

BOSTON PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

# ***SUMMER IN THE PARKS***

Programs & Events



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Dear Friends,

Welcome to another exciting summer of fun in Boston's parks. From 15 neighborhood concerts, to children's craft workshops in 13 neighborhoods, the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and our partners offer a full range of events and activities for residents of all ages. These programs are an important part of what makes our city great. In addition to a wide variety of safe and healthy recreational activities for our youth, our parks offer great opportunities for people to enjoy music, movies, painting, puppetry, photography, dance, and more. Please keep this guide as a resource and come visit one of our local "branches" this summer.



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Martin J. Walsh  
*Mayor of Boston*

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# ParkARTS Performing Arts

## *ParkARTS Citywide Neighborhood Concerts*

Neighborhood Concerts are made possible by Berklee College of Music, Friends of Ramler Park, and the Fenway Civic Association.

July 12, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.  
**Adams Park, Fenway**  
*Zili Misik*

July 13, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
**Ramler Park, Fenway**  
*Swingin' in the Fens featuring Lisa Thorson*  
(Rain date July 18)

July 19, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.  
**Brighton Common, Brighton**  
*A Berklee College Jazz Performance*

July 20, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
**Garvey Park, Dorchester**  
*Joshua Tree*

July 27, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
**George Wright Golf Course, Hyde Park**  
*Chris Mathison and Nick Leydon*

August 7, Sunday, 5:00 p.m.  
**Highland Park, Roxbury**  
*Jazz at the Fort featuring Imagine Orchestra*

August 23, Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
**Christopher Columbus Park, North End**  
*The U.S. Air Force Heritage of American Band Jazz Ensemble*



## *Tito Puente Latin Music Series*

Created in honor of Tito Puente, Latin music icon, this series is celebrating 10 years of bringing live Latin music with a strong salsa influence to Boston parks.

This series is sponsored in part by Berklee College of Music, IBA, Villa Victoria Center for the Arts, Zumix, Hyde Square Task Force, and Sociadad Latina. Free salsa lessons by MetaMovements

July 7, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
**O'Day Playground, South End**  
*Latin Logic Band*

July 14, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
**O'Day Playground, South End**  
*Mango Blue*

July 21, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
**Mozart Park, Jamaica Plain**  
*Con Junto Chevere*

July 28, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
**Mission Hill Playground, Mission Hill**  
*Clave & Blues*

August 4, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
**O'Day Playground, South End**  
*Orquesta Homenaje*

August 11, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
**Lopresti Park, East Boston**  
*The Remedy*

## Dorothy Curran Wednesday Night Concert Series

City Hall Plaza, Boston



Now celebrating 44 years as Boston's longest-running outdoor concert series, these performances feature exciting, non-stop entertainment for music lovers of all ages. This series is presented by Mayor Martin J. Walsh in partnership with the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and the Mayor's Office of Tourism, Sports & Entertainment. The title sponsor for this series is Bank of America.

July 13, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
*Beatlejuice: a Tribute to the Beatles*

August 3, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
*Disco Party featuring Tavares*

August 10, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
*Disco Night featuring Stardust*

August 24, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
*Harold Melvins' Blue Notes*



## Mayor Walsh's Movie Nights

Come join us for movies under the stars in Boston parks. This series is presented by the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and Northeastern University in partnership with the Mayor's Office of Tourism, Sports and Entertainment.

August 8, Monday, dusk  
**Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan**  
*The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water*

August 11, Thursday, dusk  
**L Street Beach, South Boston**  
*Minions*

August 15, Monday, dusk  
**Ringer Playground, Allston**  
*Shaun The Sheep*

August 17, Wednesday, dusk  
**Eden Street, Charlestown**  
*The Good Dinosaur*

August 18, Thursday, dusk  
**Fallon Field, Roslindale**  
*Big Hero 6*

August 22, Monday, dusk  
**East Boston Stadium, East Boston**  
*Up*

August 25, Thursday, dusk  
**Ramsay Park, Roxbury**  
*Zootopia*

August 29, Monday, dusk  
**Harambee Park, Dorchester**  
*Monsters University*

September 1, Thursday, dusk  
**Draper Playground, West Roxbury**  
*The Lego Movie*

### *Movies on the Common*

September 9, Friday, dusk  
**Frog Pond, Boston Common**  
*Minions*

September 16, Friday, dusk  
**Frog Pond, Boston Common**  
*Ferris Bueller's Day Off*

September 23, Friday, dusk  
**Frog Pond, Boston Common**  
*Star Wars: The Force Awakens*

### *2016 Summer Sundays in the Park*

July 10, Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

**Pinebank, Jamaica Pond**

*Boston Landmarks Orchestra - Ensemble*

This evening of music and fun for all ages, provides a family-friendly concert featuring B.L.O. musicians. This concert is sponsored by the Emerald Necklace Conservancy and the Boston Parks & Recreation Department, and is co-presented by Friends of Jamaica Pond.

July 24, Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

**Pinebank, Jamaica Pond**

*Metropolitan Wind Symphony*

Under the direction of Lewis J. Buckley, this 66 piece orchestra will present a traditional band concert featuring both classical and popular music. This concert is sponsored by the Emerald Necklace Conservancy and the Boston Parks & Recreation Department, and is co-presented by Friends of Jamaica Pond.

### *ParkARTS Rosalita's Marionette Puppets*

July - August, 11:00 a.m.

Experience the unique charm of Rosalita's Marionette Puppets, whimsical puppet shows that will delight the child in everyone. Performances are scheduled during select ParkARTS Artists in Residence Craft Workshops. Presented by the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and is sponsored by Holly & David Bruce.

Wednesday, July 6

**Gertrude Howes Playground,  
Roxbury**

Thursday, July 14

**Healy Playground, Roslindale**

Wednesday, July 20

**Sweeney Playground, South  
Boston**

Wednesday, August 3

**Iacono Playground, Hyde Park**

Thursday, August 4

**Ramsay Park, Roxbury**

Thursday, August 11



# ParkARTS Participatory Arts

## Watercolor Painting Workshops

June & September 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.



The Watercolor Painting Workshops enable artists of all skill levels to create their own green-space inspired masterpieces. Tips and techniques are provided by an instructor. Presented by the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and is sponsored by Holly & David Bruce.

## June

Sunday, June 5

Nira Rock Urban Wild, Jamaica Plain

Saturday, June 11

Medal of Honor Park, South Boston

Sunday, June 12

Jamaica Pond, Jamaica Plain

Saturday, June 18

American Legion Playground, East Boston

Sunday, June 19

James P. Kelleher Rose Garden, Fenway

Saturday, June 25

Mayor Thomas M. Menino Park, Charlestown

Sunday, June 26

Adams Park, Roslindale



## September

Saturday, September 10

Christopher Columbus Park, North End

Sunday, September 11

Public Garden, Boston

Saturday, September 17

Blackstone Square, South End

Sunday, September 18

Schoolmaster Hill, Dorchester

Saturday, September 24

Muddy River, Fenway

Sunday, September 25

Highland Park, Roxbury

### *Artists in Residence Workshops*

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

This series of arts and crafts workshops is perfect for artists ages 3-10. Local artists will lead take-home craft projects, all materials are provided. For groups of 8 or more, registration is required. To register please email [parks@cityofboston.gov](mailto:parks@cityofboston.gov). Presented by the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and is sponsored by Holly & David Bruce.

Tuesdays, July 5, 12 & 19  
Rogers Park Allston/Brighton  
Town Field, Dorchester

Wednesdays, July 6, 13 & 20  
Sweeney Playground, South Boston  
Gertrude Howes Playground,  
Roxbury

Thursdays, July 7, 14 & 21  
Doherty Playground, Charlestown  
Healy Playground, Roslindale

Fridays, July 8, 15 & 22  
East Boston Memorial Park, East  
Boston  
Mozart Street Playground, Jamaica  
Plain

Tuesdays, July 26, August 2 & 9  
Ringgold Park, South End  
Martin Playground, Dorchester

Wednesdays, July 27, August 3 & 10  
Iacono Playground, Hyde Park  
McKinney Playground  
Allston/Brighton

Thursdays, July 28, August 4 & 11  
Ramsay Park, Roxbury  
Christopher Columbus Park, North  
End

Fridays, July 29, August 5 & 12  
Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan  
Hynes Playground, West Roxbury



### *Splash Dance Party*

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bring the children to the park to cool off in the spray features and try some tasty treats. Listen to music while playing games and dancing in the parks. Presented by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department.

Friday, July 8  
Mozart Street Playground, Jamaica  
Plain

Friday, July 15  
East Boston Memorial Park, East  
Boston

Thursday, July 21  
Doherty Playground, Charlestown

Friday, July 29  
Hynes Playground, West Roxbury

Friday, August 5  
Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan



## *Children's Festivals*

### *Frog Pond Spray Pool Opening*

Friday, June 24, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Frog Pond, Boston Common**

Celebrate a wet and wild festive tradition and kickoff an exciting summer in Boston. Countdown with Mayor Walsh as the giant spray flume goes off and children hop into the Frog Pond. Families will enjoy giveaways, games, food, refreshments, science experiments, face painting, magicians, and more. Presented by the Skating Club of Boston, in partnership with the Boston Parks & Recreation Department, and sponsored by Holly & David Bruce and HP Hood LLC.



### *Children's Summer Festival*

Tuesday, August 23, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Franklin Park, Dorchester**

This Children's Festival is packed full of performing arts, science-related activities like cool experiments using household ingredients, take-home art projects, face painting, a visit from the Franklin Park Zoo, and much more. ParkSCIENCE provides interactive experiments and demonstrations that are fun and educational. Presented by the Boston Parks & Recreation Department, sponsored by Holly & David Bruce, and HP Hood LLC.



## *The Boston Parks Summer Fitness Series*

Free fitness classes in your neighborhood parks presented by Blue Cross Blue Shield, in partnership with the Boston Parks & Recreation Department and the Boston Public Health Commission. Classes start in June and run through August. For full details and schedules, please visit [www.bphc.org](http://www.bphc.org) or [www.Boston.gov/parks](http://www.Boston.gov/parks) or call 617-534-2355

### **Classes include:**

*Gentle Yoga*  
*High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT)*  
*Kids Boot camp*  
*Line Dancing*  
*Salsa*  
*Senior Yoga*  
*Tai Chi*  
*Yoga*



## *Troops for Fitness*

The Coca-Cola Troops for Fitness program offers free fitness activities instructed by military veterans at Boston parks and community centers citywide. Exercise programs include boot camps, cardio and strength training classes, running groups, family yoga, and Zumba, and more. Presented by the Boston Parks & Recreation Department, sponsored by The Coca Cola Foundation and the National Recreation and Park Association. For a full schedule and information, please visit [www.boston.gov/parks](http://www.boston.gov/parks) or call (617) 635-4505.



# Recreational Programs

## *Sports Centers*

### *East Boston Summer Recreation & Sports Center*

July 6 - August 12

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**East Boston Stadium, East Boston**

Ages: 7-14

This is a full day drop-in program for youth ages 7-14 who are residents of the City of Boston. Children participate in an array of supervised activities including sports, games and arts & crafts. Pre-registration is recommended and space is limited. For more information, contact Cheryl Brown at (617) 961-3085 or [cheryl.brown@boston.gov](mailto:cheryl.brown@boston.gov).

### *Moakley Park Sports Center*

July 6 - August 14

Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Moakley Park, South Boston**

Ages: 7-14

This is a full day drop-in program for youth ages 7-14 who are residents of the City of Boston. Children will participate in many traditional and non-traditional recreation activities. Parents may register their children for one day, a week, or the entire summer. For more information, contact Barbara Hamilton at (617) 961-3093 or [barbara.hamilton@boston.gov](mailto:barbara.hamilton@boston.gov).

### *White Stadium Sports Center*

July 6 - August 12

Tuesday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**White Stadium, Franklin Park**

Ages: 7-14

This is a full day drop-in program for youth ages 7-14 who are residents of the City of Boston. This teaching center offers boys and girls the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of a variety of sports in a six-week program. Pre-registration is required. For more information, contact Larelle Bryson at [larelle.bryson@boston.gov](mailto:larelle.bryson@boston.gov) or (617) 961-3092.

### *White Stadium Enrichment Program*

July 11 - August 8

Mondays, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**White Stadium, Jamaica Plain**

Ages: 7-14

This offers boys and girls the opportunity to participate in a five-week reading, writing, and math enrichment program. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. For more information, contact Larelle Bryson at (617) 961-3092 or [larelle.bryson@boston.gov](mailto:larelle.bryson@boston.gov).

### *Boston All-Star Baseball Classic*

Sunday, June 5, 5:00 p.m.

**Fenway Park**

Boston's most talented baseball players, representing 15 Boston Public High Schools compete in an "All-Star" game at Fenway Park. This program is sponsored by the Boston Red Sox. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov) or (617) 961-3082.



### *Boston Citywide Baseball League*

July 5 - August 19

**Moakley Park, South Boston**

Ages: 10-12

Youth baseball programs from various neighborhoods compete in a summer-long citywide baseball league. Games are played weeknights, 5:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., at Moakley Park in South Boston. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at (617) 961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov).

### *Fenway Challenge*

Dates and Times: T.B.D.

**Locations:** T.B.A.

Ages: 7-12

The Fenway Challenge, sponsored by the Boston Red Sox, is an opportunity for youth to compete with each other to display their baseball skills, such as base running, pitching and batting. Participants will be divided into four age groups. The top performers in each age group will win a pair of Red Sox tickets to a future Red Sox game. Each winner will be honored on the field before the start of the game they attend. Equipment is provided, camps and groups are welcome. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at (617) 961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov).

### *Mayor's Cup Baseball Tournament*

July 9 - July 24

Saturdays and Sundays

**Moakley Park, South Boston and Parkway Little League, West Roxbury**

Ages: 9-12

Sponsored by the Boston Red Sox and P&G Gillette, youth baseball programs from across the city compete in this exciting baseball tournament. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at 617-961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov).

### *Red Sox Experience*

Tuesday, July 5, 11:00 a.m.  
Fenway Park, Fenway  
Ages: 7-12

A once in a lifetime opportunity for youth baseball players in the City of Boston, The Red Sox Experience will teach participants various baseball skills, while giving them a chance to practice inside Major League Baseball's most beloved ballpark, Fenway Park. Kids will run the bases, pitch in the bullpen, hit in a batting cage, tour Fenway Park, and meet some of their favorite Red Sox players and coaches. Space is limited. registration is required. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at 617-961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov).



### *Boston Neighborhood Basketball League*

July 5 - August 26  
Monday - Friday, 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Locations: Citywide  
Ages: 6-18

Established in 1969, the Boston Neighborhood Basketball League (B.N.B.L.) is the oldest neighborhood basketball league in the United States. Teams across the city compete twice weekly to vie for the league championship in three divisions for boys and girls: 18 and under, 15 and under, and 13 and under. Registration and proof of Boston residency is required. Individual registration is available, placement is not guaranteed, but every effort will be made to place youth on a team. Coaches are required to register their teams by Monday, May 16. For more information, contact Mike Mitchell at [mike.mitchell@boston.gov](mailto:mike.mitchell@boston.gov) or (617) 961-3083, or Woodley August at (617) 961-3084 or [woodley.auguste@boston.gov](mailto:woodley.auguste@boston.gov). Presented by Reebok.



### *BNBL Pee Wee Developmental Program*

July 5 - August 12  
Monday - Friday, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Locations: Franklin Park, Mattapan, Grove Hall, Dorchester, Charlestown, and Roxbury  
Ages: 6-10

This developmental program focuses on the fundamentals of basketball and team play in a non-competitive setting. Coaches are required to register their teams by Monday, May 16. For more information, contact Mike Mitchell at (617) 961-3083 or [mike.mitchell@boston.gov](mailto:mike.mitchell@boston.gov), or Woodley August at [woodley.auguste@boston.gov](mailto:woodley.auguste@boston.gov). or (617) 961-3084.

### *Football For YOU*

Saturday, June 18

**Madison Park High School, Roxbury**

Ages: 9-14

'Football For YOU' was created by N.F.L. Patriots Alumni, in partnership with the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation and the N.F.L. Foundation, to bring the fundamentals of football to children in and around New England. This unique one-day, non-contact free clinic stresses leadership, teamwork, and a commitment to young athletes. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at (617) 961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov).

### *Mayor's Cup Pop Warner Jamboree*

Sunday, August 21

**Location: T.B.D.**

Ages: 6-15

Teams from across Boston will have the opportunity to warm up for the football season during this pre-season competition sponsored by Comcast, P&G Gillette, and the New England Patriots. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at (617) 961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov).

### *Junior Golf Daily Lessons*

July 5 - August 19

Monday - Thursday (Lesson times vary)

**The William Devine Golf Course, Dorchester**

**The George Wright Golf Course, Hyde Park**

Ages: 7-14

This first-rate program provides basic instruction in the fundamentals of golf and is taught by professionals at the City of Boston's two municipal courses. Equipment is provided and pre-registration is required. For more information, contact Billy Sittig at [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov) or (617) 961-3082

### *Mayor's Cup Four and Nine Hole Tournament*

Tuesday, August 16

**William Devine Golf Course, Franklin Park**

Ages: 7-15

Young golfers compete for the title of "Boston's Best" in this four-hole and nine-hole scramble round of golf. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. Sponsored by P&G Gillette. For more information, contact Billy Sittig, at (617) 961-3082 or [billy.sittig@boston.gov](mailto:billy.sittig@boston.gov)



## *Lacrosse Camps*

July - August

Dates and Times: TBA.

Locations: T.B.D.

Ages: 7-14

Learn to play lacrosse! Camps offer basic instruction for players of all levels, new to advanced. Players are encouraged to bring their own equipment, but equipment will be provided for use at the camp. For more information, contact Woodley Auguste at (617) 961-3084 or woodley.auguste@boston.gov

## *Mayor's Cup Rowing Regatta*

Sunday, June 5

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Harry Parker Boathouse on the Charles River, Brighton

Ages: 12 - 18

Boston Centers for Youth & Families, Row Boston, and Community Rowing, Inc. (CRI) have joined efforts to present this regatta to showcase the best of Boston's girls and boys rowing. Rowers ages 12-18 compete in teams with youth from their neighborhood in three different boat classes. The competition is held on the Charles River from the docks of the CRI Boathouse where viewing will be easy for spectators. Pre-registration is required. Sponsored by P&G Gillette. For more information call (617) 779-8277 or email info@growboston.org, or contact Barbara Hamilton at (617) 961-3093 barbara.hamilton@boston.gov.



## *Boston Neighborhood Soccer League (B.N.S.L.)*

July 5 - August 12

Park and location T.B.D.

The B.N.S.L. is a six week, developmental, 6 vs 6 league that offers young soccer players the opportunity to compete against each other. The program encompasses a boys and girls league, which are both divided into two divisions: U10 and U12. Team registration only, pre-registration is required. The program will run Monday through Thursday, but rescheduled games will be played on Fridays. Sponsored by the U.S. Soccer Foundation. For more information, contact Woodley Auguste at (617) 961-3084 or woodley.auguste@boston.gov.



### *Boston All-Star Softball Classic*

Date and Time: T.B.A.

Sweeney Field, Wentworth Institute of Technology

Boston's most talented softball players, representing 15 Boston Public Schools, compete in an "All Star" game at Sweeney Field. For more information, contact Larelle Bryson at (617) 961-3092 or [Larelle.Bryson@boston.gov](mailto:Larelle.Bryson@boston.gov).

### *Mayor's Cup Softball Tournament*

July 8 - July 10

Ross Playground, Hyde Park

Ages: 9-18

Sponsored by the Boston Red Sox and P&G Gillette, this program offers Boston's girls' softball teams the opportunity to participate in a citywide tournament to determine Boston's best. Registration of teams is required. For more information, contact Larelle Bryson at (617) 961-3092 or [Larelle.Bryson@boston.gov](mailto:Larelle.Bryson@boston.gov).

### *Summer Tennis and Reading Program*

July 5 - August 12

Monday - Friday

Ages: 6-10: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Ages: 11-16: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Various Neighborhood Parks

In partnership with Boston Parks & Recreation, Tenacity delivers a tennis and reading program in the summer for children ages 6-16. Participants will be given fun tennis instruction, have the opportunity for team play, and may enter the Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament in August. All students will also participate in a half-hour reading activity daily. Equipment is provided. This program is for Boston residents only. Children with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Please contact Tenacity with any questions about the ability to serve children with special needs. Register for the program at [www.tenacity.org](http://www.tenacity.org) or by calling Tenacity at (617) 562-0900 x27. For more additional information, contact Barbara Hamilton at [barbara.hamilton@boston.gov](mailto:barbara.hamilton@boston.gov). or (617) 961-3093.

### *Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament*

August 1 - August 5

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sportsmen's Tennis Club, Dorchester

Ages: 6-18

Youth from across the city will have the opportunity to participate in this tennis tournament as an individual and as a team. Presented by Boston Parks & Recreation in partnership with the Sportsmen's Tennis Club and Tenacity, and is sponsored by P&G Gillette. Registration is required. For more information, contact Barbara Hamilton at [barbara.hamilton@boston.gov](mailto:barbara.hamilton@boston.gov). or (617) 961-3093.

MAYOR MARTIN J. WALSH PRESENTS

Summer in

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## **DONNA SUMMER DISCO PARTY**

June 17th, 6 pm  
City Hall Plaza

## **FRIDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES**

July & August, Select Fridays, 12pm  
Sam Adams Park (Faneuil Hall)

## **DOROTHY CURRAN**

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES**

July & August, Select Wednesdays, 7 pm  
City Hall Plaza

## **CALIENTE!**

July 23rd, 5 pm  
City Hall Plaza

## **GOSPELFEST**

August 7th, 5 pm  
City Hall Plaza

## **HUB ON WHEELS**

September 18th, 8 am  
City Hall Plaza

## **COUNTYFEST**

September 15th, 7 pm  
City Hall Plaza

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[Boston.gov/visitors](http://Boston.gov/visitors)



## Park Partners

### *Emerald Necklace Conservancy: Summer on the Emerald Necklace*

#### *Concert featuring Boston Landmarks Orchestra Ensemble*

Sunday, July 10  
5:00 p.m. Knucklebones Playspace  
6:00 p.m. Concert  
Pinebank, Jamaica Pond

A summer staple and fan favorite, the B.L.O. concert is always a crowd pleaser.

#### *Concert featuring Tóth Brothers Jazz Trio*

Sunday, July 17  
5:00 p.m. Knucklebones Playspace  
6:00 p.m. Concert  
Pinebank, Jamaica Pond

This concert offers a fresh approach to jazz, influenced by the Tóth brothers' Hungarian and Trinidadian heritage.

#### *Metropolitan Wind Symphony*

5:00 p.m. Knucklebones Playspace  
6:00 p.m. Concert  
Pinebank, Jamaica Pond

Enjoy the big, bold sounds of this 80+ piece ensemble at this concert.

#### *Concert featuring Sterling Rhyne*

Sunday, July 31  
5:00 p.m. Knucklebones Playspace  
6:00 p.m. Concert  
Pinebank, Jamaica Pond

Brooklyn-based singer and songwriter Sterling Rhyne offers a unique blend of jazzy soul, R&B, and easy listening.

#### *Movie Night!*

Thursday, August 18  
6:30 p.m. Knucklebones Playspace  
7:30 p.m. Movie  
Sugar Bowl, Jamaica Pond

#### *Movie Night!*

Thursday, August 25  
6:30 p.m. Knucklebones Playspace  
7:30 p.m. Movie  
Sugar Bowl, Jamaica Pond

*For more information, please call (617) 522-2700 or visit [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org).*

# Park Partners

## *Franklin Park Coalition*

### *Elma Lewis Playhouse in the Park*

The Playstead, Franklin Park, Dorchester

Tuesdays, July 12 - August 16

*Children's Show*

Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m.

*Family Entertainment and Performances*

Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.

### *African Dance*

Saturdays, June 4 - June 25

5:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

The Playstead, Franklin Park, Dorchester

Master dancer and drummer Joh Camara will teach an amazing African dance class. Learn the dances of Mali, Guinea and Ivory Coast and dance to live drumming at one of the most energetic classes offered in New England. Students will benefit from Joh's masterful teaching for all levels of dancers. Come experience drummers playing the djembe and djun-djun drums while people dance and sing to the rhythms. This class introduces students to the spiritual, social, psychological, and physical healing of traditional West African dance. Students will develop body strength and flexibility by learning intricate feet patterns, hand movements, and body techniques. Each class will include a warm-up, break-down of the movements, and high energy dancing, and will close with a community dance circle.

### *Line Dancing*

Mz. Rhythm returns to Franklin Park one evening a week from June – September to teach the latest line dances for new and experienced dancers. Parking will be available at the William J. Devine Golf Clubhouse. Walk up the hill across from the building to the large circle overlooking Blue Hill Avenue. Signs will direct you.

### *Park Salsa*

New this summer, salsa classes will be taught one evening a week (day T.B.A.) by White Stadium (at the top of School Street on Walnut Avenue). New and experienced dancers are welcome. There will be lessons, dancing, and demonstrations.

### *Yoga*

Date and Time: T.B.A

School Master Hill, Franklin Park, Dorchester

Linda Wells and The Wellness Warrior will facilitate a yoga series for all levels. Coordinated in partnership with the Boston Public Health Commission.

*For dates and times, or more information about Franklin Park Coalition events, please visit [www.franklinparkcoalition.org](http://www.franklinparkcoalition.org) or call (617) 442-4141.*

## Park Partners

### *Spectacle Island Cultural & Family Events*

Saturday, June 18 - Monday, September 5

#### *Mondays*

Sea Kayaking (times vary) - Join our staff for a short paddle off of Spectacle Island. Ages 12+, under 18 must be accompanied by adult. First-come, first-served.

#### *Tuesdays*

Toddler Tuesdays (10:00 a.m.) - Bring out the little ones for a short nature program on Spectacle Island. Designed for children ages 2 - 4.

Kids' Crafts (10:30 a.m.) - Island-themed arts & crafts for kids 12 and under.

#### *Wednesdays*

Beach and Below (10:30 a.m.) - Join the New England Aquarium to discover what lies beneath the waves at Spectacle Island.

#### *Thursdays*

Sunset Clambake (6:00 p.m.) - Enjoy a classic New England Clambake by Rita's Catering. Advance purchase required.

#### *Saturdays*

Island Yoga (10:30 a.m.) - Enjoy an all-levels yoga class overlooking Boston Harbor. Advance registration recommended.

Island Detectives (10:30 a.m.) - A fun and interactive tour just for kids!

Go Fly A Kite (12:00 p.m.) - Make a kite and fly it from the harbor's highest point!

Field Day Games (1:30 p.m.) - Play backyard favorites like corn hole and sack races.

#### *Sundays*

Island Detectives (10:30 a.m.) - A fun and interactive tour just for kids!

Jazz on the Porch (1:00 p.m.) - Relax to the sounds of jazz standards and original music performed by Boston-area ensembles.

#### *Special Event*

Spectacle Island 5K & Fun Run on Spectacle Island

Sunday, June 12, 9:30 a.m.

Spectacle Island's Premiere road race benefitting the park.

#### *Seen/Unseen on Spectacle Island*

Saturday, June 18, 10:00 a.m.

Experience live performance art pieces that entertain and inspire.

#### *Free Ferry Day*

Thursday, August 25, (All day)

Join us as we celebrate the National Park Service Centennial with a free trip to George's Island or Spectacle Island! First-come, first-served. Limited to parties of 4 or fewer.

For more information, please visit [www.bostonharborislands.org](http://www.bostonharborislands.org).

## Park Partners

### *Friends of Christopher Columbus Park*

The Friends of Christopher Columbus Park has fantastic events scheduled for 2016. Please mark your calendars and plan to join your friends and neighbors in the Park for fun! For more information about these and other events, contact (781) 639-6002, [info@foccp.org](mailto:info@foccp.org), or visit [www.foccp.org](http://www.foccp.org).

Christopher Columbus Park, North End

#### *Independence Day Celebration*

Saturday, June 25

12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Free

#### *Sunday Night Movies*

July 10 - August 14,

Movies begin at dusk.

Free

#### *Sunset Cruise on the Boston Harbor*

Tuesday, August 16,

6:30 p.m.

### *Titus Sparrow Park Cultural Events*

#### *Summer Concerts Series*

The FTSP Summer Concert Series are free public, outdoor shows for all ages that are held every Wednesday evening from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., June 1st through August 31st. We start shows slightly earlier (6:00 p.m. or 6:15 p.m., accordingly) toward the end of the summer when there is less daylight. The goal has been to provide a wide range of musical styles, some from different parts of the world. The number of performers ranges from soloists to large bands. All band information can be found on our web site: [www.titussparrowpark.org](http://www.titussparrowpark.org).

#### *Children's Concerts Series*

The Children's concerts are held on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the park. They run from June 21st through August 16th, rain or shine. No concert the week of July 4th. Snacks and water are provided. Performances are for children ages 2-6. Additional information can be found on our website: [www.titussparrowpark.org](http://www.titussparrowpark.org).

#### *Tennis*

6 weeks of free tennis lessons for young children. Dates are to be determined, please visit our website for updates: [www.titussparrowpark.org](http://www.titussparrowpark.org).

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Community Garden

Vegetable or Herb Garden

Senior Garden Category (65+)

Storefront, Organization, or Main Street District Garden



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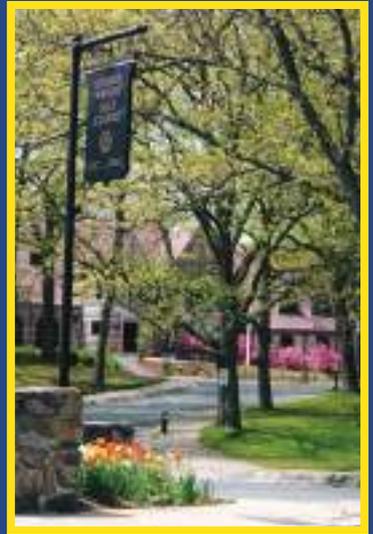
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