Hope Wanted: New York City Under Quarantine
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Selected PR Images

Curated by writer and humanitarian Kevin Powell and photographer Kay Hickman, Hope Wanted: New York City Under Quarantine—a special free outdoor exhibition—features more than 50 photographs taken by Hickman along with 12 audio interviews with the photographs’ subjects conducted by Powell during the team’s intensive two-day odyssey across the city on April 8–9, 2020. Hickman’s empathetic photographs of people and their neighborhoods in all five boroughs and Powell’s searching interviews of New Yorkers impacted by the crisis capture both tragedy and remarkable resilience at a moment in time during the pandemic.

Bronx

Photo credit: Kay Hickman

A woman sits outside her Bronx apartment building to get some fresh air.

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A woman in the Bronx walks down the street in full protective gear.
Tanya “Mama Tanya” Fields stands outside her Bronx apartment. Her entire family had been exposed to the coronavirus. (L-R) Lola, Taylor, Chase, Hunter, Mama Tanya, Thomas, Trist’ann.

**Brooklyn**

In Williamsburg, Brooklyn, Hasidic Jewish men stand shoulder to shoulder in their foyer praying, while three girls watch from the outside.

Catherine “Cat” Carnes, a registered nurse from Oklahoma, came to Brooklyn to volunteer after seeing “the news day after day and watching the nurses literally cry out for help in New York City.”

Children play outside in Fort Greene, Brooklyn.
Manhattan

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A closed and empty 125th Street, a street usually packed with people shopping in the many stores along the street.

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A man and his son walking home from the grocery store in Harlem.

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A doorman, now an essential worker, stands in front of a building in East Midtown.

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A man walks down the street in Harlem.
Queens

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*A mother stops to tend to her son in Queens.*

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Amy Ishida, Kevin Powell, and Hany Nashad stand united while social distancing.

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In Queens, a man asks people and cars that pass by for financial help.

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Staten Island

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*A couple sits in the Staten Island Ferry waiting area for the next departing ferry.*
Leticia Lu, working from home, sits at her window.

A man sits outside to take a cigarette break in Staten Island.