

Activities Calendar
Monday, June 9th – Sunday, June 15th

Featured Event

Jimmy Fund Scooper Bowl

The Jimmy Fund Scooper Bowl is the nation's largest all-you-can-eat ice cream festival. The event serves up ice cream from 11 of the nation's leading ice cream companies while raising money for the Jimmy Fund, which supports cancer research and treatment at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

This year marks the 26th annual Jimmy Fund Scooper Bowl. Plan now to attend on June 10, 11, or 12, or purchase a Scooper Pass and enter the event up to three times.

Date/time: Tuesday, June 10th and Thursday, June 12th from 11:30am to 7:00pm and Wednesday, June 11th from 11:30am to 8:00pm

Location: City Hall Plaza, Boston

Website: <http://www.jimmyfund.org/eve/event/scooper-bowl/default.html>

Phone: 617-632-5008

Cost: Adult (ages 10 and up) \$7, children (under 10) \$3, Scooper Pass (allows you to enter 3 times!) \$15

This Weekend

Saturday

Fabric Painting

Bring a t-shirt to decorate.

Date/time: Saturday, June 7th at 1:30pm

Location: Honan-Allston Branch Library; 300 North Harvard St.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-787-6313

Cost: free

Hyde Park: The Founding of a Town

Local newspaper columnist Gloria Ganno talks about Hyde Park's founding 140 years ago.

Date/time: Saturday, June 7th at 2pm

Location: Hyde Park Branch Library; 35 Harvard Ave.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-361-2524

Cost: Free

Sunday

The family-friendly Bikes Not Bombs' Bike-A-Thon & Green Roots Festival

Join them in the park! Everyone is welcome to attend, share and learn about sustainable urban living and environmental issues. The festival is free and open to the public. Come out to enjoy live music, food, speakers, workshops on environmental issues, information booths by environmental groups, and children's activities.

Date/time: Sunday, June 8th; 12:00pm – 5:30pm - (Raindate June 22nd)

Location: Boylston & Lamartine Streets, Jamaica Plain (In the park in front of the Stoney Brook T station)

Website: <http://www.bikesnotbombs.org/bat08>

Phone: 617-522-0222

Cost: free

Weekly Activities

Monday

Creative Drama

Library Creative Drama Inc. offers creative drama as a tool for learning for children ages 7-12. Call the children's librarian to register.

Date/time: Monday, June 9th at 3 p.m.

Location: Honan-Allston Branch Library; 300 North Harvard St.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-787-6313

Cost: Free

Wednesday

Read Aloud Book Club

Children ages 7 to 11 will read aloud and work on activities. Please pre-register.

Date/time: Wednesday, June 11th at 4:30pm

Location: Honan-Allston Branch Library; 300 North Harvard St.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-787-6313

Cost: Free

Thursday

The Kevin Harris Project: Jazz Performance

Deeply committed to the teaching of America's improvised classical music, jazz, the Kevin Harris Project has developed a captivating program that has inspired audiences of all ages.

Date/time: Thursday, June 12th at 6pm

Location: Lower Mills Branch Library; 27 Richmond St., Dorchester

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-298-7841

Friday

Summer Reading Kick-Off

Enjoy food, games and activities and sign up to win prizes for reading this summer.

Date/time: Friday, June 13th at 2:30 p.m.

Location: Honan-Allston Branch Library; 300 North Harvard St.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-787-6313

Cost: Free

Saturday

Harlem Book Fair

Buy books and meet the authors up and down Warren Street. There will be activities for children.

Date/time: Saturday, June 14th at 11am

Location: Dudley Branch Library; 65 Warren St., Roxbury

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-442-6186

Cost: free

Ongoing Activities

Peace Drums

Peace Drums will be available ongoing from June 5th to July 2nd during library hours.

Location: JP Branch Library; 12 Sedgwick St.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-524-2053

Cost: free

Rockwell & the Shinjin: Celebrating Baseball and the Red Sox

The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA), will cheer on the 2007 World Series Champion Red Sox with an installation that opens Tuesday, April 8, Opening Day at Fenway Park. Rockwell and the Shinjin: Celebrating Baseball and the Red Sox features the iconic Norman Rockwell painting The Rookie (The Red Sox Locker Room) (1957, Private Collection), on special loan to the Museum, as well as memorabilia lent by the Red Sox and private collectors, and vintage prints and photographs from the MFA's own collection. On view through July 20, Rockwell and the Shinjin will be displayed in the Ruth and Carl J. Shapiro Rotunda on the second floor of the Museum.

Date/time: ongoing until Sunday, July 20th, available during Museum hours

Location: Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; 465 Huntington Ave.

Website: www.mfa.org

Phone: 617-267-9300

Cost: Adults - \$17; Students - \$15, children under 17 years old are free

Swan Boat Rides

With brightly buffed brass and a fresh coat of paint, the Swan Boats reappeared in Boston's Public Garden in April. Enjoy a peaceful 15 minute paddleboat cruise around the Boston Garden lagoon. The only boats of their kind in the world, inspired by the opera Lohengrin. Little has changed since they first graced the 24-acre gardens lagoons in 1877. In fact, the boats are operated by descendants of Swan Boat founder Robert Paget. And they are still propelled the old-fashioned way too, by pedal power!

Date/time: Daily 10am – 4pm

Location: Boston Public Garden; close to the Arlington T stop on the Green line

Phone: 617-522-1966

Cost: Adults - \$2.75; Children (up to 15 years old) - \$1.25

Museum of Science Exhibits *Friend's – There are several complimentary passes available for you and Achievers!*

Mars!

Mars! takes you on an amazing space journey. You begin here on Earth, where you'll see, in high-definition clarity, the dramatic launch of the rockets that carried the Spirit and Opportunity rovers into outer space. Next, you'll learn about the adaptations that make the Mars rovers uniquely suited for their mission. You'll also have a front-row seat at NASA's Mission Control to witness the tension—and resulting exhilaration—of Spirit's successful landing in the Gusev crater. Then, you'll put on your special polarized glasses for a 3-D trip of a lifetime.

Cahners ComputerPlace

Cahners ComputerPlace is a hands-on computer discovery exhibit showcasing an ever-changing selection of software titles with one thing in common: all encouraging people to learn, explore, and create with computers.

Date/time: Sat-Thur 9am-5pm; Friday 9am-9pm

Location: Museum of Science; Science Park, Boston, MA 02114

Website: www.mos.org

Phone: 617-723-2500

Cost: Adults \$17; Children (3-11) \$14

Poverty Mural Project

This program is a collaboration with KidsArts! And the Starfish City Year Program. Drop by and help this group create an awesome mural!

Date/time: Ongoing during library hours

Location: Jamaica Plain Branch Library; 12 Sedgwick St.

Website: www.bpl.org

Phone: 617-524-2053

Cost: free

Street Level

The exhibit features three promising artists whose works draw directly from street culture.

Date/time: Ongoing until May; Tues, Wed, Sat, Sun; 10am-5pm. Thur-Fri 10am-9pm

Location: Institute of Contemporary Art; 100 Northern Av., Boston, MA 02210

Website: www.icaboston.org

Phone: 617-478-3100

Cost: Adults \$12, Under 17 is free; Thursday is free for everyone!

Dolphins and Whales 3D: Tribes of the Ocean

The film uses stunning imagery of these marine mammals in their natural habitats to spread an increasingly important conservation message about the need to protect the earth's oceans from pollution and destruction. The 3D technology brings the audience into the depths of the ocean alongside the creatures to show scenes from the animals' lives that can not be seen from the ocean's surface.

Date/time: Sun-Wed 9:30am-8:15pm (final show at 7:30pm); Thurs-Sat 9:30am-10:15pm (final show at 9:30pm)

Location: Simons IMAX Theatre; Central Wharf, Boston, MA 02110

Website: www.newenglandaquarium.org

Phone: 866-815-4629

Cost: Adults \$9.95; Children (3-11) \$7.95

MIT Museum Exhibit's *Friend's – There are several complimentary passes available for you and Achievers!*

Holography: The Light Fantastic

This selection of holograms, the world's largest, illustrates the many artistic and scientific facets of the medium.

Robots and Beyond

This interactive exhibit goes behind the scenes and into the research labs to explore artificial intelligence at MIT. Exhibits and demonstrations challenge visitors to exercise their minds and imaginations.

Date/time: Daily from 10am to 5pm

Location: MIT Museum; 265 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139

Website: <http://web.mit.edu/museum>

Phone: 617-253-5927

Cost: Adult \$7.50; Seniors and Students \$3; MIT ID and children (under 5) are free.
10am-noon is free admission on Sunday's.

Stargazing at the BU Observatory

The University Observatory is open for stargazing every Wednesday night. For visibility information call, 617-353-2630 after 5:30 pm.

Date/time: Wednesday evenings throughout the spring and summer

Location: Boston University

Website: <http://www.bu.edu/astronomy/opennight.html>

Phone: 617-353-2630

Cost: Free