



# So You Think You Know the Big Apple?

If those walls could talk...this is what they would say. A story of New York City.

“The Jewel of Staten Island”... Worlds Fairs... oysters... iron horses... aviation history... rattlesnakes... “Burnham’s Folly”... Leo Astor and Leo Lenox... the CCC... cast iron architecture... The Garden... the golden age of motoring... corned beef... fire watch towers... The Fourth estate... summer city halls... “Andy Green’s hobby”... the Armory Show... cathouses... “theaters of nature”... illegal booze... co-ops... public hangings... lighthouses... “the Golden Door”... Googie architecture... chorus lines... carousels... Dutch souvenirs... public bathhouses... landfills... This book will have you telling stories like a native in no time.

The photos and stories collected here are a fast and fun way to learn the explanations behind the quirks, the traditions and the secrets that make New York City uniquely the Big Apple. Who was the first New Yorker described in the newspapers as a millionaire? Solved. Where was the country’s first public golf course? A mystery no more. What unlikely structure has the most solar panels in the city? Identified. Who was the only person elected unanimously to the Hall of Fame of Great Americans? Revealed. Who detonated the 1920 Wall Steet Bombing? No one knows.

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Told In 100 Buildings**