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**Please Register
Early**

Thank you

Workshop Titles & (Presenters)

GIS Provides Maps about NY and NYC for Earth Science and History Lessons. The session will provide maps of the five boroughs to highlight understanding of the hurricane hazards and how people have altered the land through time. Also providing maps of NY state that highlight the significance of elevation and geology for transportation and population patterns (Carol Gersmehl);

New York: A City of Neighborhoods. The purpose of this workshop is to heighten awareness of NYC geography through experiential hands-on activities thereby altering mind maps of participants through collaborative problem solving use of colorful 108 piece 18"x24" jigsaw map puzzles of the "Big Apple's" five boroughs (John Sherin);

Teaching with Pizzazz. Attend Geofest on Saturday? Need lessons for Monday? This workshop will provide you with quick, easy, and innovative geography ideas that you can incorporate into your curriculum. You'll leave wondering, 'Why didn't I think of that?' (S. Jane Buell);

Exploring the Demographics of NYC with GIS. Teachers will learn to produce maps from US census data by using GIS. Access to free software and data will be provided. A focus on socioeconomic and demographic data on New York County (Robert Lord);

Maps@NYPL. Samples of the kinds of maps held by the NY Public Library, including property maps from the Dutch period to the present, will be presented. A historical site study of the Hunter campus/Armory area will illustrate the type of neighborhood study the Map Division offers. Highlights will include the African-American burial grounds and the Newton Creek area (Alice Hudson);

AP Geography. If your school is considering adding an AP geography course but needs to know how to get started, this workshop focuses on helping you do that. The presenter has authored a study guide in AP Geography (Donna Merlau);

11th Graders use GIS to Explore Bushwick. A discussion on the successes and challenges of starting a GIS program for 11th grade students and creating a digital community atlas (Josh Lapidus and Meredith Phillips).

There will be more...

Keynote Address: Bob Dulli, Deputy to the Chairman of the National Geographic Society

Looking Out Looking In. Where in the Wonderful World is New York City? Geography is undergoing a renaissance in American education. Whether you think the world is getting bigger or smaller one thing is certain, it is getting more connected every day. To understand those connections one must understand geography!



On October 21st,
Saturday

Come Celebrate
Geography at
Hunter College

A Focus on
New York City

Choose from 20
Teacher
Workshops

Learn How You
Can Take
Advantage of the
Resurgence of
Geography in
NYC

Vendors and
Product Giveaways



Lunch and a
Keynote Address
by Bob Dulli of
the National
Geographic Society

Sponsored by the New York Geographic Alliance and hosted by the New York Center for Geographic Learning



Join the gathering at Geofest 2006. Geofest is a celebration of Geography in New York State, sponsored by the New York Geographic Alliance, and hosted by the New York Center for Geographic Learning at Hunter College. Geofest is open to all teachers...which includes pre-service teachers. Geofest is loaded with ideas for all grade levels, applicable to social studies, language arts, and science curricula.

Geofest 2006 takes place on October 21st (Saturday) at Hunter College. This year's theme is focused on New York City. There will be four concurrent workshop sessions, with about five choices per session. On-site registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The workshops run from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A number of vendors will be on hand to show off educational materials and opportunities. Lunch follows with a keynote address from Bob Dulli, Deputy to the Chairman of the National Geographic Society. His talk will focus on the renaissance of geography in American education.

The NYGA will provide a verification certificate for six contact hours.

Please take the time to join us at Geofest. We promise to provide a worthwhile educational experience and a good time—it is a 'fest' after all!

Geofest 2006 will be hosted by the Department of Geography, and the Center for Geographical Learning at Hunter College (CUNY). The College is located in the heart of Manhattan at East 68th Street and Lexington Avenue.



Participants receive a free CD: "Geography Lessons for Teaching: Rooted in the Geography for Life and the NY Standards".

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Cosmopolitan from Birth: Life in New York 2006—Life in New Amsterdam 1639. Investigate the wide-ranging world of the early colonizers of the Big Apple (Jane Moriarty);

In the Shadow of the Big Ice. The impact of the glaciers on New York City's role as a dominant American City, as well as on the geography of the Empire State (Timothy McDonnell);

Mental Mapping for Elementary Students. An activity that guides students through the mental process of orienting themselves within a space that represents their neighborhood (Gail Hall);

Mapping the Neighborhood. The Mount Vernon Hotel Museum's school program transports students back in time. 'Mapping the Neighborhood', as used in Manhattan and the Bronx, is described (Deborah O'Neill);

The NYS GIS Clearinghouse: Your One-Stop Shop for Everything GIS. An overview of many FREE resources, including newly flown State-wide aerial photographs (John Borst);

Celebrate Africa! Explore one of the most diverse continents on the planet. Learn of 'Geography Action' activities and resources available. The presenters were trained at the 2006 National Geographic Summer Institute (Gail Goff and Kat Messman);

How I Spent My Summer Vacation: Applying the five themes of Geography to the Study of Japan. The workshop includes interactive stations of each theme of geography, Kamishibai demonstration, and PowerPoint photos from the presenter's study-tour (Anne Mancilla);

Using Literature and Trade Books in the Social Studies Classroom with a Geography Focus. Integrating literature with social studies instruction using picture books and trade books with geographic themes (Donna Merlau);

Instructional Strategies and Resources for the Pre-K through Grade 6 Teacher. Take the 'Social Studies Resource Guide with Core Curriculum' a step further with grade-by-grade focus questions and much more. Special focus will be on the new online resource guide for grade 3 "World Communities: What is a Culture?" (Donna Merlau)

Learn of the Upcoming Erie Canal Summer Institute.



Geofest 2006 Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone and E-mail _____

Affiliation _____

T-Shirt Size _____

Registration for Teachers: \$20 (\$30 at the door).
Registration for Pre-Service Teachers: \$10 (\$20 at the door).

SIPP (Imprest) checks are accepted.
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Sessions you are considering attending (*optional, used to assist planners with room arrangements*):

Workshop Name _____

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