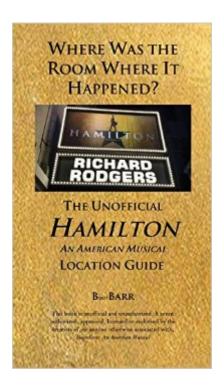
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Where Was The Room Where It Happened?: The Unofficial Hamilton - An American Musical Location Guide





Synopsis

A collection of facts, anecdotes and trivia related to the Broadway show Hamilton: An American Musical and the life of Alexander Hamilton, presented through the locations where it all happened. This guide explains how locations from Hamilton's life are connected to the songs and settings in the musical and provides historical information about each location. With suggested itineraries, maps and subway directions, this guide makes it fun and easy for all fans interested in learning about or seeing the room where it happened. A great gift for any fan of the Broadway show Hamilton or its songs, or anyone interested in Alexander Hamilton or Revolutionary-era history, regardless of whether they ever intend to visit New York. The focus of this book is New York City and the immediate vicinity, and for each New York City location in the book (and some of the New Jersey locations), the reader is given which songs occurred at the site, an address, map and subway directions for getting to the site, opening hours (where relevant), a description of which historical figures from the show were ever at the site, and a brief history of the site (with a focus on historical information related to characters from the show). It also includes information on other Alexander Hamilton related locations in the city (that have no relation to the show). For example, the book explains that the song Right Hand Man includes references to events that occurred at each of the Battery, Richmond Hill and Morris-Jumel Mansion, and it includes images of these locations (which may be historical images for sites that no longer exist), a map and subway directions for visiting these sites. In addition, it explains that not only did Richmond Hill serve as George Washington's temporary headquarters (and was the site where Washington first met Aaron Burr), but also that Richmond Hill was the residence of John Adams during his vice-presidency and later was the residence of Aaron Burr, before ultimately being razed and having a portion of the estate become a New York City historical district. While the focus is New York City, the book also includes information on sites in New Jersey related to the show (including Weehawken, NJ, where the famous Hamilton-Burr duel occurred), including information on how to travel to these sites. Finally, it includes sites outside of New York City and New Jersey to explain the connection with the songs from Hamilton but without information about visiting the sites. The book includes photographs and other images and is indexed (including an index by song title) to make the information easier to use and to make this book a useful reference guide for someone wanting to travel to the sites or wanting to learn more about the history around the events depicted in Hamilton - An American Musical.

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Customer Reviews

Where Was the Room Where It Happened? is not only great as a companion piece to the musical, but is also a resource for the casual student of history. Even if your only prior exposure to Hamilton is reading The Federalist Papers in undergrad or carrying around the occasional ten dollar bill, you'll still get something out of Where Was the Room Where It Happened? Highly recommended.

Interesting book. Bought it because I was searching for "things to do" that are good for an out-of-towner. Family liked the tie-in to the musical/play. Found it really helpful and an easy read, IMHO.

Very much enjoyed this book as a fan of history generally and of the musical. I wish I had this in May when my daughter and I did our own amateur Hamilton tour on the day we saw the musical. While we saw many of the sites listed in the book (at least those in South Manhattan), I missed numerous others that were In close proximity to where we were. And the book really integrates the actual history with the musical. Very well done specialty book.

Great book!! It's full of tons of detailed background info on the places referenced in Hamilton. I really enjoyed learning more about the historical references I missed when I saw the play. A very fascinating read if you have seen or plan to see Hamilton

If you loved the Broadway musical, you will want this book, it's the guide to where it all happened in

NY. The guide book will be a great gift to any Hamilton lovers out there. This is a must buy as a compliment to the show.

great read for fans of the play!

This book was tremendous. Walked through the show Hamilton and went through details on all of the places/events that were of note. A great guide and a nice way to explore the area.

Excellent little book. Hamilton was a New Yorker, and this guide helps you understand where he lived, ate, spoke and died. A great companion to the musical.

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