detailed bio is at www.carloscampos.com/info/.



Photo from
www.hondurasglobal.org

GUATEMALANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Guatemala natives in NYC	17,936	22,146 (+/-1,866)	24,447 (+/-2,801)	24,364 (+/-4,508)	36% growth
Incl. Bronx	3,056	3,755 (+/-693)	3,922 (+/-1,027)	3,438 (+/-1,388)	↑
Brooklyn	5,153	6,486 (+/-1,082)	7,304 (+/-1,572)	7,892 (+/-2,540)	↑
Manhattan	1,427	1,568 (+/-395)	1,770 (+/-609)	2,182 (+/-1,208)	↑
Queens	7,979	9,817 (+/-1,178)	11,213 (+/-2,059)	10,793 (+/-2,837)	↑
Staten Island	321	500 (+/-299)	238 (+/-126)	No data	↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	506 in NY State; 8,797 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	579
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	536
Deported (nationwide)	38,677

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Far Rockaway/Bayswater, Jamaica.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March 11-Apr. 12* - Garifuna Heritage Month, proclaimed by Bronx Borough President
- *Apr. 12* – Garifuna Arrival Day (celebrating the arrival to Central America in 1797)
- *Sept. 15* - Independence Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Garifuna Coalition* (see under Hondurans above)

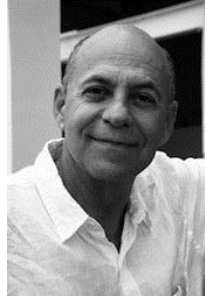
Notable Guatemala natives in NYC:

- *David Unger*

Writer

b. 1950, Guatemala City

David Unger graduated with MFA from Columbia University (1975), teaches at the City College of NY. "His short stories have appeared in several anthologies and literary journals in the United States and abroad. He has translated thirteen books, among them works by Teresa Cárdenas, Rigoberta Menchú, Ana María Machado, Silvia Molina Elena Garro, Bárbara Jacobs and Nicanor Parra's. He teaches Translation at City College of New York's graduate M.A. Program and is the U.S. rep of the Guadalajara International Book Fair." (Source of quotation and photo - http://indentagency.com/authors/david_unger.html)



PANAMANIANIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Panama natives in NYC	23,118	18,080 (+/-1,188)	18,060 (+/-1,675)	20,561 (+/-2,794)	11% decline
Incl. Bronx	1,473	1,621 (+/-368)	1,347 (+/-505)	1,157 (+/-567)	↓
Brooklyn	15,055	12,261 (+/-1,022)	12,959 (+/-1,454)	16,017 (+/-2,609)	↑
Manhattan	1,522	947 (+/-275)	826 (+/-334)	859 (+/-579)	↓
Queens	4,457	2,914 (+/-398)	2,525 (+/-435)	2,254 (+/-757)	↓
Staten Island	341	337 (+/-152)	403 (+/-225)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	260 in NY State; 1,532 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	208
Deported (nationwide)	116

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

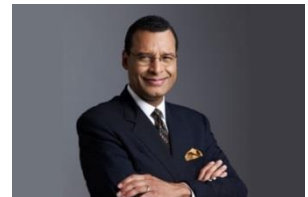
Key areas: Brooklyn – Crown Heights, Prospect Lefferts Gardens-Wingate, Flatbush.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Nov. 3 and Nov. 28 - Independence Days

Notable Panama natives in NYC:

- *A.R. Bernard*
Pastor
b. 1953 in Panama



A.R. Bernard immigrated to the US with his mother in 1957. After 10 years in banking, and being a part of the Muslim American movement, he became a Born Again Christian and the founder, Senior Pastor, and CEO of Christian Cultural Center (CCC) in Brooklyn. He is President of the Council of Churches of the City of New York and was a member of Mayor Michael Bloomberg's 2001 transition team. He has a Master of Urban Studies and a Master of Divinity from Alliance Theological Seminary. (See his website www.arbernard.com/).

General Central American immigrant organizations:

- *Central American Legal Assistance / Ayuda legal para Refugiados Salvadorenos y Guatemaltecos*
240 Hooper Street, Bklyn NY 11211
Email - cala@igc.org; Phone – (718) 486-6800
Website - www.centralamericanlegal.info
Leadership: Director – Anne Pilsbury, Esq.
- *Central American Refugee Center CARECEN*
Mission: “Assisting the immigrant community on Long Island in its effort to become full participants in the community's life.”
Founded: 1983

IV. IMMIGRANTS FROM SOUTH AMERICA

ECUADORIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Ecuador natives in NYC	114,944	130,838 (+/-4,559)	133,277 (+/-5,673)	128,411 (+/-9,410)	12% growth
Incl. Bronx	14,800	19,867 (+/-1,887)	20,915 (+/-2,320)	18,471 (+/-3,178)	↑
Brooklyn	20,256	23,506 (+/-1,978)	25,631 (+/-2,373)	26,228 (+/-4,535)	↑
Manhattan	12,217	12,519 (+/-1,544)	13,550 (+/-2,032)	12,427 (+/-3,570)	↑
Queens	66,643	73,134 (+/-3,324)	71,539 (+/-3,925)	69,652 (+/-6,257)	↑
Staten Island	1,028	1,812 (+/-523)	1,642 (+/-657)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	3,109 in NY State; 8,783 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	3,669
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	34
Deported (nationwide)	1,720

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Corona, Jackson Heights, Elmhurst, Ridgewood, Hunters Point-Sunnyside-West Maspeth, East Elmhurst, Woodhaven; Brooklyn – Bushwick, Sunset Park, Southside Williamsburg; Manhattan – Washington Heights; Bronx – Tremont, Fordham.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Aug. 10* – Ecuador Day (Independence Day); celebrated with a parade and festival, early-mid August; location - Queens, 37th Avenue

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Ecuadorian International Center*

Mission: “Empowering underserved member of our community to realize their full potential as members of this society. EIC is committed to educating and guiding the New York immigrant community by providing resources, programming and services.”

Founded: 2002

Address - 37-47 76th St, 1st Floor, Jackson Heights, NY 11372; Phone - (718)651-8630

Website - www.eicnyc.org/

Leadership: President of the Board of Directors – Edison Alban; Executive Director – Martha Zambrano.



- *Ecuadorian Civic Committee of New York*

Founded: 1980

Address - 41-12 102nd Street, 2nd Piso, Corona, NY 11368

Emails - oswaldoguzman@yahoo.com / info@ecuadorianciviccommitteeny.com

Phones – (917) 225-4509, (718) 476-3832, (718) 740-1507

Website - www.ecuadorianciviccommitteeny.com/

Notable Ecuador natives in NYC:

- *Ernesto Quiñones*

Writer

b.1969 in Ecuador

Ernesto Quinones is primarily known as the author of *Bodega Dreams* (2000) and *Chango's Fire* (2004). He Immigrated to the US as a child and raised in Spanish Harlem. Currently associate professor at Cornell University's MFA program. (Image taken from: www.necc.mass.edu/newsroom/2013/04/17/hispanic-author-leads-white-fund-discussion/)



Photo

from www.necc.mass.edu/newsroom/2013/04/17/hispanic-author-leads-white-fund-discussion/

COLOMBIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Colombia natives in NYC	84,404	67,803 (+/-2,871)	67,626 (+/-3,908)	72,336 (+/-5,851)	14% decline
Incl. Bronx	3,322	3,175 (+/-519)	3,122 (+/-762)	3,249 (+/-1,863)	↓
Brooklyn	7,597	6,432 (+/-844)	6,047 (+/-839)	6,076 (+/-1,856)	↓
Manhattan	5,927	6,001 (+/-843)	6,028 (+/-1,216)	5,254 (+/-1,426)	↓
Queens	66,192	50,704 (+/-2,378)	51,096 (+/-3,349)	55,693 (+/-5,357)	↓
Staten Island	1,366	1,491 (+/-400)	1,333 (+/-470)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	2,473 in NY State; 23,972 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	3,069
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	126
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	471
Deported (nationwide)	1,499

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Jackson Heights, Elmhurst (esp. around Roosevelt Avenue), Corona, Hunters Point/Sunnyside/West Maspeth, Flushing, Woodside, Astoria, Forest Hills, Woodhaven. College Point.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *July 20 and August 7* - Colombian Independence Day (celebrated in Queens, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, World's Fair site)

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Centro Civico Colombiano, Inc.*
Mission: “Promote Colombian cultural roots”
Founded: 1978
Website - <http://centrocivicol.com/>
Address - 90-37 Corona Ave, Elmhurst, NY 11373; Email: info@centrocivicol.com; Phone: (718) 699-4833
Leadership: President – Jose L. Torres

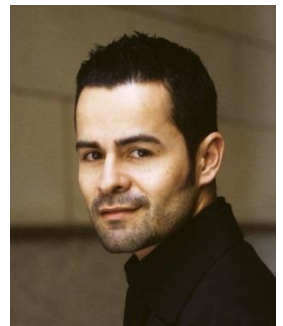


- *Colombian Charities of America*
Founded: 1985
Address - 84-19 Roosevelt Ave 2nd fl., Jackson Heights, NY 11372; Phone – (718) 899-0777
Leadership: Executive Director – Oveimar Otero

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Notable Colombia natives in NYC:

- *James Cañón*
Writer
B. 1968, Ibagué
James Cañón is the author of *Tales from the Town of Widows* (Harper, 2007), translated into many languages and adapted for a film, *Without Men* (2011), as well as of short stories and essays published by a number of magazines in the US and overseas. He graduated in advertising from Universidad Jorge Tadeo Lozano of Bogotá and received his MFA in creative writing at Columbia University. He is a recipient of many literary awards in the US and overseas, including New York Foundation for the Arts Fiction Fellowship (2008) and National Hispanic Foundation for the Arts Award (2001, 2002). (His official bio and the source of this photo are at <http://jamescanon.com/about/C4>.)



PERUVIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Peru natives in NYC	27,278	31,393 (+/-2,312)	30,645 (+/-2,755)	28,072 (+/-4,437)	3% growth
Incl. Bronx	2,296	3,234 (+/-667)	2,832 (+/-711)	3,075 (+/-1,279)	↑
Brooklyn	3,128	4,049 (+/-599)	3,804 (+/-727)	3,396 (+/-1,188)	↑
Manhattan	2,598	3,283 (+/-585)	3,273 (+/-971)	3,165 (+/-1,514)	↑
Queens	18,697	19,481 (+/-1,762)	19,279 (+/-2,514)	17,329 (+/-3,624)	↓
Staten Island	559	1,346 (+/-479)	1,457 (+/-523)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,126 in NY State; 11,814 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,453
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	50
Deported (nationwide)	735

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Jackson Heights, Elmhurst, Corona

Key holidays and annual events:

- July 28-29 - Independence Day
- Aug. 30 – St. Rose of Lima, patroness of Peru
- Oct. 8 – Battle of Anzamos

Notable Peruvian natives in New York:

- *Grimanesa Amoros*

Artist

b. in Lima

Grimanesa Amoros is an interdisciplinary artist with diverse interests in the fields of social history, scientific research and critical theory. She is the recipient of several grants, which include the National Endowment for the Arts Visual Artist Fellowship (Washington, DC), The Travel Grant Fund for Artists, NEA Arts International, (New York, NY), The Bronx Museum for the Arts: Aim Program (Bronx, NY) and The Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation “Participant Biennial Competition” (New York NY). Awards also include the X Tumi USA Award (Miami, FL) and artist residency fellowships by Art Omi (Columbia County, NY), Santa Fe Art Institute (Santa Fe, NM), The Virginia Center for the Creative Arts (Amherst, VA), Artspace (Raleigh, NC) and Centrum Arts (Port Townsend, WA). Additionally, her works have been selected for the Art in Embassies Program of the U.S. Department of State in Ankara, Turkey (2001) and Lima, Peru (2003). (For her full bio, see www.grimanesaamoros.com/bio/Grimanesa_Amoros_Bio_English.pdf.)



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BRAZILIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2012 1-year	2010-2012 3-year	2008-2012 5-year	
Number of Brazil natives in NYC	14,241	15,985 (+/-3,008)	14,088 (+/-1,337)	13,879 (+/-1,206)	12% growth
Incl. Bronx	517	427 (+/-150)	462 (+/-217)	373 (+/-337)	↓
Brooklyn	1,176	1,621 (+/-265)	1,769 (+/-369)	1,833 (+/-668)	↑
Manhattan	5,039	5,504 (+/-675)	5,425 (+/-1,125)	7,489 (+/-2,513)	↑
Queens	7,208	6,077 (+/-777)	6,094 (+/-989)	5,549 (+/-1,344)	↓
Staten Island	301	250 (+/-135)	338 (+/-193)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	706 in NY State; 9,884 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	936
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	65
Deported (nationwide)	2,256

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Astoria; Manhattan – W.46th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues (“Little Brazil”); Queens – Astoria.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March-April (the week before the Lent) - Carnival*
- *Sept. 7 - Brazilian Independence Day; celebrated with parade and street fair since 1985 in “Little Brasil,” West 46th Street, Madison to Seventh Avenues*

Notable Brazil natives in NYC:

- *Vik (Viktor) Muniz*
Artist, photographer
b. 1961, Sao Paolo

Vik Muniz worked in advertising in Brazil before moving to New York in 1983. Famous for his Sugar Children series that portrayed children working on sugar plantations on St.Kitts island. Featured in Lucy Walker's documentary *Waste Land* in connection with his work on one of the largest garbage dumps in the world on the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro.



Vik Muniz' self-portrait.

ARGENTINIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimate			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Argentina natives in NYC	11,677	10,831 (+/-831)	11,228 (+/-1,294)	10,811 (+/-2,342)	7% decline
Incl. Bronx	726	912 (+/-258)	1,126 (+/-402)	1,009 (+/-776)	↑
Brooklyn	1,963	2,344 (+/-399)	2,224 (+/-448)	2,112 (+/-746)	↑
Manhattan	2,971	2,863 (+/-432)	2,753 (+/-583)	1,891 (+/-679)	↓
Queens	5,608	4,326 (+/-634)	4,537 (+/-833)	5,505 (+/-1,874)	↓
Staten Island	409	386 (+/-173)	588 (+/-246)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	318 in NY State; 3,909 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	419
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	5
Deported (nationwide)	208

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Jackson Heights

Key holidays and annual events:

- Jan. 6 – Day of the Three Wise Men (Epiphany)
- July 9 – Argentina’s Independence Day
- Nov. 10 – Day of Tradition

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Ayuda Ya!*

Mission: "Since the year 2000, Ayuda Ya has been waging a peaceful war to help end child hunger and malnutrition in Argentina. We support community kitchens dedicated to ensuring that children who are affected by hunger receive the nutrients they need to be able to learn, play and build productive futures."

Address - 107-23 71st Rd. Suite 218 Forest Hills, NY 11375

Phones - (718) 261-3784, (917) 608-1352

Website www.ayudaya.org/

Leadership: Board Chair – Esther Raspa



Notable Argentina natives in NYC:

- *Bernardo Palombo*

Cultural entrepreneur

b. in Mendoza

Bernardo Palombo is the founder and artistic director of El Taller Latino Americano (The Latin American Workshop) on Broadway and W. 104th Street, an "arts and education institution Founded: New York City in 1979 to bridge the gap between Latin Americans and North Americans through the language of art, dance and music" (<http://tallerlatino.org/AboutUs.php>). Moved to NYC in 1989, taught at the New School, Sarah Lawrence, Yeshiva University and the United Nations School and received the Independent Educator's Award from Teachers College at Columbia University.



General Latino immigrant service organizations:

- *La Union*

Addresses - 621 DeGraw Street, Bklyn NY 11217-3120; 6025 6th Avenue. Room 221, Brooklyn, NY 11220

Phone – (917) 291-9408

Website www.la-union.org

Leadership: Executive Director – Leticia Alanis

V. IMMIGRANTS FROM SOUTHEAST ASIA

FILIPINOS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of the Philippines natives in NYC	49,644	57,863 (+/-2,255)	55,567 (+/-2,954)	55,581 (+/-5,887)	12% growth
Incl. Bronx	4,129	4,845 (+/-645)	4,745 (+/-716)	3,924 (+/-1,377)	↓
Brooklyn	6,769	6,749 (+/-796)	6,541 (+/-951)	5,837 (+/-1,403)	↓
Manhattan	7,319	8,296 (+/-870)	8,338 (+/-1,088)	9,033 (+/-2,274)	↑
Queens	27,628	33,801 (+/-2,029)	31,970 (+/-2,476)	31,978 (+/-4,548)	↑
Staten Island	3,799	4,172 (+/-595)	3,973 (+/-713)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	2,353 in NY State; 44,958 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	3,231
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	22
Deported (nationwide)	462

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Elmhurst, Woodside, Briarwood/Jamaica Hills, Queens Village, Hunters Point/Sunnyside/West Maspeth, Flushing, Jackson Heights, Jamaica Estates/Holliswood, Woodhaven.

Key holidays and annual events:

- June 12 - *Independence Day*
- 1st Sunday of June - *Philippines Independence Day Parade*

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *The Filipino American Human Services, Inc. (FAHSI)*

Mission: "...community-based, non-profit organization dedicated to improving the social conditions and enhancing the self-reliance of the Filipino and Filipino American communities of New York City. FAHSI's vision is an empowered Filipino American community with a strong sense of identity and commitment to civic participation. FAHSI serves marginalized segments of the community, particularly the elderly, youth, women and recent immigrants, by:
 Strengthening the capacity of Filipino Americans to be significant contributors to civil society;
 Developing the potential of Filipino American youth as community leaders and organizers;
 Raising the awareness of the Filipino American community and the general public concerning Filipino American history and the struggle and contributions of Filipino Americans."

Founded: 1993

Address - 18514 Hillside Ave., Jamaica, NY 11432; Phone - (718) 883-1295; Email - fahsi@fahsi.org

Website – www.fahsi.org; Twitter - @FAHSIny

Leadership: Board Chair – Zultan Bermudez

- *Damayan: Migrant Workers Association* ('damayan' means 'helping each other' in Filipino)



Mission: "a grassroots organization in New York City and Jersey City of and for Filipino im/migrant workers and led by Filipino women domestic workers. ... Our mission is to educate, organize and mobilize low wage Filipino workers to fight for their labor, health, gender and im/migration rights; contribute to the building of the domestic workers movement for fair labor standards, dignity and justice; and help build workers' power and solidarity towards justice and liberation."

Founded: 2002

Address - 406 West 40th Street, 3rd Fl., New York, NY 10018; Email - contact@damayanmigrants.org; Phone – (212) 564-6057

Website - <http://www.damayanmigrants.org/>; Twitter: @DamayanMigrants

Leadership: Board Chair – Josie Gutierrez, Overall Coordinator and Community Organizer – Linda Oalican

- *Philippine Independence Day Council, Incorporated (PIDCI)*



Mission: "Our organization plans, organizes, produces, executes, manages, directs and presents the annual commemoration of Philippine Independence to the Filipino, Filipino-American, and the mainstream community."

Address - 291 Broadway, Suite 1501, New York, NY 10007-1858; Email - info@pidci.org

Website - <http://pidci.org/>

Leadership: President – Fe Martinez

Notable natives of The Philippines in NYC:

- *Josie Natori*



Fashion designer

b. 1947, Manila

Josie Natori, born Josefina Almeda Cruz, is a fashion designer and the founding CEO of The Natori Company. Her father's company was and remains one of the largest construction companies in the Philippines. She moved to the US in 1964 and graduated from Manhattanville College. She then worked at Merrill Lynch, eventually becoming its first female Vice President in Investment Banking. In 1974, she became a U.S. citizen. In 1977, she moved from Wall Street into fashion and founded The Natori Company. She was subsequently honored twice with the highest awards by presidents of the Philippines. See her full bio at <http://www.natori.com/Content/Natori%20Story>.

VIETNAMESE

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Vietnam natives in NYC	14,707	14,234 (+/-1,236)	13,820 (+/-1,545)	14,830 (+/-2,623)	0.8% growth
Incl. Bronx	2,770	2,677 (+/-494)	2,099 (+/-647)	2,013 (+/-1,206)	↓
Brooklyn	5,094	4,553 (+/-812)	4,331 (+/-944)	4,447 (+/-1,369)	↓
Manhattan	1,731	2,118 (+/-439)	2,057 (+/-470)	2,492 (+/-1,207)	↑
Queens	4,882	4,159 (+/-641)	4,593 (+/-923)	4,262 (+/-1,005)	↓
Staten Island	230	727 (+/-276)	740 (+/-339)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	394 in NY State; 23,490 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	528
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	41
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	25
Deported (nationwide)	60

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Bensonhurst.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Late Jan. – early Feb.* – Tet/Lunar New Year
- *May 11* – Vietnam Human Rights Day (designated by the US Congress)
- *Middle of the 7th lunar month* – Wandering Souls Day
- *15th day of the 8th lunar month* – Trung Thu (‘Mid-Autumn Festival’)
- *Sept. 2* - Independence Day

Notable natives of Vietnam in NYC:

- *Monique Truong*

Writer

b. 1968, Saigon

Monique Truong authored two novels: the first, *The Book of Salt* (Houghton Mifflin, 2003) was a national bestseller, won a number of awards and recognized by *The New York Times* as a Notable Fiction Book. Her second novel, *Bitter in the Mouth* (Random House, 2010) received the Rosenthal Family Foundation Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. In 2010, she received a Guggenheim Fellowship. She is also an intellectual property attorney but “hopes that you will not hold that against her.” She is based in Brooklyn. For her full bio, see <http://www.monique-truong.com/bio/>.



Photo from
Monique Truong's
website

MALAYSIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Malaysia natives in NYC	7,618	8,709 (+/-1,096)	9,309 (+/-1,324)	11,027 (+/-3,073)	45% growth
Incl. Bronx	52	152 (+/-94)	48 (+/-44)	0 (+/-185)	↓
Brooklyn	1,926	2,087 (+/-522)	2,300 (+/-633)	1,727 (+/-1,105)	↓
Manhattan	2,048	2,056 (+/-476)	2,636 (+/-777)	3,598 (+/-2,278)	↑
Queens	3,533	4,043 (+/-855)	4,068 (+/-865)	5,702 (+/-1,717)	↑
Staten Island	59	371 (+/-185)	257 (+/-202)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

Key areas: Queens – Flushing.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	216 in NY State; 1,150 nationwide
Green card recipients	377
Asylum recipients	11
Deported (nationwide)	30

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key holidays and annual events:

- All February - *Lunar New Year Festival*
- Aug. 31 and Sept. 16 - *Independence Days* (Hari Merdeka and Hari Malaysia)

Notable Malaysia natives in NYC:

- *Camie Lai*



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Restaurant owner

b. 1966, Rasa

Camie Lai is the owner of Rasa restaurant that recently opened on West 8th Street and was profiled on dnainfo.com. She and her brother were brought to New York by their father in 1984 on student visas and lived here illegally until she got a green card in 2002. Her brother Tommy Lai is a chef, and was the first Malaysian chef in NYC to earn a Michelin star while working as the head chef at Laut restaurant.

VI. IMMIGRANTS FROM SOUTH & CENTRAL ASIA

INDIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of India natives in NYC	68,263	74,854 (+/-3,219)	76,169 (+/-4,293)	78,214 (+/-7,063)	15% growth
Incl. Bronx	3,440	3,233 (+/-592)	3,235 (+/-769)	4,026 (+/-1,838)	↑
Brooklyn	6,838	7,533 (+/-757)	7,394 (+/-1,119)	8,010 (+/-1,744)	↑
Manhattan	6,354	11,339 (+/-1,083)	12,848 (+/-1,610)	11,725 (+/-2,946)	↑
Queens	48,132	48,537 (+/-2,377)	48,223 (+/-3,071)	49,463 (+/-5,814)	↑
Staten Island	3,499	4,212 (+/-720)	4,469 (+/-1,080)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized (nationwide)	3,044 in NY State; 42,928 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	4,621
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	377
Deported (nationwide)	526

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Richmond Hill, Jackson Heights (around 74th Street between Roosevelt and 37th Avenues), Flushing, Glen Oaks/Floral Park/New Hyde Park, Bellerose, Forest Hills, Elmhurst, South Ozone Park, Rego Park, Queens Village; Manhattan – East Village (“Curry Row” around 6th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenues), “Curry Hill”/“Little India” around Lexington Ave. between 26th and 31st Streets).

Key holidays and annual events:

- Aug. 15 - *India Independence Day (“India Day”)*; India Day Parade is held on the closest weekend
- First Sunday in October- *Deepavali India Festival* (festival of lights)

Notable India natives in NYC:

- *Jamshed Bharucha*

Scientist and Cooper Union President

b. 1956, Mumbai

Jamshed Bharucha is a cognitive neuroscientist and the 12th president of Cooper Union (Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art) since 2011. In 1973, he graduated in violin performance from the Trinity College of Music in London (1973). He came to the US at 17 to study at Vassar College, from which he graduated in 1978 majoring in biopsychology. He received an M.A. in philosophy from Yale (1979) and a Ph.D. in cognitive psychology from Harvard (1983). His field of study is cognitive and neural underpinning of music. He was a professor at Dartmouth and at Tufts, where he served as Provost and Senior Vice President. He also served as Editor of *Music Perception*, an interdisciplinary journal.

(See full bio at <http://cooper.edu/about/president-bharucha/jamshed-bharucha>.)



BANGLADESHIS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Bangladesh natives in NYC	42,865	65,618 (+/-2,715)	68,671 (+/-4,124)	77,549 (+/-7,261)	81% growth
Incl. Bronx	3,990	9,383 (+/-1,079)	9,149 (+/-1,320)	12,041 (+/-2,820)	↑
Brooklyn	9,756	13,045 (+/-1,299)	13,742 (+/-1,758)	12,902 (+/-2,741)	↑
Manhattan	2,252	2,744 (+/-828)	2,984 (+/-931)	3,692 (+/-1,836)	↑
Queens	26,589	40,119 (+/-2,507)	42,526 (+/-3,386)	48,463 (+/-5,814)	↑
Staten Island	278	327 (+/-238)	270 (+/-177)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	4,153 in NY State; 8,417 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	7,519
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	109
Deported (nationwide)	58

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens - Jackson Heights, Elmhurst, Jamaica, Briarwood/Jamaica Hills, Woodside, Woodhaven, Astoria, Hunters Point/Sunnyside/West Maspeth, Hillside Avenue; Brooklyn – Kensington/Ocean Parkway, Cypress Hills.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March 26* – Bangladesh Independence Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Bangladeshi American Community Development & Youth Services (BACDYS)*



Mission: “to provide education, social services and to advocate on behalf of low income and underserved South Asian Americans in New York City.”

Founded: 2011

Address - 181 Forbell Street, Brooklyn NY 11208; Email - info@bacdys.org, bacdys@gmail.com; Phone - 718-235-1700

Website - www.bacdys.org

Leadership: President/CEO – Misba Abdin, Email misba@bacdys.org

Notable Bangladesh natives in NYC:

- *Monica Yunus*

Opera singer

b. 1979, Chittagong

Monica Yunus is a soprano singer. She is a daughter of Nobel Prize winning Bangladeshi economist Mohammad Yunus and his Russian wife, Vera Forostenko. Shortly after her birth, her parents split, and her mother brought her to the US to her immigrant Russian family in Trenton, NJ. She graduated with bachelor’s and master’s degrees from The Juilliard School and frequently performs at The Metropolitan Opera. She is also the Co-Founding Director of Sing for Hope, a nonprofit “that mobilizes professional artists in volunteer service to benefit communities in need and presents projects - such as NYC’s summertime Sing for Hope Pianos- that make art available to all.” (See her full bio at <http://www.monicayunus.com/pdfs/monicayunus-biography2013m.pdf>.)



Photo from Mirshak Artists Management, http://www.mirshakartists.com/artists_sopranos.asp, © VoxPage1.com.

PAKISTANIS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Pakistan natives in NYC	39,165	37,629 (+/-2,387)	40,039 (+/-3,235)	39,478 (+/-6,101)	0.8% growth
Incl. Bronx	1,874	2,185 (+/-681)	2,220 (+/-714)	1,825 (+/-899)	↓
Brooklyn	16,872	14,136 (+/-1,343)	14,093 (+/-1,548)	15,906 (+/-3,304)	↓
Manhattan	1,780	1,976 (+/-502)	2,050 (+/-854)	1,779 (+/-1,345)	↓
Queens	17,314	17,295 (+/-1,636)	19,114 (+/-2,675)	18,026 (+/-4,245)	↑
Staten Island	1,325	2,037 (+/-578)	2,562 (+/-891)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,939 in NY State; 11,150 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	3,229
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	274
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	430
Deported (nationwide)	161

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Flatbush, Bensonhurst, Midwood, Brighton Beach, Coney Island Avenue; Queens – Jackson Heights, Flushing, Elmhurst.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Mar. 23* – Pakistan Day
- *Aug. 14* - Pakistan Independence Day (celebrated with a festival around that date)

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Council of Peoples Organization (COPPO)* – formerly Council of Pakistani Organization



Mission: “To assist low income immigrant families, particularly South Asians and Muslims, to reach their full potential as residents of New York City. COPPO empowers marginalized communities to advocate for their rights and understand their responsibilities as Americans. It helps to build community relations among Muslim and non-Muslim community groups. It is working to establish connections between the communities and various government agencies.”

Founded: 2012

Address - 1081 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11230-2305; Email - copousa@copousa.org;

Phone – (718) 434-3266

Website - www.copousa.org

Leadership: President – Shafiq Hassan, Executive Director - Mohammad Razvi

Notable Pakistan natives in NYC:

- *Raees Warsi*

Poet

b. 1963, Karachi

Raees Warsi is an Urdu-language poet, journalist, and TV anchor. He was born in a prominent literary family. He graduated from the University of Karachi in mass communications (1987). After

establishing himself as a poet in Pakistan, he moved to the US in 1989. Here, he founded Urdu Markaz New York (Urdu Language Center) in East Elmhurst, a cultural center that organizes regular sessions of reading poetry and prose, as well as lectures, and organized the first International Urdu Conference at the UN (2000). He also became a radio and TV personality and co-produced TV programs in Urdu since 1995. He received multiple awards from the Pakistani government.



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UZBEKISTANIS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates		
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year
Number of Uzbekistan natives in NYC	Not counted	19,747 (+/-1,496)	21,264 (+/-2,035)	24,984 (+/-4,236)
Incl. Bronx		7 (+/-11)	17 (+/-27)	0 (+/-185)
Brooklyn		10,013 (+/-1,283)	11,332 (+/-1,484)	13,129 (+/-3,071)
Manhattan		307 (+/-140)	370 (+/-267)	242 (+/-245)
Queens		8,799 (+/-872)	8,783 (+/-1,510)	10,080 (+/-1,981)
Staten Island		621 (+/-245)	762 (+/-416)	No data

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	650 in NY State; 3,071 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	2,857
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	140
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	127
Deported (nationwide)	23

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens (mostly Uzbeks and Bukharian Jews) – Forest Hills, Rego Park; Brooklyn (mostly Russians and Russian-speaking Jews from Uzbekistan) – Bensonhurst; Manhattan – Diamond District (W. 47th Street)

Notable natives of Uzbekistan in NYC:

- *Fatima Kuinova*
Singer
b. 1920, Samarkand



Photo from
<http://arts.gov/honors/heritage/fellow/fatima-kuinova>

Fatima Kuinova is a Bukharian Jewish Russian-speaking singer. She was one of 10 children of a cantor in a local synagogue who died when she was 6. She and her family moved from Uzbekistan to Tajikistan when she was 13. She started singing as a child, and by 1941 performed on Soviet radio. She performed for the Red Army soldiers during WWII and in 1948 became Honored Artist of the Soviet Union. In 1980, she immigrated to the US from Tajikistan and widely performed with her ensemble of shashmaqam, traditional Central Asian folk music. In 1986, her ensemble was invited to perform in the Salute to Immigrant Cultures at the Statue of Liberty Centennial. In 1992, she was made a National Heritage Fellow at the National Endowment for the Arts. She lives in Rego Park. For her full bio, see <http://arts.gov/honors/heritage/fellows/fatima-kuinova>.

Main websites, blogs, and other sources of interest:

- Bukharian Jews - www.bjews.com

General Asian immigrant organizations in NYC:

- *Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE)*

Mission: “dedicated to enriching the lives of Asian Americans and all of those who are in need.”

Founded: 1974

Address -108 Norfolk Street, New York, NY 10002; Email - askaafe@aafe.org;

Phone – (212) 979-8381;

Website - <http://www.aafe.org/>, **Twitter:** @aafe1974

Leadership: Board President – Wendy Takahisa, Executive Director – Christopher Kui



- *Coalition for Asian American Children and Families (CACF)*

Mission: “the nation's only pan-Asian children's advocacy organization, aims to improve the health and well-being of Asian Pacific American children and families in New York City.”

Founded: 1986

Address - 50 Broad Street, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10004; **Email** - cacf@cacf.org; **Phone** - (212) 809-4675;

Website - www.cacf.org

Leadership: Interim Executive Director – Jessica S.Lee, MPH



General South Asian immigrant organizations

- *Chhaya Community Development Corporation (Chhaya CDC)* (Chhaya – ‘shelter’ or ‘shade’)

Mission: “dedicated to creating stable and sustainable communities by increasing civic participation and addressing the housing and community development needs of New Yorkers of South Asian origin and their neighbors.

Its work encompasses tenant rights, civic engagement, and advocating for affordable housing opportunities, as well as research and advocacy around community needs.”

Founded: 2000

Address - 37-43 77th Street, 2nd floor, Jackson Heights, NY 11372; Email - info@chhayacdc.org;

Phone – (718) 478-3848

Website - www.chhayacdc.org

Leadership: Executive Director – Seema Agnani



- *South Asian Council for Social Services (SACSS)*

Mission: “...to plan, provide, support and advocate for a continuum of programs addressing the social service needs of the underserved South Asian and Indo-Caribbean communities of New York City.”

Founded: 2000



Address -143-06 45th Avenue, Flushing, New York 11355; Email - sacss@sacssny.org; Phone - (718) 321 – 7929

Website - <http://sacssny.org/>

Leadership: Board President – Dr. Runi Mukherji- Ratnam, Executive Director – Sudha Acharya

- *Seva Immigration Community Advocacy Project*

Mission: “to build a broad based and sustainable network of community based organizers and members to address the critical needs, of the most under resourced immigrant communities in New York City — with a special focus on the South Asian and West Indian enclaves of Queens, NYC..”



Address -8940 115th St, Richmond Hill, NY 11418; Phone - (718) 785-5596; Email - contactus@sevany.org

Website - www.sevany.org; Twitter: @SEVANY

Leadership: Executive Director – Gurpal Singh

- *South Asian Youth Action (SAYA)*

Mission: “to create opportunities for South Asian youth to realize their fullest potential.”



Founded: 1996

Address - 54-05 Seabury St., Elmhurst, NY 11373; Email - saya@saya.org; Phone – (718) 651-3484

Website - www.saya.org

Leadership: Board Chair – Usha Saxena, Executive Director – Udai Tambar

VII. IMMIGRANTS FROM EASTERN EUROPE

RUSSIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Russia natives in NYC	81,408	72,753 (+/-3,002)	70,727 (+/-3,514)	67,692 (+/-5,809)	17% decline
Incl. Bronx	3,111	1,797 (+/-317)	1,711 (+/-432)	1,306 (+/-575)	↓
Brooklyn	51,781	45,041 (+/-1,876)	43,658 (+/-2,573)	40,145 (+/-4,570)	↓
Manhattan	5,832	7,500 (+/-1,038)	7,066 (+/-1,544)	6,747 (+/-2,151)	↑
Queens	17,232	13,319 (+/-1,263)	13,598 (+/-1,590)	13,090 (+/-2,408)	↓
Staten Island	3,452	5,096 (+/-793)	4,694 (+/-880)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,246 in NY State; 8,154 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,977
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	197
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	728
Deported (nationwide)	148

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Bensonhurst, Sheepshead Bay/Manhattan Beach, Brighton Beach, Midwood, West Brighton, Madison, Homecrest, Seagate-Coney Island, Kensington-Ocean Parkway, Williamsburg;
Queens – Forest Hills, Rego Park, Far Rockaway; Staten Island – Rosebank, Arden Heights, Great Kills;
Bronx – Riverdale, Co-Op City.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Jan. 27 – *Holocaust Remembrance Day*;
- March 8 – *International Women's Day*;
- May 9 – *Victory Day*

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Russian-American Foundation (RAF)*

Mission: “Founded ... to encourage interest in and understanding of Russian heritage among all communities in the US, as well as to promote reciprocal interest in and understanding of American heritage among global Russian-speaking communities.



Over the years, RAF’s mission has expanded to incorporate national programs aimed at:

- Promoting economic and social development, progress, and well-being within the Russian-speaking community of the New York area and the greater United States
- Promoting a better understanding and acceptance of the Russian-speaking community among the various other communities of New York and the greater United States
- Assisting the Russian-speaking community of New York and the greater United States in preserving its heritage, culture, and language.”

Founded: 1997

Website - www.russianamericanfoundation.org

Leadership: President – Marina Kovalyov, Vice President – Rina Kirshner

- *Council of Jewish Émigré Community Organizations (COJECO)*

Mission: “...to facilitate the successful integration of Russian-speaking Jews into the greater American Jewish community, while preserving our unique cultural heritage.”



Founded: 2001

Address - 40 Exchange Place, Suite 1302, New York, NY 10005; Email - info@cojeco.org; Phone – (212) 566-2120

Website - www.cojeco.org; Twitter: @COJECO_NY

Leadership: President – Edward Mermelstein, Board Chair – Feliks Frenkel, Executive Director – Roman Shmulenson

Memberships: Agency of UJA-Federation of NY

- *American Forum of Russian Jewry (AFRJ)*

Mission: “... to educate the Russian Speaking Jews and help their integration into the American



society, to inspire a passion for Jewish life and learning and strengthen communities in the United States, in Israel, and around the world.”

Address - 1100 Coney Island Ave., Suite 409-A, Brooklyn, NY 11230; Phone - (718) 484-0990

Website - <http://afrij.us/>

Leadership: President – Dr. Igor Branovan, Executive VP – Dr. Dmitry Shchiglik

- *Russian-Speaking Community Council of Manhattan and the Bronx (RCCMB)*



Mission: "...to develop the organizing power of our community, its successful integration in American civil society, advance immigrant rights, civic participation, and leadership development. We raise public awareness of our community and the achievements of its members and promote collaboration with other communities in the pursuit of a more just and fair society with equal opportunities for all."

Founded: 2011

Address - 244 Fifth Avenue, Suite 200, New York, NY 10001; Email: rccmb@rccmb.org; Phone - 212-726-2082

Website - www.rccmb.org, Twitter @RusManhattan

Leadership: President & CEO – Dr. Dmitri Daniel Glinski, Board Chair – Victor F. Levin

Memberships: New York Immigration Coalition

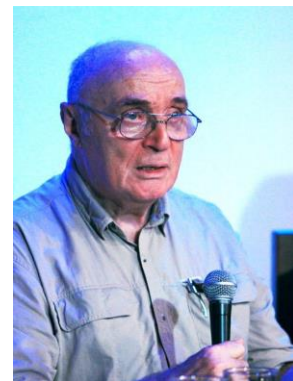
Immigrant elected officials:

- *Alec Brook-Krasny* – State Assemblymember , District 46 (Democrat)
Born in 1958 in Moscow. Graduated from the Moscow Institute of Technology (currently Russian State University for Tourism and Services) with a degree in economics and engineering. Immigrated to the US in 1989. Founded Fun-O-Rama, a Brooklyn-based business company. Founding Executive Director of the Council of Jewish Émigré Community Organizations (COJECO), now an agency of the UJA-Federation of NY. Graduated from the Institute for Not-for-Profit Management at Columbia University. After running for the State Assembly in 2000 and for the City Council in 2001 (winning the endorsement of The New York Times), he was elected to the Assembly in 2006 and re-elected in 2008, 2010, and 2012. He is the first immigrant from Russia or former Soviet Union to be elected to a US office. (Official bio - <http://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/?ad=046&sh=bio>.)



Other notable Russia natives in NYC:

- *Pavel Litvinov*
Human rights advocate
b. 1940, Moscow
Pavel Litvinov, a grandson of Soviet foreign minister Maksim Litvinov, joined the dissident movement while working as a physics instructor at the Institute of Chemical Technology in the 1960s, joined the dissident movement. One of the eight participants of the Aug. 25, 1968 demonstration on the Red Square against Soviet invasion in Czechoslovakia. Sentenced to 5 years of internal exile which he served in East Siberia. Immigrated to the US in 1974, lives in Tarrytown, NY, where he taught physics and math at the Hackley School in 1976-2006. He



serves on the Boards of Directors of Andrei Sakharov Foundation and General Petro Grigorenko Foundation. He is a hero of documentary films by Vladimir Kara-Murza "They Chose Freedom" (2005_ and Ksenia and Kirill Sakharovs "Five Minutes of Freedom" (2012).

UKRAINIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Ukraine natives in NYC	69,727	58,244 (+/-2,105)	59,395 (+/-2,574)	62,104 (+/-4,856)	11% decline
Incl. Bronx	1,746	1,065 (+/-364)	875 (+/-353)	1,071 (+/-672)	↓
Brooklyn	55,573	42,959 (+/-1,635)	44,800 (+/-2,284)	47,400 (+/-3,909)	↓
Manhattan	3,194	3,021 (+/-484)	2,778 (+/-573)	2,443 (+/-758)	↓
Queens	6,994	5,721 (+/-725)	5,380 (+/-788)	4,833 (+/-1,457)	↓
Staten Island	2,220	5,478 (+/-815)	5,562 (+/-1,105)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,527 in NY State; 9,459 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,680
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	372
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	207
Deported (nationwide)	160

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Brighton Beach, Sheepshead Bay/Manhattan Beach, Bensonhurst, West Brighton, Homecrest, Midwood, Madison, Seagate/Coney Island, Gravesend; Queens – Forest Hills, Astoria; Manhattan – Washington Heights, East Village (around 2nd Avenue between 6th and 10th Streets).

Key holidays and annual events:

- Aug. 24 - *Independence Day*

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA)*

Mission: “...to support cultural, educational, and humanitarian activities that emphasize the Ukrainian American heritage and provide support for Ukraine's newly developing democracy.”

Founded: 1940

Address - 203 Second Avenue, New York NY 10003; Phone – (212) 228-6840

Website - www.ucca.org; Twitter: @UkrCongComAm

Leadership: President – Tamara Gallo Olexy, Executive VP – Andriy Futey

Notable natives of Ukraine in NYC:

- *Dmitriy Salita*

Boxer

b. 1982, Odessa

Dmitriy Salita is a boxer in the welterweight division, living in Brooklyn. He is an observant Orthodox Jew with the Chabad Lubavitch movement. He immigrated with his family to the US in 1989, and they settled in Flatbush. His father was an engineer and his mother accountant. After winning championships as amateur, including at the 2001 New York Golden Gloves, he launched his professional career and won the North American Boxing Association light welterweight championship in 2005.



POLES

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Poland natives in NYC	65,999	52,516 (+/-2,147)	53,763 (+/-2,618)	49,375 (+/-4,504)	25% decline
Incl. Bronx	2,133	1,347 (+/-353)	1,003 (+/-349)	553 (+/-334)	↓
Brooklyn	35,382	21,501 (+/-1,311)	21,793 (+/-1,871)	19,654 (+/-2,934)	↓
Manhattan	5,221	4,771 (+/-819)	4,724 (+/-1,208)	4,495 (+/-1,742)	↓
Queens	21,205	21,423 (+/-1,501)	22,371 (+/-1,912)	20,154 (+/-2,552)	↓
Staten Island	2,058	3,474 (+/-620)	3,872 (+/-986)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,908 in NY State; 8,715 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,407
Deported (nationwide)	386

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Greenpoint (“Little Poland”), Borough Park (Polish Jews), Bensonhurst, Sunset Park, Bay Ridge, North Williamsburg; Queens – Ridgewood, Maspeth, Glendale, Middle Village, Jackson Heights.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *First Sunday in October* - Pulaski Day Parade (declared an official observance day in 1946 by President Harry Truman)
- *Nov. 11* - Independence Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Polish & Slavic Center (PSC)*

Mission: “social and cultural services organization”

Founded: 1972

Address - 176 Java Street, 2nd floor, Suite #6, Brooklyn NY 11222; Email -

immigrationpsc@yahoo.com; immigration@polishslaviccenter.org;

Phone – (718) 383-5290, (718) 349-1143

Website www.polishslaviccenter.org

Leadership: President, CEO - Bożena Kamiński



- *Polish Assistance (Polska Bratnia Pomoc)*

Mission: “aiding Polish individuals directly or to subsidize care through other institutions, that are in a position to provide services. Direct assistance is given on a monthly basis, usually to supplement low social security payments or to cover extraordinary medical bills.”

Founded: 1956

Address -15 East 65th Street, New York, NY 10065; E-mail: office@polishassistance.org; Phone – (212) 570-5560; Email:

Website - <http://www.polishassistance.org/>

Leadership: President – Jadwiga Palade

Notable natives of Poland in NYC:

- *Daniel Libeskind*

Architect, artist

b. 1946, Lodz

Born in a family of Holocaust survivors, Daniel Libeskind was a virtuoso accordion player in his childhood and performed on Polish television in 1953. In 1959, he won an America Israel Cultural Foundation scholarship and moved with his family to New York City. He became a US citizen in 1965 and graduated from the Cooper Union with a degree in architecture (1970). In 1989, he and his wife Nina founded Studio Daniel Libeskind, located on 2 Rector Street. Among the buildings that he designed are the Jewish Museum in Berlin, the extension to the Denver Art Museum in Denver, CO, the Grand Canal Theatre in Dublin, and others. In 2003, he won the competition to be the master plan architect for the reconstruction of the World Trade Center.



Source: Wikimedia Commons

ALBANIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates		
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year
Number of Albania natives in NYC	Not counted	14,793 (+/-1,364)	16,279 (+/-1,966)	16,103 (+/-3,282)
Incl. Bronx		4,576 (+/-706)	5,018 (+/-1,136)	5,440 (+/-2,023)
Brooklyn		3,905 (+/-700)	4,315 (+/-902)	4,819 (+/-1,464)
Manhattan		485 (+/-200)	671 (+/-334)	662 (+/-624)
Queens		4,379 (+/-692)	4,271 (+/-1,090)	3,789 (+/-1,609)
Staten Island		1,448 (+/-367)	2,004 (+/-623)	

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	1,098 in NY State; 3,615 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	911
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	113
Deported (nationwide)	103

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Bensonhurst; Queens – Ridgewood; Bronx - Belmont (esp. near Arthur Avenue), Morris Park (esp. around Lydig Avenue), Pelham Parkway/Allerton Avenue.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *November 28* – Independence Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Albanian American Woman's Organization* (AAWO, Motrat Qiriazhi)

Mission: “to lift the spirit, status and voice of Albanian women, girls and Albanian families so they can fully participate in all aspects of life, by becoming stronger, and more resilient, in overcoming the years of war, government oppression and tradition that have pushed them down and to the margins of society. AAWO hopes to strengthen the bonds between Albanian American women and their sisters all over the world.”

Founded: 1993

Address - 676A Ninth Avenue, Suite 425, New York, NY 10036; Email - president@aawomq.org;

Phone – (212) 244-8440;

Website - <http://aawomq.org/>

Leadership: President – Dr. Anna Kohen

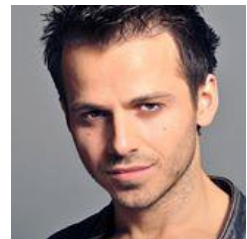
Notable natives of Albania in NYC:

- *Praq Rado* (born as Preke Radolina)

Actpr, writer

b. 1981, Theth

According to Rado’s autobiography his family in Albania “was ostracized because they stood against the totalitarian regime.” He came to the US illegally in 2001. In 2007, he was flagged for deportation. He then sought political asylum, but his application was rejected. He worked as a caterer when he met director and Emmy Award winner Lee Percy who subsequently created a film about Rado’s experience, *Dreaming American*, in which Rado starred as himself. He studied acting at HB Studio in NYC. See his full bio at www.praqrado.com.



ROMANIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Romania natives in NYC	19,280	13,602 (+/-1,087)	14,311 (+/-1,245)	15,888 (+/-2,413)	18% decline
Incl. Bronx	913	590 (+/-182)	935 (+/-329)	1,068 (+/-699)	↑
Brooklyn	4,253	2,717 (+/-406)	2,646 (+/-483)	3,123 (+/-997)	↓
Manhattan	2,183	2,314 (+/-495)	2,490 (+/-785)	3,289 (+/-1,725)	↑
Queens	11,729	7,776 (+/-794)	8,066 (+/-940)	8,336 (+/-1,717)	↓
Staten Island	202	205 (+/-96)	194 (+/-170)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	378 in NY State; 4,253 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	470
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	20
Deported (nationwide)	188

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Queens – Ridgewood.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Jan. 24 - Independence Day

Notable Romania natives in NYC:

- *Andrei Șerban*
Theater director



Photo from
<http://arts.columbia.edu/node/1661>

b. 1943, Bucharest

Andrei Șerban graduated from Theater and Film Art Institute in Bucharest (1968) and immigrated to the US in 1969 with the assistance of a grant from the Ford Foundation. In 1971, he directed *Medea* and *Fragments of a Greek Trilogy* at La MaMa, E.T.C., the experimental theater club. More recently, he directed Aeschylus' *Agamemnon* and Chekhov's *The Cherry Orchard* at Lincoln Center. In 1990-1993, he was general director of the Romanian National Theater. Since 1992, he has been Professor of Theater at Columbia School of the Arts.

BELARUSIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Belarus natives in NYC	11,187	12,457 (+/-1,062)	12,425 (+/-1,302)	11,869 (+/-1,855)	6% growth
Incl. Bronx	219	119 (+/-62)	118 (+/-82)	111 (+/-125)	↓
Brooklyn	9,406	9,739 (+/-971)	9,945 (+/-1,163)	10,254 (+/-1,664)	↑
Manhattan	333	423 (+/-159)	264 (+/-154)	0 (+/-185)	↓
Queens	669	920 (+/-275)	934 (+/-428)	715 (+/-446)	↑
Staten Island	560	1,256 (+/-350)	1,164 (+/-517)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	420 in NY State; 1,896 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	402
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	83
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	285
Deported (nationwide)	27

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Bensonhurst, Sheepshead Bay/Manhattan Beach.

Key holidays and annual events:

- May 9 – Victory Day
- July 3 – Minsk Liberation Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Belarusan-American Association (Belaruska-Amerykanskaje Zadzinočannie, BAZA)*



Mission: “a fraternal organization whose members share a connection to the Belarusian (also spelled Belarusian) nation through ancestry or strong personal ties.”

Founded: 1949

Address - 401 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11217; Email: BAZA.HQ@hotmail.com

Website - www.bazahq.org

Notable natives of Belarus in NYC:

- *Yelena Tylkina*

Artist

b. 1965, Orsha

Yelena Tylkina graduated from Minsk University of Arts and Theater (1989) and emigrated to the US the same year. To date, she has had eight solo exhibitions and 50 group exhibitions, including “Art Against Dictatorship” (2009), a traveling exhibition of Belarusian Artists with stops at the US Congress, Oslo City Hall (Norway), The Belarus Museum (NYC), The Fund for American Studies (Washington D.C.), The German Marshal Fund of the United States, (Washington D.C.), and Estonian Parliament (Tallinn). She also publishes her works of fiction in literary magazines and appears on radio and TV programs. See her full bio at <http://www.yelenatylkina.com/>.



Self-portrait from
<http://yelena-tylkina.fineartamerica.com>

VIII. IMMIGRANTS FROM SOUTHERN EUROPE

ITALIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Italy natives in NYC	72,481	52,657 (+/-1,929)	50,776 (+/-2,237)	48,770 (+/-3,335)	33% decline
Incl. Bronx	9,142	5,577 (+/-611)	5,640 (+/-786)	4,568 (+/-1,121)	↓
Brooklyn	24,719	16,190 (+/-968)	15,718 (+/-1,154)	16,295 (+/-2,092)	↓
Manhattan	5,984	6,038 (+/-712)	6,199 (+/-988)	7,370 (+/-1,934)	↑
Queens	24,391	17,652 (+/-1,117)	15,927 (+/-1,307)	14,294 (+/-1,890)	↓
Staten Island	8,245	7,200 (+/-672)	7,292 (+/-878)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	420 in NY State; 2,234 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	515
Deported (nationwide)	114

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn –Bensonhurst, Dyker Heights, Bay Ridge, Williamsburg, South Brooklyn, Cobble Hill; Staten Island; Queens – Whitestone, Lindenwood/Howard Beach, Middle Village, Steinway, Astoria, Howard Beach, Ozone Park; Bronx – Schuylerville/Trogs Neck/Edgewater Park, Fordham (around Arthur Avenue), Pelham Bay; Staten Island – Annadale/Huguenot/Prince’s Bay/Eltingville; Manhattan – Little Italy (Mulberry Street between Kenmare and Grand).

Key holidays and annual events:

- Mid-Late August - *Ferrogosto di Belmont* (the “Feast that Begins in August”)
- *Two weeks in mid-September* - Festa San Gennaro

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Italian Welfare League*

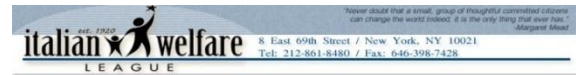
Mission: “to bridge the gap between what families can’t afford, and what insurance doesn’t cover—for badly needed supplies, treatment and services, by extending a helping hand within its own population.”

Founded: 1920

Website - <http://italianwelfareleague.org/>

Address - 8 East 69th Street, New York, NY 10021; Phone – (212) 861-8480

Leadership: Board Chair - Bea Tusiani, President - Linda R. Carlozzi



- *Ital-UIL USA*

Mission: “To help and assist the Italian community, free of charge, with the processing of Italian pensions, including certification of documents, affidavits, emigration and renewal of passports.”

Address - 7301 18th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11204

Leadership: President – L.Lacarbonara

Notable natives of Italy in NYC:

- *Matteo Brunetta*

Filmmaker

b. in Trento

Matteo Brunetta is a NYC-based documentary filmmaker, director of *The Highest Cost*, a film about two first responders to the 9/11 attack and their struggle with cancer that developed after their work at Ground Zero.

He grew up in Conegliano, a small town outside of Venice. He started his career with film reviews for websites in Italy. He graduated from the University of “Roma Tre” in communication sciences. In 2011, he moved to NYC to work for the Italian National TV, RAI. Here, he graduated from the New York Film Academy (2012). See full bio at <http://matteobrunetta.com/BIO>.



Photo from
matteobrunetta.com

GREEKS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Greece natives in NYC	29,805	23,100 (+/-1,325)	22,589 (+/-1,924)	21,306 (+/-2,348)	29% decline
Incl. Bronx	1,535	1,207 (+/-414)	966 (+/-387)	715 (+/-703)	↓
Brooklyn	4,876	4,014 (/-443)	4,212 (+/-811)	3,894 (+/-1,041)	↓
Manhattan	2,386	2,223 (+/-413)	2,377 (+/-562)	1,594 (+/-649)	↓
Queens	20,304	14,791 (+/-1,046)	13,889 (+/-1,361)	14,449 (+/-1,949)	↓
Staten Island	704	865 (+/-266)	1,145 (+/-595)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	186 in NY State; 867 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	250
Deported (nationwide)	24

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Bay Ridge; Queens – Astoria (“Little Greece”), Whitestone.

Key holidays and annual events:

- March 25 - *Greece Independence Day; Independence Day Parade* held on the closest Sunday

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- **HANAC**
Mission: “...to develop, implement and administer the operation of service programs for the betterment of the community; to provide these services to any and all who are needy without discrimination



as to race, creed, national origin or other defining characteristic; and to work closely with other providers, the city, state and federal governments for the betterment of the community.”

Founded: 1972

Website - <http://www.hanac.org/>

Address - 49 West 45th Street, 4th Fl., New York, NY 10036; Email: info@hanac.org; Phone - 212-840-8005;

Leadership: Chairperson – Evangeline Douris, Executive Director/CEO – John Kaiteris

Immigrant elected officials:

- *Frank Skartados* – State Assemblymember (Democrat, District 104 – Newburgh, Beacon, Poughkeepsie et al.)
Born in 1956 in Astypalea. Immigrated to the US and settled in NYC in 1970. Graduated from George Washington High School; graduated from the State University of New York at New Paltz in Political Science and earned his Master’s in International Studies at the State University of California at Sacramento. Worked in various positions with the New York Military Academy and as a teacher. Founder and president of the Academy Street Business Association in Poughkeepsie. Elected to the State Assembly in 2008, lost his seat in 2010 and was re-elected in a special election in 2012. (Official bio - <http://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/Frank-Skartados/bio/>.)



Other notable natives of Greece in NYC:

- *Irini Spanidou*
Novelist
b. 1946, Trikala
Irini Spanidou is the author of three novels - *God’s Snake*, *Fear*, and *Before*. She immigrated to the US in 1964 and graduated from Sarah Lawrence College and Columbia University with master’s degree in fine arts. Her novels were praised by Doris Lessing, Grace Paley, and others. She has taught creative writing at Sarah Lawrence College and Brooklyn College, and is currently with the Creative Writing Program at New York University.



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IX. IMMIGRANTS FROM WESTERN EUROPE

BRITISH

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of UK natives in NYC	28,996	30,063 (+/-1,504)	31,128 (+/-1,921)	30,177 (+/-2,687)	4% growth
Incl. Bronx	2,607	2,720 (+/-637)	2,671 (+/-717)	2,753 (+/-926)	↑
Brooklyn	7,314	7,904 (+/-636)	8,259 (+/-812)	8,177 (+/-1,274)	↑
Manhattan	12,319	14,522 (+/-1,056)	14,719 (+/-1,658)	13,860 (+/-2,363)	↑
Queens	6,020	4,092 (+/-429)	4,551 (+/-646)	4,664 (+/-945)	↓
Staten Island	736	825 (+/-210)	928 (+/-279)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	693 in NY State; 9,145 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,507
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	7
Deported (nationwide)	313

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Manhattan – Upper West Side, Hudson Yards/Chelsea/Flatiron/Union Square, West Village, Lincoln Square.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Nov. 5 – Guy Fawkes Day (commemorates the deliverance of the King and the Parliament from a plot in 1605)

Notable British natives in NYC:

- *David Byrne*

Musician

b. 1952, Dumbarton, Scotland

David Byrne is a musician and songwriter of “Talking Heads”, a New Wave band. His family moved to Canada when he was two and then to the US, settling in Maryland when he was 8 or 9. He started his musical career while in high school and moved to NYC in the 1970s, where he launched “Talking Heads” with Chris Frantz and Tina Weymouth in 1975. He is a recipient of Grammy, Oscar, and Golden Globe awards and has been inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame together with the rest of “Talking Heads” band in 2002.

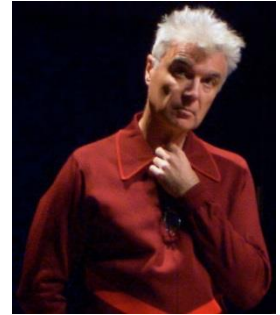


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FRENCH

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of France natives in NYC	12,386	15,780 (+/-1,227)	16,203 (+/-1,558)	18,361 (+/-3,334)	48% growth
Incl. Bronx	425	440 (+/-152)	596 (+/-205)	704 (+/-399)	↑
Brooklyn	2,034	3,427 (+/-514)	3,607 (+/-662)	3,843 (+/-1,059)	↑
Manhattan	7,055	9,646 (+/-1,002)	9,570 (+/-1,311)	10,745 (+/-3,032)	↑
Queens	2,641	2,070 (+/-364)	2,205 (+/-413)	2,926 (+/-998)	↑
Staten Island	231	197 (+/-74)	225 (+/-130)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	294 in NY State; 2,358 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	757
Deported (nationwide)	106

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Manhattan – Upper West Side.

Key holidays and annual events:

- July 14th - *Bastille Day*

Notable natives of France in NYC:

- *Michael Sinterniklaas*
Actor, director, script writer
b. 1972, French Riviera



Photo source –
[Wikimedia Commons](#)

Michael Sinterniklaas is a voice actor, director, and script writer who currently lives in NYC. He lived in London as a child and moved to the US when he was 10. Here, he graduated from the Performing Arts High School in New York and went to a college in North Carolina. He was a voice actor for many English-language Japanese anime films, TV series, and video games. He has worked for 4Kids Entertainment and other companies, before launching his own studio, NYAV Post, which is based in NYC and LA.

Main websites, blogs, and other sources of interest: <http://frenchinamerica.wordpress.com/>

GERMANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Germany natives in NYC	27,708	19,472 (+/-1,091)	18,396 (+/-1,262)	16,955 (+/-2,589)	39% decline
Incl. Bronx	2,096	1,212 (+/-211)	1,329 (+/-396)	1,433 (+/-745)	↓
Brooklyn	4,917	4,187 (+/-467)	3,934 (+/-493)	2,874 (+/-665)	↓
Manhattan	10,783	8,476 (+/-819)	8,079 (+/-1,007)	7,648 (+/-2,183)	↓
Queens	8,856	5,096 (+/-591)	4,466 (+/-597)	4,109 (+/-1,023)	↓
Staten Island	1,056	501 (+/-132)	588 (+/-162)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	281 in NY State; 4,192 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	702
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	4
Deported (nationwide)	106

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Manhattan – Upper West Side, Yorkville; Queens – Ridgewood, Glendale.

Key holidays and annual events:

- 3rd Saturday in September - *German-American Steuben Parade* (named after Friedrich Wilhelm Baron von Steuben, a Prussian general who joined George Washington's forces in 1777)

Notable natives of Germany in NYC:

- *Henry Kissinger*
Diplomat



Photo from
henryakissinger.com

b. 1923 in Fürth, Bavaria, as Heinz Alfred Kissinger

Henry Kissinger is an American diplomat and political scientist, recipient of a joint Nobel Peace Prize with Vietnamese Le Duc Tho for the Paris Peace Accords that ended the Vietnam War (1973). He immigrated to the US with his family in 1938, lived in Washington Heights, studied at George Washington High School and served in the US Army during WWII (where he became a naturalized US citizen). He graduated from Harvard and obtained his PhD from it in 1954. He subsequently taught at Harvard and was director of its Defense Studies Program (1958-1971). He served as US National Security Advisor in 1969-1975 and as Secretary of State in 1973-1977. He later taught at Georgetown University, founded his own consulting firm (Kissinger Associates) and has served on many boards. He now divides his time between Kent, CT, and NYC. For his detailed official bio, see <http://www.henryakissinger.com/biography.html>.

IRISH

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Ireland natives in NYC	22,604	13,618 (+/-841)	13,638 (+/-1,192)	14,847 (+/-2,057)	34% decline
Incl. Bronx	4,907	2,900 (+/-329)	2,978 (+/-546)	2,927 (+/-658)	↓
Brooklyn	2,771	1,787 (+/-284)	1,706 (+/-386)	1,989 (+/-735)	↓
Manhattan	4,147	3,250 (+/-457)	3,129 (+/-814)	3,928 (+/-1,487)	↓
Queens	10,082	5,395 (+/-616)	5,459 (+/-685)	5,777 (+/-1,173)	↓
Staten Island	697	286 (+/-103)	366 (+/-166)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	247 in NY State; 1,239 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	385
Deported (nationwide)	44

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Bronx – Woodlawn/Wakefield; Brooklyn – Bay Ridge; Manhattan – Hell’s Kitchen; Queens – Belle Harbor, Breezy Point.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *March 17* - St. Patrick’s Day and Parade (Fifth Avenue, from 44th to 86th Streets; dates back to 1766; since 1838, organized by the Ancient Order of Hibernians)
- *Apr. 14* - Independence Day/Easter Rising
- *Third weekend in September* - Great Irish Fair; location - Keyspan Ballpark, Coney Island, New York

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Emerald Isle Immigration Center*

Founded in 1988

Addresses – in Queens: 59-26 Woodside Ave., Woodside, NY 11377; Phone:

718.478.5502; and in the Bronx: 4275 Katonah Ave., Woodlawn, NY 10470;

Phone: 718.324.3039; Email - info@eiic.org

Website - <http://eiic.org/>

Leadership: Board Chair – Brian O’Dwyer, Esq.; President – Donald Kelly; Executive Director – Siobhan Dennehy



Notable Ireland natives in NYC:

- *Colum McCann*

Writer

b. 1965, Dublin

Colum McCann is a writer of fiction and a Distinguished Professor of Creative Writing in the Master of Fine Arts program at Hunter College. He studied journalism in Dublin and worked for *the Irish Press Group*. He moved to the US in 1986. He lived in Massachusetts, Texas, and Japan, before moving to NYC in 1994. His main novels include *Dancer, Zoli, Let the Great World Spin*, and *TransAtlantic*. Published in 2013, *TransAtlantic* was for several weeks on the NYT bestseller list. He has appeared on the Charlie Rose and Stephen Colbert shows and on NY1.



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X. IMMIGRANTS FROM THE MIDDLE EAST

ISRAELIS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Israel natives in NYC	21,288	23,381 (+/-3,630)	22,887 (+/-1,777)	22,228 (+/-1,343)	10% growth
Incl. Bronx	584	517 (+/-178)	426 (+/-186)	243 (+/-231)	↓
Brooklyn	9,866	11,379 (+/-882)	11,443 (+/-1,164)	12,422 (+/-2,319)	↑
Manhattan	5,157	5,628 (+/-1,049)	5,356 (+/-872)	5,034 (+/-2,070)	↓
Queens	4,768	3,872 (+/-579)	4,748 (+/-916)	4,803 (+/-1,643)	↑
Staten Island	913	832 (+/-240)	914 (+/-290)		–

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	684 in NY State; 2,859 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	902
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	11
Deported (nationwide)	187

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Borough Park, Midwood, North Williamsburg, Kings Highway; Queens – Forest Hills.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Jan. 27 – Holocaust Memorial Day
- Between Apr. 15 and May 15 - Independence Day (Yom Ha'atzmaut)
- Sunday late May- early June – Celebrate Israel (formerly Salute to Israel) Parade

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *IAC Dor Chadash*, a program of the Israeli American Council since 2014.

Mission: "...dedicated to strengthening the ties between Israeli and American Jews while providing a forum for cultural, educational and social gatherings. In addition to creating meaningful bonds between members, Dor Chadash provides a platform by which they can more actively engage in the local, national and global Jewish community."

Founded: 2003.

Email - info@dorchadashusa.org

Website - www.dorchadashusa.org, Twitter @DorChadash

Leadership: Board Chair – Meara Razon



Elected officials:



- *Nily Rozic* (b. 1986, Jerusalem) is NY State Assemblywoman representing the 25th District in northeastern Queens, including Flushing, Queensboro Hill, Hillcrest, Fresh Meadows, Oakland Gardens, Bayside, and Douglaston. She was brought to the US by her parents when she was 2 and grew up in Queens. She graduated from Solomon Schechter School in Queens and New York University and worked as Chief of Staff to Assemblyman Brian Kavanagh. She serves on the Assembly's Children and Families, Corporations, Authorities and Commissions, Correction, Environmental Conservation, and Labor Committees. She is a member of the Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic & Asian Legislative Caucus and the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force. She is the youngest member of NY State legislature.

Other notable Israeli natives in NYC:

- *Itzhak Perlman*

Musician

b. 1945, Tel Aviv

Itzhak Perlman is a violin virtuoso, conductor, and teacher. He was born in a Polish Jewish family and contracted polio at the age of four which still limits his mobility. He completed his initial training at the Academy of Music in Tel Aviv before coming to New York. Here, he studied at the Juilliard School and won the Leventritt Competition in 1964. He has performed as a conductor with the New York Philharmonic, Chicago Symphony, Philadelphia Orchestra, National Symphony, and other venues. In 1986, he was honored with a Medal of Liberty, and in 2000, with the National Medal of Arts. In 2009, he performed at the inauguration of President Barack Obama. He is a recipient of four Emmy Awards, the latest for a PBS documentary about the Perlman Music Program



where he work as a teacher and conductor. In 2008, he was honored with a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award. See full bio at <http://www.itzhakperلمان.com/about/>

EGYPTIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Egypt natives in NYC	15,231	14,887 (+/-1,380)	15,761 (+/-1,874)	16,746 (+/-3,164)	10% growth
Incl. Bronx	505	403 (+/-228)	201 (+/-146)	239 (+/-267)	↓
Brooklyn	5,942	5,427 (+/-844)	5,866 (+/-1,042)	6,351 (+/-1,839)	↑
Manhattan	1,489	1,445 (+/-336)	1,850 (+/-672)	3,139 (+/-2,023)	↑
Queens	5,314	5,046 (+/-810)	4,713 (+/-929)	4,197 (+/-1,294)	↓
Staten Island	1,981	2,566 (+/-493)	3,131 (+/-744)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	887 in NY State; 6,191 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,727
Refugee arrivals (nationwide)	13
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	2,882
Deported (nationwide)	90

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – Bay Ridge; Queens – Astoria.

Notable Egyptian natives in New York:

- **Mona Eltahawy**
Journalist, commentator
b. 1967, Port Said
Mona Eltahawy is a columnist and public speaker on Arab and Muslim issues. She graduated from the American University in Cairo. She has lived in the UK, Saudi Arabia, and Israel, and was a news reporter in the



Middle East, including over five years as a Reuters correspondent there, before moving to the US in 2000. She has published columns and opinion pieces in *The Washington Post*, *International Herald Tribune*, and *The Guardian*. In 2005, she was named a Muslim Leader of Tomorrow by the American Society for Muslim Advancement. In 2010, she was awarded a Special Prize for Outstanding Contribution to Journalism by the Anna Lindh Foundation. In 2011, she covered the revolution in Egypt and was detained and beaten by the Egyptian riot police, with her left arm and right hand broken. She was named one of “150 Fearless Women of 2012” by *Newsweek*. For full bio, see <http://monaeltahawy.com/>.

YEMENIS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates		
		2008-2012 3-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year
Number of Yemen natives in NYC	Not counted	8,647 (+/-1,187)	9,397 (+/-1,728)	12,054 (+/-3,154)
Incl. Bronx		1,347 (+/-433)	1,293 (+/-550)	1,278 (+/-737)
Brooklyn		4,545 (+/-889)	5,102 (+/-1,340)	7,940 (+/-2,472)
Manhattan		423 (+/-246)	387 (+/-316)	486 (+/-599)
Queens		1,912 (+/-524)	2,139 (+/-853)	1,950 (+/-1,257)
Staten Island		420 (+/-251)	476 (+/-361)	

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	445 in NY State; 1,452 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,132
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	50
Deported (nationwide)	36

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Bronx – Soundview/Bruckner.

Key holidays and annual events:

- May 22 – Day of National Unity
- Sept. 26 – Revolution Day
- Oct. 14 – National Day
- Nov. 30 - Independence Day

Notable Yemeni natives in NYC:

- *Debbie Almontaser*

Schoolteacher, activist

b. 1965 in Yemen as Dhabah Almontaser

Debbie Almontaser came to the US when she was 3 years old. She was the founding principal of Khalil Gibran International Academy, a NYC based public school named after Khalil Gibran, a Christian Arab poet. She taught special education and served as a multicultural specialist and diversity advisor. She co-designed the curriculum for the Muslim Communities Project at Columbia University. She was involved with many interfaith projects and worked as a liaison between the Muslim community and the NYPD. She was forced to resign due to the controversy over a T-shirt with the words "Intifada NYC" that was created by an organization she was affiliated with. Subsequently, the NYC Board of Education issued an apologetic statement on her behalf. Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz and then-Councilmember John Liu expressed their support for her. She received the Pax Christi Metro New York 2008 Peacemaker Award and the annual Jews for Racial and Economic Justice's Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer Risk-Taker Award. (2009). In 2010, the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission ruled that she had been unfairly discriminated against. She is now President of the Board of Directors of the Muslim Consultative Network. See her full bio at <http://mcnny.org/about-us/staff-and-board/debbie-almontaser-chair/>.



Photo from
<http://mcnny.org/>

General Arab organizations in NYC:

- *Arab American Association of New York, Inc.*

Mission: "...to support and empower the Arab Immigrant and Arab American community by providing services to help them adjust to their new home and become active members of society. Our aim is for families to achieve the ultimate goals of independence, productivity, and stability."

Founded: 2001

Address - 7111 5th Avenue, Bklyn NY 11209; Email - arabamericanny@gmail.com; Phone – (718) 745-3523;

Website - www.arabamericanny.org; Twitter @ArabAmericanNY

Leadership: President – Dr. Ahmad Jaber; Executive Director – Linda Sarsour



- *Arab American Family Support Center*

Mission: "...empowers new immigrants with the tools they need to successfully acclimate to the world around them and become active participants in their communities."

Founded: 1994

Address - 150 Court Street, 3rd Floor, Bklyn NY 11201-6274; Email - info1@aafscny.org; Phone - (718) 643-8000 x20

Website www.aafscny.org; Twitter @AAFSC

Leadership: Executive Director - Lena Alhusseini



Arab-American Family Support Center
المركز العربي الأمريكي للخدمات الاجتماعية

- *Brooklyn Arab American Friendship Center*

Mission: "serves as a bridge between those who often have little or no way to meaningfully interact with each other. By reaching out in a practical way to meet the felt needs of newcomers, American volunteers gain respect and friendship, while losing fear and distrust of Arab people. The students in turn discover that all Americans are not alike and have the opportunity to not only receive practical help in adjusting to a new society, but personal support through caring friends."

Founded: 2004

Address - 7722 5th Avenue, Bklyn NY 11209; Phone (718) 456 7891, 492-6641; Email - info@baafc.org

Website <http://www.baafc.org/>

Leadership: Executive Director – Dr. Fadia Faraq

TURKS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Turkey natives in NYC	9,026	9,372 (+/-891)	9,423 (+/-1,223)	11,044 (+/-2,402)	22% growth
Incl. Bronx	193	454 (+/-241)	535 (+/-274)	425 (+/-483)	↑
Brooklyn	3,445	3,051 (+/-500)	2,761 (+/-684)	4,279 (+/-1,505)	↑
Manhattan	1,810	2,777 (+/-454)	2,864 (+/-618)	3,099 (+/-1,259)	↑
Queens	3,385	2,480 (+/-414)	2,824 (+/-531)	3,053 (+/-1,100)	↓
Staten Island	193	610 (+/-372)	439 (+/-381)	No data	↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	594 in NY State; 3,329 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	847
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	55
Deported (nationwide)	113

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Sheepshead Bay/Manhattan Beach.

Key holidays and annual events:

- *Apr. 23* – National Sovereignty and Children’s Day (marked in the US on Apr. 24 as Turkish American Day, with a parade)
- *May 19* – Ataturk’s birthday (honored on the third Saturday in May with Turkish-American Day Parade)
- *Aug. 30* – Victory Day
- *Oct. 29* – Turkish Independence Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Council of Turkic American Associations*

Mission: “nonprofit, nonpartisan, non-governmental educational council that promotes Turkic American culture

and heritage. CTAA serves as a resource on the Turkic American community with the mere purpose of bringing people together with an interest in the American and Turkic cultures.”

Founded: 2010

Address - 535 Fifth Ave. Suite #601, New York, NY 10017; Phone – (212) 867-7567; E-Mail - info@turkiccouncil.org

Website - <http://turkiccouncil.org/>; Twitter @Turkic_Council

Leadership: President - Furkan Kosar, Vice President – Osman Oztoprak



Notable natives of Turkey in NYC:

- *Nouriel Roubini*

Economist

b. 1958, Istanbul

Nouriel Roubini is an economist who predicted the collapse of the US housing market and recession. He was born in a family of Iranian Jews and lived in his childhood in Iran, Israel, and since 1962 in Italy. He came to the US after graduating in political economics from Bocconi University in Milan (1983). In the US, he obtained his PhD at Harvard (1988) and taught at Yale.

He was a senior economist for the Council of Economic Advisers under the Clinton Administration and a senior advisor to the Treasury Secretary

Timothy Geithner. He also worked at the IMF, the Federal Reserve, the World Bank, and the

Bank of Israel. He is the co-founder and chairman of Roubini Global Economics and a professor

of economics at NYU's Stern School of Business. He co-authored *Political Cycles: Theory and*

Evidence (MIT Press, 1997) and *Bailouts or Bail-ins? Responding to Financial Crises in Emerging Markets* (Institute for International Economics, 2004) and *Crisis Economics: A Crash Course in*

the Future of Finance (Penguin Press, 2010). He defines himself as a “global nomad”. See his full bio at http://www.roubini.com/author/nouriel_roubini.



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<http://www.roubini.com/>

XI. IMMIGRANTS FROM AFRICA

GHANAIS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Ghana natives in NYC	14,915	24,460 (+/-1,830)	25,392 (+/-2,768)	26,109 (+/-4,534)	75% growth
Incl. Bronx	9,275	18,338 (+/-1,701)	19,393 (+/-2,580)	20,670 (+/-4,467)	↑
Brooklyn	2,481	3,292 (+/-631)	3,261 (+/-937)	3,158 (+/-1,206)	↑
Manhattan	1,236	916 (+/-307)	1,009 (+/-382)	998 (+/-702)	↓
Queens	1,323	1,694 (+/-429)	1,500 (+/-521)	1,196 (+/-805)	↓
Staten Island	600	220 (+/-112)	229 (+/-156)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	991 in NY State; 5,344 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	2,565
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	18
Deported (nationwide)	166

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Bronx – Concourse, Van Cortlandt Village , Mount Hope, University Heights-Morris Heights, Bedford Park/Fordham North, Soundview/Castle Hill, Highbridge, Williamsbridge-Olinville.

Key holidays and annual events:

- March 6 - *Independence Day*

Notable Ghana natives in NYC:

- *Joshua Clotey*



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<http://arlington.olx.com/manny-pacquiao-vs-joshua-clotey-tickets-for-sale-for-mar-13-iid-69210705#>

Boxer

b. 1976 or 1977, Accra

Joshua Clottey is a professional boxer in the welterweight category who currently lives in the Bronx. His father was a football player and his two brothers are boxers. He lived for several years in the UK before moving to the States. He became famous for winning his first twenty fights, including 14 by knockout. In 2008-2009, he held the International Boxing Federation's welterweight championship. In 2011, he announced his retirement, but later returned to the ring.

NIGERIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Nigeria natives in NYC	15,689	19,295 (+/-1,516)	19,315 (+/-1,867)	21,825 (+/-4,016)	39% growth
Incl. Bronx	4,299	5,261 (+/-884)	5,618 (+/-1,464)	7,027 (+/-2,286)	↑
Brooklyn	5,492	5,497 (+/-866)	5,320 (+/-932)	6,515 (+/-1,745)	↑
Manhattan	869	893 (+/-230)	1,187 (+/-399)	1,588 (+/-942)	↑
Queens	3,596	5,991 (+/-907)	5,498 (+/-1,253)	5,073 (+/-2,255)	↑
Staten Island	1,433	1,653 (+/-374)	1,692 (+/-560)		↑

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	980 in NY State; 9,322 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,491
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	100
Deported (nationwide)	291

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Brooklyn – East New York, Crown Heights; Bronx – Concourse, Mount Hope, University Heights-Morris Heights, Bedford Park/Fordham North, Highbridge, Van Cortlandt Village, Williamsbridge-Olinville; Staten Island – Grymes Hill/Clifton/Fox Hills.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Oct. 1 – National (Independence) Day

Notable Nigeria natives in NYC:

- Dr. Oluyemi Badero



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Doctor

b. 1959 in Nigeria

Oluyemi Boderó, MD, FACC, is a Brooklyn-based cardiologist who was recognized among the top interventionist cardiologists in 2012 by Castle Connolly Medical and honored by the US Congress. He graduated in 1984 from the then-University of Ife. He moved to the US in 1988 and completed two residency programs at the State University of New York and had two post-residency fellowships at SUNY and Yale. He has board certifications in Internal Medicine, Cardiovascular Disease, and Interventional Cardiology. He served as the Chief of Cardiology at St. John's Episcopal Hospital in South Shore (2003-2007) and Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine at SUNY Health Sciences Center in Brooklyn. He is President & CEO of Cardiac Specialists of Brooklyn, LLC.

General African immigrant service organizations:

- *African Services Committee*

Mission: “a multiservice agency based in Harlem and dedicated to assisting immigrants, refugees and asylees from across the African Diaspora. Our programs address the needs of newcomers affected by war, persecution, poverty, and global health inequalities.”

Founded: 1981

Address - 429 West 127th Street, 2nd Fl., New York, NY 10027; Email -

info@africanservices.org Phone – (212) 222-3882;

Website - <http://www.africanservices.org/>; Twitter @AfricanServices

Leadership: Board Chair - Uzoamaka N. Okoye; Founder & Co-Executive Director - Asfaha Hadera, Co-Executive Director - Kim Nichols



- *African Hope Committee*

Mission: “...to serve as a bridge between mainstream service delivery systems and the newly arrived immigrant population, creating partnerships that will advance the mission of the corporation.”

Email - info@afriquehope.org; Phone – (212) 862-9010

Website - <http://afriquehope.org/>

Leadership: Executive Director/Founder – Clarisse Mefotso Fall



XII. IMMIGRANTS FROM AUSTRALIA AND CANADA

AUSTRALIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Australia natives in NYC	3,860	6,634 (+/-769)	7,215 (+/-1,038)	11,135 (+/-2,102)	Nearly three times increase
Incl. Bronx	71	92 (+/-70)	97 (+/-97)	134 (+/-162)	↑
Brooklyn	630	1,336 (+/-274)	1,239 (+/-365)	1,921 (+/-775)	↑
Manhattan	2,638	4,635 (+/-714)	5,200 (+/-931)	8,121 (+/-1,978)	↑
Queens	425	549 (+/-183)	641 (+/-235)	888 (+/-452)	↑
Staten Island	96	22 (+/-33)	38 (+/-54)		↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	112 in NY State; 1,312 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	328
Deported (nationwide)	37

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Williamsburg, Bushwick, Chinatown

Key holidays and annual events:

- Jan. 26-27 – Australia Day
- April 25 – ANZAC Day
- May 26 – National Sorry Day
- September 7 – Father's Day
- Sep. 29 – Family & Community Day
- Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day

- Dec. 26 – Boxing Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Advance Charitable & Educational Fund / Advanced – Global Australian Professionals*
Mission: “To provide a number of educational & charitable projects including fellowships, achievement recognition, and artistic development” and “To provide Australians across the world with networking and professional development opportunities.” “Who We Are”: “Advance is a non-profit built on a public-private partnership model with a community that spans over 90 countries. Advance has outposts in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, France and London. Together with the Australian government and the private sector, we work on behalf of Australia to turn the one million Australians abroad into a powerful knowledge network and resource. Vital financial support is provided by federal and select state governments, donors and corporate partners who share in our vision that Australian talent is our greatest export and our most dynamic resource.”
Address - 150 E. 42nd St., F. 34, New York, NY 10017; Phone – (212) 682-2885
Website – www.advance.org; Twitter: @Advance
Leadership: Board Chair – Derek Youdale, Executive Director – Serafina Maiorano

Notable Australia natives in NYC:

- *James D. Wolfensohn*
Banker
b. 1933, Sydney
James D. Wolfensohn was a two-term President of the World Bank (1995-2005). He moved to the US in 1970 as managing director of J.Henry Schroder & Co., a London-based investment bank’s NYC office. He became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1980. He is the Founder, Chairman and CEO of Wolfensohn Fund Management, L.P. , a global emerging markets private equity firm; Chairman of Wolfensohn & Company, L.L.C., a private investment firm; Chairman of the International Advisory Board of Citigroup, Inc.; and Chairman of the advisory group of the Wolfensohn Center for Development, a research initiative focused on global poverty, at the Brookings Institution.
(Source of the information and the photo: <http://www.wolfensohn.com/james-wolfensohn/>.)



Main websites, blogs, and other sources of interest:

The Australian Community - <http://www.theaustraliancommunity.org/>

Kat George, "How To Be An Australian Living In New York", <http://thoughtcatalog.com/kat-george/2011/09/how-to-be-an-australian-living-in-new-york/>

CANADIANS

Population size:

	2000 Census	American Community Survey estimates			2000-2012 change
		2008-2012 5-year	2010-2012 3-year	2012 1-year	
Number of Canada natives in NYC	17,318	21,176 (+/-1,148)	21,305 (+/-1,541)	19,844 (+/-2,740)	15% growth
Incl. Bronx	846	461 (+/-175)	640 (+/-299)	725 (+/-495)	↓
Brooklyn	4,394	6,406 (+/-595)	6,388 (+/-766)	5,647 (+/-1,032)	↑
Manhattan	8,487	10,516 (+/-849)	10,693 (+/-1,083)	9,880 (+/-2,166)	↑
Queens	3,045	3,366 (+/-481)	3,255 (+/-520)	3,303 (+/-1,031)	↑
Staten Island	546	427 (+/-120)	329 (+/-145)	No data	↓

Source: www.census.gov.

2012 immigration data

	Number of people
Naturalized	571 in NY State; 9,077 nationwide
Green card recipients (nationwide)	1,249
Asylum recipients (nationwide)	7
Deported (nationwide)	933

Source: *Department of Homeland Security, 2012 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics.*

Key areas: Manhattan – Upper West Side.

Key holidays and annual events:

- Feb. 2 – Groundhog Day
- Feb. 10 and 17 – Family Day
- March 10 – Commonwealth Day
- April 6 – National Tartan Day
- May 19 – Victoria Day
- July 1 – Canada Day
- First Monday in October – Thanksgiving Day

- Dec. 26 – Boxing Day

Key Immigrant Services organizations:

- *Canadian Association of New York (CANY)*

Mission: “The Canadian Association of New York (CANY) is a member-run organization and the focal point for the Canadian Community in the New York City area. Our goal is to build networks and connections between Canadians and those interested in Canada, through a wide variety of engaging social, cultural and business events held each year. CANY also helps its membership be actively involved in the New York community through the organization’s strong focus on charity.”

Founded: 1864

Website - <http://www.canadanyc.com>; Twitter @canadanyc

Email - info@canadanyc.com; Phone – (212) 271-2844

Leadership: Board President – Dean Keyworth



Notable Canada natives in NYC:

- *Ashleigh Banfield*

TV Journalist

b. 1967, Winnipeg

Ashleigh Banfield is the host of the legal news program on CNN, *Legal View with Ashleigh Banfield*. She graduated from the University of British Columbia (1992). She began her TV career in Ontario and later worked on a TV in Calgary (1992-95). During this time she covered the Bush/Gorbachev and the Clinton/Yeltsin summits and won two Iris Awards. In 2000, she was hired by MSNBC and moved to NYC. She was there reporting from the streets of downtown Manhattan on September 11, 2001, as the World Trade Center was collapsing. She soon was made producer of a new program, *A Region in Conflict*. She became a naturalized US citizen in 2008 and was hired by CNN in 2012. (See her full bio at <http://abcnews.go.com/GMA/abc-news-ashleigh-banfields-biography/story?id=10728645#.UN5S43fKeSo>.)



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<http://abcnews.go.com/GMA/abc-news-ashleigh-banfields-biography/story?id=10728645#.UN5S43fKeSo>