

NEW YORK

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New Stuff



No, the price of this 22-ounce **water**—made of mouth-blown, hand-etched glass—isn't a typo (\$19 at **Wax**, 1 Bead St., at Holland St., Bot'Brok; 948-899-8222).



Woven in Scotland of 100 percent bamboo, this three-foot **stool** may (\$420 at **Dry Goods**, 302 Atlantic Ave., at Hoyt St., Bowery Hill; 718-403-0090) double as a tray table.

The Williamsburg-crafted seat for the common **wood stool** (\$420 at homework.com) has heavy hinges—available in three bright color combinations—inspired by pickup sticks.



A Life With Sondheim, by Frank Rich

A-Rod isn't Looking for Sympathy.

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250 earthenware for injured or orphaned baby rabbits. The event, organized by **RedT and Carter** (event and rehearsal: 1,400 native and migrant birds, reptiles, and mammals in the field; see redtandcarter.org).

\$50 Sponsorship for a summer camp. Camp **556** New York, a free six-week summer program located in the TD Bank Ball Field, teaches city kids how to ride (556camp.org).

\$250 Green-energy training for one young New Yorker. **Green City Kids** (www.greencitykids.org) hosts low-income families for green-energy training through various projects. See greencitykids.org.

\$500 A cabbalists on the National September 11 Memorial & Museum. Although the program and museum visit will be completed until spring 2014, those wishing to donate to the maintenance of their own spaces a cabbalists on the Memorial (911memorial.org).

\$1,000 A year's worth of start-up capital for an urban garden. **Brooklyn Farm City's** Urban Farm program provides hands-on food education for the building, starting, and harvesting of urban gardens on urban grounds. A \$1,000 donation will provide the full start-up capital to fund a new garden for one year (brooklynfarmcity.org). (Published 10/11)