

Looking for a not-too-scary Halloween fright for your kids? A tricked-out haunted house or spooky Halloween trail just might be the right kind of boo for you.

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1. _____ Scarecrows & Pumpkins Takeover the NYBG – Bronx

Tuesdays through Sundays, until October 31

All ages

Wander the Everett Children's Adventure Rooms to take in its eye-popping transformation as it's filled with silly scarecrows, nicely carved pumpkins, and seasonal entertainment. Kids can watch a professional pumpkin carving demonstration and take part in it or hang out with some larger-than-life pumpkin and skeleton puppets.

2. _____Watson Adventures Ghosts of Greenwich Village Scavenger Hunt – Greenwich Village

Saturdays October 16 and October 30

Ages 7 and older

See this classic New York neighborhood houses through an entirely new lens. Creepy clues lead you to the haunted houses once supposedly occupied by Edgar Allan Poe and Mark Twain, plus help you find some spooky landmarks. All children must be accompanied by a grown-up.

3. _____ Gravesend Inn Haunted Hotel –New York (remote for this time)

All Halloween week long

All ages

Gravesend Inn has vacancy...if you're brave enough to stay. The vintage-looking hotel comes to life with actors, skeletons and spooky lighting. Although it is a highly anticipated event for New Yorkers, guests will have to wait until next Halloween season to attend in person. However, a digital experience is to be released soon, so keep an eye on the website!

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4. _____ Halloween Discovery Hike – Van Cortlandt

Sunday, October 31

All ages

Team up with the Urban Park Rangers to wander into the enchanting woods of Van Cortlandt Park. Enjoy all of the fall colors while searching for spiders and other insects. Then, get crafty in the open by creating some art inspired by nature. This will be a hike to remember.

5. _____ Winchester Mystery House - San Jose

Tuesdays through Sundays, till October 31

Known as "The House Built by Spirits" the Winchester Mystery House is one of the spookiest residences of all time. With staircases into the ceiling, sofas under tables, chairs on beds, windows in the floor and doors that lead to nowhere, this mansion is a spectacular tour for the whole family. There are many tours available, including the classic Mansion Tour (you'll view 110 rooms), the Explore More Tour (see areas of the mansion that have not been open to the public).

6. _____ The Allen House - Monticello, AR

All Halloween week long

The story of cyanide-punch drinking Ladell Allen was an urban legend in Arkansas. Restored to its initial architectural beauty and now a popular wedding venue from January to September, this house offers paranormal tours and ghost hunters claim to have recorded ghostly voices. Tours include the Allen House Tour, the Dinner and a Ghost Tour, the Private Dinner with the Author Tour and the Private Tea Party.

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Which location:

A offers only outdoorsy fun?

B is a place to get married during Halloween season?

C used to be a place of residence of two famous authors?

D is now kept in its original style?

E can only be visited online this year?

F offers a workshop to participate in?

G features some furniture placed in haphazard manner?

H requires adult supervision?

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