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Step to the "Edge of Manhattan" Photography Exhibit at Bowling Green

Latest in MTA Arts for Transit's Photography Series

MTA Arts for Transit has installed a new temporary photography exhibit, "Edge of Manhattan," at the Bowling Green 4/5 Station. The exhibit features the work of photographer and nearby resident Jay Fine, who focuses his lens on the sights and scenes of Lower Manhattan, where the waterfront is always nearby. Taking advantage of a high-rise vantage point to capture the shifting light and weather in New York Harbor, Fine showcases the sights of the water's edge, from a marching band on a pier to a solitary walk along a cove, fireboats breaking up ice floes and the Staten Island Ferry emerging from a wall of clouds.

"The photographer reintroduces his viewers to the surrounding waterfront by capturing moments of intensity and revelation in seemingly familiar settings," said Lester Burg, the MTA Arts for Transit manager who curates the MTA's temporary photography exhibitions. "In that way, the exhibit's subject, and its setting, are perfectly intertwined."

Passersby are already having themselves photographed next to the images, particularly one of the Statue of Liberty.

Jay Fine is a fine art photographer based in Lower Manhattan. In 2003, he began a project to document his surroundings, focusing on the New York Harbor, recording the sublime beauty and dramatic weather, as well as the architecture and people of Lower Manhattan. His work has appeared in newspapers, magazines and websites worldwide, including National Geographic, Popular Photography, the New York Daily News and the BBC. He is represented by the Kim Foster Gallery in New York.

The exhibit was made possible with the support of Duggall Visual Solutions, which sponsored the printing and processing of the images and Kodak, which provided the Endura Transparency Display Media. It will remain on view for one year.

MTA Arts for Transit and Urban Design enhances the transit environment throughout the MTA system with permanent art, music performances, poetry and posters, and the Lightbox Project, which features the work of photographers in four key locations – Grand Central Dining Concourse, Bryant Park-42nd Street station, Atlantic Avenue station and Bowling Green. Visit www.mta.info/art or download the Meridian app to learn more about these programs and projects.

