

Finding Anime in NYC

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New York City Anime

nyc-anime.com

Web sites, addresses, and other info for finding anime in NYC can be found in detail on the New York City Anime website (<http://nyc-anime.com/>)

The site has been maintained for 10 years (but has been at the current web address only since 2005)

Finding Anime in NYC

- Where can I get anime (& manga)?
- Where can I watch anime?
- Where can I attend clubs & conventions?
- Where can I attend other anime-related events?

Where can I get anime & manga in NYC?

- Mainstream sources
 - Bookstores
 - Video stores
 - Public libraries
 - Comic book stores
- Private manga libraries
- Specialty stores
- Japanese stores

Where can I get anime & manga in NYC?

- Comic book stores (examples only)
 - Bulletproof Comics
 - [Chameleon Comics & Cards](#)
 - [Cosmic Comics](#)
 - [Forbidden Planet](#)
 - [Jim Hanley's Universe](#)
 - [Midtown Comics](#)
 - [St. Mark's Comics](#)

Where can I get anime & manga in NYC?

- Private manga Libraries
 - MoCCA Manga Library (CLOSED)
 - AnimeNEXT Manga Library
- Specialty stores
 - [Anime Castle](#)
 - [Image Anime](#)
 - [rareFLIX.com](#)
 - Chinatown stores

The Museum of Comic and Cartoon Art (MoCCA) manga library is now closed; it was open to MoCCA members.
The AnimeNEXT manga library is a roaming library that opens at Japanese-pop-culture-related events in Central Park Garden.

Where can I get anime & manga in NYC?

- Japanese stores
 - Japanese new book stores
 - [Asahiya](#)
 - Dori Dori
 - [Kinokuniya](#)
 - OCS Bookstore
 - Sanseido
 - Japanese video stores (example only)
 - HQ Video
 - Japanese used book & video stores
 - [Book-Off](#)
 - JBC Books

The Book-Off linked here is in Manhattan; there is also one on Long Island.

The JBC Books I'm somewhat familiar with is in Edgewater NJ, but I think they have more stores in the N

Where can I get anime & manga in NYC?

- Chinatown stores
 - Anime Cookies
 - D & V Import
 - Elizabeth Center (“Penguin Village”)
 - Iki Iki
 - J & L Game Trading
 - Unet

This list is from the Blue Shinra Project as of Summer 2008, where more information can be found:
<http://blueshinra.com/misc/shopping.shtml>

Where can I watch anime in NYC?

- Clubs & conventions
- Listings
 - [Japan Foundation list of Japanese film screenings](#)
 - [Subway Cinema blog on Asian film](#)
 - [Japan Consul list of cultural events](#)
 - [New York-Tokyo](#)
- Mainstream venues
 - Regular cinema
 - Art Cinema
 - Film festivals

Where can I watch anime in NYC?

- Specialty venues
 - [ImaginAsian Theater](#)
 - [Japan Society](#)
 - [New York Asian Film Festival \(NYAFF\)](#)
 - [New York International Children's Film Festival \(NYICFF\)](#)

Where can I attend clubs & conventions in NYC?

- Note: clubs can have regular meetings and/or special events
- Independent anime clubs
 - [Metro Anime](#)
 - [Anime Club of Long Island \(ACOLI\)](#)
 - [Hudson Heights Anime Club](#)
- Meetups
 - [Anime Meetup NYC](#)
 - [Manga & Comics Meetup NYC](#)
- Public library anime clubs
 - [Teaneck Public Library Anime Club](#) (Teaneck NJ)
 - Mineola Library Anime Club

There are probably many more public library anime clubs.

The Teaneck Public Library Anime Club is for teens.

Where can I attend clubs & conventions in NYC?

- School anime clubs (examples only)
 - Anime Asylum (Baruch College)
 - [Columbia University Anime Club \(CUAC\)](#)
 - [NYU Club Anime](#)
 - [\[Brooklyn\] Polytechnic Anime Society \(PAS\)](#)
 - [Stevens Anime Club](#) (Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken NJ)
 - [Rutgers Japanese Cultural Association \(RUJCA, JCA\)](#) (New Brunswick NJ)

This is a tiny sample of the very numerous school anime clubs.

Many colleges and high schools have anime clubs; some schools (like Stuyvesant High School) have or ha

Many school anime clubs cease activity during the summer; Stevens Anime Club is an exception.

The meetings of many school clubs, including those at Columbia and NYU, are effectively closed to most

Where can I attend clubs & conventions in NYC?

- Ongoing anime-related conventions
 - [AnimeNEXT](#) 2010-06-18--20
 - Azumacon?
 - [MangaNEXT](#) (not in 2009)
 - [I-Con](#) (Long Island) 2010-04-09--11
 - [New York Anime Festival \(NYAF\)](#) 2010-10-08--10
 - [New York Comic Con \(NYCC\)](#) 2010-10-08--10

MangaNEXT was held in 2006 through 2008

Where can I attend clubs & conventions in NYC?

- Club mini-conventions
 - [SpringFest](#) 2010-03-13 by [\[Brooklyn\] Polytechnic Anime Society \(PAS\)](#)
 - [Castle Point Anime Convention \(CPAC\)](#) 2010-04-11 by [Stevens Anime Club](#) (Castle Point on Hudson, Hoboken NJ)
 - Sakura Fest (?) by [Rutgers Japanese Cultural Association \(RUJCA, JCA\)](#) (New Brunswick NJ)

CPAC is an annual spring convention starting in 2008

Sakura Fest was an annual spring convention

Where can I attend other anime-related events?

- Fan events
- Vendor promotional events
 - Book events, trade shows, New York-Tokyo
- Educational events
 - MoCCA, a/p/a, Japan Society, libraries, Asia Pacific Forums
- Charitable fund-raising events
 - Charity auctions, OIWW fundraiser

a/p/a is the Asia / Pacific /America institute of NYU

OIWW is Orphans International WorldWide