International Academy for Dental-Facial Esthetics (IADFE) will meet once again at the Greater New York Dental Meeting, Monday, Nov. 30.

The academy is an honorary service organization with the mission to foster interdisciplinary education in the area of facial esthetics.

Fellowship in the IADFE is by invitation to those dentists, physicians and members of the cosmetics industry who have distinguished themselves in their respective professions.

International meetings of the IADFE are held at various locations around the world. This year the annual meeting will take place in conjunction with the Greater New York Dental Meeting.

The Fellowship Cap and Gown ceremony will be held at the Marriott Marquis at 6 p.m. Immediately following there will be a reception/dinner at the private Harmonie Club.

For information regarding the IADFE, contact Dr. David Hoexter, (212) 355-0004, DrDavidLH@aol.com or Dr. George Freedman at epd@rogers.com.

Dental Tribune America has partnered with the organizers of the Greater New York Dental Meeting to offer four days of symposia in the areas of cosmetic dentistry, digital dentistry, endodontics and implantology. The meeting is scheduled for Nov. 29 to Dec. 2.

The newest addition to the program is Risk of Coronary Heart Disease in Association with Periodontitis and Perimplantitis, to be held Nov. 29 and 30, from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. each day.

In a roundtable discussion, Dr. Hans Dieter John, Dr. Richard Meissner and D. R. Gieselmann will discuss new technologies to detect and reduce risk factors: from a MMP8 (matrix metalloproteinase 8) diagnostic to biofilm reduction for implants and anti-inflammatory therapy.

Recent meta analysis reported an association between periodontal disease (PD) and coronary heart disease (CHD) and show a significantly higher risk of 1.14 to 2.22 of developing CHD.

The new chairside detection of MMP8 allows clinicians to monitor periodontal disease status in a site-specific manner and increase patient compliance to treatment option and relevance to general health and CHD.

This session is presented by the Academy of Periointegration.

The symposia are free for registered Greater N.Y. Dental Meeting attendees, but pre-registration is recommended.

Also, due to limited seating, register early to ensure preferred seating.

For registration, please visit www.gnydm.com or send an e-mail to info@gnydm.com.

International attendees requiring visas should e-mail customer service@gnydm.com.

For more program details, please check the schedule at www.DTStudyClub.com.
Going to GNYDM? The Big Apple has lots to do

By Fred Michmershuizen, Online Editor

New York City is a place of constant change. For those who are coming to town this year for the Greater New York Dental Meeting (GNYDM), to be held Nov. 27 to Dec. 2, the Big Apple has a number of new — or improved — attractions to keep things interesting after the show closes for the day.

The first thing you might notice upon walking around a bit is that cars have been banned from large portions of Times Square, Herald Square and many other high-traffic spots around town.

In place of all those honking vehicles are lots of potted plants, tons of chairs and abundant elbow room. That’s right — you can now stroll or sit leisurely in the middle of Manhattan and enjoy the sights around you or just people watch.

But there is much, much more that is new. Read on if you want some ideas to help make your trip to New York City a memorable one.

The High Line

If you would like to take in some truly stunning views of the city streets and the Hudson River, you absolutely must visit the High Line. Even stuck-up New Yorkers will tell you it’s really cool. You’ll get a whole different perspective of the city. Bring your camera.

The High Line is an elevated rail platform for freight trains that was constructed in the 1950s. It runs above the streets along the West Side of Manhattan between 10th and 11th Avenues.

For decades nobody knew about it. It sat abandoned and overgrown with weeds. Today, it is being transformed into an urban park.

Section 1 of the High Line, which runs from Gansevoort Street to 20th Street, was officially opened to the public in June. It features an integrated landscape that combines meandering concrete pathways, seating areas and lots and lots of plants. As you take your stroll, you’ll see a few older buildings in shocking states of disrepair.

Then, only a few steps later, you’ll walk by (or under) brand new office buildings and hotels that look like they belong in architectural magazines. You’ll also have a pigeon’s eye view of the happenings on the streets below.

The best way to experience the High Line is to enter via the stairs at Gansevoort and Washington streets and walk north to the access point at 20th Street just west of 10th Avenue.

Or, you can start at the northern end and walk south. There are also entries at 14th, 16th and 18th streets. The only elevator access currently open is at 18th Street.

For more information, call (212) 500-6055 or visit www.thehighline.org.

New and improved TKTS Booth

The TKTS Discount Booth, which sells discounted tickets to Broadway and off-Broadway productions, has been popular with locals and tourists alike for ages. The good news is that the booth has been completely renovated.

The lighted displays are much easier to read now and there are additional sales windows, making the line move much faster than it used to. There is even a lightning-quick “play only” window.

Available shows change daily or even several times each day, and there is no guarantee that tickets for any particular show will be available. But there are usually dozens of productions to choose from, so chances are good that you will be quite pleased.

The tickets, which are for day-of-performance showings only, are discounted up to 50 percent plus a $14 per ticket service charge. They now take credit cards in addition to cash and travelers checks.

For more information, visit www.newyorkcitycenter.org or www.newyorkyankies.mlb.com.

The new Yankee Stadium

Up in the Bronx, the New York Yankees — who, as this issue went to press, were celebrating their 27th World Series victory — have a brand new, state-of-the-art stadium that opened this year.

To get there, hop any B, D or 4 subway train to the Bronx and get off at the Yankee Stadium stop. While you are there, you can also see the old Yankee Stadium, which has not been torn down yet.

If you are a baseball fan and are so inclined, you can take a tour of the new home of the legendary ball club.

The tour lasts about an hour and includes visits to the New York Yankees Museum, the dugout and also Monument Park (relocated from across the street), which is arguably the most historic place in all of sports.

It contains the monuments of five baseball icons — Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio, Mickey Mantle and Miller Huggins — as well as a memorial to the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Want to see a show? Then stop by the TKTS booth, located at Broadway and 47th Street, to score some tickets. On the other side of the booth is a new giant red staircase that is getting raves from both residents and tourists.

(Photograph courtesy of NYC and Company)

Citi Field

If you are not a Yankees fan, don’t fret. The New York Mets also have a brand new stadium that opened this year — Citi Field, which was built adjacent to the old Shea Stadium in Flushing Meadows, Queens.

You might not be able to get inside, but it’s worth a look nonetheless. To get there, take the 7 subway train to Mets/Willets Point Station.

While you are in the neighborhood, you can also visit the adjacent flushing Meadows Corona Park — site of the 1964/1965 New York World’s Fair and current home to the USTA Billy Jean King National Tennis Center.

Also nearby is the Queens Museum of Art, which houses the amazingly accurate panorama of the city of New York, a scale model of every building, bridge, park and street in all five boroughs of New York City. (Yes, it’s been updated this year with the new Citi Field.)