

Learning Places Spring 2017

# SITE REPORT



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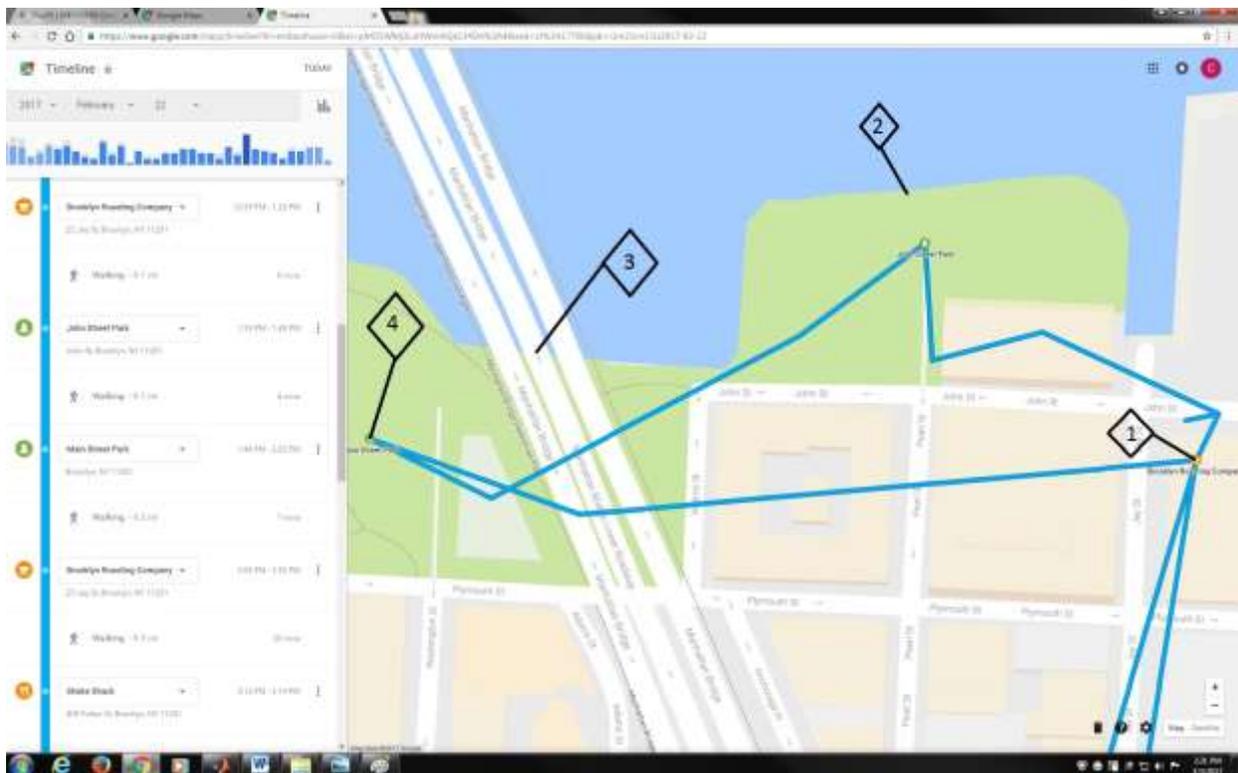
## INTRODUCTION

The specific purpose of this site visit was to get into our groups and get to know our group members. Also, today, we walked in our specific areas on which we were going to do our presentations/final reports on. However, because my group is focusing on BOTH DUMBO and Vinegar hills, we only able to walk around DUMBO's waterfront area because we walked in the Vinegar Hills area during the last site visit.

## PRE-VISIT REFLECTION

PRIOR to this site visit, I had an idea of what we were going to do, because of the last site visit. However, I did not 100% know what we were going to do that day, but it was a pleasant surprise because I got to get acquainted with the fantastic people that are in my group.

## SITE DOCUMENTATION I: MAP OF AREA OF INVESTIGATION

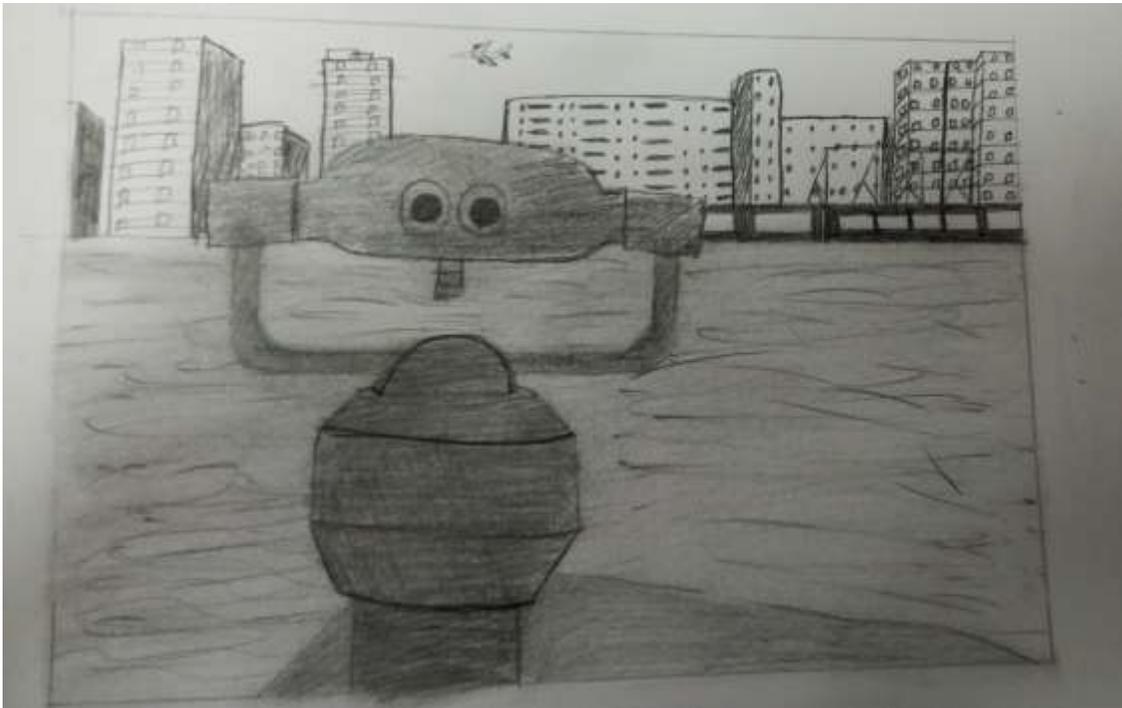


- 1- This was the Initial meeting place that the professors had assigned before and during the site visit. This was also where we were split into our groups.

- 2- This is where we saw a viewing machine, which over-looked the city. I sketched it and I've also placed the original photo of the viewing machine for comparison purposes:



ORIGINAL PHOTO



HANDDRAWN SKETCH

- 3- Here we found this quaint and peaceful little beach, which was documented in the photo below:



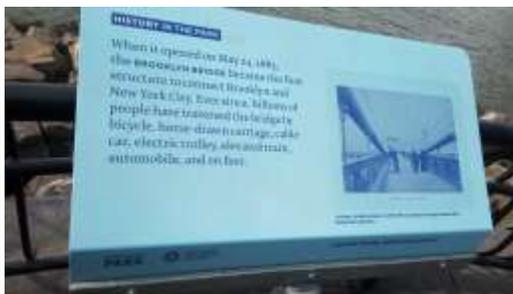
4- At this location, we stopped at a beach made up of rocks, and it was here that we saw a lot of families playing with their children and couples being romantic with one another. Once again, we documented this location with the photo below:



**SITE DOCUMENTATION II:** photos/sketches for 2-3 significant stops. Provide captions and explanations – why is the image shown significant for your topic of exploration



In this photo, is the large metal sign that we saw, spelling out “DUMBO”, we did not know who owned this sign, but we made the hypothesis that it was most likely the property owner of the area we were walking.



These three photos show some of the many signs that were along the waterfront part of DUMBO, these signs described the historical significance of that part of the waterfront.



Within this photo, we see the one of the various construction sites found on the other side of the bridge

AKA the Island of Manhattan

### SITE OBSERVATIONS:

1. The sandy beach was not as popular as the rocky one, where we saw all the families
2. A lot of people asked if we were from any reality agencies.
3. We noticed that there was not litter found on the streets and side-walk

### QUANTITATIVE DATA:

Subject	Data
Historical Signs	5, each one was created by <a href="http://www.BOP.nyc">www.BOP.nyc</a>
Photo shoots	2, and one of them was with a professional ballerina
beaches	2, one being sandy and the other being filled with rocks... The rocky one however, was overlooking the carousel which is a famous tourist attraction.

## QUESTIONS AND HYPOTHESIS

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1. Why wasn't there any litter to be found?
2. Who paid for the giant metal "DUMBO" sign?

### HYPOTHESIS:

1. Most likely, volunteers clean up any leftover trash, because we saw a lot of "Keep the Earth Clean" signs
2. It may have been either the landlord who purchased that sign or maybe the community board, because they have control of the budget and spending of things that go on in that area.

## SUMMARY / POST VISIT REFLECTION / NEXT STEP? --

When the Site visit was over, I was excited to start doing my final report for the waterfront of the DUMBO and Vinegar hills areas of Brooklyn, because they are rich in history and there are many mysteries that may be hiding underneath the surface. Our next steps are to investigate the claims of underground tunnels, oyster fields, and find proof of any unknown piece of this amazing section's history.

## PRELIMINARY REFERENCES TO EXPLORE HYPOTHESES:

1. N/A
2. N/A

THIS SITE REPORT WAS CREATED IN THE MEMORY  
AND HONOR OF Mr. Turtle, WHO'S IN A BETTER PLACE

