

An Italian Landmark Returns

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The monument to the Italian military leader of the Risorgimento Giuseppe Garibaldi has returned to the newly restored Washington Square Park in Greenwich Village



Manhattan. After many years of restoration it seems that finally Washington Square Park is completely re-opened. There are still fences to be rolled away but finally the East side of the park seems to have returned to its original splendor with new benches, beautiful plants and flowers and a newly polished General Garibaldi statue (by Giovanni Turini, 1888).

The statue, one of the most beloved and visible signs on italianità in New York, was removed from the park for cleaning and restoration. The pedestal was then moved a few yards from its original spot in order to provide full unobstructed view along the axis of the park. A new performance stage has also been added and will make it easier to host concerts, plays and readings.

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