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Summer's too hot to cool off just yet!

Forget about your back-to-school to-do list! Take advantage of these last few weeks to pack in the hottest sun, sips and fun of summer 2013



This French bike carousel was built for the 1889 World's Fair.



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LISTEN TO THE SOUNDS OF SUMMER

It's battle of the bands meets New York chic. "The W Hotel: Gangs of New York" is a free summer night concert series featuring the hottest NYC-based performers squaring off. The musical sound clash was inspired by the cult classic New York film "The Warriors." DJ Grandmaster Flash, Yeasayer and the Virgins have all made appearances. Catch the final battle royale when it ends on Wednesday for the showdown in Times Square, where finalists go head-to-head. The series even has its own fashion collection: eight branded denim jackets (above) and vests festooned with studs, collars and the like. Final event Wednesday, free with RSVP. 1567 Broadway; 212-930-7400

DRINK BOURBON DOWN BY THE RIVER

Take in the last breath of summer while watching the rippling waves on the East River at Watermark Bar and Lounge, the new outdoor, waterfront bar perched on the edge of super-modern Pier 15. After snagging one of the 100 outdoor seats, treat yourself to a Bourbon Palmer and a lobster roll (below). Pier 15, 78 South St., 212-742-8200, watermarknyc.com



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FRENCH IT UP AT FÊTE PARADISO

Francophiles (or just plain fun-o-philes) should hop on the ferry to Governors Island, which is the staging ground for Fête Paradiso, a vintage French fair, with some rides dating back to the 19th century. The main attraction is the bicycle carousel (above): Built for the 1889 World's Fair in Paris, it's one of only two left in the world. To set the romantic scene, actors serenade visitors with "La Vie en Rose" and French fare from Robert Arbor of Brooklyn eatery Le Gamin is served. And while the rides are \$3 each, the ambience is free. Fête Paradiso runs every weekend through Sept. 29, from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.