

On the Docket for the  
**General Meetings**  
**Thursday, January 15, 2009**  
**Intellectual Property Rights**  
**in the Digital Age**

**Presented by Eric Prager,**  
**Intellectual Property Lawyer**

**Inside**  
**NYPC**



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**C**opyright laws have been around for a long time, but the digital age is, well, pretty new. Are the old laws really inadequate? Is the Digital Millennium Copyright Act a good thing?

### *Myriad Questions*

Can you legally photograph in the subways, city streets, Grand Central Station, Central Park, Disneyland, etc.? How about photographing private property within view of a public street, such as store windows? Are celebrity photos fair game—even in private locations? If a security guard, a policeman, or a stranger demands that you hand over your camera or memory chip, must you do so, or is this just harassment?

Can you copyright a photograph, your written words, or your YouTube videos by just placing a c with a circle around it, or just writing the word *copyright* on the item? When do you need a model release and what is the proper wording? If a release is valid in New York is it good nationwide?

Can you publish photos for editorial use or for an art book or exhibition without getting a release? Can you reuse various images or writings from the web? Can you use some, all, or none? What is privileged under the fair use doctrine?

### *Answers from Eric Prager*

The answer to many of the above questions is: "It depends." Fortunately, our speaker, Eric Prager, is an intellectual property lawyer and focuses much of his practice on digital media and content issues. He is a partner in the New York office of law firm K&L Gates. K&L Gates is an international law firm with 1700 lawyers around globe. Eric will address copyright issues associated with digital photography and other content, publicity/privacy rights, and model releases. He will also touch upon image rights that some building owners claim to have in the appearance of their buildings.

And the best part may be that Eric will take questions on any intellectual property issues we want to throw his way, from patent trolls to counterfeit DVDs to software licensing.

Eric's background is truly impressive! Look at his website:  
<http://www.klgates.com/professionals/Detail.aspx?professional=5837>

The meeting is free and open to all. If you are not a member, we hope you will become one so we can continue to bring you good meetings like this one.

—William Ginsberg, Program Chair, [programs@nypc.org](mailto:programs@nypc.org)

## General Meeting Info

- When:** Thursday, January 15, 2009
- Where:** PS 41, 116 West 11th Street just west of 6th Avenue
- Schedule:** 6:00pm Doors open  
6:30pm Q&A/Announcements  
7:00pm Presentation
- Travel:** A,B,C,D,E,F,Q,V to West 4th St 1,2,3,9,L to 14th St @7th Ave (check with MTA)
- PATH:** Take 33rd St line to 9th St Sta
- Web site:** <http://www.nypc.org> for details of this meeting
- Office:** (212) 643-7005

NYPC's General Meetings are free and open to the public.

To check on the NYPC General Meeting, find location, or get up-to-the-minute details on speakers, call our office or check our website.

### Online Resources on Intellectual Property (IP)

- Good definitions/overview: <http://www.wipo.int/about-ip/en/>
- IP in Architecture: <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/journals/njtip/v3/n2/2/>
- IPL in Medicine: <http://www.who.int/intellectualproperty/en/>
- Excellent lists of links: <http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/Copyright/>  
<http://www.lii.org/pub/topic/ip>  
<http://www.findlaw.com/01topics/23intellectprop/overview.htm>
- Visual Resources Assn links: <http://www.vrweb.org/resources/ipr/copyright.html>
- Photographers' Rights: <http://www.krages.com/phoright.htm>
- A contrary view: <http://www.gnu.org/philosophy/not-ipr.xhtml>



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### ⇒ Learn at Lunch Series

One-hour, focused seminars on interesting computer topics, 12:00-1:00pm. Presentation, \$10  
Bring your lunch; beverages provided. Register via 212 643-7005, x2, or [classes@nypceducation.org](mailto:classes@nypceducation.org).

Monday, January 19: Get Up To Speed On OpenOffice Writer

Thursday, January 22: Computerize Your Bookkeeping?

Friday, January 23: Survey of Useful Tech Sites

Monday, January 26: Choosing a Digital Camera

Wednesday, January 28: Microsoft Word 2007 basics

Thursday, January 29: Tips & Tricks for Computer Security

# NYPC Classes

To register or to request specific classes, phone 212 643-7005, x2, or email [classes@nypceducation.org](mailto:classes@nypceducation.org).

For complete descriptions and instructor information, click on class name at <http://www.calsplus.com/nypcmeetings>. Check there for updates/new classes.

Unless otherwise specified, classes are hands-on. We welcome walk-ins for seminars, but please phone to confirm that the class is being held. One advantage of NYPC computer training is our flexibility. If there's a topic you want to learn, let us know. If we have at least three students, we'll try to tailor a class to your needs. Prices below are for NYPC members; if you are not a member, please add registration fee of \$10.

## ⇒ What to do with All Those Digital Photos Easily!

You have a new digital camera, and you're enjoying taking snapshots the new way. They look great in the camera screen. *Now what?* You don't want to learn Photoshop—or even Elements—but you want to tweak and manage your new photos. This course will help! We'll show how to get your photos onto the computer, demonstrate some easy-to-use photo management and enhancement tools, and help you find the one that's best for you. Then we'll discuss ways to print them. (Bring your camera to class.)  
*Two sessions, hands-on, \$59*  
*Sundays, January 18, 25, 2:00-5:00pm*

## ⇒ Effective Internet Searching

Enhance your Internet Searching Skills! In each of the following courses we'll learn how to structure efficient and effective searches, and how to interpret and use your results. Take one or more. Please bring some topics on which you'd like to search.

**Better "Googling":** Though emphasizing Google's syntax and features, we'll also look at alternate search sites and when to use them.

**Beyond Google: Advanced Internet Searching:** Google is great, but sometimes it's overwhelming to get 100,000 hits! We'll look at alternatives to Google: meta search engines, clustering search engines, topic-specific searchers, and exciting new ways to visualize results... also directories (and when to use them), RSS feeds, and other ways to supplement search engines.

*Hands-on, \$30 per session*

*Sundays, January 18, 25, 10:00am-1:00pm*

## ⇒ Finding Health/Medical Information Online

There are millions of health-related sites, but not all give valid information. How can you find the ones with the reliable information you need? We'll look at how to structure effective searches, how to separate valuable information from the questionable, and what to do with the information you find. We'll also look at some excellent sites.

*Tuesday, January 27, 9:00am-12:00pm*

*Hands-on, \$30*

## ⇒ Mastering Your Digital Camera Controls

With their wealth of controls and menu options, digital cameras can bewilder even the most experienced photographer. The user can change not only aperture and shutter speed, but also ISO, white balance, automatic program, and more. In this class we'll learn how to take advantage of the many camera options to take better photos.

- Please tell registrar your camera model when you register
- Plan to bring your manual to class

*2 Monday afternoons, January 19, 26, 2:00-5:00pm OR*

*2 Friday afternoons, January 30, February 6, 1:00-4:00pm*

*Hands-on with your camera, \$59*

## ⇒ Up and Running with Excel

Microsoft Excel can help you manage and analyze your data. Excel is not just for businesses; it can be used to run your home as well. Here's your opportunity to get started in one week! In this course, you will learn how to enter data into an Excel worksheet and modify and format it, perform calculations, and more.

*Wednesday and Friday, January 21 and 23, 2:00-5:00pm*

*6 hours, hands-on, \$69*

## ⇒ Photo Enhancement with Photoshop Elements

Learn how to enhance your digital photos! Photoshop Elements is Adobe's "consumer level" digital imaging program. Though far less expensive and easier than Photoshop, it offers considerable power in enhancing and distributing digital images. Like all graphics applications, it is also very enjoyable. In this hands-on course, we'll learn by doing, from using layers through tonal and color corrections, and more.

Students are encouraged to bring their own photos to class for advice.

*4 Wednesdays, January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 9:00am-12:00pm-12 hours, hands-on, \$129*

## ⇒ Video Editing with Premiere Elements

Get started with video editing! You don't need an expensive application like Avid or Premiere; Adobe's Premiere Elements will probably do everything you need: rearrange scenes, add music and voice-overs, add titles, and more. Class includes practice with loading to YouTube or Google Video.

*4 Fridays, January 23, 30, February 6, 13, 9:00am-12:00pm*

*12 hours, hands-on, \$129*

## ⇒ Getting Started with the Treo Smart Phone

Have you bought a Treo Smart Phone, but are using it only as a phone? Or are you considering the purchase of one?

Then come to this class! Ted Cohn, chair of our Web Lounge SIG, will guide you and answer your questions.

*Wednesday, January 28, 3:30-5:30pm*

*Anniversary Special: 1 session, only \$25*

## ⇒ Getting Started with QuickBooks

QuickBooks, the popular bookkeeping application for small businesses, has powerful capabilities, but effective use depends on proper set-up and getting to know the ins and outs of its forms and reports. In this class we'll help you get started in using QuickBooks for your business. Trial versions of the program will be given out so you can practice and do your homework. Four afternoon sessions, plus one individualized session with the instructor, for help in setting up your own QuickBooks.

*4 Monday afternoons, February 2-23, 2:00-5:00pm*

*Hands-on, \$129*

## ⇒ Create Professional Presentations with PowerPoint

Learn how to use Microsoft PowerPoint to create effective presentations. This software tool enables you to present information and data as a slide show with consistent backgrounds, images, and fonts. In this course you will learn how to create, format, and edit informative slides, incorporating not only text and charts, but also images, sound effects, and video. In addition to the technical aspects of using the software, we will also offer some advice on arranging your information to increase slide effectiveness.

*3 Thursdays, January 29, February 5, 12, 9:00am-12:00pm*

*Hands-on, \$99*

## ⇒ See Learn at Lunch Seminars, page 2

**NYPC Meetings, Seminars/Classes & Other Events** **January-Early Feb 2009**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 Access	6	7 Visual Basic Palm Pilot	8 JAVA Gen Mtg Enterprise Windows DeLUGE	9	10
11	12 Genealogy	13 Phot/Dig Graph Exchange Excel	14 Alpha	15 <b>General Meeting</b> JAVA SG	16 Web Design Dig Phot Field Trip	17
18 <b>NET Search: Google</b> <b>Easy Digital Photog (1)</b>	19 <i>MLK Birthday</i> <b>LL: Open Office Writer</b> <b>DIG CAM CONTROLS (1)</b> Ventura	20 <i>Inauguration</i> Investment Perl	21 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (1)</b> <b>BEG EXCEL (1)</b> Speech Recog	22 <b>LL: Computerize Bks?</b> QuickBooks	23 <b>VIDEO Edit (1)</b> <b>LL: Tech Sites</b> <b>BEG EXCEL (2)</b>	24
25 <b>NET Search: Adv</b> <b>Easy Digital Photog (2)</b>	26 <b>LL: Choose Dig Cam</b> <b>DIG CAM CONTROLS (2)</b> ATT	27 <b>Medical Searching</b>	28 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (2)</b> <b>LL: Word 2007 Basics</b> <b>TREO Seminar</b> Web Lounge	29 <b>POWERPOINT (1)</b> <b>LL: Computer Security</b> TechTips	30 <b>VIDEO Edit (2)</b>	31
Feb 1 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (1)</b>	2 <b>QuickBooks (1)</b> Access	3 Web Design Genealogy	4 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (3)</b> Visual Basic Palm Pilot	5 <b>POWERPOINT (2)</b> JAVA Gen Mtg Enterprise Windows	6 <b>VIDEO Edit (3)</b> <b>DIG CAM CONT (1)</b>	7
8 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (2)</b>	9 <b>QuickBooks (2)</b> MAC	10 Photoshop Exchange Excel	11 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (4)</b>	12 <b>POWERPOINT (3)</b> DeLUGE	13 <b>VIDEO Edit (4)</b> <b>DIG CAM CONT (2)</b>	14

**Calendar Legend**

Plain = SIG Meeting  
**Bold = NYPC Class**

*Italic = Other Meetings*  
**Black background = General Meeting**

The calendar shows the events that were scheduled at press time. **Confirm meeting information at our online calendar, <http://www.calsplus.com/nypcmeetings>.** See page 3 for Seminars/Classes. See pages 5 and 6 for SIG meetings.

**Location Legend**

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PS41 116 West 11th Street, west of 6th Avenue MS Microsoft, 1290 6th Ave. (51st/52nd Str), 6th Floor

# SIG Directory

This shows events scheduled at press time. Find detailed information about many meetings at [www.calsplus.com/nypcmeetings](http://www.calsplus.com/nypcmeetings); click on the SIG of interest to invoke a pop-up with details. Updates, changes, cancellations, or topics to replace TBA—are announced here. If we have your e-mail address, we will send you occasional meeting updates/reminders. See Location Legend bottom of page 4.

## Meetings at Microsoft

Security procedures at Microsoft have become tighter. As always, a photo ID is imperative. Also, be sure that your name is on the SIG Chair's security list.

### AXS Access

Linda Ewen, [LindaEwen@nyc.rr.com](mailto:LindaEwen@nyc.rr.com)  
 Mon., January 5th, February 2nd, 6:30 PM  
 Location: MS  
 1/5: Managing Music Collection with Access  
 2/2: Topic TBA

### ATT Advanced Technologies and Techniques

Jessie Shereff, [jshereff@gmail.com](mailto:jshereff@gmail.com)  
 Monday, January 26th, February 23rd, 6:30 PM  
 Location: MS  
 General Discussion of PC technology

### ADB Alpha Database

Barry Rochford, [brochford1@comcast.net](mailto:brochford1@comcast.net)  
 Wednesday, February 14, 6:00 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Daniel Weiss: "A Complete Automatic Check Writing," plus using Browsers in XDialogs

### LUG Deluge (Desktop Linux Users Group)

<http://www.delugeny.org>. Mark Halegua, [phantom21@mindspring.com](mailto:phantom21@mindspring.com)  
 Thursday, February 12th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topic TBA

### EWN Enterprise Windows

Edwin Woo, [nyewin@live.com](mailto:nyewin@live.com)  
<http://nyewin.org>  
 Thursday, February 5th, 6:00 PM  
 Location: MS  
 Topic TBA

### EXC Excel

Al Vachris, [alfred.vachris@gmail.com](mailto:alfred.vachris@gmail.com)  
 Tuesday, January 13th, February 10th, 6:00 PM  
 Location: MS  
 Topic TBA

### EXG Microsoft Exchange Server

Ben Serebin, [exchangeug@reefsolutions.com](mailto:exchangeug@reefsolutions.com)  
<http://www.nyexug.com>  
 Tuesday, January 13th, February 10th, 6:00 PM  
 Location: MS  
 Exchange 2007 Autodiscovery Explained

### GFF Genealogy

<http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~metrony/>  
 David Kleiman, [roots@heritagemuse.com](mailto:roots@heritagemuse.com)  
 Monday, January 12th, February 3rd, 6:00 PM  
 Location: 1/12: TBA; 2/3: NYPC  
 1/12: Pirates, Patriots, & Parnassim (joint with DAR)  
 2/3: First in series on putting your family info on the web

### HRD Hardware

Kevin Raguette, [Rags6600@hotmail.com](mailto:Rags6600@hotmail.com)  
 Dates/Topics TBA

### INV Investment

<http://www.better-investing.org/chapter/newyork> Phyllis Pawlovsky, [PGP106@cs.com](mailto:PGP106@cs.com)  
 Tuesday, January 20th, 6:15 PM  
 Location: MS  
 Topic TBA

### CSG Java Gen'l Mtg

<http://www.nycjava.net>  
 Gary Russo, [garryrusso@hotmail.com](mailto:garryrusso@hotmail.com)  
 Thursday, February 5th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Check Yahoo group for topic

### CSG Java Study Group

Dario LaVerde, [dario@nycjava.net](mailto:dario@nycjava.net)  
 Thursday, January 15th, more TBA, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Check Yahoo group for information

### ODK C++/JAVA: ODK Management

Carlos Jerome, [cjinterf@panix.com](mailto:cjinterf@panix.com)  
 Call for location/date: 212-673-9187

### LNX LINUX

We're working to revive this important SIG

### MAC MAC SIG

Betty Henderson, [esqh@yahoo.com](mailto:esqh@yahoo.com) (temp)  
 Monday, February 9th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topic TBA

### MKT Marketing Committee!

Murray Strelitz/Grace Lee,  
[marketing@nypc.org](mailto:marketing@nypc.org)  
 E-mail Murray for information

### BRD NYPC Board Meeting

Date, Time, Location TBA  
 Members are welcome to attend, but we'd like to know ahead. Please e-mail [correspond@nypc.org](mailto:correspond@nypc.org)

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### PRL Perl Seminar NY

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/perlsemny>  
 James E. Keenan, [jkeen@verizon.net](mailto:jkeen@verizon.net)  
 Alex Gill, [ag@tkwx.us](mailto:ag@tkwx.us)  
 Tuesday, January 20th, 6:15 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Part Two of "Perl 5 to Perl 6"  
 The Lua Programming Language on the Parrot Virtual Machine

### PHT Photography & Graphics

Mary Ginsburg, [lm\\_ginsburg@earthlink.net](mailto:lm_ginsburg@earthlink.net);  
 Tony Holley, [tholley@citytech.cuny.edu](mailto:tholley@citytech.cuny.edu)  
 Tuesday, January 13th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Low-light photography; bring camera & photos  
 Friday, January 16th, 6:00 PM  
 Field trip to Metropolitan Museum. Meet at 6 PM in Main Entrance Hall by desk. Do not buy your admission: Tony can get us in with no pain to our wallets.

### PHO Photoshop

[http://www.hookbuilt.com/nypc/photoshop\\_sigs.html](http://www.hookbuilt.com/nypc/photoshop_sigs.html); Laura Balsam, [nypc@hookbuilt.com](mailto:nypc@hookbuilt.com)  
 Dates TBA  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topics TBA  
 Geared toward intermediate to advanced Photoshop users, but all are welcome. Join us at 11:45 AM in the Tick Tock Diner for socializing prior to the 1 PM meeting.

### QBB QuickBooks

Len Ginsburg, [LeonardGinsburg@earthlink.net](mailto:LeonardGinsburg@earthlink.net)  
 Thursday, January 22nd, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 More on QuickBooks 2009

### SNT Social Networking

Leftonred Atanycorner, [vp@nypc.org](mailto:vp@nypc.org)  
 Friday, January 30th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Social Networking is more than FaceBook. This SIG will explore many sites & features

### SPR Speech Recognition

<http://www.out-loud.com>;  
<http://www.speechwiki.org/sr/nypcsrcsig.html>  
 Leftonred Atanycorner, [vp@nypc.org](mailto:vp@nypc.org); Laura Miner, [76233.3413@compuserve.com](mailto:76233.3413@compuserve.com)  
 Wednesday, January 21st, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topic TBA

## SIG Directory, continued

### PAS Tech Tips

Michael Ostrowe, mjustrowe@earthlink.net  
 Thursday, January 29th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topic TBA

### VPI Ventura

Allison Moore, amooore@nyc.rr.com  
 Monday, January 19th, 7:00 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Publishing a directory in Ventura

### VID Digital Video-Proposed NEW SIG

Sig would deal with ins and outs of video... from choosing a camera to editing files to posting to the Internet. If interested, e-mail video@nypceducation.org

### BAS Visual Basic

http://www.nypcvb.org  
 David Kulick, dgkulick@hotmail.com  
 Monday, January 5th, 6:15 PM  
 Location: MS  
 Sharepoint Development

### WMM Web Design with Dreamweaver

Mary Ginsburg, nypc@nypceducation.org  
 Friday, January 16th, 2:00 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Each meeting will have two segments, one specifically about Dreamweaver, and the other related to general web development  
 Dreamweaver site setup & management  
 Finding a website host  
 Oriented towards beginners, but all are welcome

### WFI Web Lounge

Ted Cohn, TedCohn@earthlink.net  
 Wednesday, January 28th, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topic TBA

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### BEG Beginners SIG

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### EMB Embedded Systems

Lee Thalblum, lee\_t@bigfoot.com  
 Returning SOON

### FLA Flash

Jeff Frankel, webjff1967@aol.com

### NET Internet

Tony Holley, tholley@citytech.cuny.edu;  
 Mary Ginsburg, lm\_ginsburg@earthlink.net

### MTA MetaStock

Al Kinzinger, Jr., Metastockug@yahoo.com

### PDA Palm/Treo/Centro/Wireless

On hiatus. Contact leaders, Ted Cohn and Grace Lee, nypcpalmpilot@gmail.com

### XML XML/Web Services

Mahesh Chhatlani, nypcxml@hotmail.com



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Please send completed application with payment to **NYPC Membership, 481 Eighth Avenue - B25, New York, NY 10001.**

NYPC is a non-profit education organization run by volunteers. It may take up to six weeks to fully process a membership.

## Looking Forward: Your Input Needed

The economy is bad, with falling stock indices, loss of jobs, and fear for the future. NYPC is not immune! We have been having a hard time with reduced membership and a decreased class participation, due partially to renovations of the fifth floor, where our office is. The floor is now finished but the economy poses a threat.

With the exception of Microsoft™ and some publishers, which remain very supportive of user groups, most vendor support has dried up.

So: For NYPC to continue with a dedicated meeting room, we must:

- Increase membership
- Improve class participation
- Enhance services to our members

There are many interesting ideas/happenings which we can explore, such as:

- Sales of USB library loaded with software which is free with open distribution permitted
- Free Open Source software: guidance in choosing and help in using
- Membership directory of members' skills, both in print and on the web

So with reduced funds for travel or buying expensive equipment, we can still enjoy ourselves and create a stronger community for the cost of dues (\$45 a year). With our SIGs, and our reasonably priced classes, we can learn so much and develop our interests and skills to be ready for the recovery which will surely come (hopefully soon).

What you can do:

- Renew early to help NYPC's cash flow
- Tell your friends and colleagues about NYPC
- Promote and take NYPC classes
- Forward information about our meetings to your friends
- Adopt a store or source, such as Computer Bookstore, to distribute our literature there
- Volunteer (e-mail me at [treasurer@nypc.org](mailto:treasurer@nypc.org))
- Become more involved in guiding and running NYPC
- Offer your expertise to the NYPC Speakers' Bureau to promote yourself and NYPC

Please e-mail me with other ideas about how NYPC can serve you better, and how you can help NYPC:

- What classes would you like?
- What new/revived SIGs do you want?
- What new services can we offer you?
- What problems need resolving?
- What other ideas would you like to share?

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### coming attractions

*We've got some great general meetings coming up...*

Thursday, February 19

Thursday, March 19

Pinnacle Applications for Video Editing  
Security Suites Compared

Let us know what you'd like to see! Tell us on the evaluation forms we pass out at the General Meeting, or send an e-mail to [Bill Ginsberg, programs@nypc.org](mailto:Bill.Ginsberg@nypc.org).



### Tune and Teach: PC Upgrade & Repair Clinic

*Saturday, February 21, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM*

Maybe you don't need a new computer...

Bring your ill computer to NYPC for evaluation and installation of freeware antivirus and firewall. Unlike other repair facilities, our experts use the teaching opportunity to explain what they're doing!

A donation of \$50 (per computer) goes to help NYPC.

Diagnosis only; any parts cost extra, and are installed later.

We cannot guarantee that we can restore your PC to function, but if not, we'll explain your options.

**Back up any data before you bring your computer to the clinic.**

*Tell your friends and colleagues! Many computers have been restored to health by our experts!*

- Reservations required
- For information or to reserve a spot: [classes@nypceducation.org](mailto:classes@nypceducation.org) or 212-643-7005