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'Whose Streets? Our Streets!': New York City, 1980-2000

On View: January 14th - March 5th, 2017



Featuring work by thirty seven independent photojournalists, this exhibit captures ordinary New Yorkers as they rallied, rioted, marched, and demonstrated. These stunning images document historic moments of violent confrontation such as the Tompkins Square Park and Crown Heights Riots and as well as organized protests involving non-violent civil disobedience and creative street theater. Collectively, these photographs, which have never before been exhibited together, chronicle New York's history from 1980-2000. During these two decades of swift economic and demographic change, residents grappled with social issues including race relations, police brutality, housing and gentrification, AIDS and gay and lesbian rights, reproductive rights, U.S. foreign policy and military actions, art and the culture wars, environmental and animal rights issues, and education and labor relations.

The exhibit is co-curated by Meg Handler, former photo editor of *The Village Voice*, historian Tamar Carroll, author of *Mobilizing New York: AIDS, Antipoverty and Feminist Activism*, and Michael Kamber, founder of the Bronx Documentary Center (BDC). The exhibit was designed and produced by the BDC's Cynthia Rivera and Bianca Farrow.

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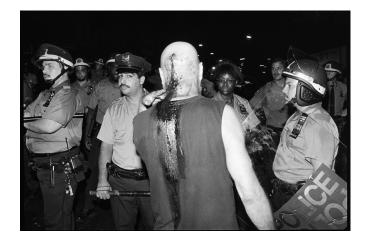
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Images captions

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Squatters attempt to defend their building by blocking the street with overturned cars and trash before an expected attack by the police on East 13th Street, 1995 © Andrew Lichtenstein

Above, clockwise from top:

Tompkins Square Park riot, New York City, 1988 © James Hamilton

Day of Outrage demonstration at the Jay Street-Borough Hall subway station following the Howard Beach verdict on December 21, 1987 in which three defendants were found guilty of manslaughter in the death of Michael Griffith who was beaten and chased by a white mob onto a highway where he was struck by a car © Ricky Flores

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