

District D-4 Surprises SISRUN Basketball Program



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Officers from the District D-4 Community Service Office stopped by Ramsay Park in the South End to support the SISRUN Basketball Program with a special delivery—brand new pink

basketballs!

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Free 'As You Like It' Delivers Outstanding Shakespeare on Boston Common

As You Like It, Commonwealth Shakespeare Company, Boston Common through August 10th. Free.

BY JULES BECKER
Contributing Writer

Steven Maler—in his director's note for the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company revival of "As You Like It"—calls the contrast-rich play "truly one of my favorite of Shakespeare's comedies." Indeed, it is not difficult to understand the company founding artistic direc-

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Nora Eschenheimer as Rosalind and Michael Underhill as Orlando in Commonwealth Shakespeare Company revival of "As You Like It." Photo courtesy Nite Scott Studios.

South End Students Selected for Cultural Exchange Trip to Cape Verde

BY SOUTH END STAFF
With information provided by JMKPR

Two South End youth dancers, Jay'dha Rackard and Amanie Yusef, have been selected to join OriginNation Cultural Arts Center's transformative November trip to

Cape Verde, marking a significant milestone in their artistic and personal development.

The students will join five other Boston-area dancers for a weeklong cultural exchange on the African island nation, where they'll perform

and teach dance in local schools, share traditional meals, and engage with Cape Verdean youth while providing community service.

"These trips aren't about vaca-

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Key Election Dates

Preliminary Election

- **Voter Registration Deadline:** Saturday, August 30, 2025
- **Early Voting:** August 30-31 and September 2-5, 2025
- **Election Day:** Tuesday, September 9, 2025 (7 AM - 8 PM)

General Election

- **Voter Registration Deadline:** Saturday, October 25, 2025

- **Early Voting:** Approximately October 18-31, 2025
- **Election Day:** Tuesday, November 4, 2025 (7 AM - 8 PM)

How to Vote Registration: You can register online until 11:59 PM on the deadline, in-person until 5 PM, or by mail (must be postmarked by the deadline).

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CRIME REPORT

BY SOUTH END NEWS STAFF
With information from the BPD

BPD Community Alert: Detectives Seek Public's Help Identifying Armed Robbery Suspect in Roxbury

The Boston Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in identifying the individual shown in the accompanying images in connection with an armed robbery that occurred in Roxbury.

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Armed Robbery Suspect in Roxbury. Photo courtesy of BPD

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Louis Corner to Open in the South End



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A neighborhood American gastropub concept by MAZÍ Food Group

SUBMITTED BY MAZÍ FOOD GROUP

On August 6, MAZÍ Food Group (Desnuda Cocina & Bar, Gigi, Ilona, Kava Neo-Taverna) debuted the newest addition in its growing restaurant collection: Louis Corner. Situated on an iconic corner in the South End, on Tremont and Waltham streets, Louis (pronounced Lou-ee) Corner will be an elevated yet timeless American gastropub concept.

With expansive windows lining two sides and exposed brick along the rear wall, Louis Corner has a relaxed and inviting setting enveloped in warm golden tones with plush materials. Using a blend of seating options to encourage a lively social imbibing experience, the 48 seats are a mix of bar settings, brown leather banquettes and mid-top tables flanked with bronze-studded chairs. The bar, topped with gold-flecked black marble, is backlit to display three decorative gold leaf arched plates while rectangular-paneled pearlescent glass and brass chandeliers shimmer above. The bar seats, atop an intricate mosaic tiled floor, are covered in dark blue leather while the seatbacks

are dressed in turquoise and gold velvet. There is distressed oak-planked flooring throughout the dining space, a stunning contrast to the luxe fabrics seen elsewhere.

MAZÍ Food Group's executive chef and owner Jesus Preciado has reimagined a menu rooted in core American cuisine with occasional Irish influences. Designed for sharing, guests can expect a collection of starters like pickables, Rockefeller oysters, fried cauliflower, deviled eggs, and a variety of local oysters. Spanning regional specialties from the Northeast to the south, highlights from the dinner menu include a smashburger, mac and cheese, fish and chips, and jambalaya while classic sandwiches preparations – from a lobster roll to roast beef and a Cubano – grace the menu at lunchtime.

Louis Corner's beverage program will encompass cordials, beer and wine while paying tribute to classic American cocktails. The wine program has been curated to celebrate American vintners, with endeavors based both stateside and overseas, while the beer selections will showcase local and craft offerings available by the can and bottle.

Louis Corner is located at 552 Tremont Street in Boston's South End neighborhood. Louis Corner will be open weekdays beginning at 11:00am with brunch service available weekends beginning at 9:00am.



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SOUTH END COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Your guide to arts, dining, and neighborhood events

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

FIRST FRIDAY FUN AT SOWA

Friday, August 1, 5:00-9:00pm The first Friday of every month is still and always will be First Friday Open Studios, 5pm-9pm at the SoWa Artists Guild, 450 Harrison Ave. Over 80 professional studio artists in this building regularly hold open studios for this free monthly art event. Browse studios, meet artists, and discover new works in the heart of Boston's art scene.

DINE OUT BOSTON RETURNS

Now -August 16 Restaurant Week is back! South End restaurants are participating with lunch menus (\$27-\$36) and dinner options (\$38-\$55). Perfect time to try new spots or revisit favorites with special prix fixe offerings.

WEEKLY SOWA OPEN MARKET

Every Sunday, 11:00am-5:00pm Over 175 makers and thousands of visitors converge in SoWa at 500 Harrison Ave for Boston's largest local arts and food market. After shopping, kick back and relax at our outdoor Beer Garden, featuring live music, Boston's favorite

food trucks, and lawn games. There are five wonderful SoWa Sundays in August, including Labor Day weekend.

CHINATOWN
AUGUST MOON FESTIVAL

Sunday, August 10, 10:00am-5:00pm Lion Dances, games, and other cultural events take place between 10am and 5pm in Boston's Chinatown - just a short walk from the South End.

BPL BY BIKE: SOUTH END
SUMMER POP-UPS

Every Thursday, 10:00am-12:30pm Join us outside of the South End Branch every Thursday this summer as we bring the library to you with BPL by Bike!

Patrons will be able to sign up for library cards, browse or borrow from a selection of books.

STORY TIME WITH
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Thursday, August 14 & 21, 10:30am-11:00am Storytime with Librarian Margaret

welcomes babies to preschoolers and their caregivers to join us for stories, songs, dance, art and play time.

PROFESSOR BUGMAN:
ENTOMOLOGY ADVENTURES

Thursday, August 14, 10:30am-11:30am Professor Bugman will share with children all about arthropods, the most diverse group of animal life on the planet, during the exciting show-and-tell-and-touch program!

SOUTH END LIBRARY
SUMMER CONCERTS

Tuesdays, August 26, 6:30pm Friends of the South End Library are sponsoring a series of summer concerts, featuring Pat Loomis & Friends playing jazz and blues in South End Library Park. Free and family-friendly.

MAYOR WU'S MOVIE NIGHT

Monday, August 18 Catch "Moana 2" under the stars at Titus Sparrow Park. Part of Mayor Michelle Wu's free outdoor movie series. Visit boston.gov/movie-nights for details.

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS

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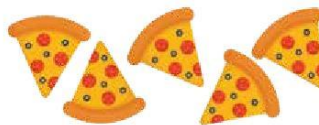
Saturday, September 13, 7:00pm Join Friends of Ringgold Park for an evening of community and fundraising! Bring a picnic dinner from a local South End business and enjoy an hour of live music with friends and neighbors at our favorite playground. The evening includes a welcome N/A drink from @draydrinks, dessert from @flourbakeryandcafe, and sweet treats from @madeleinescandyshop. Tickets \$50 individual or table for 8 available.

CATHEDRAL ORGAN
ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Sunday, September 14 Leo D. Abbott • Opus 801 at 150! Celebrate 150 years of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross's historic E. & G. G. Hook & Hastings organ, Opus 801, with works by St. Saëns, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Franck, and Hakim. Performed by Leo D. Abbott, FAGO, ChM, former Music Director and Organist who led the organ restoration project. Cathedral of the Holy Cross, 1400 Washington Street.

PILOT BLOCK NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION ANNUAL
NEIGHBORHOOD PIZZA PARTY

Thursday, September 18, 5:30-7:30PM Harriet Tubman Park



Cultural Exchange

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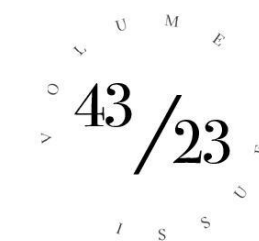
tion—they're about transformation," says OriginNation founder Shaumba-Yandje wa Dibinga. "Through service, cultural exchange, and the performing arts, we open our students to a wider world and a deeper understanding of their own identity and values."

This represents OriginNation's 11th international youth tour since 2009, with previous destinations including Ghana, South Africa, and Jamaica. Students participate in hands-on service projects that teach humility, patience, and global citizenship.

Each student must raise \$1,000 for airfare through community fundraising. Two upcoming performance events will support the effort:

a Conscious Cafe featuring family-friendly spoken word and karaoke performances at Black Market Nubian Square in Roxbury on August 15th at 7pm, and a Line Dancing Workshop at MAMLEO headquarters in Dorchester on August 17th from 2-3:30pm.

The organization seeks \$20,000 total to ensure all selected students can participate in this life-changing opportunity.



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Crime Report

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The incident took place at approximately 6:55 PM on Saturday, July 26, 2025, in the area of Ruggles Street and Leon Street. During the encounter, the suspect reportedly lifted his shirt and gestured as if armed before stealing the victim's electric scooter and fleeing the scene.

The suspect is described as a Black male, approximately 6 feet tall, with a slim build. He was wearing a dark-colored t-shirt (gray or black), black track pants, and a black hat at the time of the incident.

Detectives assigned to District B-2 (Roxbury) are actively investigating the circumstances surrounding this incident. Anyone with information is urged to contact District B-2 Detectives at (617) 343-4275.

Community members who wish to share information anonymously may do so via the following methods: Phone: 1-800-494-TIPS, Text: Text the word "TIP" to CRIME (27463)

Boston Police Investigate String of South End Break-Ins

Boston police are investigating multiple burglaries in the South End neighborhood, including a break-in at a fire-damaged restaurant and several residential properties.

The Banyan Bar + Refuge was targeted despite being closed since a June fire, with the burglar forcing open the front door that dis-

played a "closed due to fire" sign. It is believed the break-in occurred the last weekend in July, as the business was working to reopen.

A Boston woman has been charged in a break-in of a street-level Worcester Square apartment on the night of July 19. The suspect allegedly ate food, bathed, and stole jewelry from a resident's apartment while they were away.

Police found the apartment in disarray with "multiple food/beverage items opened all over" and various areas rearranged. Surveillance cameras on East Concord Street captured footage of the intrusion.

The suspect was arrested that day for trespassing and again Tuesday on active warrants. She remains in custody.

Death Investigation in the Area of 289 Dudley Street, Roxbury

At approximately 11:57 PM, on Sunday, August 3, 2025, officers assigned to District B-2 responded to a radio call for a person shot in the area of 289 Dudley Street.

Upon arrival, officers located an adult male victim suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. The victim was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

The Boston Police Department's Homicide Unit is actively investigating the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. Anyone with information is strongly urged to contact the Homicide Unit at (617) 343-4470.

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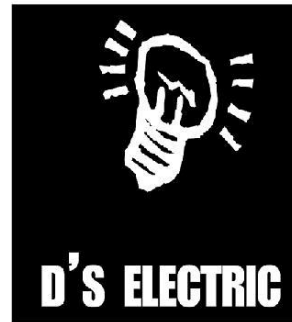
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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304	Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
	Docket No. SU25P1691GD
In the matter of: Jennifer Dinger 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 Jennifer Dinger 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 Boston, MA 02114
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. 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 08/21/2025. 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. 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.	
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D Rivers, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 24, 2025 <i>Stephanie L. Everett, Esq, Register of Probate</i>	

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION	Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
	Docket No. SU24P2730EA
Estate of: Gilbert Hickman, III Date of Death: 09/24/2024	Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300
To all interested persons: A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Joan Seifert of Westwood, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Joan Seifert of Westwood, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration . 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 08/28/2025. 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. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.	
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D Rivers, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 21, 2025 <i>Stephanie L. Everett, Esq, Register of Probate</i>	

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. SU25P1733GD
In the matter of: Justin Quiros 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 - Brighton of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Justin Quiros 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 Boston, MA 02114
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WITNESS, Hon. Janine D Rivers, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 31, 2025 <i>Stephanie L. Everett, Esq, Register of Probate</i>	

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As You Like It

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tor's judgment.

After all, this love-focused work often centers on quick-witted Rosalind, arguably the finest heroine in Shakespeare's comedies (Beatrice of "Much Ado About Nothing" notwithstanding). As Maler announced opening night, CSC intends to celebrate its 30th anniversary next year with a return to "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

If fairies and magic dust help to create the enchantment of "Dream," caring, kindness and character transformation make the disarming "As You Like It" a spellbinding achievement. Under Maler's loving direction, the CSC revival should be instantly likeable for the most demanding Shakespeare buffs.

Much of the production's likeability begins with a striking opening set from designer Riw Rakkulchon that immediately establishes the contrast between kind Duke Senior and initially tyrannical usurping brother Duke Frederick. Downstage and backdrop posters signal Senior's commitment to peace and liberty and Frederick's ongoing determination to control and surveil his citizens.

Fight choreographer Ryan Winkles turns the early wrestling match between young hero Orlando and expert competitor Charles—favored by court-based Frederick—into a riveting bout. Once Rosalind—Senior's banished daughter—and her loyal best friend and cousin Celia—Frederick's daughter—head for the Forest of Arden, the CSC stage transforms into a greenery—rich haven with a striking backdrop tableau inspired by the art of French painter Henri Rousseau. This smart scenic contrast mirrors the multiple transformations throughout the play—ranging from the eventual changing fortunes of the Dukes and Orlando and his tough-minded brother Oliver to the 'happy ending' pairings brought to full resolution thanks to the resilience and cleverness of Rosalind.

Equally happy at the Boston Common is the pairing of Maler's inspired direction and a stellar cast with many gifted local actors. Nora Eschenheimer is transcendent as Rosalind. Her portrayal proves definitive in its breathtaking combination of verbal wizardry, playfulness and heartfelt earnestness. Eschenheimer and Michael Underhill—wonderfully impulsive and agile as Orlando—display the kind of singular chemistry that distinguished their work as Miranda and Ferdinand in the CSC 'S memorable earlier staging of "The Tempest."

Paul Michael Valley captures enigmatic outsider Jaques thoughtfulness as well as his cynicism. Valley delivers Jaques' iconic Seven Ages speech with expressiveness and notable phrasing. John Kuntz—vividly attired in argyle and checked outfits by costumer Miranda Giurleo—makes his very good most of Touchstone's braininess and whimsy—especially in the insightful clown's difficult and rewarding seven degrees of lying speech.

Gifted Maurice Emmanuel Parent easily moves from cold Duke Frederick—who emotionally abuses both Rosalind and Celia (whom he calls a "fool")—to the warm Duke Senior (a traditional double portrayal). Clara Hevia is properly understated but discerning as loyal Celia. Joshua Olumide proves very convincing as initially harsh Oliver praises and supports Orlando in the later going and proves a fitting match for Celia. Brooks Reeves has all of sage Adam's wisdom and moral clarity. Vocally gifted Jared Troilo is a repeat scene stealer as forest community rallying Amiens, and David Reiffel punctuates moments of pastoral rapture with affecting music composition and sharp music direction.

Rosalind—uniquely the epilogue here—speaks of her way as a conjuring and hopes the play may please both men and women. Eschenheimer conjures brilliantly throughout as does the summer's outstanding Hub ensemble. Likewise, the CSC's exuberant "As You Like It" is an equal opportunity pleaser.

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