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CELEBRATION

DEDICATION MILE-LONG
MARCH/STREAM

LOT AT THE CORNER OF JULIAN &
BLUE HILL AVENUE
10:30AM
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SPEAKING PROGRAM &
CELEBRATION

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SQUARES + STREETS

The BPDA launched [Squares + Streets](#), a citywide planning initiative, in September. Squares + Streets focuses on creating a vision for growth in key mixed-use neighborhood centers and main streets across Boston. We are looking to enhance small areas that are near transit and already provide essential goods and services for local residents, businesses, and visitors. Our goal is to develop high-impact, short-term recommendations for Squares + Streets throughout the city.

The draft zoning text amendment and materials to help explain the [proposed zoning](#) can be found in the [Squares + Streets Draft Zoning Text Amendment section](#) of the BPDA website.

We heard from community members that they would like a better sense of what places around the city may be considered for the Squares + Streets initiative. In response to that feedback, we shared a list of neighborhood centers and main streets around the city that may be eligible for Squares + Streets zoning after a community process. To see the list of eligible locations, visit our [website](#).

Squares + Streets Citywide Zoning Community Office Hours

Please join staff from the BPDA's Zoning Reform team at our virtual office hours! This will be a space to drop in and talk with our staff about questions you have on the Squares + Streets zoning text amendment and how they connect to upcoming Small Area Plan processes as part of the larger Squares + Streets Initiative. There will be recurring afternoon and evening sessions to accommodate differing schedules.

There are no formal presentations or planned agenda items at these office hours, so we ask that you review the information and materials available on the Squares + Streets Zoning Districts page and come prepared with any questions that you have!

Office hours are held on a sign-up basis – if there are no sign-ups for an office hour session six (6) hours before the start of that session, then it will be canceled for the day.

Tuesday, March 5, 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Tuesday, March 5, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Wednesday, March 6, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Squares + Streets Cleary Square

BPDA staff on the [Squares + Streets Cleary Square](#) team will host informal coffee hours and pop-up events following last weekend's launch event. Copies of the initial public survey will also be available.

Saturday, March 2, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Hyde Park Community Center, 179 River Street

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Saturday, March 2, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Hyde Park Library, 35 Harvard Avenue

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Friday, March 8, 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Starbucks, 850 River Street

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Squares + Streets Roslindale Square

BPDA staff on the [Squares + Streets Roslindale Square](#) team will host informal coffee hours following last weekend's launch event to continue conversations and connect with people who could not attend the kickoff event.

Wednesday, March 6, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Roslindale BCYF Community Center, 6 Cummins Highway

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Please take our [survey](#) - open through March 29, 2024 - to tell us more about your experience of [Cleary Square](#) and [Roslindale Square](#) and hopes for the future!



Pint with a Planner - Planning in Allston-Brighton

Thursday, March 7, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Notch Brewery & Tap Room - Brighton, The Charles River
Speedway

Hosted by [SPARK Boston](#)

Pint with a Planner is coming to Brighton! Join the BPDA and SPARK Boston to talk about all things [Planning in Allston-Brighton](#) and enjoy some free snacks and a cash bar. Bring your questions and meet BPDA and city staff that work in planning for the city!

[\[Learn more\]](#)



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Citywide Zoning for ADUs: Kick-Off Meeting

Wednesday, March 13, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Please join the BPDA Planning team for a conversation on zoning for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)! The BPDA is launching a new [zoning initiative](#) to update residential zoning to make ADUs as-of-right in every neighborhood. This initiative aims to expand lower-cost housing options, empower residents to build wealth, and foster diverse, multi-generational living spaces. Come learn how ADUs can benefit Boston!

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Share your Ideas as the BPDA Improves the Development Review Process

The BPDA is working to [improve our development review process](#) to shape growth that furthers the City's goals of resilience, affordability, and equity through a process that is more transparent and predictable.

After months of engagement with Bostonians and learning best practices from other cities, the BPDA's Article 80 Modernization project team has compiled a list of emerging themes and ideas. We want to hear whether we're headed in the right direction before we draft recommendations. Complete [our survey](#) by March 29th to share your reactions and reflections on the ideas compiled during the first phase of this project.

Surveys are available in the following languages, with additional languages available upon request. [English](#), [Spanish](#), [Simplified Chinese](#), [Traditional Chinese](#), [Cape Verdean Creole](#), [Haitian Creole](#), [Vietnamese](#), [Portuguese](#)

This week the BPDA project team also held two public meetings (both with identical content). If you missed them and want to learn more, [visit our project page](#) to find the presentation slides and recording of the meeting.

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Chinatown Rezoning Survey and Public Feedback Form

The BPDA is in the process of formulating new zoning amendments specifically tailored to the Chinatown neighborhood. As part of the varied section of Boston's Downtown, Chinatown stands out as a unique blend of residential and commercial sectors.

Recognizing this distinctive profile amidst the broader study area, the BPDA concluded that zoning adjustments in Chinatown would require an independent and deliberate rezoning process. Thus, the purpose of the Chinatown Rezoning process is to work with community members to identify key neighborhood assets, such as housing, commercial development, and cultural spaces, which are necessary for the continued success of Chinatown, and establish zoning regulations for uses and dimensions that ensure the protection and promotion of such developments.

Take a few minutes to complete our [Chinatown Rezoning Survey and Public Feedback Form](#)!

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Open Request for Proposals: Boston's Framework for Greening While Growing

To support Boston's growth and open space needs, the BPDA is crafting a citywide framework for open space and development. This new framework will develop strategies to leverage private development to expand Boston's open space network in a way that is inclusive, equitable, resilient, and accessible.

The BPDA is looking for a qualified consultant team to conduct an analysis of existing public and private open space throughout the City of Boston. Submissions due March 8, 2024.

[\[Learn more\]](#)

Free Tax Services for Boston Residents

The Boston Tax Help Coalition (BTHC) is offering free tax preparation services to Boston residents earning \$70,000 or less a year. Tax services are available remotely and in-person at over 30 neighborhood tax sites. Residents can file safely while maximizing their refunds and credits, including the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Child Tax Credit. Assistance is available in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole, Portuguese, French, Vietnamese, Mandarin, and Cantonese.

[\[Learn more\]](#)



The BPDA is Hiring!

[Click here](#) to learn more about opportunities at the Agency.



Sign up for
Zoning Notices & Updates

Interested in Being Notified about Citywide Zoning Updates?

The BPDA recommends zoning code updates following community engagement and

a planning process. The Boston Zoning Commission maintains and updates Boston's zoning code and meets on a regular basis to adopt these changes. The BPDA's guiding principles for ongoing citywide zoning reform are climate-friendly zoning that legalizes new housing and supports smart growth, a mix of uses, and walkable neighborhoods.

[\[Sign Up\]](#)



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visit boston.gov/eviction-questions

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Legal Help for Housing Crisis

Attend the Office of Housing Stability's Legal Clinic for free advice and to learn about resources that can help you.

[\[Legal resources\]](#)

TENT REMOVAL ORDINANCE LISTENING SESSION PT 4

Join us for our fourth Listening Session to discuss the Tent Removal Ordinance updates and follow up strategies



Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/4b9GVUO>

TUESDAY
MARCH 5TH
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM



COUNCILOR TANIA
FERNANDES ANDERSON



IN
COLLABORATION
WITH

Tent Removal Ordinance Listening Session Part 4

Hello everyone,

I would like to invite you all to the fourth Tent Removal Ordinance Listening Session happening on **March 5th** at **6pm - 7:30pm** in collaboration with State Representative John Moran, Boston Public Health Commission, City of Boston Coordinated Response Team, Boston Police District B-2, and Boston Police District B-4. Let's all get together to discuss the concerns and next steps!

Here is the Zoom link for the session:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83130877139?pwd=OFhNblh6bHQ0TmxqVzBwQUphTjBrdz09>

Looking forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Councilor Fernandes Anderson

Other Upcoming Events...



BUDGET WORKSHOP

Join the Budget Workshop to learn the about the City budget, and how to advocate for your community needs



Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/4b9GVUO>

**THURSDAY
MARCH 7, 2024
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM**



**COUNCILOR TANIA
FERNANDES ANDERSON**

LATINX COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSION

Join us for Latinx Listening Session to discuss community priorities, concerns, and to offer your feedback



Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/4b9GVUO>

**SATURDAY
MARCH 9TH
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM**



**COUNCILOR TANIA
FERNANDES ANDERSON**

SESIÓN DE ESCUCHA DE LA COMUNIDAD LATINX

Únase a nosotros en la sesión de escucha latinx para discutir las prioridades y preocupaciones de la comunidad y ofrecer sus comentarios.



Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/4b9GVUO>

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2:00 - 2:30 PM



**CONCEJAL TANIA
FERNANDES ANDERSON**

YOUTH LISTENING SESSION

Join us for the Youth Listening Session to discuss community priorities, concerns, and to offer your feedback



Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/4b9GVUO>

THURSDAY
MARCH 21ST
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM



**COUNCILOR TANIA
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CLERGY LISTENING SESSION

Join us for the Clergy Listening Session to discuss community priorities, concerns, and to offer your feedback



Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/4b9GVUO>

SATURDAY
MARCH 23RD
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM



**COUNCILOR TANIA
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IN
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One Equity Partners

BCYF Grove Hall Community Center Design Meeting #3

Wednesday, March 20, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Join: bit.ly/BCYFGroveHallCenterDesignMeeting3
Or call 1-929-205-6099 to join

Interpretation, translation, and disability accommodation services are available to you at no cost. Interpretation will be available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Haitian Creole and Cape Verdean Creole. If you need other accommodations, please contact LCA@boston.gov or 617-635-4864.



[Click Here to View Flyer in Other Languages](#)

NEW DATE: Community Meeting to Discuss Design Options for a New Community Center in Dorchester to be held March 20

Please join Boston Centers for Youth & Families, the City of Boston's Public Facilities Department and the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services for the third community meeting to explore options for the design of a new community center in the Grove Hall section of Dorchester. The meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 6 p.m.

BCYF is committed to a transparent, inclusive community process as we move into the design phase. To learn more about this project, how the location was selected, and review the final presentation from the first phase of this process, visit Boston.gov/BCYF-Grove-Hall.

Interpretation, translation, and disability accommodation services are available to you at no cost. Interpretation will be available in Spanish, Vietnamese, Haitian Creole and Cape Verdean Creole. If you need other accommodations, please contact LCA@boston.gov or 617-635-4864 by March 11. To participate in this meeting, please visit <https://bit.ly/BCYFGroveHallCenterDesignMeeting3>.

Small Business Updates



Small Business Webinar: Tuesday, March 26 at 3pm

Our Small Business Call is a virtual webinar featuring support services and resources available to Boston's small businesses, as well as a live question and answer session.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions for joining the webinar.

Notice of Accommodations

Interpretation and translation services are available to you at no cost. If you need them, please contact us in advance at james.r.colimon@boston.gov, LCA@boston.gov or 617-635-3955.

Hay servicios de interpretación y traducción a su disposición sin costo alguno. Si los necesita, póngase en contacto con nosotros mandando un correo electrónico a james.r.colimon@boston.gov, LCA@boston.gov o llamando a 617-635-3955.

Các dịch vụ thông dịch và biên dịch được cung cấp cho quý vị hoàn toàn miễn phí. Nếu quý vị cần những dịch vụ này, vui lòng liên lạc với chúng tôi theo địa chỉ james.r.colimon@boston.gov, LCA@boston.gov hoặc số điện thoại 617-635-3955.

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[Register for the Webinar](#)

Upcoming Events

Mentor Matching for First Time Founders

March 6

5:30 pm - 7:00pm

City Hall Plaza Civic Pavilion

Join Startup Boston and the City of Boston for this event, designed to provide budding entrepreneurs with a unique opportunity to connect with seasoned mentors who have successfully navigated the challenges of building their own ventures.

During this event, early-stage startup founders and senior mentors will break out into small, intimate groups to foster meaningful conversations. This setting allows for personalized interactions, ensuring that you receive tailored advice and guidance from your assigned mentor and fellow founders.

[Register for the Free Event](#)

Small Business Expo

May 8

10:00 am - 5:00pm

The Westin Boston Seaport

At the 15th annual Small Business Expo, attendees can engage with industry leaders, participate in workshops, and access resources tailored for effective business growth.

In addition to networking opportunities, the trade show will host exhibitors showcasing the latest products and services vital for small business operations, B2B marketing, and building a growing small business.

[Register for the Free Event](#)

Ongoing Events



Ready to Start Program: Kickstart Your Journey Towards Success in Food

Interested in starting a food business? This program will help take your business idea to the next level.

Ready to Start is a 4-week program designed to guide food business entrepreneurs through the initial planning phases. Once completed, participants will have a better understanding of what it takes to start and operate a food business, and clear next steps.

The four one-hour classes run on Wednesday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Classes are free and will be hosted on Zoom:

- March 6, Business Planning
- March 13, Market Analysis
- March 20, Entity Formation
- March 27, Budgeting for your Business

Those attending all four sessions will be eligible for a one hour consultation with Commonwealth Kitchen staff to discuss their business plans.

[Learn More and Register](#)

Minority/Woman-Owned Business Enterprise Certification Office Hours

Join the Supplier Diversity team every Wednesday from 11am to 1pm via Zoom for

their weekly Certification Office Hours. The team is available to answer any questions from small business owners interested in becoming a certified Minority/Woman-Owned Business Enterprise with the City of Boston.

Join the Office Hours

Free Small Business Office Hours

Lawyers for Civil Rights hosts weekly virtual small business office hours on Fridays from 11am to 12pm.

Join the Office Hours

Business Resources

Small Business Technical Assistance

Our consultants work with entrepreneurs and small business owners. They provide the tools needed to start, strengthen, or expand your business.

Opportunities include:

- Legal Support
- Business Strategy
- Digital Marketing
- Financial Forecasting
- And More!

Contact Emily Patrick at emily.patrick@boston.gov or 617-869-1622 for more information.

Apply Now to Be a Small Business Technical Assistance Provider

The City of Boston will pay you to work with small business owners on various needs, including:

- Legal
- Accounting

- Marketing
- Business Planning
- And More!

[Learn More and Apply](#)

Restore Boston Program

Through ReStore Boston, we offer help designing your storefront, grants for signs, and matching grants for the exterior design and renovation of the outside of commercial buildings in Boston's neighborhoods.

Contact the Small Business Development team at 617-635-0355 for more information.

Amber Grant Available for Women-Owned Businesses

WomensNet funds several grants for women-owned businesses throughout the year. Fill out one application and you will be eligible for the monthly \$10,000 general business grant, the monthly business category grant, or the annual \$25,000 grant.

[Learn More and Apply](#)

Recent News

Dorchester Reporter: Legacy Business Program

Nominees sought for city's Legacy Business awards

BY TAYLOR BROKESH
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

The deadline to nominate a local small business for the city's Legacy Business Program has been extended to this Friday (Feb. 23). This is the second year that the mayor's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion (OEOI) is hosting the program, which is intended to highlight enterprises with deep roots in the communities they serve.

To be eligible, a business must have operated for at least ten years in the city and contributed "to the cultural, historical, and societal asset of Boston's community or neighborhood." If chosen, the city will provide "targeted technical assistance," primarily focused

on succession planning and employee ownership, as well as a portion of the \$1 million Legacy Business Support Grant funded by the OEOI. Legacy Businesses also receive a plaque, a badge, and a photo opportunity with their city councillors.

Aliesha Porcena, the Director of Small Business for the city, said this program was inspired by the damage the pandemic wrought upon the small business community in Boston.

"The businesses that were closing held a special place in a lot of people's hearts," Porcena said. "We thought, what could we have done to prevent this? How could we stop these iconic businesses that have given so much to their communities



Aliesha Porcena, Mayor Wu and Allan Edwards, proprietor of Allan's Formal Wear on Blue Hill Avenue in Dorchester, which was selected in the first round of Legacy Business awards last year. The full list of 2023 winners is shown on this panel from an event held at Faneuil Hall. Mayor's Office photos

from closing? That's really where the idea for this program came from."

"They city received more than 1,400 nominations from residents. This year, she said, they have reached around 1,000.

"These are businesses that have always been there to support you," said Porcena. "They're the ones to sponsor little leagues, to cater neighborhood events, they're

where people go after school to hang out."

"Often," Porcena said, "these are places that aren't acknowledged as they should be. This program wants to finally change that."

Five Dorchester businesses won the inaugural award last year: Allan's Formal Wear on Blue Hill Ave., DJ's European Market and Deli on Boston St., Hicks Auto Body

on Talbot Ave., Pho Hoa on Dorchester Ave., and Chez-Vous Rollerskating Rink on Rhoades St.

Derick Foster-Toney, part owner of Chez-Vous, told the Reporter that after being closed for two full years due to the pandemic, receiving the title of "Legacy Business" in 2023 was a meaningful gesture from the city that showed its support and dedication.



"It's scary how legendary places can just disappear, particularly in this area," he said. "The neighborhood can change overnight. So, we were very grateful to receive this award that has helped us slightly recover and keep going."

Foster-Toney said he hopes other small businesses can seize the opportunity to expand, rebrand if needed, and stay on track for success if they were also chosen for the award.

"It's always been few and far between for small businesses in this area to have these kinds of opportunities," he said. "I hope this is just the start of what can be for Boston and they can keep the momentum going."

If you would like to nominate your favorite local business, visit bit.ly/bostonlegacy.

Read Online

Boston Business Journal: Office of Nightlife Economy



IS BOSTON **FUN** YET?

*A year after the city named a 'director of nightlife economy,'
businesses weigh in on what it will take to raise metro Boston's fun quotient.*

BY CASSIE MCGRATH AND HANNAH GREEN, PAGE 14

[Read Online](#)

Hiring Opportunities



Outdoor Dining and Licensing Specialist

The [Office of Consumer Affairs & Licensing](#) is hiring an Outdoor Dining & Licensing Specialist to support Boston's restaurants and help us build thriving neighborhoods! The Outdoor Dining & Licensing Specialist serves as the primary contact in the Licensing Board for the license extension requests, reviews, and updates related to outdoor dining.

[Learn More and Apply](#)



Strategic Initiatives Manager

The [Office of Consumer Affairs & Licensing](#) is hiring a Strategic Initiatives Manager focused on supporting, developing, implementing, and reviewing new initiatives and policies for the department. This role will play a crucial part in modernizing our operations and addressing critical issues while aligning with the City's goals.

[Learn More and Apply](#)



Consumer Advocate

The [Office of Consumer Affairs & Licensing](#)

[Licensing](#) is hiring a Consumer Advocate to handle consumer complaints and works to achieve satisfactory results for Boston consumers. You will advocate for consumers, mediate complaints against businesses, research consumer issues, analyze relevant information, prepare written reports, and more.

[Learn More and Apply](#)

GO BOSTON 2030 REVISIONED

Go Boston 2030 ReVisioned has launched!

Since it was published in early 2017, Go Boston 2030 has guided the City of Boston's transportation investments. More than half of the projects in the plan have been completed or are in the design phase. As we are halfway to 2030, it is an important moment to assess our progress, calibrate our target metrics, and propose new projects.

TAKE THE SURVEY



White Stadium Renovation Survey

White Stadium Survey - what do you think?

Many of us have been to multiple presentations about the plans to renovate White Stadium, some led by Boston Unity, the group promoting a professional women's soccer team for Boston, and some led by the City of Boston about their plans for the BPS side of the stadium.

Following the presentations community members are able to comment, but there are hundreds of you who have logged onto one of the Zoom meetings who have not had a chance to weigh in. And some of you have heard about the project but not been able to join the evening presentations.

FPC wants to understand where a broader swath of community stands on the Stadium renovation proposal. Even if you don't know a lot about it, please take this quick [10-question survey](#) and share your thoughts. Forward this email to friends and your neighborhood list, the more input the better!

Keep reading below for links to learn more about the project ...

[Click here for the White Stadium Survey](#)



White Stadium Project Background

Read about [plans for the Stadium](#) from BPDA to learn more. And on the city website: [Boston.gov/education/white-stadium](https://www.boston.gov/education/white-stadium) about the project

More helpful background and information:

- [FPC's comment for the Article 80](#) development process

- [Response from the City of Boston and BPDA](#) to our Article 80 comment
- [Slideshow](#) from the most recent public meeting about the project
- [Presentation to the Boston Landmarks and Parks Commissions](#) from Boston Unity, the group bringing a professional women's soccer team to Boston and managing half of the project design and construction

FRANKLIN PARK BEAR DENS

Design Meeting 2



Thursday, March 14, 2024 | 6:00 PM

Join the virtual meeting: bit.ly/Bear-Dens2

Project page: boston.gov/bear-dens

Join us for a virtual meeting on the proposed improvements to the **Franklin Park Bear Dens!**

Interpretation, translation, and disability accommodation services are available to you at no cost. If you need them, please contact us at thamara.pierrelouis@boston.gov, LCA@boston.gov or (617)-635-4863 by: 2/29/2024

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Parks and Recreation



Bear Dens "Make Safe" Project

Learn more about what's planned for the first phase of Bear Dens restoration to make the area safer and begin to address the crumbling masonry, invasive plants, and loose metal bars. Down the road we'll be able to start dreaming about what this site could be. We'll need to advocate for continued capital funds from the city budget, but it's great the Boston Parks Department is taking this first step.

Join the meeting on Thursday, March 14th at 6:00 PM - [register for the Zoom link](#)

Read more about the project: boston.gov/bear-dens



Spring Dates for Your Calendar

- **Franklin Park Coalition Annual Meeting** - Saturday morning, April 27, 2024 from 10am - Noon. Mayor Wu and other officials have been invited.
- **Kite & Bike Festival on the Playstead** - Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 12-4pm. Always the weekend after Mother's Day. We are building a volunteer corps for the Kite Fest. [Email if you would like to help.](#)
- **Bird and Nature Walks** will be announced soon for the spring migration season. Be sure to join one in April and May! It's a special treat to learn more about the wild areas of the park and its importance to the urban ecology.



Calling All Teen Birders!

The Brookline Bird Club announces scholarships for 14-17 year olds
~ Coastal Maine Bird Studies Camp ~
June 16-21, 2024

[Instructions & Application](#)

Deadline: April 1, 2024

Feel free to [Contact us](#) for more information and assistance



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January 2024

Dear Industry Partners,

I hope you will save April 2, 2024, for the [Massachusetts Governor's Conference on Travel & Tourism](#). We are excited to be bringing back the statewide industry conference and will be sharing details soon!

We have kicked off the new year with momentum, visiting Revolutionary Spaces in Boston, museums and cultural sites in Amherst, speaking at the North of Boston Tourism Summit and Business of Boating Conference, talking about the creative economy at North Shore Music Theater and The Cabot in Beverly, and connecting tourism, arts and culture with our partners at the Massachusetts Cultural Council in Fall River. We have connected with collaborators on the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution in Concord and Hingham, and look forward to engaging a marketing firm on the branding and promotion of Massachusetts 250.

As you will see below, there is a lot happening at MOTT and with our partners across the state. I invite you to take a few minutes to click through to our winter [Ski campaign](#), dive into the [Culinary Corner](#), and send us "[what's new](#)" for 2024. If you have any questions, please reach out!

All the best for a wonderful winter in Massachusetts,

Kate

Kate Fox

(She/Her)

Executive Director

Massachusetts Office of Travel & Tourism

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MOTT Updates

MOTT is Hiring!

We are growing the team! MOTT is seeking qualified candidates to fill the positions of Research Director, Director of Special Events, Director of Marketing, and Director of Communications. Please feel free to share [these MOTT job opportunities](#) with anyone who may be interested.



Massachusetts 250th Coordinator

Sheila Green has joined the Massachusetts Office of Travel & Tourism as the Coordinator of the American Revolution 250th Anniversary. She comes to the position with a wealth of experience in the tourism and hospitality industry. Her recent experience includes Sail Boston, Boston Harbor City Cruises and Doors Open Minneapolis, among others. Her comprehensive expertise spans strategic communications planning, thought leadership media relations, crisis PR management, media training, social content development and project and event management. Sheila has served as a Board Member for many organizations, lives in Milton, is a lover of the outdoors and a proud mother of a US Navy Lieutenant. Sheila can be reached at sheila.green@mass.gov.

Culinary Corner: Chef Jillian Manory, Director of Culinary Development Kettle Cuisine, Lynn, Massachusetts

We kick-off the New Year and recognize National Soup Month with a feature on Chef Jillian Manory, Director of Culinary Development at Kettle Cuisine soup manufacturers in Lynn, Massachusetts. A native of Framingham, Massachusetts, Chef Jillian is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America and oversees the production and development of hundreds of soups at Kettle Cuisine. [Read about Chef Jillian and get this month's recipe.](#)

Culinary Calendar

Our 'Chefs to Fest's Culinary Calendar of Events' is featured monthly in our Culinary Corner Newsletter, and we are seeking your foodie fun for our February, March and April 2024 listings. Please email [Phyllis M. Cahaly](#) with the name, event day/date, location with street address, and the website for more details.



National Parks Semiquincentennial Grant Opportunity

The National Park Service is accepting applications for the third round of funding for the [Semiquincentennial Grant Program](#). Eligible applicants include resources that were built during the founding period (i.e. prior to 1800) and resources that commemorate the people, places, and events of the founding period may be eligible if they meet requirements. [Learn more.](#)

Sign-up for Discover New England's Steps 2 and 3 of IITA's Steps to Success™ Program

Discover New England is excited to invite industry attendees to Steps 2 and 3 of IITA's Steps to Success™ Program. Steps 2 and 3 are combined into a half-day, in-person retreat workshop as part of the [IITA's Inbound Insider: Steps to Success](#), and there are two opportunities to attend:

Where and When:

March 12, 2024

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Courtyard by Marriott Providence Downtown

32 Exchange Terrace at Memorial Boulevard, Providence, RI 02903

[Register](#)

March 13, 2024

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Six South Street Hotel 6 South Street

Hanover, NH 03755

[Register](#)

Please reach out to the [Discover New England Team](#) or [Jennifer Ackerson](#).

Regional Tourism Councils Bulletin

Make this most out of Massachusetts with this month's [Regional Tourism Councils bulletin](#).



Massachusetts Ski Campaign

Working with WCVB/Hearst StoryStudio for the third winter in a row, MOTT, several regional tourism councils, and the Massachusetts Ski Areas Association are marketing Massachusetts' 11 ski areas and other exciting winter attractions across the state. Check out [our story](#) to learn more! Share your adventures on social media with #SkiMass #VisitMA @VisitMA



Massachusetts Office of Outdoor Recreation Update

Winter is here and it's an amazing time to explore Massachusetts' trails! Whether it's visiting one of our many [downhill or cross-country ski areas](#), [snowmobiling](#) from town to town, or just getting out in the woods on spikes or snowshoes, we have so much to explore.

Additionally, Berkshire Regional Planning Commission in partnership with 1Berkshires has just launched the new [BerkshiresOutside.com](#) – a searchable, map-based, database, showcasing all the amazing outdoor fun to be had in the Berkshires. Check it out!

Department of Conservation and Recreation Update

Winter Fun in the State Parks

Fresh air and family fun are the perfect combination for your February Vacation Week plans. The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is providing a fantastic array of family-friendly programs and experiences for all ages! Highlights include: seal watching at [Ellisville Harbor State Park in Plymouth](#); a

winter birding adventure at [Belle Isle Marsh Reservation in East Boston](#); [live animal programming, kids mansion tours, owl prowl and a full moon hike](#) at [Borderland State Park in Easton](#); [maple sugaring weekend](#) at [Blackstone River and Canal Heritage State Park in Uxbridge](#); a snow shoe demonstration and winter woodland walk at [Mt. Greylock State Reservation in Lanesboro](#); self-guided StoryWalk® hiking adventures at [Mt. Holyoke Range State Park](#); and [Halibut Point State Park in Rockport](#). [DCR skating rinks](#) will offer expanded public skating hours and fun programming including a free skate and pizza party at [Steriti Rink in Boston](#). DCR Visitor Centers will be open and offering family-friendly programming and educational exhibits to explore across the state. For a full list of activities and programming visit the [DCR website](#).

Exploring Foods, Farms and Factories

As part of a year-long exploration of the themes of “Food, Farms and Factories,” the Department of Conservation and Recreation is partnering with the Friends of Great Falls Discovery Center to show a Sunday matinee double feature film day on January 28 at the Great Falls Discovery Center. The films, *The Genesis of the Turners Falls Community* and *The Franklin County Fair*, will be shown at 2 p.m. followed by a discussion with Chris Clawson and Ed Gregory of the Montague Historical Society. The “Food Farms and Factories” program will also include an exhibition examining Polish and Eastern European immigration, gardening and sustainability workshops, a multi-disciplinary performance by Exploded View, talks about our industrial and agricultural heritage, and a harvest potluck and contradance. For a full list of programs visit [Food, Farms, and Factories \(greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org\)](#). All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Wheelchair accessible.

What's New in Massachusetts

What's New in Massachusetts

MOTT is seeking “**what’s new**” in the Bay State for 2024 and 2025. MOTT will compile submissions into a bi-annual, statewide “**What’s New in Massachusetts**” for distribution to media, tour operators, consumers and at trade shows, in addition to curating this information into tourism story development for media pitches. Please include details of recently opened or upcoming hotels, attractions, restaurants, significant anniversaries and events in your region. Please only provide information which is publicly-available, and fitting the following criteria:

- Timing should be as forward looking as possible – as far as two years out for major events, anniversaries, and openings
- Please include major recent openings as far as six months prior
- Please curate this to provide details on major renovations, events, significant milestones, and otherwise notable activity in the region

- Descriptions should be written in a neutral, third person voice
- Please auto-select the super tourism region your “what’s new” submission falls into based on the map provided in the form

To submit what’s new in Massachusetts, please only use the following [form via Submittable](#). Please contact [Maria Speridakos](#) with any questions.

Public Relations and Media Outreach

Out-of-State/International Media

MOTT is gathering Massachusetts destination story ideas for US/international PR media pitching around the following themes: skip-gen travel grandparents/grandkids travel), “slow travel” (nature/mindfulness), sustainable/eco-conscious tourism, and new Spring happenings/openings. Please [email Maria Speridakos](#) with story ideas.

Brand USA France Jet Blue Worldia Travel Trade FAM – Expression of Interest Request

Out-of-State/International Media

This Familiarization Trip (April 6-11) is a collaboration between French Tour Operator [Worldia](#) and [JetBlue](#) who is launching in April its new direct flight from Paris to Boston.

- This FAM will bring **Worldia’s 8 best-selling travel agents** to discover Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and it will be a first trip to the region for all participants.. MOTT is seeking support for the following:
 - **Rooming:** 4 double, 3 individual rooms (total 7 comp rooms per night)
 - **Saturday, April 6:** Arrival at BOS (afternoon activities, meals and overnight in Boston)
 - **Sunday, April 7:** Day activities/meals and overnight in Boston / Cambridge
 - **Wednesday, April 10:** Drive to Cape Cod National Seashore / Provincetown (activities, meals and hotel overnight in Hyannis)
 - **Thursday, April 11:** Drive back to Boston, stop in Plymouth (meals/activities in Plymouth). Evening departure from BOS
 - **Activities:** It would be great to sync activities that Worldia is reselling / or is able to contract if they are looking to work with the international market in order to maximize impact afterwards.

If you are interested in hosting this group, please reach out to [Maria Speridakos](#).



The Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism (MOTT) presents the [2024 Governor's Conference on Travel & Tourism](#), an all-day gathering to bring together industry experts, government officials, and hospitality professionals. Please join us for industry networking and learning, featuring remarks from Governor Maura Healey and Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll, breakout sessions on industry trends and best practices, networking opportunities, and the presentation of Massachusetts Tourism Awards.

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 · 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Continental breakfast, lunch, and refreshments included in ticket price

Location: [Hilton Boston Logan Airport](#)

[Attendee Registration link](#)

[Exhibitor Registration link](#) (includes 2 registrations)

Join Team Massachusetts for the first Governor's Conference on Travel & Tourism in nearly a decade. If you're in the industry, you won't want to miss this event!

Reminder: Invitation to Apply for Activating Boston 2024 Project Grant

In collaboration with John Hancock, Boston's Age Strong Commission and other city agencies, AARP Massachusetts, and UMass Boston, Healthy Places by Design is leading Activating Boston, an initiative that will support four Boston neighborhood organizations to work alongside community members to activate public spaces in

ways that bring people together and build community. These one-time \$37,500 18-month grants (starting in April 2024) will support four creative neighborhood projects with the goal of increasing social connection across generations. Healthy Places by Design and partners will provide learning and exchange sessions to build capacity, strengthen cross-neighborhood networking, inform actions, and support project outcomes. Non-profit organizations working in **Chinatown, Dorchester, East Boston, Mattapan, and Roxbury** are eligible to apply.

If this sounds like a good fit for your organization and partners, see the Request for Applications (RFA) below for details and the application link. Online applications are due by 11:59 pm on **Tuesday March 5th**.

After reviewing the RFA, feel free to contact me if you have questions, at philb@healthyplacesbydesign.org. If you do plan to apply, please send me a courtesy email so I can keep an eye out for your organization's application.

With regards, Phil

Philip Bors

Senior Project Director

Healthy Places by Design

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[\[Click Here To Learn More\]](#)

TBE Event – College Campuses

What Is Happening on College Campuses & How to Prepare Our Students (Hybrid)

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

[Join us in person](#)

[Join us online](#)

J Street U will present a panel of Boston area college students to discuss their recent experiences on campus and how our students should prepare.

Registration: This event is available in person and on Zoom. Click the purple registration bar above to join us. Zoom pre-registration is required. Once you have registered, your unique access link will be emailed to you.

J Street @ TBE: J Street organizes pro-Israel, pro-peace Americans to promote US policies that embody our deeply held Jewish and democratic values and that help secure the State of Israel as a democratic homeland for the Jewish people.

Organizer / CONTACT PERSON

Michael Gilman

Email: michaelgilman315@gmail.com



Join us for an Artist Talk with Ingunn Fjola on 3/12!

MassArt is pleased to welcome visiting artist [Ingunn Fjola Ingbórsdóttir](#) to campus. She joins the MassArt community on **Tuesday, March 12 at 6pm** to deliver an Artist Talk on Icelandic art in the **Kennedy Building, Room 406**, with a reception of light refreshments to follow. We hope that you will join us!

Ingunn Fjola Ingbórsdóttir Artist Talk and Reception

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Kennedy Building: Room 406

621 Huntington Avenue

Boston, MA 02115

[RSVP HERE](#)

Kindly RSVP by March 6, 2024.



Ingunn Fjóra Ingþórsdóttir (b. 1976) is an Icelandic artist based in Reykjavík. She graduated with an MA degree in Fine Art from the Iceland University of the Arts in 2017 and a BA degree in Fine Art from the same institution in 2007. She also holds a BA degree in Art History from the University of Aarhus, Denmark, received in 2002. Ingunn Fjóra works mainly in painting, weaving and installation. In her work, Ingunn Fjóra has an inclination to extend the field of abstract painting into an open system, where the work is animated by the viewer and the space, often through direct participation.

Ingunn Fjóra's work has been exhibited widely in galleries and museums in Iceland and abroad, including solo exhibitions at the National Gallery of Iceland, LÁ Art Museum and Cuxhavener Kunstverein. Ingunn Fjóra has also participated in numerous group exhibitions including the Prague Biennale 5, Cluj Museum, Rumenia and Kunstverein Springhornhof, Germany. During her career, Ingunn Fjóra has received various grants and awards. In 2022 she was awarded the Guðmunda S. Kristinsdóttir Art Award for outstanding female artists in Iceland.



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6:45pm President's Award Presentation | 7:00pm Keynote Address and Q&A



THE GLOBAL VILLAGE: STANDING UP FOR TOLERANCE & INCLUSION

*An Evening with Cornell William Brooks,
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Fourth-generation minister, civil rights attorney and social justice activist, Cornell Brooks is a powerful orator with an important message. His moving words will broaden our perspectives and inspire positive change!

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Bisola Ojikutu MD MPH

*Commissioner of Public Health, City of Boston,
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Introduction by



Tanisha Sullivan

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HSNHC Speaker Series

Harvard Street is thrilled to be hosting its 2nd Annual Speaker Series featuring **Cornell William Brooks**, former President & CEO of the NAACP, and current professor at the Harvard Kennedy School, who will present “The global village: standing up for tolerance & inclusion”. Professor Brooks will be introduced by **Tanisha Sullivan**, President of NAACP Boston and the New England Area Conference. Additionally, I am proud to be presenting our annual President’s Award to **Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, MD, MPH**, Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission.

The event is **March 21, 2024, from 5:30pm** (speaking program to begin at 6:45pm) to 8:00pm at the WBUR City Space at 890 Commonwealth Ave, Boston. There is no cost to attend the event.

I hope you can join us for what will undoubtedly be an enjoyable evening!

Marian L. Heard Scholarship

The Marian L. Heard Scholarship provides young adults 17-24 in our focus communities with up to \$14,000 over four years as they pursue a post-secondary path of their choice – which might look like community college, a four-year university, a trade school, a vocational training program, or a similar tuition-based institution.

Application Due: March 24th 2024

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Upcoming Taxes Webinars Small Business

On Monday April 1st at 6:00pm: [Communicating with the IRS in other languages.](#)
[With Jill Maniacci from the Internal Revenue Service](#)

This event will cover communication with the IRS in other languages, and will focus on the multilingual access points and forms available on the IRS website.



New RFP from Legacy Fund for Boston

On behalf of the Directors of the Legacy Fund for Boston, I am pleased to share the Fund's first RFP. Applications must be related to historic preservation within the City of Boston.

[\[Click Here to Learn More\]](#)

Opportunity to participate in MassHealth's Community Feedback Forum for Health & Justice

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS), the state agency responsible for administering MassHealth, is seeking individuals to serve on a new stakeholder advisory council.

EOHHS seeks to select individuals who have lived experience with incarceration in Massachusetts, family members or guardians of those with lived experience, as well as representatives from community-based organizations, advocacy organizations, and direct service organizations who have experience working with individuals who have been incarcerated.

Scan the QR code for more information and to apply

- The Forum will meet virtually via Zoom
- The Forum will meet four times per year through June 2026
- Each meeting will last approximately 1-2 hours
- It is anticipated that members will commit approximately 4 hours per meeting to Forum duties
- Stipends will be available for Forum members with lived incarceration experience and family members or guardians of individuals with lived experience who are not paid by another organization



Announcement: Notice of Opportunity to Participate in MassHealth 'Community Feedback Forum for Health & Justice

MassHealth just announced several changes to the [Community Feedback Forum for Health and Justice](#) and its ongoing application process. The main changes made include:

1. The application deadline is moved from March 8th to April 12th, 2024 at 4:00pm.
2. The Feedback Forum is expected to meet quarterly through April 2026, instead of

April 2025 as originally stated.

3. ALL applicants, both community members and those applying to represent organizations, are only required to submit **one letter of reference**. This changes the requirements for organization representatives, who were initially asked to submit two letters. For these people, the letter of reference is required to be from the organization you are applying to represent.

Applications must be submitted by **April 12th at 4:00pm**. Please feel free to reach out to me until then if you have any questions or would like assistance on your application. Also, please continue to circulate this opportunity to community members with lived experience who you feel may be interested.

Thanks!

Isabel Wanner

Health Justice Advocate

Massachusetts Law Reform Institute (MLRI)

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President Mary K. Grant, Auction co-chairs Daren Bascome '93 and Elizabeth Lowrey H'19, and the 2024 MassArt Auction Committee look forward to welcoming you in person or online as we celebrate 35 years of this highly anticipated tradition!

The 2024 MassArt Auction is sure to be the art event of the season and we want you to be a part of it. *Join us on Saturday evening, April 13, 2024, in the Design and Media Center for this memorable event full of fun, art, and community!*



[Learn More & Get Tickets](#)

MassArt continues to evolve to meet the needs and ever-growing challenges of our changing world. Our students, faculty, and alumni are critical thinkers and creative visionaries who make contributions for the common good that demonstrate the limitless possibilities of art and design. As the College's largest annual fundraiser, the Auction helps ensure access to a quality art and design education and creative ecosystem for the next generation here at MassArt. We're proud of the widespread impact that the Auction continues to have on our artistic community, with proceeds designated for student scholarship aid and academic program support, as well as benefiting participating artists in support of their craft.

Support from people like you has helped to make the Auction a great success in recent years. *Last year marked the ninth year in a row that the Auction raised more than \$1 million.* We are looking forward to making this year an even ten and doing it all again with your help! [The 2024 MassArt Auction Committee](#) has selected over 325 exceptional artworks to be featured this year, which will be on exhibit on campus and available for bidding on Bidsquare. Our team has been hard at work, bringing the Auction we all know and love to life on campus and beyond. We're excited to share this year's astounding array of high-quality art to bid on this year and can't wait to spend another spectacular Auction season with you. We hope you join us in making more Auction magic this spring!

Auction Events



Live Auction & Raise Your Paddle

Saturday, April 13 | 6:30 - 11:00 PM

With Auctioneer Karen M. Keane,
MassArt Trustees Chair and Chairman
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MassArt Design and Media Center
Livestream begins at 8:00 PM
on [Bidsquare](#)



Silent Auction

Online Bidding | Opens Monday, April 1
12:00 PM

Opportunity to “Buy Now!” through
Friday, April 12 at 12:00 PM
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Wednesday, April 24 | 6-9pm

The Artists For Humanity Epicenter in Boston

Be part of the story as we celebrate our Common Wealth and cheer on our future vision for forging resilient and inclusive communities of opportunity across all of Massachusetts.

Meet LISC Boston's new Executive Director, Gustavo Quiroga, connect with community development & business leaders, hear from Honored Guests, and enjoy great food from local chefs!

[Learn More & Save the Date](#)

Be Part of the Story

LISC Boston's Annual Story Slam lifts up community voices with live stories from the stage that highlight the impact of our work to create affordable housing, grow the small business economy, invest in climate-ready homes, and strengthen the capacity of Massachusetts' community development ecosystem.



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Opportunity Alert: Urban League Scholarship for High School Graduates!

The Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts is offering scholarships for high school graduates! This is a golden chance for our youth to chase their dreams.

Urban League Guild of Eastern Massachusetts Scholarship Award

Eligibility

To be eligible for this award, the applicant must be a graduating high school senior who will attend an accredited community college, a 4-year college or university, or a recognized trade or technical institute. In case of any dispute concerning eligibility of an applicant, the decision of the Urban League Guild of Eastern Massachusetts Scholarship Committee shall be final.

Deadline for application April 30, 2024

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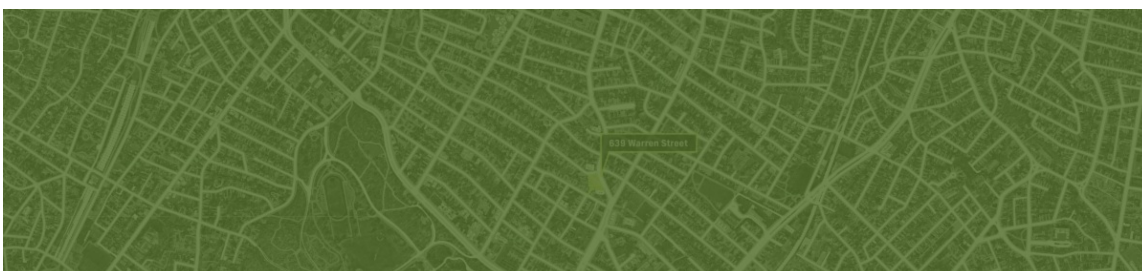
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- ✓ **Burning grease** should never be taken off the stove. Avoid smoking near combustible or flammable liquids as well as your home oxygen tank.
- ✓ **Lithium-ion** batteries can explode or catch fire due to a phenomenon called thermal runaway.
- ✓ Store gasoline in a tightly capped container like a **gas-can**, and store the container in your garage or garden shed, **never in your basement**.
- ✓ To keep the rags from heating up and **igniting**. Store oily and solvent wet rags in a **metal** container or hang them out side to dry and then discard them.
- ✓ Never bring gasoline indoors, even in small quantities.



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639 Warren Street Development Survey

We would like to include your voice as we develop the design for the 639 Warren

Street Project. Please share your response to each of the following questions by checking the items that resonate with you or writing your thoughts under each question.

Take the Survey

Job Opening!

Community Liaison

Vilaj Lajwa ADHC is seeking a bilingual Spanish/English highly motivated and community-oriented Individual to join our team as a Community Liaison for our Adult Day Health Care. The ideal candidate will play a crucial role in fostering relationships with the community, promoting our services, and enhancing the overall outreach efforts.

[\[Click Here to Read More\]](#)

MELVIN MURPHY PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

JIGGIN' AT THE JUG



Stage Musical Jiggin At The Jug

Jiggin' At The Jug, written and produced by Min. Melvin Murphy. The story of a young man's experience as he travels from the green pastures of the south to the bright city lights of the north. This production will be showing May 10-11, 2024, at the Strand Theatre.

Calling all Small Businesses: Nominate Now for the 2024 Small Business of the Year Awards

Nominations for the 2024 Small Business of the Year Awards are now open! The Small Business of the Year Awards honors the top small, high-growth businesses that demonstrate achievement in management, workplace excellence, product innovation, and social responsibility, with a commitment to growing in Greater Boston.

You can complete a nomination by [following this link here](#).

Please feel free to reach out to Megan if you have any questions.

Megan Mattson
Membership Development Manager
(617) 557-7359

Around the Community



Ed Gaskin and Councilor Brian Worrell at "Git Lit" a program of the Weatherspoon Institute. Looking on, Alda Witherspoon, founder of the Witherspoon Institute. The afterschool program takes place at the Roxbury Library.

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