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Things to do in NYC This Week

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American Jewish Historical Society: 'Chasing Dreams: Baseball & Becoming American' (through July 31) This pop-up exhibition, curated by the National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia, uses artifacts, original films and interactive digital installations to recount the role of America's pastime in the integration of minority communities. It also highlights some of the game's barrier-breaking icons, such as Hank Greenberg, Sandy Koufax, Jackie Robinson, Joe DiMaggio and Ichiro Suzuki. Center for Jewish History, 15 West 16th Street, Flatiron district, 212-294-6160, ajhs.org, cjh.org; free.

American Museum of Natural History: 'Countdown to Zero' (through Jan. 2) Smallpox is the only human disease to have been eradicated, but what about Guinea worm, polio, malaria and others? This exhibition, presented in collaboration with the Carter Center, examines international efforts to control and wipe out infection. Daily from 10 a.m. to 5:45 p.m., Central Park West and 79th Street, 212-769-5200, amnh.org.

American Museum of Natural History: 'Dark Universe' (continuing) With the return of the Hayden Planetarium, which closed in August for renovations, comes the latest space show, "Dark Universe." Narrated by Neil deGrasse Tyson, the film explores mysterious dark matter and dark energy, and how scientists are working to improve their understanding of these phenomena. Every half-hour from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays; to 5 p.m. on weekends, Central Park West and 79th Street, 212-769-5200, amnh.org.

Museums listed also include: New York Public Library for the Performing Arts, Rubin Museum of Art, and the Skyscraper Museum