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Dear Friend of openhouse**newyork**,

The impact of architecture, design and planning initiatives on our communities and our lives increases each year. The need to understand how the built environment affects where we live, work and play is more critical than ever. openhouse**newyork** (OHNY) addresses this need through innovative education programs and free access to New York City's most distinctive sites.

OHNY educates the public about the city's architecture and design and integrates the historical, cultural and social relevance of NYC's special places and spaces. Your support enables openhouse**newyork** to develop free of charge education programs which become catalysts for discussion and change. OHNY programs make all of us stop and think about our built environment — the public and private spaces we inhabit each day.

A donation of \$75 will open the door to a unique OHNY site. \$150 will build an open**dialogue** program or tour with an architect, designer or planner. Giving \$250 will help expand OHNY Kids! youth education programs into NYC schools to help students design and build a better tomorrow.

OHNY makes every dollar count. Look what your support has enabled in just five years:

- 1.5 million OHNY Weekend and OHNY Kids! guidebooks distributed free of charge
- 350,000 visitors from around the world attending OHNY Weekend
- 2,000 volunteers giving 10,000 hours of volunteer time
- 1,000 distinctive sites in all five boroughs made accessible to the public
- 350 free talks, tours, performances, and family workshops
- 5 annual OHNY Weekends free of charge to all
- launch of year-round programs, including design workshops in underserved communities

**OHNY's education programs cannot remain free to the public without your support.**

Your donation will open doors to architectural and design knowledge for New Yorkers and visitors to truly comprehend and care about how our built environment affects our lives—one community, one neighborhood, one person at a time.

Please make a financial contribution today and support openhouse**newyork**'s mission and programs by donating online at [ohny.org/support/donate.cfm](http://ohny.org/support/donate.cfm) or mailing a check using the enclosed envelope to OHNY. Together we can truly make a difference in how the public interacts with, understands, and influences New York's extraordinary architecture and design.

Sincerely,

P. Joy Malino  
executive director

Scott Lauer  
founder and board president

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