



Summit One Vanderbilt, a Breathtaking and Immersive Observatory Experience, Opens to the Public Today

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NEW YORK, Oct. 21, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Today SL Green Realty Corp. (NYSE: SLG), Manhattan's largest office landlord, celebrated the grand opening of SUMMIT One Vanderbilt, the world's most immersive observatory experience. SL Green executives, SUMMIT One Vanderbilt creators, One Vanderbilt partners and New York City leaders celebrated the historic occasion today at a ribbon cutting ceremony to officially open the highly anticipated destination to its first visitors. SUMMIT One Vanderbilt opens as New York City welcomes back visitors from across the globe. SUMMIT One Vanderbilt will be enjoyed from morning to night as guests take in New York's most stunning views through the truly unique pairing of **AIR**, a multi-sensory art installation, with the thrilling experiences of **LEVITATION** and **ASCENT**.

"This awe-inspiring destination in the heart of Midtown Manhattan is unlike any other experience in the world and it's with great pride and excitement that we welcome our first visitors to SUMMIT One Vanderbilt today. The energy in New York City is palpable and we're thrilled that SUMMIT One Vanderbilt can play a central role in its rebound as visitors come rushing back to the greatest city in the world," said **Marc Holliday, Chairman and CEO of SL Green**. "We set out to create a truly unique destination for New Yorkers and visitors from around the world to explore and SUMMIT One Vanderbilt delivers - you need to experience it to understand it. From thrilling ways to take in the best views of Manhattan to the multi-level and multi-room immersive art experience called **AIR**, we expect people to visit again and again."

"As New York mounts its comeback, it is important that we recognize and celebrate projects like this that remind us and the world about the resiliency and energy of our city. By building and growing — and adding experiences that demonstrate what our city can offer — new attractions like SUMMIT One Vanderbilt will help New York reach new heights," said **Democratic Mayoral nominee Eric Adams**.

"New York City has always been a global beacon of hope, pride, resilience and energy. As such, it is fitting that SUMMIT One Vanderbilt - a literal beacon on the New York City skyline - celebrates its grand opening at a time when this City is returning. Despite the challenges over the last nearly two years, New Yorkers have shown more grit and determination than ever before as we all work together to bring New York City back to its full capacity and vitality," said **Lieutenant Governor Brian Benjamin**.

"A key part of Manhattan's ongoing recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic will be the return of international tourism," said **Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer**. "World-class attractions will play a big part in bringing customers back to Manhattan and its restaurants, shops, and theaters. I congratulate SL Green on the opening of SUMMIT at One Vanderbilt."

"The debut of SUMMIT One Vanderbilt is perfectly timed as New York City continues its economic recovery and as the gates of international travel swing more widely open next month. We applaud SL Green for their extraordinary investment and encourage New Yorkers and visitors alike to discover this thrilling new attraction high above New York City," said **NYC & Company President and CEO Fred Dixon**.

SUMMIT One Vanderbilt

This multi-level, 65,000 square-foot entertainment space took years to conceive, design and develop. Ideally located in the heart of Midtown, SUMMIT One Vanderbilt boasts thrill experiences, elevated food and cocktails, and an outdoor terrace with the highest urban alpine meadow in the Western hemisphere. Thrill seekers can enjoy 2 options to test their mettle. SUMMIT One Vanderbilt's **LEVITATION** sky boxes allow guests to step out from the envelope of the building and stand on transparent glass 1,063 feet above Madison Avenue, with the hustle and bustle of city streets directly beneath them. For the extreme thrill seeker, SUMMIT One Vanderbilt's **ASCENT**, an all-glass elevator with a transparent glass floor, will take guests from the terrace level up the side of the building, to over 1,200 feet (364 meters), nesting at the highest viewing point in midtown Manhattan. The final stops on the SUMMIT One Vanderbilt journey are **APRÈS** and the **SUMMIT TERRACE**. **APRÈS** is SUMMIT One Vanderbilt's sky-high lounge and café featuring bespoke light fare and an innovative cocktail program curated by **Danny Meyer's Union Square Events**. **APRÈS'** offerings can be enjoyed inside the Nordic themed lounge and café designed by **Snøhetta** or outside on the **SUMMIT TERRACE**. The **SUMMIT TERRACE** wraps around the south and west sides of One Vanderbilt and is the perfect open air viewing spot to take in the incredible views for up to 80 miles while toasting your experience at SUMMIT One Vanderbilt.

AIR

AIR is the story-driven, multi-space immersive experience within SUMMIT One Vanderbilt designed by **Kenzo Digital**. **AIR** begins in **TRANSCENDENCE 1**, which mixes transparency and reflectivity, creating the illusion of boundless space, faceting the world into an infinite universe without fixed form or limit. Every moment in **TRANSCENDENCE 1** offers a tantalizing and singular experience, unique to that moment in time. With **AFFINITY**, the story of **AIR** evolves, becomes playful, interactive, as visitors are invited to connect physically to the hundreds of reflective orbs hovering around them. **AIR** evolves yet again with the breathtaking mezzanine vantage point of **TRANSCENDENCE 2**, where visitors revel in the power of new perspective and witness the ecstatic first moments of new visitors entering the space below. The story of **AIR** concludes with **UNITY**, as each visitor becomes part of the experience itself, their three-dimensional portrait transformed into a cloud in a mesmerizing, ever-changing, animated skyscape.

At night, the magic of **AIR** dramatically shifts as **TRANSCENDENCE 1, 2** and **AFFINITY** are transformed through a one-of-a-kind light and sound story, turning **AIR** into a beacon of energy, visible to all of New York City and beyond.

"Air is a love letter to New York, an immersive art experience that is a living, breathing entity, expressed through its multisensory use of material choice, sound, lighting and production design. It's a story that evolves with each successive space, bringing visitors deeper and deeper into the experience until finally, they become part of it," says **Kenzo Digital, Artist and CEO, Kenzo Digital Immersive**. "Air compels you to live in the present

moment: calm, aware and free.”

The experience in **UNITY** is supported by a massive, 750 square foot seamless Samsung wall display.

“At Samsung, we have a vision for how to embrace and link human experience with our breathtaking state of the art LED Wall technology”, said **Harry Patz, Senior Vice President and General Manager for Samsung Electronics America’s Display Division**. “We are proud to partner with SL Green to deliver on their vision to create an immersive environment of Unity and Empowerment showcasing our spectacular 18’x8’ IWJ Wall Series product in this exciting iconic New York City venue.”

Design: SUMMIT One Vanderbilt brought together a team of leading experts in design and architecture. Snøhetta designed SUMMIT One Vanderbilt’s interior as a sensory urban experience that lifts visitors into the sky.

“Our design for SUMMIT One Vanderbilt anchors futuristic installation experiences with quiet and subtle spaces that resonate emotionally with visitors, connecting the interiors of the observatory to the city. Visitors can inhabit the observatory in a uniquely intimate manner, providing new perspectives of the city beyond. The result is an authentic experience and a memory to be cherished for years to come,” said **Craig Dykers, Founding Partner, Snøhetta**.

Culinary: Danny Meyer’s Union Square Events provides a unique culinary experience at SUMMIT One Vanderbilt with both indoor and outdoor bars, an all-day lounge and cafe, and locations to grab elevated snacks. The menu features surprise and delight lite bites plus inventive beverages and cocktails. “Our team is proud to add additional flavor to this thrilling new destination that will place a resounding exclamation point on New York City’s renaissance,” said **Danny Meyer, Founder and CEO of Union Square Hospitality Group**.

Health & Wellness: As a global leader in environmental, social, and governance initiatives, SL Green has invested heavily in sustainability features at One Vanderbilt, ensuring the tower maintains one of the lowest carbon footprints across similarly scaled buildings in New York City. Summit One Vanderbilt has cutting-edge UV-c light sanitization and MERV 16 air filtration, and 9-stage volatile organic compound (VOC) HEPA Filters to ensure the highest air quality and cleanest surfaces.

Tickets & Pricing: Right now, SUMMIT One Vanderbilt is open Thursday through Sunday and ticket prices start at \$39 for adults. Special pricing for New York City residents is also available online only. For more information and to purchase tickets to experience SUMMIT One Vanderbilt, visit www.summitov.com. Follow SUMMIT One Vanderbilt on Instagram and Facebook at @summitov.

About SL Green

SL Green Realty Corp., Manhattan’s largest office landlord, is a fully integrated real estate investment trust, or REIT, that is focused primarily on acquiring, managing and maximizing value of Manhattan commercial properties. As of September 30, 2021, SL Green held interests in 76 buildings totaling 35.3 million square feet. This included ownership interests in 27.2 million square feet of Manhattan buildings and 7.3 million square feet securing debt and preferred equity investments.

About Kenzo Digital

We are an immersive storytelling studio that creates emotionally powerful mind-bending alternate worlds in physical or virtual space. We juxtapose elements of art, film, theater, and architecture to produce groundbreaking work that upends your sensory experience in service of story. Our goal is not just to entertain or excite but to engage in ways that create memories of lasting meaning.

About Snøhetta

For more than 30 years, Snøhetta has designed some of the world’s most notable public and cultural projects. Snøhetta kick-started its career in 1989 with the competition-winning entry for the new library of Alexandria, Egypt. This was later followed by the commission for the Norwegian National Opera and Ballet in Oslo, and the National September 11 Memorial Museum Pavilion at the World Trade Center in New York City, among many others. Since its inception, the practice has maintained its original transdisciplinary approach, and integrates architectural, landscape, interior, product, graphic, digital design and art across its projects. The collaborative nature between Snøhetta’s different disciplines is an essential driving force of the practice.

About Union Square Events

We’re part of Danny Meyer’s Union Square Hospitality Group, which includes restaurants, bars, cafes, and fast-casual eateries in addition to Union Square Events’ large-scale event services, food service solutions for public and private institutions, industry consulting, and educational programming and partnerships. Founded in 2005 as Hudson Yards Catering, Union Square Events is a culinary and operations leader in the hospitality industry, partnering with a diverse portfolio of best-in-class clients. We produce one-of-a-kind catered events and unparalleled dining experiences in a variety of cultural, corporate, entertainment, and private venues throughout New York City and beyond.

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