**Andy Warhol’s Factory Notes**

* Union Square is the second location of Warhol’s factory, the first was in midtown
  + Therefore, the name of “The Factory” is somewhat of a legacy
    - \*Character discusses the Factory’s legacy
    - Andy needs an assistant because he has just gotten shot
* Many of Warhol’s most famous art pieces were created here
* Warhol’s popularity began in the early 60s when he started doing pop art
  + He used everyday items as art
  + He wanted to point out the problem of over-consumption in the US (in the 60s, it came out that Americans were consuming way more than necessary)
* Artists of all kinds came to the factory to be inspired by Warhol and his workplace
  + Especially famous artists would visit all the time
  + Including Bob Dylan
  + The Velvet Underground is a famous band from the 60s that got its start at the Factory (eventually Warhol would design their most famous album cover)
  + Warhol only allowed artists he believed had potential
  + Warhol invited all different types of people to get inspired by them
* Andy Warhol didn’t drink alcohol much at all
* Its called the Factory because it is where Warhol’s workers created silkscreens and lithographs
* Filming was also done here
  + People would come here to view film screenings
* The first Factory was decorated entirely in silver
* Warhol also through very lavish parties here
* Warhol eventually moved into film-making and created films in the factory
  + These films were very unique and didn’t follow the rules of filmmaking at all
* 1968, Warhol was shot by Valerie Solanas (a women whose screenplay was rejected by Warhol)
  + Around this time, Warhol stated that he isn’t going to be painting anymore and will be pursuing others forms of art
  + After he was shot he stopped making movies and became very isolated