

My name is Samir Matar, I have been a New York Tour Guide since 2005 & member of the GANYC since then. Excusing some years during the COVID pandemic, I am returning to be nominated to be a member -At-Large. Some of you know me from the double-decker bus tours many years ago. I have created many plans

2005 I met my friend Tony Jackson a NYC guide at Zuccotti park while having a group eating hot dogs at my friend push cart. My friend Sayed introduced me to me to him Samir is an Egyptian guide too Tony .

Tony : hi Samir why not

Me why not what

Why not a guide in NYC

Me what the hell , you think that I can do the same s..t in Egypt also in NYC with this .

He said do it read the blue guide do training with Lee Gerber . Calling Lee h getting my license Lee wonders how did you do it . I told him Lee I studied 6 thousand years ago of history in Egypt .

Started working at Citysightsny was about to be left behind because if my accent , Carla Stockton , Mathew Baker , Nina Minde , jessup & many others exploded at management Samir should stay Carla helped me with my accent courses went to HB studios . Since then I love NYC & tour guides I love all of them for standing next to me

It is with great pleasure & enthusisam to be a nominated for the position of Member-At-Large at the Guide Association of New York. With extensive experience as a licensed NYC sightseeing guide and a deep commitment to enhancing the professionalism and community of our association, [my name is Samir Matar] with a unique insights and proven leadership. Their dedication to fostering inclusivity, continuous learning, and member engagement has already enriched our community through innovative programs and collaborative initiatives.

If elected, I have plans to focus on expanding educational opportunities and strengthening member support to ensure every guide thrives. I am confident that their vision, passion, and collaborative spirit make I hope you make Samir Matar the strongest candidate to represent and serve our community as Member-At-Large.”

This approach ensures clarity, showcases strengths, and connects personally with association members, aligning with best practices for nomination statements.

Apart from the board meetings assisting committees I have an ideas that may thrive multilingual guide which is lacking a lot as I see. With deep commitment to promoting high standards & professionalism .my experience & passion for the job will guide my work to support committee.

I am running for this position as a multilingual to help with promoting those guides. Which GANYC basically started with.

I am that kind of a person who likes to help colleagues share ideas and supporting GANYC in o do their missions . I think I am ready to serve memebbers at this position .

If elected I promise to keep listening to your ideas and building culture collaboration .

Together , we can keep this happen for every tour guides