

take me there a field guide to crowd formations of manhattan and the bronx

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#### to notice

tourists taking photographs security guards with machine guns people in business wear, eating lunch and talking on cell phones

#### location 1

26 wall street (at broad/nassau streets)

# how to get there

- 2. 3 to wall st
- 4. 5 to wall st
- J, M, Z to broad st

go up steep stairs off street to the right hand side of statue. look back out at street. look towards large flag.

#### best time to go

lunch hour on a moderately warm weekday

#### to notice

business commuters forming a perfectly spaced line

#### location 2

trinity place just south of thames street, west side of street

# how to get there

- 1 or R, W to rector st
- 4, 5 to wall st
- J, M, Z to broad st
- 2, 3 to wall st

look east across street towards stone wall.

#### best time to go

weekdays, rush hour, late afternoon, summer

# to notice

pedestrians disobeying stoplight and crosswalk guidelines

# location 3

manhattan bridge overlooking crosswalks at east broadway south pedestrian walkway

# how to get there

F to east broadway B, D to grand N O, R, W, 6, J, M, Z to canal st

walk up the south pedestrian walk of the bridge from bowery south of canal (follow bicycle signs). look over railing when you see a street that dramatically frames city hall off in distance.

watch intersection just below you.

# best time to go during the day

mid-mornings and mid-afternoons

# to notice

continuous flow

# location 4

times square subway station

# how to get there

N,Q,R,S,W,1,2,3,7, or A,C,E to times square/42nd st

walk to s train area. go to hallway, alongside track 3, that leads to track 4/exit. stand so that you can see down the length of track 3. watch when train comes in on track 3.

#### best time to go

rush hours, mornings and afternoons when s train arrives on track 3

#### to notice

passerby forming spontaneous circles

#### location 5

4 union square south, upper floors (14th street just east of university)

# how to get there

4, 5, 6, N, R, Q, W, L to union square

take elevator or go up escalator two levels from street, go into clothing store. there are couches on each side of escalators in store on three floors--you can sit there as long as you like any time of day or eve when they are open. look out window.

# best time to go

late afternoons and weekends

#### to notice

people who don't know each other standing together in a group waiting

# location 6

the hub

# how to get there

2, 5 to 3 ave - 149th st bx2 bus to 149 st

walk to 3rd ave just below 149th st. stand on the west side near buildings. look east towards traffic island.

# best time to go

any time of the day or night

#### to notice

influx

## location 7

river avenue above and below 161st st

# how to get there

4 to 161 st - yankee stadium

walk along river avenue

#### best time to go

late afternoons before games