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## SI ADVANCE: Staten Islanders invited to participate in free 'Water Street Pops!'

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The only thing better than something that is free -- is something that is fun and free.

To that, Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and the New York City Economic Development Corporation Friday announced the launch of "Water Street Pops!" - a series of activities and special events throughout the summer of 2013 which are designed to activate the Water Street corridor in Lower Manhattan.

The various programs and concessions will take place in the public plazas and arcades along Water Street, attracting local employees, residents and visitors, leading to an increase in economic activity throughout the area.

Events are scheduled to run through Labor Day and include lunchtime markets with Stone Street Tavern; a Bean Bag Toss Contest with the Staten Island Yankees; sand sculptures by Matt Long; Sunrise Yoga with David Barton Gym, and many more concessions and entertainment options.

All events are free and open to the public, and a full schedule can be found at [www.waterstreetpops.com](http://www.waterstreetpops.com). This program fulfills recommendations made by the Mayor's

Special Initiative for Rebuilding and Resiliency.

"The neighborhood surrounding Water Street has grown more and more lively over the past decade - exactly the opposite of what many predicted after 9/11," said Mayor Bloomberg.

"Even as Lower Manhattan has faced another challenge - the recovery from Hurricane Sandy - we are working to make sure it bounces back stronger than ever."

For more information on "Water Street Pops!" or for a full schedule of events, visit [www.waterstreetpops.com](http://www.waterstreetpops.com).

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