

## Teen in custody after large fight in Times Square leads to slashing, shots fired

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A teenager is in custody after a large fight in Times Square on Thursday left one person slashed and others running for cover when shots were fired, according to police.

The dramatic sound of gunfire appeared to come from a young man or teenager aiming and firing a gun at the corner of 44th Street and Broadway at around 3:40 p.m.

No one was hit or struck, but the sounds and sight of that gunfire sent people scattering and running for their lives through Times Square.

The gunman was seen sprinting south, slamming right into a police officer, before running east on 42nd Street with police chasing him.

Police say that shortly after placing a person into custody, a secondary shooting occurred at 45th Street and Eighth Avenue.

"I didn't see much, but I was down there right around the corner, I heard 'pow-pow-pow.' I checked my phone, I see, shots fired near Times square," said a witness named Jose Rios.

People bolted into stores on Broadway, and on 45th Street and Eighth Avenue. Workers at a souvenir shop say they helped people who had fallen to the ground in the chaos as they ran west.

Police descended on the area, collecting evidence and determining where the bullets landed.

The melee that led to all this may have also sent a 26-year-old man to the Morningside Hospital after police found him with a stab wound to the neck. He's expected to recover.

"Insane. I don't really expect this to happen in this area. Especially. A lot of tourists around," said Abdul, who works nearby.

Police say they have one teenager in custody. It's not clear if he's the gunman seen in [Earth Cam video](#), but they told Eyewitness News they are looking for additional suspects and are still investigating what led to the gunfire that put crowds of people in danger.