Here at Microcosm, we understand the unique challenges posed by the current economic climate. Lately, it seems that wherever we turn, the economy is to blame for everything: small changes and large, development and destruction. We cannot put a stop to all that, but we can offer our clients a wonderful opportunity to step back. Haven't you wanted to press pause and exit your stock portfolio? Your unemployment? Your harrowing commute? Now you can. With our One Day Getaways, you can escape the pressures of finance and daily living. Each Microcosm approved location is untouched by the fluctuations of the marketplace, putting us all back in the space we yearn for — even if only for a moment. This pamphlet describes three of our most popular tours. Find one that meets your needs? Let us know, and we will set you up with a visit. And remember: at Microcosm, the best things always come in small packages.



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1. A community, place, or situation regarded as encapsulating in miniature the characteristic qualities or features of something much larger.

2. A travel agency dedicated to the discovery and preservation of small space.

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### All Day Breakfast, All Day Happy Hour

Burning the candle at both ends? Keeping up these days can be difficult. For those of us who need some extra TLC at bargain prices,



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minutes (once an hour between midnight and 5 A.M.): nearly no wait time for a beer and a breakfast sandwich, all coming in at under

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### Found Object Zoo



While many zoos are deaccessioning their wildlife, the Found Object Zoo features a consistent variety of species on display.

Rare animal ranges are closing one by one, but here it is still possible to see a variety of rare personal items, including jewelry, dress shirts, and blow-up sex dolls. Safely vacuum

packed, boxed, and kept behind bars, the plethora of objects can be difficult to identify; nevertheless, the visitor will experience both tranquility, and discovery. This is a perfect getaway for those who seek a moment away from the roar and bright lights of the urban

streets — it's all the evidence of human society, without the hassle of the inhabitants. For the introverted explorer in everyone: Lost & Found, Midtown Manhattan luxury hotel.





**Picnic Grounds** 

For the dark adventurer, consider the underground landscape. Often overlooked by the casual tourist, our Picnic Ground Getaway offers an unsullied, unedited glimpse into the land below the surface. Imagine the opportunities that lie right outside your door — or in this case, underneath your feet. You already made the transition from champagne to cava, now let us do the work of finding a spot to dine. Featured as part of our Experience package, the Picnic Grounds are a uniquely non-commercial getaway. Take a deep breath and feel the relief that comes with the impossibility of transactions. Pack a sandwich, bring the kids: the Abandoned Train Tunnels.