

The best apartment cleaning services in NYC

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Whether you need help cleaning up your apartment or clearing out, these cleaning services in NYC have you covered

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Forget DIY spring cleaning—there are so many awesome **things to do in spring** when it's warm out that no one should spend their time dusting. And don't forget, you work hard for that (barely) **affordable apartment in NYC**. So why not book yourself a relaxing day at one of the **best spas** in the city and leave those dirty dishes, grimy showers and cluttered closets to the pros from the most fantastic cleaning services NYC has to offer.

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Comments

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In response to "50 funniest New Yorkers," timeout.com/newyork: I only read this list to make sure that Tom Scharpling was included—and then I stopped there. Great pick, guys! But did you really need to tell us that Jerry Seinfeld and Howard Stern are funny New Yorkers? I know this isn't a top "unknowns" list, but telling me that Seinfeld is funny is like telling me water is wet. You could have used those spots for struggling comics. Just my two cents. —MsBellaF

In response to "Mike Nichols on The Graduate," by David Fear, Film, **TONY855**: I was a sophomore in high school (don't do the math) from a strict Catholic upbringing, and I begged my parents to take me to this movie. It was my coming-of-age film. Thank God. The best part about this article is that I was a student of Mike's at acting school several years back, and I can hear him saying these words. He is so smart and so damn funny; people have no idea of the endless genius he has. And like Dustin Hoffman's performance in *The Graduate*, he hardly moves a muscle to bring it out. Vintage Mike; thank you. —Martha Gelnow

In response to the *Broke House* review, by Helen Shaw, Theater, timeout.com/newyork: I encourage anyone interested in experimental, conceptual art to see this performance. That's why I'm confused by Ms. Shaw's review. Her final remark implies that theory and camp are at odds in *Broke House*. Has she ever seen the work of Charles Atlas, Ryan Trecartin or Paul McCarthy? Shame on TONY for printing a review that deters readers from seeing a show that unabashedly takes on the absolute mess we live in. Here's what I experienced: It bombards the audience. It makes me aware of how I live, how many screens I engage in simultaneously every day and to what degree this virtual world distracts me from reality. Go forth and see this show. Ms. Shaw got it wrong. —Joan Raspo

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The roundup

Apartment-cleaning services

Whether you need help cleaning up or clearing out, these services have you covered. By Jenna Scherer

Dispel interroommate tension: Wizard of Homes

"You will love your Wizard-days!" promises the intro on this service's cheery website. The Wizards help make the political situation in your apartment a little brighter too: If you and your roomie(s) have been fighting a war of attrition over the dishes piling up in the kitchen—or that ominous ring around the toilet bowl—these folks will establish a détente. Their Roommate Service (one of many on offer) includes a deep clean of your kitchen and bathroom for \$120, which includes everything from scrubbing the walls and polishing the faucets to doing the dishes and reorganizing the contents of the fridge. You can also order other common areas à la carte (living room \$15, second bathroom \$25) or your bedroom (\$15) if you feel like going all the way. (Not your roommate's bedroom, though—she's a jerk.) Note that you must provide your own vacuum cleaner and paper towels. Text 646-415-4948 or go online to book an appointment. wizardofhomesnyc.com

Service area: Manhattan below 110th Street

For an eco-friendly clean: GoGreen

While many services use environmentally safe products, GoGreen goes so far as to make its own biodegradable, naturally scented solutions, from grapefruit tub-and-tile scrub to apple glass cleaner. Founder and industry vet Wayne

Miles started the company six years ago, hoping to minimize the pressure that toxic products are putting on the environment. Try the Spring Cleaning service, an overall clean that includes dusting every nook and cranny, polishing surfaces, window wiping, vacuuming, mopping—the works (call, or e-mail wm@gogreeninc.com for an estimate). You can also pick up GoGreen's cleansers and other nontoxic, eco-friendly products for yourself at its Boerum Hill storefront. 485 Atlantic Ave between Nevins St and Third Ave, Boerum Hill, Brooklyn (718-625-0260, gogreeninc.com)

Service area: Manhattan and Brooklyn

Moving in or out: Anna's Cleaning Service

Anna Harasim started this service two years ago after demand for her solo cleaning work became so high that she decided to expand. Anna's offers many specialized options, such as emergency spruce-ups for last-minute parental visits (\$20–\$25 per hour); but for those looking to vacate their apartments gracefully (read: without ticking off their landlords) can opt for the Move In/Out service (\$25 per hour; a one- or two-bedroom takes four to six hours). After you've cleared all your crap out, a staffer will scrub and sanitize inside, on top of

and behind everything, room by room. It's well worth the price, especially if it means getting your deposit back before you make your exit. The service is also handy if you're just moving in and the previous tenants have left behind any unsavory mementos. 347-432-6199, annascleaningservicenyc.com
Service area: Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens

Put your life in order: Genius Organizing

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Service area: Manhattan, Brooklyn, Westchester



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By Lisa Freedman

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Nicole Abramovici and Julia Wright

Seven years of combined experience

What they're looking for: "We have our own professional organizing business, Genius Organizing (geniusorganizing.com), and are taking new clients who want to transform their home or office. We love to help people get their acts together so they can outgrow an anxiety-provoking, frustrating, unproductive physical and mental state. After working with us, our clients move forward, doing the things they really want to be doing and living the way they want to be living. We are fun to work with but firm, and very thorough—our motto is 'No clutter left behind!' Our nuts-and-bolts specialties: decluttering homes, offices and studio spaces, and organizing what's left; time management and productivity training; organizing the moving process; and nutrition organization (we throw out your junk food and create a healthy shopping list!)."

Got work? E-mail them at nicole@geniusorganizing.com



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