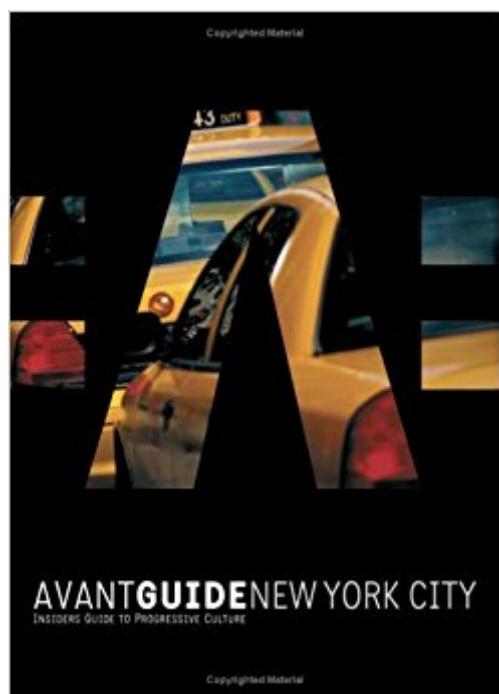


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# **Avant-Guide New York City: Insiders' Guide To Progressive Culture (Avant-Guide New York City: Insiders' Guide For Urban Adventures)**



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I can fully recommend this cool guidebook to anyone who wants info that gets right to the point. I was traveling around New York and bumped into two other travelers with other guidebooks that made no mention of lots of things that are in here. I told them this book is great, and now I'm telling all of you!

Honestly, I've been living in New York for the past two years, and I think I have a reasonably fair grasp on its nightlife, restaurants, whathaveyou. Not only did this book have a listing of some of my favorite spots, but it talked about some places I wish I'd known about earlier. Some good stuff here.

I love to travel and I love guidebooks. This one is the best series I've seen. It makes me laugh, has a great senseability about the places I like and really feels like it was written by a friend. I never write these reviews, but I'm inspired to write this one because the book is so good.

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