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Webcam and Sept. 11 artifacts at World Trade Center site in New York City August 26, 2009

A live webcam of construction on the former World Trade Center site in New York City, plus artifacts from the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, are on display at a temporary visitors center that opened Wednesday, Aug. 26, near the site. Open daily, it's free of charge.

The new 9/11 Memorial Preview Site, which drew more than 2,000 visitors on its first day, is in a 3,000-square-foot space. Among its exhibits are models of the National September 11 Memorial & Museum, scheduled to open by 2012, and an 8-foot-tall model of the Statue of Liberty covered with rosary beads, condolence notes and other tributes to the attacks' victims.



You can also view a four-minute movie about the attacks and their aftermath. And if you have memories of the Sept. 11 events that you'd like to share, you can record your story on the spot for possible use in a "soundscape" at the future museum.

Even if you can't make it to New York, you can view the [webcam](#) on the website of the nonprofit corporation that oversees the museum and memorial projects. The webcam feeds aerial images of the ongoing construction of the museum, a transit hub and several planned office towers, which are mostly hidden behind walls. It's pretty interesting.

When: The preview site is open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Where: 20 Vesey St., between Broadway and Church streets in lower Manhattan.

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