

# South End News

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## Mayor Michelle Wu's Neighborhood Coffee Hour



Mayor Michelle Wu addresses a packed crowd in Hayes Park during the May 25 Neighborhood Coffee Hour hosted by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with Dunkin' and Star Market. Photo by Jon Seamans.

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## Rousing the *Beauty*



Ji Young Chae as Princess and Jeffrey Cirio as Prince in Boston Ballet revival of "The Sleeping Beauty." LIZA VOLL

**The Sleeping Beauty,**  
Boston Ballet, Citizen Bank  
Opera House, Boston, through  
June 4. 617-695-6955 or  
[bostonballet.org](http://bostonballet.org)

**JULES BECKER**  
Contributing Writer

Did "The Sleeping Beauty" prove a quick public favorite after its 1890 St. Petersburg, Russia premiere because it has a happy ending? After all, the fairy tale-based ballet ends with a wedding rather than the sad conclusion of the

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## NEWS FROM...

## The United South End Settlements



USES's 2023 Neighborhood Gala Host Committee. Photo courtesy of USES

The United South End Settlements (USES) Neighborhood Gala held on Thursday, May 18 raised nearly \$1.2 million dollars. USES is continuing to fundraise to reach their goal of \$1.3 million to commemorate their 130th year. Over 400 guests attended the gala to celebrate the USES community in its 130th year and recognize individuals who have made a significant

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## Boston Pride Event Listings

**THURSDAY, JUNE 1**

### PRIDE MONTH: CHARLIE GIBSON'S QUEER BOSTON

6p, The Gibson House Museum, 137 Beacon Street, Boston, MA  
<https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/thegibsonhouse/items/384645/calendar/2023/05/?flow=468779&full-items=yes>

### MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LGBTQ+ ADVANCEMENT PRESENTS: PRIDE KICKOFF (SUE O'CONNELL AS HONOREE!)

4p-7p, Boston City Hall Plaza, 1 City Hall Square, Boston, MA  
<https://www.boston.gov/calendar/boston-pride-kick>

### PRIDE KICK-OFF DINNER AND A MOVIE

6p-9p, Club Café, 209 Columbus Avenue Boston, MA  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pride-kick-off-dinner-and-a-movie-tickets-637439608027>

**FRIDAY, JUNE 2**

### FIRST FRIDAYS: POOLSIDE PRIDE

5p-9:30p, Institute of Contemporary Art, 25 Harbor Shore Dr, Boston, MA  
<https://www.icaboston.org/events/first-fridays-poolside-pride>

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# CLAIRE BARDEN

## 1934 - 2023

Claire was born March 11, 1934 in Tewksbury, MA and died May 16, 2023 at her home in Jamaica Plain, MA, following a battle with cancer.

She grew up in Framingham, the adopted daughter of Ruth and Lowell Barden. At age 18, she joined the Army and served in Germany and France.

When she returned to the States, she settled in the Boston area and soon met the love of her life, Lois Johnson. They were together for 56 years, until Lois's death in 2020.

Claire and Lois were a strong force in the gay and lesbian rights movement. For many years they were active in the Boston chapter of Daughters of Bilitis (DOB) which, in the 1970's, was the only nationwide lesbian organization. They were also active in the LGBT Aging Project and had starring roles in Stu Maddux's film Gen Silent.

A resident of the South End for over 40 years, Claire ran a successful professional picture framing business from her home.

Her work was museum archival quality, and her clients included Julia Child. She later opened a B&B in the front room of their brownstone on Warren Avenue. Claire and Lois were also very involved in the creation and maintenance of the James Hayes Park next to their home.

Claire was a spiritual person, brought up in the Methodist faith. She loved opera, classical music, and the arts. She had a heart of gold, which was masked by a sharp tongue and bawdy humor.

After a small graveside service, Claire was laid to rest in Mount Auburn Cemetery next to her beloved Lois. She is survived by her half sister, Joan McDonald of New Hampshire; her niece, Barbara Takahashi and husband Sam; great nephew and great niece, Nick and Anna Takahashi, all of San Diego, CA. Donations in her memory may be made to The Animal Welfare Society of West Kennebunk, ME ([animalwelfare.org](http://animalwelfare.org)), The Animal Rescue League of Boston ([arlboston.org](http://arlboston.org)), or Lautholm Farm in Wells, ME ([wellsreserve.org](http://wellsreserve.org)).



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### Boston Pride

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#### SATURDAY, JUNE 3

#### FOURTH ANNUAL TRANS RESISTANCE MARCH & FESTIVAL

11a-5p, Pierpont Rd, Boston, MA  
<https://www.transresistancecema.com/>

#### PRIDE FESTIVAL AT THE BOSTON NATURE CENTER

12p-8:30p, Boston Nature Center and Wildlife Sanctuary, 500 Walk Hill St, Mattapan, MA

<https://www.massaudubon.org/get-outdoors/wildlife-sanctuaries/boston-nature-center/news-events/bnc-pride-festival>

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 3

#### JAMES EGAN: WILD ABOUT HARRY FILM SCREENING + Q&A WITH DAN PERDIOS

2p-4:30p, Boston Public Library, Rabb Hall Central Library in Copley Square 700 Boylston St Boston, MA

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/james-egan-wild-about-harry-film-screening-qa-with-dan-perdios-tickets-624650415207>

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 4

#### EXPLORING RAINBOWS: A CELEBRATION OF PRIDE MONTH

11a-3p, Metropolitan Waterworks Museum, 2450 Beacon Street Boston, MA

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/exploring-rainbows-a-celebration-of-pride-month-tickets-628705283427>

#### FREE PRIDE FLOW/STRENGTH MASH UP

12:30p-1:30p, Down Under School of Yoga, 505 Tremont Street Boston, MA

<https://downunder.yoga.com/upcoming-events/pride-movement-mash-up>

#### BOSTON PROUD WHARF PARTY

1p-4p, Lovejoy Wharf, 100 Lovejoy Pl, Boston, MA

<https://nightshiftbrewing.com/event/boston-proud-wharf-party/>

#### PRIDE 2023 KICK-OFF BOSTON HARBOR CRUISE

3:30p-7p, Massachusetts Bay Lines, 60 Rowe's Wharf, Boston, MA

<https://allevents.in/boston/pride-2023-kick-off-boston-harbor-cruise/10000593693773057>

#### PRIDE WEEK TEA DANCE @ DORCHESTER BREW

4p-8p, Dorchester Brew, 1250 Massachusetts Ave, Boston, MA

<https://www.lesbiannightlife.com/event-details/pride-wk-tea-dance-dorchester-brew-2023-06-04-16-00>

#### MONDAY, JUNE 5

#### CHOPPING WITH BOSTON LESBIBAY URBAN FOUNDATION AND CHEF EBONY

12p-1:30p, 149 Dudley Street, Roxbury MA  
<https://bpl.bibliocommons.com/events/6464fcc87383bd7e89fe38a0>

### BOSTON'S LGBTQ PAST

6p, Massachusetts State House, 24 Beacon St, Boston, MA  
<https://bostonbyfoot.org/tours/bostons-lgbtq-past/>

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 6

#### BIO PRIDE RECEPTION AT BIO 2023

9p-11p, The Grand Boston, 58 Seaport Blvd #300, Boston, MA

<https://www.outbio.org/events-1/bio-pride-reception-at-bio-2023>

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 9

#### PRIDE AT THE MFA

5p-10p, Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave, Boston, MA

<https://mfa.org/event/special-event/pride-at-the-mfa?event=97166>

#### BOSTON DYKE MARCH

6:30p, Bandstand, Boston Common, Boston, MA

<https://www.bostondykemarch.com/#events>

#### LESBIANNIGHTLIFE ROOFTOP @ REVERE HOTEL - PRIDE PARTY

7p-12a, Rooftop @ Revere Hotel Boston Common, 200 Stuart Street Boston, MA

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lesbiannightlife-rooftop-revere-hotel-pride-party-tickets-599010144467>

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

#### ROAD OF RAINBOWS 5K RUN/WALK

10a-3p, Bandstand, Boston Common, Boston, MA

<https://runsignup.com/Race/MA/Boston/BostonTheaterCompanysRoadofRainbows>

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

#### BOSTON PRIDE FOR THE PEOPLE PARADE

11a, Copley Square, Boston, MA

<https://www.bostonprideforthepeople.org/parade>

#### NBC10/NECN COVERAGE:

11a-12p NBC10 Parade Broadcast  
 7p-8p NBC10 Parade re-broadcast  
 Watch: <https://www.nbc.com/live>

#### PRIDE SATURDAY AT CLUB CAFÉ

Saturday, June 10 11a - Sunday, June 11, 2a Moonshine at Club Café, 209 Columbus Avenue, Boston, MA

<https://www.clubcafe.com/club-events/pride-saturday-061023/>

#### BOSTON PRIDE FOR THE PEOPLE MAIN STAGE FESTIVAL

12p Boston Common, Boston, MA  
<https://www.bostonprideforthepeople.org/>

#### BOSTON PRIDE FOR THE PEOPLE FESTIVAL (21+)

12p Boston City Hall Plaza, 1 City Hall Square, Boston, MA

<https://www.bostonprideforthepeople.org/>

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Cardinal O'Malley ordained five new priests on Saturday, May 20. The five are Hien Vu, Jose Montero, Peter J. Schirripa, Rodrigo A. Martinez and Paul C. Born. Photo by Patrick O'Connor.



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## USES

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impact to their mission.

For 130 years, USES has focused on uplifting families throughout Boston. Today, we bring our community together to support the whole family by helping remove barriers to academic and financial success and by building social connections across racial and economic diversity. By harnessing the power of our diverse community, we aim to disrupt cycles of poverty for children and their families.



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**Mayor Michelle Wu's Neighborhood Coffee Hour**

Photos by Jon Seamans



Barbara Zack looks over the selection of flowers grown in the Boston Parks and Recreation Department's Franklin Park greenhouses at Mayor Michelle Wu's Neighborhood Coffee Hour hosted by the Parks Department at Hayes Park. The May 25 event offered attendees free flowers, Dunkin' coffee and donuts, fresh fruit from Star Market, and the opportunity to meet one-on-one with Mayor Wu and other City officials. For a list of upcoming dates and locations go to [boston.gov/coffee-hours](http://boston.gov/coffee-hours).



Two-year-old ElleVeiga makes short work of a Dunkin' donut at Mayor Wu's Hayes Park Neighborhood Coffee Hour on May 25.



Wendy and Kate Stewart of the South End brought their four-legged family members Tate, Calvin, and Roxy to the May 25 South End Neighborhood Coffee Hour hosted by Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department. Attendees were treated to Dunkin' coffee and donuts, fresh fruit from Star Market, and potted plants grown at the Parks Department greenhouses in Franklin Park.



Yvette Jarreau and Douglas Upton – aka S.P.L.I.S.H. Model 4000 - are clearly having a fun morning at Mayor Michelle Wu's Neighborhood Coffee Hour hosted by the Boston and Recreation Department at Hayes Park on May 25.



Kameron Jimenez-Fox, Deputy Director at the Mayor's Office of Scheduling & Advance, and Cathedral High Director of Athletics Derrick Beasley enjoy a sunny spring morning at Hayes Park during the May 25 coffee hour hosted by Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks Department in partnership with Dunkin' and Star Market.



Irvin Levy picked up a pot of flowers grown at the Boston Parks and Recreation Department greenhouses in Franklin Park at the Mayor's South End Coffee Hour on May 25.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

<b>INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE</b>	Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court	
	In the Estate of: Timothy D. Steirn Date of Death: December 16, 2022	
	Docket No. SU23P1032EA	
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of <b>Mary E. Breen of South Berwick, ME and Gary Buseck of Taunton, MA</b> a will has been admitted to informal probate. <b>Mary E. Breen of South Berwick, ME and Gary Buseck of Taunton, MA</b> has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.		

<b>CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION</b>	Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court	
	Estate of: <b>Margaret Millicent Hendrickson</b> Also known as: <b>Margaret Hendrickson</b> Date of Death: <b>11/18/2022</b>	
	Docket No. SU23P0148EA	
To all interested persons: A Petition for <b>Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative</b> has been filed by: <b>Kahoney H. Anderson Admin of Boston, MA</b> requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that <b>Sara Spooner of Auburn, MA</b> be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve <b>With Personal Surety</b> on the bond in an <b>unsupervised administration</b> .		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/15/2023.		
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.		
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<b>WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.</b> Date: May 16, 2023 <span style="float: right;"><i>Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate</i></span>		

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2p, St. James Ave, Boston, MA  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1842845109428072/>

### CHANDLER STREET BLOCK PARTY

2p-8p, 26 Chandler St, Boston, MA  
<https://chandlerstreetblockparty.com/>

## SATURDAY, JUNE 11

### QUEER FAMILY FESTIVAL

10a, BCA Plaza Black Box, 539 Tremont Street, Boston, MA  
<https://calendar.artsboston.org/event/queer-family-festival/>

### JP BLOCK PARTY - CELEBRATION OF LGBTQ PRIDE IN BOSTON

12p-7p, Perkins St, Jamaica Plain, MA  
<https://www.lesbiannightlife.com/event-details/jp-block-party-celebration-of-lgbtq-pride-in-boston>

### GENERATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP: NATURE IS QUEER/QUEER IS NATURAL

1p-3p, Boston Nature Center and Wildlife Sanctuary, 500 Walk Hill St, Mattapan, MA  
<https://www.massaudubon.org/program-catalog/boston-nature-center/88260-generative-writing-workshop-nature-is-queer-queer-is-natural>

### SAPPHIC NIGHTS PRIDE YACHT PARTY

2p-5p, Sir Winston Boston, 60 Rowes Wharf, Gate B, Boston, MA  
<https://www.meetboston.com/event/sapphic-nights-pride-yacht-party/75815/>

### BACK BAY/STUART ST BLOCK PARTY FOR PRIDE IN BOSTON

2p-9p, St. James Ave, Boston, MA (Between Berkeley & Arlington)  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/back-bay-stuart-st-block-party-for-pride-in-boston-tickets-590218678957>

## MONDAY, JUNE 12

### POLITICS AND PRIDE: A HISTORY OF MASSACHUSETTS LGBTQ+ POLITICIANS AND CAMPAIGNS

6p-7p, Massachusetts Historical Society, 1154 Boylston St, Boston, MA  
<https://www.masshist.org/events/politics-pride-history-massachusetts-lgbtq-politicians-campaigns>

### PUBLIC FACES, SECRET LIVES: A QUEER HISTORY OF THE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT

6:30p, Virtual, hosted by the Boston Public Library  
[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_2H2AHE6QTLeosP90iLLuqA?\\_x\\_zm\\_rtaid=KJWRm\\_SPS6iOIFpdUgO-Jw.1683730965854.accc79882fe6666ab4dbc444bc2535&\\_x\\_zm\\_rtaid=412#registration](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2H2AHE6QTLeosP90iLLuqA?_x_zm_rtaid=KJWRm_SPS6iOIFpdUgO-Jw.1683730965854.accc79882fe6666ab4dbc444bc2535&_x_zm_rtaid=412#registration)

## TUESDAY, JUNE 13

### PRE-GAME PRIDE NIGHT AT FENWAY PARK

4:30p-6:30p, Game On!, 82 Lansdowne St, Boston, MA

### PRIDE NIGHT @ FENWAY PARK/ROCKIES @ RED SOX

7:10p, Fenway Park, 4 Jersey St, Boston, MA  
 Boston Proud section: <https://fevogn.com/event/BostonProud2023>  
 Regular-season tickets: <https://www.mlb.com/redsox/tickets/promotions/themes/pride-celebration>

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

### POPUK PRIDE VENDOR MARKET!

5p-9p, Sam Adams Downtown Boston Taproom, 60 State Street Boston, MA 02109  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/popup-pride-vendor-market-tickets-632760111527>

### PRIDE PITCH-A-PAL

6p-8p, Harpoon Brewery, 306 Northern Avenue Boston, MA  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pride-pitch-a-pal-tickets-629245368837>

## THURSDAY, JUNE 15

### PRIDE 2023 LGBTQ+ JOB FAIR

3p-7p, Roxbury Community College, 1234 Columbus Ave, Boston, MA  
<https://allevents.in/boston/pride-2023-lgbtq-job-fair/10000620113144107>

## FRIDAY, JUNE 16

### BOSTON GAY MEN'S CHORUS PRESENTS: WHITNEY & FRIENDS

8p, New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall, 30 Gainsborough St, Boston, MA  
<https://www.bgmc.org/2022/08/03/whitney-friends/>

## SATURDAY, JUNE 17

### BOSTON GAY MEN'S CHORUS PRESENTS: WHITNEY & FRIENDS

8p, New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall, 30 Gainsborough St, Boston, MA  
<https://www.bgmc.org/2022/08/03/whitney-friends/>

## SUNDAY, JUNE 18

### LGBTQ ELDERS

1-5pm, Flashback Sunday - Annual Awards Luncheon & Dance  
 Sheraton Boston Hotel - Constitution Ballroom, 39 Dalton St, Boston

### BOSTON GAY MEN'S CHORUS PRESENTS: WHITNEY & FRIENDS

3p, New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall, 30 Gainsborough St, Boston, MA  
<https://www.bgmc.org/2022/08/03/whitney-friends/>

## SATURDAY, JUNE 24

### SPECTACLE SUMMER NIGHTS: PRIDE IN THE PARK

4:30p-8p, Spectacle Island, Boston, MA  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/spectacle-summer-nights-pride-in-the-park-tickets-638294093817>

## THURSDAY, JUNE 29

### BOSTON URBAN PRIDE PRESENTS: BOSTON URBAN YOUTH PRIDE

12p-5p, 301 Columbia Rd, Boston, MA  
<https://www.lesbigayurbanfoundation.org/event-details/boston-urban-youth-pride>

## FRIDAY, JUNE 30

### BOSTON URBAN PRIDE PRESENTS: WELCOME TO BOSTON

2p, 2001 Washington St, Roxbury, MA  
<https://www.lesbigayurbanfoundation.org/event-details/welcome>

## Beauty

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other Tchaikovsky-orchestrated masterwork "Swan Lake" (1877 premiere)—a gem that was surprisingly not as well-received at first. At the same time, the third act includes appearances by such well-known characters as Puss in Boots, Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood and the Wolf. Amusing elements notwithstanding, the Marius Petipa "The Sleeping Beauty"—with additional choreography by Sir Frederick Ashton—is blessed with several demanding signature sequences that Boston Ballet is re-awakening in an enchanting new revival at the Citizen Bank Opera House.

Those sequences are kissed with superb technique and rich spirit well before the

entrance of title Princess Aurora or Prince Desire who will awaken her. The Lilac Fairy—danced with angelic charm and striking turns by Viktorina Kapitonova (casts alternate throughout the run)—headlines the benevolent fairies who attend the christening of baby Aurora during the Prologue. All six dancers—dressed in elegance by costume designer David Walker—deliver their respective greetings with strong extensions and expressive hand moves. Thanks to John Cuff's artful lighting, the arrival of evil fairy Carabosse—portrayed with evocative malevolence by Chrystyn Fentroy—has the right ominous effect. "Nutcracker" fans may call to mind the mouse brigade in that ballet as Carabosse's creatures do a brief set of antics around her.

The first act opens with a handsome garland dance as well as efforts to prevent

Carabosse's spindle-connected curse from affecting now 16 Aurora. With the entrance of four suitor princes, a rose-accompanied meeting takes center stage. The ballerina dancing the role of the princess is called upon to remain en pointe as she greets prince after prince. Ji Young Chae not only brings fine extension and remarkable control to this challenge but also even holds en pointe for a time after her standout sequence. The bridge-like second act gives notable attention to tutored Prince Desire, who of course eventually awakens the century-sleeping Aurora with his kiss. Jeffrey Cirio brings fitting thoughtfulness to the role as well as his gifts as a superlative principal dancer.

Those gifts and Ji Young Chae's come together in the grand pas de deux that crowns the wedding festivities of the alternately amusing and stirring third act. Children and adults

alike right chuckle as Abigail Merlis as White Cat and Isaac Akiba as Puss in Boots vividly spar. Seo Hye Han as Princess Florine and Sangmin Lee as Bluebird dance gracefully as celebrants. Lauren Herfindahl, Addie Paul and especially Paul Craig bring distinction to the singular wedding pas de trois.

Best of all are Chae and Cirio—both convincingly in love as the wedding couple and excitingly eye-catching in their form. Chae captures Aurora's simple joy in her artful turns and extensions. Cirio displays exciting speed—particularly on one-foot turns. Their ease accomplishing complex configurations makes their pairing breathtaking.

A century may pass before a prince awakens the title beauty. "The Sleeping Beauty" may be a long if vivid ballet. By contrast, Boston Ballet's rousing revival is an occasion to celebrate in its own right.

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## SOUTH END CALENDAR

### Thursday, June 1

#### Virtual Tree Hearing: South End

10:00 am

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will hold a virtual public hearing on Thursday, June 1, at 10 a.m. on a request to remove three public shade trees located at 80 East Berkeley Street in the South End.

<https://www.boston.gov/public-notices/15986186>

### Friday June 2

#### SoWa First Friday

5:00 pm - 9:00pm

SoWa Sundays June 4, 11, 18 & 25,

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

There is only one 450 Harrison Ave.

You'll want to savor the art of spring becoming summer by visiting 450 Harrison Ave, Boston. Our many talented artists are here to greet you.

<http://sowaartists.com>

<http://facebook.com/SoWaArtistsGuild>

<https://www.instagram.com/sowaartistsguild/>

### Friday, June 2

#### South End And Bay Village Coffee Hours

10:00 am - 11:00 am

1595 Washington Street

### Monday, June 5

#### Peters Park Annual meeting

6pm at The Buttery, South End

Reelection of board officers and election of new board members.

Discussion of activities from the past year, plans in progress, and new ideas for the coming year.

[www.peterspark.org](http://www.peterspark.org)

### Tuesday, June 6

#### South End Landmark District Commission

5:30 p.m.

To participate, please go to our Zoom meeting link, or call +1-929-436-2866 (US) and enter meeting id: #954 1284 3899. You can also submit written comments to staff via email at [SouthEndLDC@boston.gov](mailto:SouthEndLDC@boston.gov).

[HTTIPS://ZOOM.US/J/95412843899](https://zoom.us/j/95412843899)

### Tuesday, June 6

#### Parks Fitness: Beginner Salsa With Natalie

6:00pm-7:00pm

Peters Park, 230 Shawmut Avenue

### Wednesday, June 7

#### Better Bike Lanes Office Hours

3:00pm - 7:00pm

Transforming Boston's streets to better serve people walking, rolling, and riding bikes. Connecting our bike network and bringing safer streets to every neighborhood.

Phone of Virtual meeting

[www.boston.gov/calendar/better-bike-lanes-office-hours](http://www.boston.gov/calendar/better-bike-lanes-office-hours)

### Tuesday, June 13,

#### The First Church of Christ, Scientist Pipes on the Plaza.

12:15 pm - 12:45 pm

The Pipes on the Plaza organ concert series is back at the Christian Science Plaza. Experience the glorious sounds of one of the world's largest pipe organs at our upcoming organ concert at The Mother Church, featuring Manuel Piazza, Interim Assistant Director of Music at Trinity Church Boston.

The Mother Church Extension at the Christian Science Plaza

250 Massachusetts Ave

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