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New York Toilets Among America's Best



An outside view of the Bryant Park restroom.

Anyone who has ever used the restroom at Max Fish knows that this city has its share of disgusting toilets. But the city contains multitudes, and apparently has two of the nation's finest commodes as well.

On Thursday, Cintas Corporation announced that the restrooms at Bryant Park and in the Muse Hotel were among the 10 finalists in its "America's Best Restroom" competition.

The Bryant Park restroom was noted for its "full-time attendant, fresh cut flowers, scented oils and **electronic seat covers.**"

"As far as park restrooms go, it's probably the best one out there," said David Brandt, the manager of the contest.

Cintas, a business services firm that makes restroom cleaning supplies, among other things, started the contest in 2002. But as the New York Post reports, this is just the second year that New York City bathrooms have made the cut. (Last year, Radio City Music Hall's bathrooms were among the finalists, but did not win.)

In selecting the finalists, Cintas used some simple criteria: restrooms had to be impeccably clean and memorable. Past winners, Brandt said, have featured interesting themes or designs.