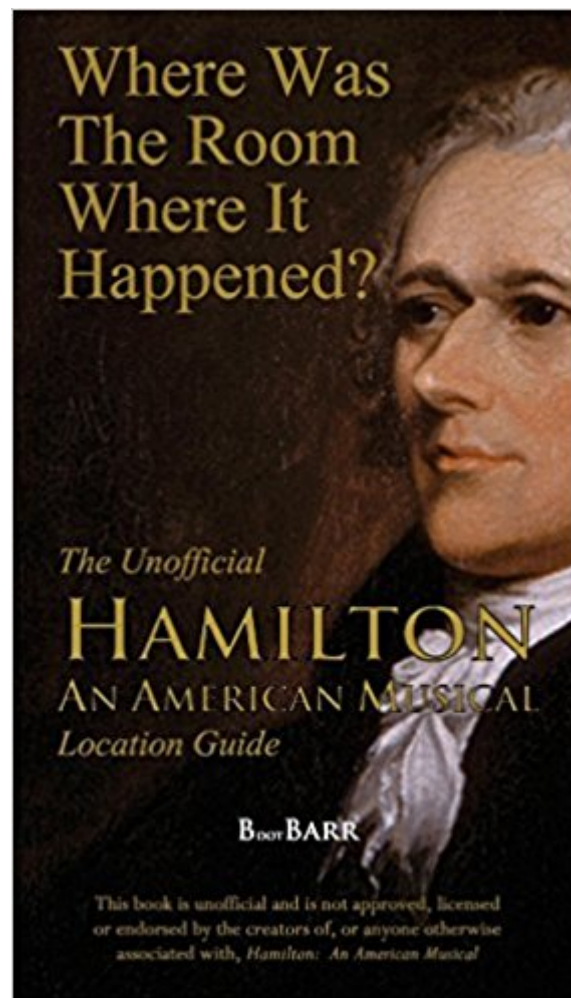




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Where Was The Room Where It Happened?: The Unofficial Hamilton - An American Musical Location Guide



Synopsis

Learn all about where Hamilton happened (the man and the musical)! A collection of facts, anecdotes and trivia related to the Broadway show Hamilton: An American Musical and the life of Alexander Hamilton, presented through the locations where it all happened. This guide explains how locations from Hamilton's life are connected to the songs and settings in the musical and provides historical information about each location. With suggested itineraries, maps and subway directions, this guide makes it fun and easy for all fans interested in learning about or seeing the room where it happened. A great gift for any fan of the Broadway show Hamilton or its songs, or anyone interested in Alexander Hamilton or Revolutionary-era history, regardless of whether they ever intend to visit New York. The focus of this book is New York City and the immediate vicinity, and for each New York City location in the book (and some of the New Jersey locations), the reader is given which songs occurred at the site, an address, map and subway directions for getting to the site, opening hours (where relevant), a description of which historical figures from the show were ever at the site, and a brief history of the site (with a focus on historical information related to characters from the show). It also includes information on other Alexander Hamilton related locations in the city (that have no relation to the show). For example, the book explains that the song Right Hand Man includes references to events that occurred at each of the Battery, Richmond Hill and Morris-Jumel Mansion, and it includes images of these locations (which may be historical images for sites that no longer exist), a map and subway directions for visiting these sites. In addition, it explains that not only did Richmond Hill serve as George Washington's temporary headquarters (and was the site where Washington first met Aaron Burr), but also that Richmond Hill was the residence of John Adams during his vice-presidency and later was the residence of Aaron Burr, before ultimately being razed and having a portion of the estate become a New York City historical district. While the focus is New York City, the book also includes information on sites in New Jersey related to the show (including Weehawken, NJ, where the famous Hamilton-Burr duel occurred), including information on how to travel to these sites. Finally, it includes sites outside of New York City and New Jersey to explain the connection with the songs from Hamilton but without information about visiting the sites. The book includes photographs and other images and is indexed (including an index by song title) to make the information easier to use and to make this book a useful reference guide for someone wanting to travel to the sites or wanting to learn more about the history around the events depicted in Hamilton - An American Musical.

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"Where was that room? This book will tell you--a sprightly, informative guided tour of the hit show, and founding era New York."--Richard Brookhiser, author of *Alexander Hamilton, American*"This well-researched book invites the reader to join Alexander Hamilton where it happened; to experience where he lived, learned, worked, fought, and found his final resting place. Author Bryan Barreras identifies the specific references from *"Hamilton: An American Musical"* and accurately describes the highlights for each location, as well as the path to get there. Fans of the musical, as well as current and future Hamiltonians, will appreciate this invaluable location guide."--Rand Scholet, President & Founder of the Alexander Hamilton Awareness Society"Where Was the Room Where It Happened? is a thoughtful and comprehensive collection of locations related to *"Hamilton."* For anyone who wants to feel history come alive this is a great compendium of facts, anecdotes and trivia related to the musical. The book is a must for anyone who doesn't want to throw away their shot of walking in the steps of Hamilton, Burr, and the Schuyler Sisters."--Carol S. Ward, Executive Director of Morris-Jumel Mansion

"Hamilton" tickets are hard to come by, allowing almost anyone who sees it time for advance preparation, both by familiarizing oneself with the cast album, and by learning the history. Both will enhance the experience. The events in *"Hamilton"* took place in New York City and environs, and many of the now-historic sites are still available to visit. The author carefully researched the history (NB: not everything in the show is strictly factual!) and provides guidance in touring New York City to

see the locations. A much better "Hamilton"-related souvenir than the T-shirts or drinking glasses. If I were giving "Hamilton" tickets as a gift, I'd include this book.

Where Was the Room Where It Happened? is not only great as a companion piece to the musical, but is also a resource for the casual student of history. Even if your only prior exposure to Hamilton is reading The Federalist Papers in undergrad or carrying around the occasional ten dollar bill, you'll still get something out of Where Was the Room Where It Happened? Highly recommended.

With this text in hand, we walked the streets of New York singing "Hamilton" lyrics and seeing history come alive. What fun to discover new places (The Morris Jumel Mansion and The Grange) and to rediscover old favorites like Trinity Church and lunch at Fraunces Tavern. This book helped guide us to sights and gave concise info--just enough for tourists and a guide to where you could find more if you wanted to study more about the history of the event. Made for a great weekend walk around Manhattan.

if you're obsessed with all things Hamilton as so many (myself included) are you'll want to add this one to your Hamil-shelf.

I really liked this book. I like Hamilton the musical and this book goes along with it great. It would be so great to see some of these places. I recommend this book to any Hamilton lover

Although haven't seen play, saw condensed version on TV. This well written book gives useful informations on where the actual scenes took place. Furthermore, it also gives directions to find them. It also lets u know who was actually there. This book is a must to further appreciate the play.
Charles Garcia

As an obsessed Hamilton fan, I couldn't wait to read this on my Kindle. So interesting and I love how you can find where the locations from the play and background information. It also includes if the location still exists and if you can visit. I have already marked my map!!! Totally great!!!

Great little book! Easy and quick to read while hopping around NYC. Would recommend if you're a Hamilton fan visiting New York!

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