



### ABOUT THE MOTT ST GIRLS

Anna Huang and Chloe Chan started Mott Street Girls during the pandemic to provide walking tours of Manhattan's Chinatown. Their mission is to make the Chinese American history and culture more accessible to the public by hosting Chinatown walking tours, creating educational social media content, and partnering with community organizations. They strive to preserve Chinatown's rich cultural heritage, bring business to the neighborhood, and share the stories of the community.



### ABOUT SAMMY YUEN

Sammy Yuen is an artist, illustrator, designer, writer, and self-defense instructor, who has recently merged his personal and professional lives to empower the AAPI community. A lifelong martial artist, he teaches self-defense classes all over New York City, from Flushing Queens to Washington Heights in Manhattan.



### ABOUT PEARL RIVER MART

Celebrating its 51st anniversary, Pearl River Mart was founded as a "friendship store" in 1971. The iconic Asian emporium has locations in SoHo and Chelsea Market with both a retail outlet and Pearl River Mart Foods. From home furnishings to fashion to snacks and everything in between, the store features one-of-a-kind items imported from Asia, as well as innovative merchandise designed and created by Asian Americans.

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## Stories of Resilience and Renewal in NYC Chinatown

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# Walkthrough of Manhattan's Chinatown

## 1 PEARL RIVER MART

452 Broadway  
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## 2 JING FONG

202 Centre St  
Opening in 1978 with just 150 seats, Jing Fong moved in 1992 to its renowned two-story Elizabeth Street location, which sat nearly 800 people, the largest banquet hall in NYC Chinatown.

## 3 KAM HING COFFEE SHOP

118 Baxter St  
Known for their sponge cakes, Kam Hing opened in 1984, and since then has remained a favorite of both Chinatown residents and those from all over the city.

## 4 KK DISCOUNT

78 Mulberry St  
Carrying "a little bit of everything that you might need at home," KK Discount sells carbon steel woks, rice cookers, shopping carts, mahjong sets, and more.

## 5 MOTT STREET EATERY

98 Mott St  
Opening in 2021, Mott Street Eatery is Manhattan Chinatown's first food court, offering 12 different food stalls.

## 6 CHINESE CONSOLIDATED BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION (CCBA)

62 Mott St  
The CCBA was founded by wealthy Chinese merchants in 1883, one year after the Chinese Exclusion Act was passed, and acted as a quasi-government helping Chinese immigrants.

## 7 CHINATOWN ICE CREAM FACTORY

65 Bayard St  
Founded in 1978, the Chinatown Ice Cream Factory, with its wide range of Asian-inspired ice cream flavors, is popular among New Yorkers and tourists alike.

## 8 MANHATTAN BRIDGE + FORSYTH PLAZA

Forsyth St & Canal St  
Situated at the foot of the Manhattan Bridge, which connects Chinatown to Brooklyn, Forsyth Plaza is a vibrant public space for events and gatherings.

## 9 LIN ZE XU STATUE AND MEMORIAL ARCH

23 Chatham Square  
Born in Fujian Province, Lin Zexu was a Chinese scholar and official known for sparking the First Opium War in 1839 by seizing and dumping British opium into the Guangzhou Harbor. Nearby is the Kimlau War Memorial, completed in 1962 and recently designated as a historic landmark.

## 10 NOM WAH TEA PARLOR

13 Doyers St  
On Doyers Street is Manhattan Chinatown's oldest restaurant, which opened in 1920 as a tea parlor and bakery that served dim sum on the side.

## 11 TING'S GIFT SHOP

17 Pell St  
A multigenerational family-owned business, Ting's Gift Shop is the oldest gift shop in Chinatown.

## 12 MEE SUM CAFE

26 Pell St  
Located on one of the oldest streets of Chinatown, Mee Sum Cafe has been serving up classic fare such as shrimp rolls, zongzi, spare ribs, and more since 1967.

## 13 TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH

29 Mott St  
Also known as the "Church of Immigrants," the Transfiguration Roman Catholic Church is the oldest landmark in this exhibition.

## 14 WING ON WO & CO.

26 Mott St  
The oldest shop in New York City's Chinatown, Wing on Wo & Co isn't just a porcelain business but a vital part of the community.

## 15 HOP KEE

21 Mott St  
Current owner Peter Lee's father first opened this popular Cantonese eatery in 1968 after their family emigrated from Hong Kong.

## 16 YU & ME BOOKS

44 Mulberry St  
The first Asian American woman-owned bookstore in NYC, Yu & Me Books showcases diverse voices and immigrant stories not typically seen in other bookstores.

## 17 COLUMBUS PARK

Mulberry Street & Baxter St  
Columbus Park is located in one of the oldest residential areas of Manhattan. It is a place where the community can gather and feel at home.

