

New York Lottery to offer new instant game using cellphones

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The New York Lottery has created a new instant game allowing players to use mobile phones in conjunction with a traditional scratch game—something lottery officials say is a first in the nation.

The game announced Tuesday is called Gold Castle. It contains a [bar code](#) that can be scanned by a smartphone to create an image of a castle on the phone screen. Players then touch the castle to reveal prizes.

The \$5 game is sold at traditional lottery retailers and can be played like a normal instant game. Users wishing to use their smartphones to unlock the [new features](#) must download a free Lottery app.

Lottery Director Gardner Gurney says that if the game is successful the Lottery may consider other types of the augmented reality games.

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