

# VOTER GUIDE

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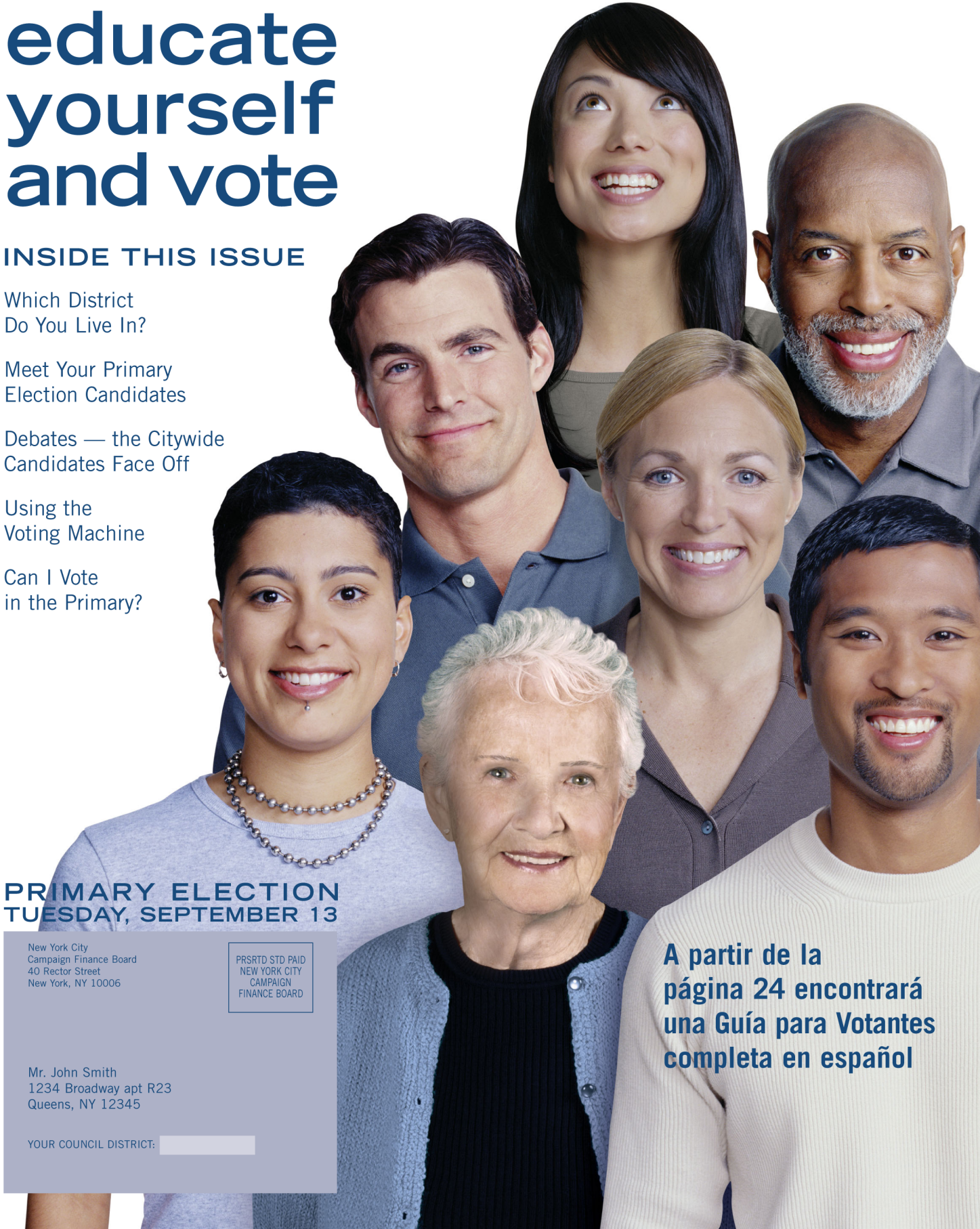
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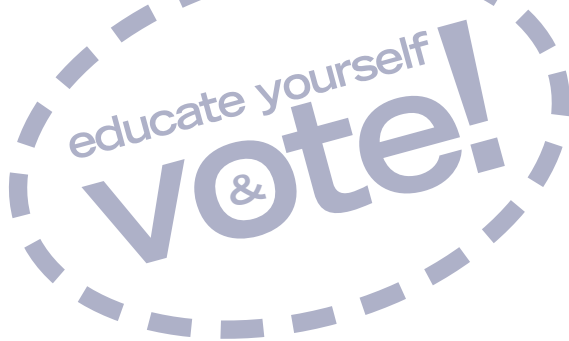
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YOUR COUNCIL DISTRICT:

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# debates 2005



## PRIMARY ELECTION

### MAYOR

#### 1st debate (Dem.):

Tuesday, August 16, 2005  
7:00-8:30 p.m. on Channel 1  
Sponsors: NY1, WNYC, Newsday

#### 1st debate (Rep.):

Wednesday, August 17, 2005  
7:00-8:00 p.m. on Channel 1  
Sponsors: NY1, WNYC, Newsday

#### 2nd debate (Rep.):

Sunday, September 4, 2005  
12:00-1:00 p.m. on Channel 4  
Sponsor: WNBC

#### 2nd debate (Dem.):

Wednesday, September 7, 2005  
7:00-8:00 p.m. on Channel 4  
Sponsor: WNBC

#### Runoff debate (if required):

Thursday, September 22, 2005  
7:00-8:00 p.m. on Channel 4  
Sponsor: WNBC

Airtimes subject to change; check your local listings. For updated information visit [www.nycctfb.info](http://www.nycctfb.info)

### COMPTROLLER

#### 1st debate:

Wednesday, August 24, 2005  
7:00-8:00 p.m. on Channel 1  
Sponsors: NY1, WNYC, Newsday

#### 2nd debate:

Sunday, September 4, 2005  
6:00-7:00 a.m. on Channel 4  
Sponsor: WNBC

### PUBLIC ADVOCATE

#### 1st debate:

Tuesday, August 23, 2005  
7:00-8:00 p.m. on Channel 1  
Sponsors: NY1, WNYC, Newsday

#### 2nd debate:

Sunday, August 28, 2005  
6:00-7:00 a.m. on Channel 4  
Sponsor: WNBC

#### Runoff debate (if required):

Sunday, September 25, 2005  
6:00-7:00 a.m. on Channel 4  
Sponsor: WNBC



# A Summary of Changes to the Debate Program

## THEN

### Debate Participants

All participating candidates are required to take part in the first primary, general, and run-off debates.

Only the second general election debate limited to “leading contenders.”

Candidates who don’t join the Campaign Finance Program may not participate in any debates, except the second general election debate, and only then if they are deemed “leading contenders” and invited by sponsors.

Only candidates participating in the Campaign Finance Program are required to take part in the Debate Program.

### Second Primary Debate

All participating candidates required to take part in second primary debate.

### Run-Off Elections

Two debates held for a run-off election.

### Alternative Non-Partisan Voter Education Program

Sponsor required to provide alternative non-partisan voter education program for any participating candidates who are not deemed “leading contenders.”

## NOW

### Debate Participants

Only participating candidates and limited participating candidates with a minimum level of public support may participate in the first primary and general election debate.

The second primary and general election debates limited to “leading contenders.”

Debate sponsors may invite candidates who don’t join the Campaign Finance Program to participate in any of the debates as long as they satisfy the same criteria applicable to participating candidates and limited participating candidates.

Limited participating candidates as well as participating candidates are required to take part in the Debate Program.

### Second Primary Debate

Second primary debate limited to “leading contenders.”

### Run-Off Elections

One debate held for a run-off election.

### Alternative Non-Partisan Voter Education Program

Sponsor not required to provide alternative non-partisan voter education program.





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### **Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr., *Chairman***

Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr. was named by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg to succeed founding Campaign Finance Board Chairman Joseph A. O'Hare, S.J. Fritz Schwarz has a long and distinguished record in public service. Under former Mayor Edward I. Koch, he served as Corporation Counsel, and later served as Chair of the 1989 New York City Charter Revision Commission. Currently senior counsel at the Brennan Center for Justice at NYU Law School, Mr. Schwarz also serves as senior counsel at the law firm Cravath, Swaine & Moore. His public service awards include Common Cause New York's "I Love an Ethical New York Award," and the Civic Leadership Award of the Citizens Union of the City of New York. He was also honored as a Founder by New York Lawyers for the Public Interest. Mr. Schwarz's term began on April 1, 2003 and will expire on March 31, 2008.



### **Nicole A. Gordon, *Executive Director***

Nicole A. Gordon is the first Executive Director of the New York City Campaign Finance Board, an independent non-partisan City agency created in 1988 that provides public funding to eligible candidates for City elective offices who choose to join the voluntary Campaign Finance Program. The Board, which has been recognized as a "model for the country" in campaign finance reform, oversees and monitors candidates' campaign finances to determine their compliance with the Campaign Finance Act. Ms. Gordon has been a recipient of several awards recognizing her outstanding public service, including the New York State Common Cause's "I Love an Ethical New York" Award (as co-recipient with the Board members); the New York County Lawyers' Association Public Service Award; and most recently Columbia University Law School's Lawrence A. Wien Prize for Social Responsibility. She is a past Chair of the Government Ethics Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and a past President of the Council on Governmental Ethics Laws. Ms. Gordon is a graduate of Columbia Law School and Barnard College.



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## CFB IMPORTANT DATES

**5.12.2005**

Board Meeting

**8.4.2005**

Board Meeting

**9.29.2005**

Board Meeting

**5.16.2005**

Filing 3.12.2005 – 5.11.2005

**8.11.2005**

Board Meeting

**10.6.2005**

Board Meeting

**6.1.2005**

Certification Deadline

**8.12.2005**

Filing 7.12.2005 – 8.8.2005 (PE)

**10.7.2005**

Filing 9.20.2005 – 10.3.2005 (GE)

**6.6.2005**

Board Meeting

**8.18.2005**

Board Meeting

**10.14.2005**

Board Meeting

**6.8.2005**

VG Candidate Submission Deadline

**8.25.2005**

Board Meeting

**10.20.2005**

Board Meeting

**7.7.2005**

Board Meeting

**9.1.2005**

Board Meeting

**10.27.2005**

Board Meeting

**7.14.2005**

Board Meeting

**9.2.2005**

Filing 8.9.2005 – 8.29.2005 (PE)

**10.28.2005**

Filing 10.4.2005 – 10.24.2005 (GE)

**7.15.2005**

Filing 5.12.2005 – 7.11.2005 (PE/GE)

**9.9.2005**

Board Meeting

**daily pre-election disclosure**

Filing 10.25.2005 – 11.8.2005 (GE)

**7.21.2005**

Board Meeting

**9.15.2005**

Board Meeting

**11.3.2005**

Board Meeting

**7.28.2005**

Board Meeting

**daily pre-election disclosure**

Filing 8.30.2005 – 9.13.2005 (PE)

**12.5.2005**

Filing 10.25.2005 – 12.1.2005 (GE)

**7.29.2005**

Board Meeting

**9.22.2005**

Board Meeting

**11.17.2006**

Filing 12.2.2005 – 11.11.2006 (PE/GE)

**8.1.2005**

Board Meeting

**9.23.2005**

Filing 8.30.2005 – 9.19.2005 (PE)