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Christmas Eve at Pine Street Inn

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Pine Street Inn, New England's leading organization dedicated to ending homelessness, prepares close to 1,000 holiday meals for its guests on Christmas Eve Day.

Cardinal Seán O'Malley, Pine Street Inn President and Executive Director Lyndia Downie, and Ripples of Hope, a local choral group, performed Christmas clas-



Cardinal O'Malley & Ripples of Hope carolers. Photo by John Rich Photography.

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The Nutcracker continues to delight



Waltz of the Flowers in "Mikko Nissinen's The Nutcracker," performed by Boston Ballet. Brooke Trisolini, Courtesy of Boston Ballet.

Mikko Nissinen's The Nutcracker, Boston Ballet at Citizen Bank Opera House, Boston, through December 31. 617-695-6950 or Bostonballet.org

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proving as magical as Drosselmeier himself. The resourceful sorcerer, of course, leads his young niece Clara through a rich variety of wonders.

The Boston Ballet's enchanting version of "The Nutcracker" at the Citizen Bank Opera House is once again.

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South End Youth Paints Iconic "K" Signs at Fenway Park



For the 2024 Season with The BASE and Boston K Men

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South End resident Jolty Diaz was part of special group of youth from The BASE who painted iconic "K" signs at Fenway Park with the Boston K Men. The newly painted "K" signs will be posted above the Green Monster by the K Men every time the Red Sox ace pitcher strikes out

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Holy Cross Cathedral amid Christmas splendour



Photo by Patrick O'Connor.

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NEWS FROM...

The Friends of Titus Sparrow Park

Renovation Update

A few neighbors voiced their concerns, and we're pleased to share that the City of Boston agreed to

postpone construction until the second week of January. With the entire park set to close during the construction period, including the beloved sledding hill, we're happy

to enjoy some quality playtime over the winter break. Here's to hoping for a snow day too! Gratitude to all

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Boston Air Pollution Control Commission will hold a **virtual** public hearing on **January 17, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.** at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86329377111>. The Commission will consider the proponent's request for a modified permit for a facility located at **38 Wareham St**, South End, MA, pursuant to the Procedures and Criteria for the Issuance of Parking Freeze Permits adopted under M.G.L. Chapter 11I, Section 31C.

This **modification** consists of **99 exempt spaces in a surface lot**. This application requests modification of an existing permit for 64 spaces to add an additional 35 exempt parking spaces. Issuance of the permit would have no effect on the Downtown Boston parking freeze bank.

NOTE: In accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this meeting will only take place **virtually** at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86329377111>. If you are unable to access the internet, you can call 1-929-205-6099, enter Meeting ID 863 2937 7111 # and use # as your participant ID.

Translation and sign language interpreters will be provided upon prior request. A copy of the application is available for public inspection at Boston City Hall, Room 709, from 9 AM to 5 PM Monday through Friday (by appointment only), or you may request a digital copy by email at APCC@boston.gov. Questions should be directed to: APCC@boston.gov or 617-635-3850.

For the Commission,
Katherine Eshel, Interim Executive Director
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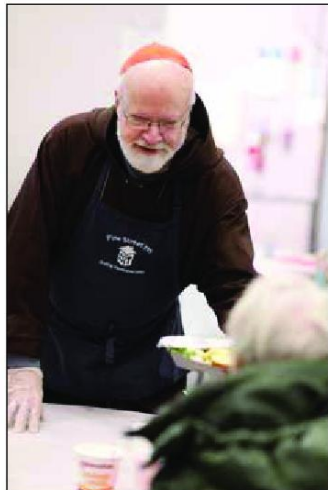
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Pine Street Inn

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sics as part of the Christmas Eve celebration.

In addition to those at Pine Street's headquarters in the South End and other shelter locations, Pine Street's 38 permanent housing locations celebrated the holiday with tenants. For some, this is the first Christmas in many years that they have spent in a home. Pine Street's outreach teams also delivered holiday meals to individuals on the streets.



Cardinal O'Malley talks to a guest. Photo by John Rich Photography.



Cardinal O'Malley with Pine Street volunteers. Photo by John Rich Photography.



Cardinal O'Malley and Josh O'Brien, Director of Shelter Operations, Pine Street Inn. Photo by John Rich Photography.



Cardinal O'Malley addresses the Pine Street Inn guests, alongside of Monsignor Frank Kelly. Photo by John Rich Photography.

The BASE

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a batter next season. The "K" painting event was part of a holiday fundraiser the K Men are holding to support The BASE, selling limited edition t-shirts and hats with 100 percent of proceeds benefitting the Roxbury non-profit at www.bostonkmen.org.

The BASE is a Roxbury-based nonprofit that leverages the power and passion of sports to transform lives of urban youths, providing pathways to higher education and careers for student-athletes. It operates a premier urban youth academy that offers exceptional athletic training and competition combined with academic and career support.

Titus Sparrow Park

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who took the time to submit questions and comments to the City of Boston.

Annual Appeal

This December, The Friends of Titus Sparrow Park has embarked on our most significant fundraising effort of the year – our Annual Appeal. Although the park will be closed for renovation for 10+ months starting in January, we have already started planning and fundraising for an unforgettable Grand Re-opening Party and robust year-round programming that will commence immediately upon the park's reopening.

To make this vision a reality, we've set a fundraising goal of \$35,000 to help fund the Summer Concerts, Halloween Party, Winter events, Easter Egg Hunt and other programming to usher in a new era at our freshly revitalized park.

We know you're getting inundated with requests from nonprofits this time of year, but we hope you'll consider including your local park in your end-of-year giving. Every donation gets us closer to our goal!

After our Annual Appeal ends, we won't be asking for money from you again for a long time, so please make a tax deductible donation today. The Friends of Titus Sparrow Park is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

More information at www.titussparrowpark.org.



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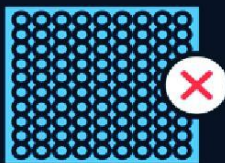
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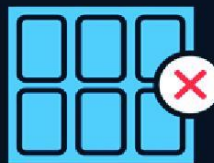
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Theater

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This critic, who has seen the annual winter tradition all the way back to the 1980's, continues to experience those wonders. Much of the credit for that experience goes to artistic director Mikko Nissinen. Nissinen's striking original choreography for the Tchaikovsky classic remains as inspired and magical as ever.

As fans of this rightly popular "Nutcracker" version well know, during the busy act one Party Scene—hosted by Clara's parents Herr and Frau Silberhaus, Drosselmeier entertains the party children. There are two wind-up dolls—Harlequin and Ballerina. Gearoid Solan (casts alternate) displayed good height as Harlequin, while Nina Matiashvili danced with fine form as Ballerina. Drosselmeier also enchants the children with a toy theater that cleverly prefigures the second act Kingdom of the Sweets and with Bear—portrayed with amusing jauntiness by Sangmin Lee. Emcee-like Drosselmeier honors Clara with the focal Nutcracker.

A kind of mentor, Drosselmeyer watches over Clara during the lively Battle Scene that provides an amusing fight between mice and the Nutcracker Prince and his troop of tin soldiers. The breath-taking following Snow Scene—with designer Mikki Kuntu's radiant lighting—closes with the Prince and Clara riding on a cloud to the second act Kingdom of the Sweets.

Sophie Hatton was an appealing and properly wistful Clara. Luke Hansen had the right contrasting discontent as her sometimes mischievous brother Fritz, who breaks the Nutcracker gift—later repaired by the

sorcerer. Patrick Yocum moved with stylish attentiveness as Drosselmeier. Ji Young Chae as Snow Queen and Yue Shi as Snow King danced with impressive form and flair in costume designer Robert Perdziola's exquisite Lasha Khozashvili danced with expressive nobility as the Prince.

Khozashvili also strongly partnered Viktorina Kapitonova, very regal as Sugar Plum Fairy. He displayed impressively wide turns during a solo sequence, while Kapitonova danced the Sugar Plum's own solo with beautiful pirouettes. Their grand pas de deux—with choreography based upon Lev Ivanov (who worked alongside Marius Petipa—combined stunning technique and remarkable grace.

Lia Cirio danced Dew Drop with precision and poetry in Waltz of the Flowers—with Nina Matiashvili and Abigail Merlis moving with fine symmetry as Lead Flowers.

Another standout in the Kingdom of the Sweets was the sensual and choreographically demanding Arabian Coffee. Here muscular Tigran Mkrtychyan lifted Chenxin Liu arrestingly in an electrifying duo. Equally impressive was Lawrence Rines Munro, whose high mid-air splits during Russian Troika called to mind the earlier superb efforts of Isaac Akiba in this trio. Elsewhere Sun Woo Lee displayed notable height and technique as the male character featured during the light-hearted French Marzipan—in which Boston Ballet School students portrayed the sequence's sheep. BB students also romped along with Yocum, Hatton and Alexander Nicolosi as the humorously attired Mother Ginger.

Nissinen's majestic edition of "The Nutcracker" remains as regal as the tiara bestowed on Clara by the Sugar Plum Fairy.



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