

GREATER GROVE HALL MAIN STREETS

Your Monthly News & Updates

Tuition Free Culinary Arts Program

NECAT offers training, support and employment services to prepare adults to secure and retain career-ladder jobs in the growing food services industry.

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Liquor License Update

The Mayor has proposed an increase in liquor licenses for 2019.

[Get the Details >](#)



Our Story: A Celebration of the African and African-American Experience

OrigiNation is hosting their annual production of **Our Story: A Celebration of the African and African-American Experience through Spoken Word, Music and Dance** on **Saturday, February 9th** at the **Strand Theater**. They would love to offer our organizations \$10 community tickets instead of the regular price of \$15. If you are interested in bringing a group to the show, please contact **Ms. Musau M. Dibinga (Executive Director)** as soon as possible. We would love to see you there!



Our Story
Celebrating the African and African American Experience Through Spoken Word, Music and Dance

Directed & Produced by
Shaumba-Yandje Dibinga & Anthony Robinson

Friday, February 8TH 10:00 am School Matinee General Admission: \$10.00 School Reservations Required	Saturday, February 9TH 7:00 pm General Admission: \$15 in Adv / \$20 at the Door
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The Strand Theatre
543 Columbia Rd, Boston, MA 02125

To purchase tickets online visit:
www.originationinc.org

February Programs @ Grove Hall

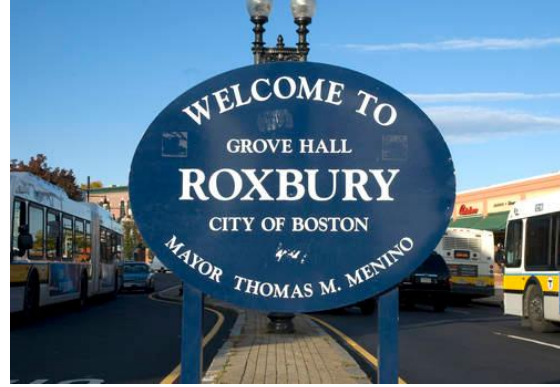
Check out all of Grove Hall's Exciting **Teen**

Programming.

The **Food Project** will be here **Tuesday the 5th** from **2:30 – 4:30 PM** helping with their summer seed crew application.

Planned Parenthood will be here the afternoon of **Wednesday the 13th** and we will kick off our social justice workshop series on **Thursday the 14th**.

Also, there will be **SAT prep** at **Egleston** and **Lower Mills** in case anyone missed the one at Grove Hall.



Honoring King and His Push for Economic Justice

Our City, Toward an Equitable Boston
Thursday, February 7, 2019, 9:30 AM
Umass Boston, Campus Center Alumni Lounge
100 William Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125



The fireside chat will be an opportunity to deepen the dialogue about community based partnerships, the role of the university in the greater community and how we can engage in building a more equitable Boston with integral partners.

BECMA's 2nd Annual Solutions Series
Monday, February 11, 2019 6:30 – 8:00 PM
Roxbury Community College Media Arts Center
1234 Columbus Avenue
Roxbury, MA 02120

Join BECMA, in partnership with Roxbury Community College, for its second annual "Solutions Series" event during Black History Month. Following up on our successful February 2018 event, "Solutions to Address Race and Economic Inequality in the Commonwealth," BECMA is proud to work with RCC to bring the community together for a conversation that seeks to highlight successful models that business and non-profit entities can replicate in addressing many of the systemic issues that impact communities of color.

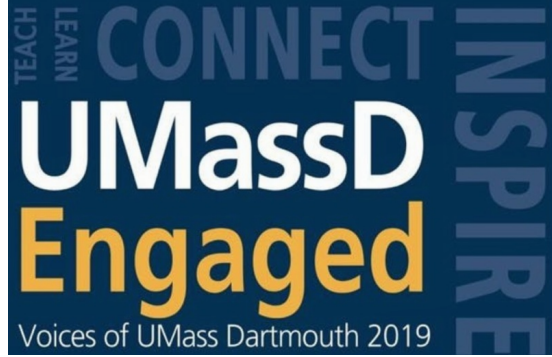
URBAN Boston Events

Engaged Scholarship Symposium 2019
February 22, 12PM

The Engaged Scholarship Symposium is designed to celebrate the usefulness of scholarship in shaping policy and enriching our communities. Participants will be exposed to strategies for involving students in active research and examples of engaged scholarship across many disciplines.

Venue: Claire T. Carney Library, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

To register [click here](#).



**Lift Us Up, Don't Push Us Out! National Book Tour Spring Event
February 27, 4PM**

URBAN Boston co-sponsors Mark Warren's Lift Us Up, Don't Push Us Out! book event to be held at University of Massachusetts Boston. Join us to celebrate the movement featured in the book and talk with chapter contributors and other panelists about next steps in building an intersectional educational justice movement.

Venue: Campus Center Alumni Lounge Room 2551, University of Massachusetts Boston.

Website: <https://www.liftusupmovement.org>

Registrations open soon.

Ten Most Important Employment Rules MA Nonprofits Need to Know

Employment-related claims constitute a significant portion of lawsuits against nonprofits. In addition, Massachusetts often leads the way in the country in introducing new laws and regulations to protect employees. Keeping up with these changes is a challenge for nonprofit organizations. Are you comfortable with your organization's employment practices? Which areas require a nonprofit employer's special attention? Come and confirm whether your current practice is sound and what to improve to minimize employment-related risks.



**February 5, 2019
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
Boston Private
10 Post Office Square
Boston, MA 02109**

[RSVP >](#)

Nominate a Young Conservationist

Do you know an outstanding youth who is an advocate for wildlife and conservation? Nominate him for her for the **Young Conservationist Award**.

As part of the celebration of Zootopia, Zoo New England's annual fundraising gala, the zoo staff is excited to announce that applications are now being accepted. The nominated youth should be a student in grades 3-12, have demonstrated a positive commitment to Zoo New England and its conservation mission, and have engaged in some outstanding action to support this. The award, which includes a \$2,500 scholarship, will be presented at **Zootopia** on **May 11, 2019** to further the recipient's project, conservation work and education.



The winner and two adults will receive complimentary tickets to Zootopia to participate in the awards ceremony. This year's presentation marks the seventh award presented to an exceptional youth committed to conservation. Nominations for the Young Conservationist Award are being accepted through **Saturday, March 16, 2019** at 5 PM. Nomination forms are available [here](#). Email questions to YoungConservationistAward@zoonewengland.org.

Free Tax Prep Starts Jan 26th

Boston Tax Help Coalition free program starts on Jan 26th. For more info about our tax sites locations go to <http://www.bostontaxhelp.org/2019-tax-sites/>



For docs to bring, go to <http://www.bostontaxhelp.org/2019-tax-sites/>

[Learn More >](#)

Help from the IRS: EITC Awareness 2019

30% of the #EITC eligible population is new to the valuable tax credit each year. On #EITCAwarenessDay help #IRS spread the word so no one misses it: www.irs.gov/eitc



A Message from Annissa Essaibi-George

Some of the **unresolved education issues** that I will continue to address throughout 2019, include:

- **BuildBPS:** A transparent conversation on the Build BPS plan and receiving answers on the remaining unclear future of many schools, the timeline, and financial plan for the next phase.
- **School Committee:** Revisit the school committee governing structure to review the nominating process and identifying the necessary changes to improve the voice of the students and families in Boston.
- **Vocational Education:** Advocating for increased funding for Madison Park Technical Vocational High School, while addressing the schools infrastructure, partnerships, and equipment.



I hope with the support of my colleagues, the administration, and this body, we can make real progress to the quality of Boston's only vocational high school.

Summer Opportunities at the Urban Farming Institute

Check out this exciting opportunity for youth ages 16 - 19 years old. As youth apply for jobs or programs, having Summer experiences would be an asset to your resume or application.

[Learn more >](#)



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BE SMART! APPLY EARLY! For more information, please call / email 617-989-9920 / jferguson.ufi@gmail.com info@urbanfarminginstitute.org www.urbanfarminginstitute.org	 URBAN FARMING INSTITUTE	The Young Farmers Project Provides A Community Based Farm Literacy Program For Young Adults That Encourages Leadership, Environmental Stewardship, Service to Community, Food Systems Knowledge And Production Work On Urban Farms.
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YOUNG FARMERS PROJECT	
A Program of the Urban Farming Institute	

Second Annual Solution Series

The **Black Economic Council of Massachusetts (BECMA)** is proud to invite you to a special event on **Monday, February 11, 2019** at the **Roxbury Community College Media Arts Center**.

Following **our successful forum in February 2018**, BECMA is excited to host its second annual event in partnership with Roxbury Community College as we celebrate Black History Month. The discussion will highlight persons and groups who are working to address persistent racial and economic disparities in the Commonwealth, and feature TedX-style presentations followed by a robust question and answer period with audience members.

Registration is now open, but be sure to get your ticket quickly! Seating capacity is limited and we anticipate surpassing the 300+ attendees we welcomed at our last event.

[Register >](#)



Around the Community



Grove Hall Alliance Dr. Lindsa McIntyre speaking



Boston Mayor Marty Walsh signs a racial equity and leadership executive order, The Executive Order requires all city departments to proactively engage in a Racial Equity and Leadership (REAL) Training Program, including data collection and evaluation of how racial equity is being advanced across departments. Additionally, departments will be required to develop individual plans and goals for resilience, racial equity, and social justice.



The Grove Hall Alliance, an alliance of schools in Grove Hall from pre--school to High School meeting at Freedom House. Dr. Lindsa McIntyre headmaster of the Jermiah Burke High School is speaking. Member schools of the Grove Hall Alliance: Haynes Early Education Center, King K-8, Trotter Innovation School, Lilla Frederick Pilot Middle School, Burke High School



Holly Jin presenting the Payette team's work on creating a Pop-Up Park in Grove Hall. Payette decided to celebrate Martin Luther King Day with a day of service. Greater Grove Hall Main Streets received two community service projects. Holly Jin is pictured presenting Payette's work on creating a pop-up park in Grove Hall.



Because of the close relationship between the Main Streets and the City of Boston, Main Street Executive Directors are invited to the Mayor's annual state of the city event.



A meeting organized by Marti Glynn at the Strand Theatre on the retail cannabis industry, heard Steve Hoffman, Chairman of the Cannabis Control Commission for the Commonwealth, and Alexis Tkachuk, Director of Emerging Industries for the City of Boston answer question from the 33 community groups present. Greater Grove Hall



Clock Tower Restoration Project A team consisting of from left to right, Marie-Rose Romain Murphy, Ed Gaskin, Chantal Duchard, Pat Loheed and Edward Correia. meet to discuss obtaining funding for the renovation for the clock tower in Grove Hall.

Main Streets will have a neighborhood meeting to inform community members on what they need to know about the Cannabis industry coming to the community, **March 7th 6-8 pm. Freedom House 5 Crawford St, Dorchester, MA 02121**

STAY CONNECTED

