

Samanea New York secures lease with The Gravity Vault: 18,119 s/f

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Westbury, NY Samanea New York, the new retail, entertainment and dining destination located at 1500 Old Country Rd., has signed a 18,119 s/f, 10-year lease with The Gravity Vault, one of the largest rock climbing brands in the country. Gravity Vault joins other entertainment tenants including Dave & Buster's, Empire Adventure Park and X-Golf. Samanea New York will be the first Long Island mall to contain a rock climbing gym. The announcement was made by Samanea New York's chief leasing & development officer, Dominic Coluccio.

"We are very excited to welcome this exciting, nationally recognized destination to our growing roster of lifestyle and entertainment tenants. With the popularity of indoor rock climbing continuing to grow, I'm confident that people of all ages will fully enjoy Gravity Vault, whether it be for recreational or professional climbing," said Coluccio. "Located on the second floor, right alongside 43 ft. of open window space, climbers will be treated to a spectacular outside view over 70 ft. high off the ground, from an exceptional, newly designed open space."

Coluccio negotiated the lease alongside his colleagues at property-owner Lesso Mall Development and Samanea New York's exclusive broker, Colliers International, which represented both the tenant and the landlord. Collier's brokers involved in the deal include Matthew Kucker, Jordan Baruch, and Herb Agin.

"The Colliers team was able to re-capture common space and utilize exceptional ceiling height making the site a perfect fit for Gravity Vault," said Kucker.

Samanea's new Gravity Vault gym will feature over 300 climbing routes at any one time and include wall heights that extend 45 feet high, with views out across Long Island. Patrons can expect to also find a comprehensive cardio and fitness area as well as climbing training specific apparatus and a retail store for all their rock climbing needs. This location will differ from Gravity's Melville location in that it will boast double the amount of bouldering terrain, which include the short walls climbed without harnesses or ropes.

"We are very excited to expand our presence on Long Island with our second facility," said Mark Davidson, president of Gravity Vault. "The community's response to our first location in Melville which opened in 2017 was tremendous and now, we are thrilled to bring our world-class indoor rock

climbing to Nassau County and Western Long Island, at Samanea NY."

Davidson said, "The space at Samanea is very unique and will showcase our latest state-of-the art climbing walls which are over forty feet high, in a bright, open and high energy environment."

Samanea New York recently underwent a \$30 million reimaging. Among the significant structural changes to the property are two new main exterior entrances: one, on Old Country Road on the North West side of the property; the second, on Merchants Concourse on the North East side of the property.

Samanea New York tenants include Bloomingdale's Furniture Outlet, Dave & Buster's, The Cheesecake Factory, Fortunoff Backyard Store, 99 Ranch Supermarket, Empire Adventure Park, Gravity Vault, MyPlanet Living Center, Arteco Cabinetry, X-Golf, Let's Craft, K-Pot Korean BBQ, Szechuan Restaurant, MoCa Asian Bistro, Frank & Camille's West Pianos, Leon Banilivi Rugs, and Leonardo Furniture.

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