

Boston Children's Rec Fest returns August 15



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SUBMITTED BY THE CITY OF BOSTON

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department invite city youth to come

celebrate the summer at the 2023 ParkARTS Boston Children's Rec Fest

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Rep. Moran Calls For Immediate Public Safety Action At Mass & Cass



SUBMITTED BY REP. MORAN

Representative John F. Moran issued a letter to Massachusetts State Police Lieutenant Colonel John Mawn, Jr. and Boston Police Commissioner Michael Cox, calling for additional public safety measures in the area around Melnea

Photo via John Moran, Facebook

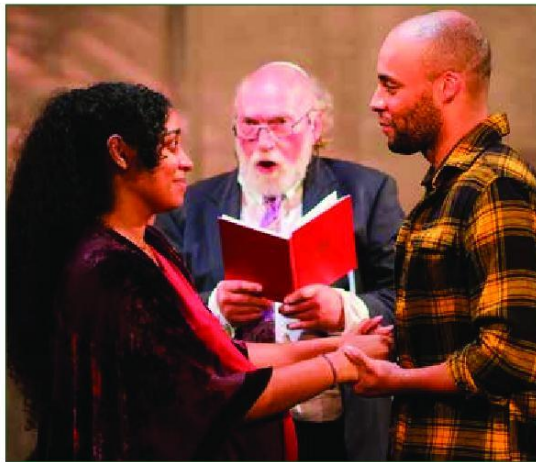
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An odyssey in an Elevator

Love in an Elevator, presented by Six Corners Entertainment at the Plaza Black Box Theatre, Boston Center for the Arts, through August 13. bostontheatrescene.com or 617-933-8600.

BY JULES BECKER
Contributing Writer

Imagine a rabbi becomes the chaplain of a hospital elevator. This is a pivotal element in an entertaining and thoughtful comedy not surprisingly entitled "Love In An Elevator." Hyman Popper, the rabbi of Temple Beth El in an unnamed Midwestern American city, effectively presides in the title



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Left to right: Elisabeth Castellon Gonclaves, David Lee Vincent and Damian Parker in "Love in an Elevator" at BCA. Photo by Annie Kao.

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College of the Holy Cross

Elizabeth Anderson, of Boston received a bachelor of arts degree from College of the Holy Cross.

Anderson is among 762 bachelor of arts degree recipients Holy Cross celebrated at its 177th Commencement held in person on Friday, May 26 at the DCU Center in Worcester. U.S. Senator Peter Welch '69 of Vermont, a Class of 1969 alum-

nus, delivered this year's address to the Class of 2023 and received an honorary degree.

Lasell University

Carrie He, a Lasell University student from Boston (02118), participated in the institution's annual Connected Learning Symposium in April. Each presentation demonstrates a particular set of core career

competencies listed by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) as being in high demand in the workforce.

He presented "What I Know Now: Discoveries from Social Science Majors' Capstones," about their psychology and sociology projects and the process of collaboration,

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NEWS FROM... FRIENDS OF SOUTH END LIBRARY

Summer Fun with Sherry Eskin

Every Thursday until September 28, please join our library friend, Sherry Eskin, in the South End Library Park.

Children and their caregivers are invited to participate in these fun summer activities.

Every week there may be books, yoga, singing, props, and dancing! For ages 6 months and up.

In-person; no registration required.

Summer Fun with Sherry Eskin

Thursdays Aug 10, Aug 17, Sept 7, Sept 14, Sept 21, Sept 28, 2023 10:30am-11:00am

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Amy Kucharik & Friends With Benefits. Photo via Amy Kucharik, Facebook.

August 16 - Amy Kucharik & Friends with Benefits, 6:30 pm

August 23 - The Doghouse All Stars, 6:15 pm

August 30 - Diane Blue, 6 pm

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Neighbors: We need new folks to join our board. Help us plan fun programming for this year! Don't have a lot of extra time? That's OK! We only need a few hours of your time per month.

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Register for Fall Soccer!



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Soccer Unity Project and South End Soccer have transitioned to the LeagueApps platform for all youth program registrations.

PeeWee Soccer

Introductory soccer sessions for children and caregivers.

Open to ages 3 & 4.

Saturdays, September 16 - November 11
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM at Carter Field

Grassroots League

Grades 1-2

In-house league for players to develop and play in a team environment.

Saturdays, September 16 - November 11

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Carter Field

Grassroots League

Grades 3-8

In-house league for players to develop and play in a team environment.

Saturdays, September 16 - November 11
12:15 PM - 1:15 PM at Carter Field

We're Hiring!

Soccer Unity Project is looking for enthusiastic, soccer-loving individuals to join our team this fall! Visit our website or contact us today to learn more about our available volunteer and paid opportunities!

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ELEVATOR

A play by Richard Ravosa inspired by Plato's Symposium
Directed by Tim Lawton

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Rec Fest

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on Tuesday, August 15 at Franklin Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Boston Children's Rec Fest is presented with the support of title sponsor Bank of America and presenting sponsors College H.U.N.K.S. Hauling Junk & Moving and H.P. Hood, LLC. Additional support is provided by LEGO Discovery Center Boston.

Children and families from throughout Boston have the opportunity to participate

in a variety of free activities from various exhibitors including Rosalita's Marionette Puppets, ParkARTS arts and crafts, and face painting. The event will showcase active sports and play with exciting inflatable attractions such as the All-In-One Sports Arena, a family Zumba class, and hands-on clinics hosted by sports professionals teaching tennis, baseball, and soccer skills. The event will also include free treats from HP Hood LLC.

The location of the festival is at 25 Pierpont Road in Roxbury near the rear entrance

of the Franklin Park Zoo. By MBTA, take the Orange Line to Forest Hills and the #15 bus to the Zoo. By car, the park can be reached from Blue Hill Avenue, Seaver Street, or Circuit Drive. Ample free parking is available and the park is ADA compliant.

Visit boston.gov/childrens-rec-fest to learn more. Stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks by signing up for our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails and following our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

Moran

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Cass Boulevard and Massachusetts Avenue, also known as Mass and Cass.

"The current situation at Mass and Cass is dire and in need of immediate action,"

said Representative Moran. "I am urging the state and city to work together in eliminating some of the most threatening concerns on Atkinson Street."

Moran is calling for two immediate action items:

- Conduct a warrant sweep in the Mass &

Cass area, specifically targeting those individuals with a history of violence, sexual assault, drug distribution, and human trafficking;

- Eliminate and enforce the banning of the existence of tents, lean-tos, and any other unpermitted structure, temporary or permanent, in the area.

Elevator

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present day setting of Richard Rivos's world premiere play.

Declaring that it "looks like we have a full house," Popper proceeds to invite the very diverse passengers to reflect on their experiences with love and relationships while they wait for the stuck hospital service elevator to be repaired. While the elevator scenario may sound familiar, the revelations that follow at the Boston Center for the Arts' Plaza Black Box Theatre from a strong cast prove lively and affecting under the sharp direction of Tim Lawton.

During the 90-minute no-intermission play, the ten passengers engage in a combination of discussion and debate about their respective experiences and feelings about love. In a "Playwright's Dramaturgical Note" in the BCA playbill, Rivos speaks of being inspired by Plato's "Symposium," in which six Athenian men focus on physical love and its aesthetic virtues while Socrates looks to an eternal world for true love.

In "Love in an Elevator," the playwright

challenges a cross-section of human beings with very different religions, beliefs and occupations to engage in an open-minded dialogue even as they struggle to understand each other and themselves.

As the colorful Rabbi—who speaks both Hebrew and Yiddish and notes that a 'Shabbos Goy' may be needed as the Sabbath approaches—draws out the passengers' individual stories, a lesbian hospital nurse becomes a kind of would-be social worker as she alternately comforts conflicted passengers and supports more confident ones.

Along the way, the widowed Rabbi (whose wife died of Leukemia in her twenties) shares a lively intellectual exchange with a confirmed bachelor professor, and a loner anarchist moves from defensive attitude to a painful and moving confession about his suffering and that of his mother at the hands of his abusive father. A notably reassuring narrative finds a devoted African-American couple—a construction worker and his pregnant fiancée—looking to marry before the actual birth.

If the rabbi unexpectedly officiates as the nurse prepares to deliver the child, Rivos does keep the situation from becoming a sitcom sequence.

While an intermission could have preceded the strongest revelations of the anarchist and the ending seems to arrive a bit abruptly, the play proves consistently absorbing and its talented ensemble fully convincing.

David Lee Vincent captures the rabbi's remarkable blend of pride in his heritage, respect for the beliefs and views of others, singular sense of humor and sincere caring. Megan Paluzzi has all of the nurse's insight about her own relationship and embrace of the concerns of her fellow passengers. Damian Parker and Elisabeth Castellon Gonclaves have good chemistry as the marriage-approaching couple. Johnny Mooers is a standout as the lost soul anarchist moving from isolation to understanding. John Brownlie catches the angst of a gay chef dealing with an alcoholic husband. Norman B. Bendroth has persuasive authority as a philologist referring to the likes of Wittgenstein but could do with stronger projection. Vidisha Agarwalla has the right astuteness of an Indian lawyer, and Floris Liu possesses good feeling as the flute-playing musician. Carol Drewes makes the most of her initially subdued patient's eventual reflections. Kudos goes to M. Berry's nuanced lighting and Grace Kroeger's sound design for the temperamental elevator.

Characterizing the elevator odyssey, the rabbi concludes that "God has been busy this evening." Audience members—no matter what their affiliation—should find this well-crafted business both enjoyable and enlightening.

All performances are preceded by short musical stints by diverse area musicians and vocalists (listed in the playbill). This critic enjoyed the Pat Gaulin Duo—Patrick Gaulin on drums and Jordan Gravel on keyboard.

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grant writing, and preparing for life after Lasell. The presentation incorporated the NACE competencies of equity and inclusion, career and self development, professionalism, intercultural knowledge and effectiveness, moral and ethical reasoning, and civic and community engagement

He also showcased work done by Psi Chi, the International Psychology Honor Society, and graduated from Lasell University with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology.

Graduates were recognized at the University's 169th Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 13.

Clark University

Kiara Ivelisse Ramirez Lopez, of Boston, Mass., received a degree from Clark University during the University's 119th Commencement exercises on Sunday, May 21. Ramirez Lopez graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish.

The University awarded 1,300 degrees (590 bachelor's degrees, 681 master's degrees, and 29 doctoral degrees) to the Class of 2023 and conferred three honorary degrees in ceremonies that heralded the graduates for their accomplishments, their resilience, and their ambition.

Ramirez Lopez was also named to second honors on the Clark University Dean's List. This selection marks outstanding academic achievement during the Spring 2023 semester.

Students must have a GPA of 3.8 or above for first honors or a GPA between 3.50 and 3.79 for second honors.

Lehigh University

Grant Kibel of Boston 02118 was named to the Dean's List at Lehigh University in the Spring 2023 semester. Dean's List status, which is awarded to students who earned a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses, has been granted to Grant Kibel in the Spring 2023 semester.

American International College

Marissa Grandchamp, of Boston MA, has been awarded a Master of Education from American International College (AIC) in Springfield, MA. Marissa joins all of AIC's 2023 graduates in receiving well-deserved congratulations for their achievements.

Emerson College

Emerson College awarded approximately 1,058 undergraduate degrees during the 143rd Commencement at Agganis Arena in Boston, MA on Sunday, May 14, 2023. Amina El-Sheikh of Boston, MA 02118 received a BA in Business Creative Enterprises.

William James College

Zhane Goode of Boston has successfully graduated with a Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling as a member of William James College's class of 2023.

At a time when behavioral health workers are needed more than ever, students at William James College, a leading school of psychology in Newton, Mass., train to become culturally-responsive professionals in psychology,

counseling, human services, and leadership.

Frostburg State University

Asim Khan, of Boston, Mass., recently received a Master of Science degree in Applied Computer Science from Frostburg State University in Frostburg, Md., during its 162nd commencement ceremonies. FSU President Dr. Ronald Nowaczyk conferred more than 550 undergraduate and graduate degrees at this May commencement.

Hofstra University

Caitlin Shea of Boston graduated from Hofstra University in May 2023, earning a BA in Drama.

Hofstra University is an internationally ranked and recognized private university in Hempstead, N.Y. Hofstra is a dynamic community of nearly 11,000 students dedicated to civic engagement, academic excellence and becoming leaders in their communities and their careers.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) has announced that Callie Liu, a member of the class of 2026 majoring in Computer Science, was named to the university's Dean's List for academic excellence for the spring 2023 semester.

A total of 2,054 undergraduate students achieved the criteria required for WPI's spring 2023 Dean's List. The criteria for the WPI Dean's List differs from that of most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the Dean's List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects.

Curry College

Curry College welcomes Kevin Peete of Boston, MA into the Alexander Graham Bell Honor Society.

The objective of the Alexander Graham Bell (AGB) Honor Society is to promote and recognize academic excellence at Curry College. The Society is named for the famous inventor, Alexander Graham Bell, who was an early chancellor at Curry College. It was founded in 1971 to recognize and promote academic excellence through a variety of activities at Curry.

Georgia Tech

Monique Tabet of Boston, MA, earned the distinction of Faculty Honors for Fall 2022 at the Georgia Institute of Technology. This designation is awarded to undergraduate students who have earned a 4.0 academic average for the semester.

The Georgia Institute of Technology, or Georgia Tech, is one of the top public research universities in the U.S., developing leaders who advance technology and improve the human condition.

Kutztown University

Sam Shoap of Boston, MA (02118), has been awarded a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Kutztown University.

Kutztown University has conferred degrees for more than 430 students for the 2022 fall semester and 2023 winter session.

Kutztown University announces degree conferment twice a year, once in the winter and once in the summer. Commencement exercises are held in May and December;

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		Docket No. SU23P1584GD
In the matter of: Raymond Murray Of: Boston, MA		RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Raymond Murray is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114
<p>The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.</p> <p>You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 09/14/2023. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.</p>		
<p>WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 26, 2023 <i>Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate</i></p>		

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING		Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
		Docket No. SU23D1309DR
Jose M. Rodriguez Mulero vs. Cristina M. Rodriguez		
To the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for IRRETRIEVABLE BREAKDOWN This complaint is on file at the Court.		Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114
<p>An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.</p> <p>You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Jose M. Rodriguez Mulero 229 East 8th St #304 South Boston, MA 02127-0003</p> <p>your answer, if any, on or before 09/06/2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.</p>		
<p>WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 13, 2023 <i>Vincent F. Procopio Register of Probate</i></p>		

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT		Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
		Docket No. SU19P2624EA
Estate of: Blanche Estella Spann		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300
<p>A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by: Grolman H. Ira of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, the allowance of proposed distribution and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.</p> <p>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 09/05/2023.</p> <p>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, action may be taken without further notice to you.</p>		
<p>WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: August 01, 2023 <i>Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate</i></p>		

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304		Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
		Docket No. SU23P1551GD
In the matter of: Ronald Johnson Of: Boston, MA		RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Boston Medical Center of Boston MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Ronald Johnson is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114
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however, students finish the requirements for graduation throughout the entire year.

The cumulative grade point average necessary for honors distinction is: with honor (cum laude) 3.40; with high honor (magna cum laude) 3.60 and with highest honor (summa cum laude) 3.80.

Tufts University

Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the Fall 2022 semester.

Among students earning dean's list honors is/are:

Nattalie Gualdrón of Boston, MA, Class of 2024

Jimmy Leung of Boston, MA, Class of 2025

Alex Moy of Boston, MA, Class of 2026

Bendu Sesay of Boston, MA, Class of 2026

Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

Georgia Tech

Gokhan Atinc of Boston, MA, has earned a Master of Science in Computer Science from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

Atinc was among approximately 5,620 undergraduate and graduate students to be presented Georgia Tech degrees during the Institute's 263rd Commencement exercises Dec. 16 - 17, 2022, at Bobby Dodd Stadium.

The Georgia Institute of Technology, or Georgia Tech, is one of the top public research universities in the U.S., developing leaders who advance technology and improve the human condition.

NESCAC Spring All-Academic Team

Abigail Smith, of Boston (02118), was recently named to the 2023 New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) spring All-Academic Team for women's lacrosse. The recognition honors sophomores, juniors, and seniors who have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or higher.

Smith, a rising senior majoring in biochemistry/molecular biology, is a graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy.

The NESCAC, established in 1971, includes 11 highly selective liberal arts colleges and universities located in the Northeast, and sponsors 27 conference championship sports.

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