

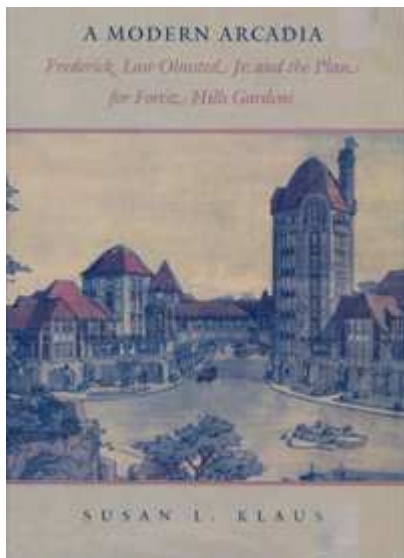


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**SPOTLIGHT ON: QUEENS**



The largest borough in land area, about 120 square miles, according to the *Encyclopedia of New York City*, Queens is home to many varied neighborhoods from Long Island City to New Hyde Park. The population of Queens is known for its diversity. According to the 2002 *Annual Report on Social Indicators* from the Dept. of City Planning, Queens added over 321,000 foreign-born persons in the last decade. Its total foreign-born population surpassed one million in 2000, making Queens the most diverse borough in population, according to City Planning's report. The City Hall Library collection offers a number of resources about the borough, its neighborhoods and the fascinating mix of populations living there.

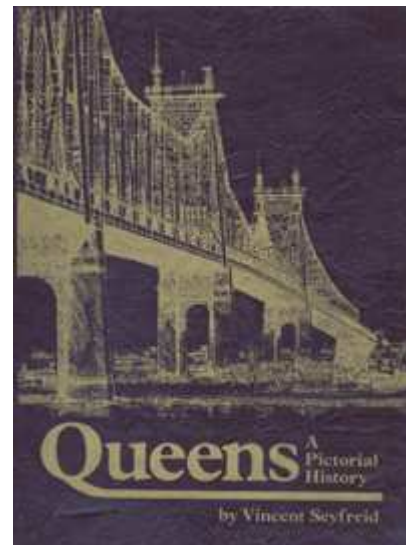
*Queens: A Pictorial History* by Vincent Seyfried explores the history of Queens from the 16th century to the 1980's. Original photos and drawings are accompanied by text, covering such topics as settlement, transportation, leisure and profiles of selected neighborhoods. Among the neighborhoods are Flushing, Jamaica, Woodside and College Point.

*A Modern Arcadia: Frederick Law Olmsted Jr. and the Plan for Forest Hills Gardens* by Susan L. Klaus, offers a history of one of the first middle-class suburban communities within the New York City limits. Conceived and planned in 1909, Forest Hills Gardens still exists today. This book discusses the construction, planning, architectural design and enduring legacy of the community.

*The Story of Queens Village*, also by Vincent F. Seyfried, published in 1974 to celebrate the centennial of the neighborhood, is a history of Queens Village starting with its establishment in colonial times. Included are the growth of Queens Village in the nineteenth century, histories of the Bellaire and Creedmoor sections, the story of the Snyder-Gray murder case, which brought notoriety to Queens Village, transportation, churches of Queens Village and descriptions of some well-known institutions such as Martin Van Buren High School and Antun's restaurant. Historical photos and drawings enhance the text.

The City Planning Dept. has prepared various zoning and redevelopment reports for different areas of Queens over the years. *Community District Needs* from Office of Management and Budget is another useful source to consult for statistical information and current conditions and needs in neighborhood community district. There is one volume for each borough.

Vertical files are a great source for newspaper and magazine articles on Queens in general and specific neighborhoods. You can learn about the history, population, housing, business and many other aspects of Queens life. Any of these materials and more can provide a fascinating view of the borough closest to Long Island.



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