



## **Durst Org. brings VIA 57 WEST to 100% occupied with 6,855 s/f lease**

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Manhattan, NY According to The Durst Org., Hopscotch Montessori School signed a 20-year lease for 6,855 s/f on the ground floor at VIA 57 WEST. This will be the school's second NYC location—the first is on the Upper East Side. The school is taking the last remaining retail space at the 57 WEST campus.

Hopscotch was represented by Victoria Bokk of Versus Real Estate. The Durst Org. was represented in-house by senior managing director Ashlea Aaron and Lee & Associates' executive managing directors JP Sutro and Richard Kave.

"We are thrilled Hopscotch Montessori School has filled the last unoccupied retail space at VIA 57 WEST," said Jonathan Durst, president of The Durst Org. "Hopscotch joins the curated list of retail tenants at the 57 WEST campus to offer our residential tenants and the surrounding community premier amenities."

Hopscotch, with operations in Moscow, Kyiv and Toronto, join retail tenants on the superblock that include movie theater The Landmark, Livanos Restaurant Group's Ousia, AKC Canine Retreat, Hudson Market, HSS Sports, Medicine Institute, I Love Kickboxing, Soul Dental Anthology Wine & Spirits and Club Pilates.

VIA 57 WEST is the anchor of the 57 WEST residential superblock. The campus includes over 1,370 rental units and two garages with a total of 385 parking spaces. Durst's HELENA and FRANK compose the rest of the block the neighborhood.

After founding successful Montessori schools in Europe, Hopscotch expanded to New York City. Founded by professionals and convinced parents, the Montessori method is a unique and extraordinary pedagogical technique that taps into individual talents in young children. This method enables cognitive and intellectual growth that helps in facilitating both practical and insightful functioning in our modern world.

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