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New York City Halloween events for kids

Your can't-miss kid guide to a spooktacular holiday

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'Tis the season for spook. In case Halloween preparations haven't quite satisfied your kids' affinity for ghouls and spirits, the Mexican Day of the Dead offers a different celebration of the afterlife. Skulls replace jack-o'-lanterns as the central accessory, and the emphasis is placed on joyfully commemorating those who have passed away (according to tradition, death is believed to be a new stage of life). A selection of workshops at this celebration familiarizes visitors with details of the holiday. Kids can participate in building altars and check out the procession of Mexican dancers from Union Square to St. Mark's. Return to the church between Monday and Wednesday so they can try out paper crafts, learn about the tradition of yummy sugar skulls, make bread and write poetry. *Ages 4 and up.*



Sun 28 2-5pm, 6-7pm. St. Mark's Church in-the-Bowery, 131 E 10th St at Second Ave (212-587-3070, manoamano.us). Subway: 6 to Astor Pl.

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