

## BPDA Board approves 870 residential units at July meeting

SUBMITTED BY BPDA

The Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) Board of Directors approved four development projects and one Notice of Project Change at their July meeting. The projects will generate a total of 870



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"217 Albany Street" Photo Courtesy BPDA

## USES Receives \$15,000 Grant from Wells Fargo

SUBMITTED BY USES

United South End Settlements (USES), a 126-year-old nonprofit organization serving families in the South End and surrounding communities, announced today it was awarded a \$15,000 grant from Wells Fargo to support its early childhood STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) education program.

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From left: Maicharia Z. Weir Lytle, USES President & CEO; Briana Curran, Wells Fargo Vice President of Communications & Community Relations; Julie Burkley, USES Vice President of Programs; and Josephina Reyes, Wells Fargo Senior Client Associate.



Photo Brad Solomon

## Astros take Mayor's Cup

The South End Astros had a busy and productive weekend. Five games in two days, taking the gold in their division for round one of the

Baystate tournament, and then had just enough left in the tank to win the Boston Mayor's Cup!

## Luzia Breaks New Ground

**Luzia, Cirque du Soleil,**  
Suffolk Downs, Boston, through August 12. 877-924-7783 or  
[cirquedusoleil.com/usa/boston/luzia/buytickets](http://cirquedusoleil.com/usa/boston/luzia/buytickets)

By JULES BECKER

Cirque du Soleil continues to amaze with each of its distinct incarnations. "Luzia," a Mexico-inspired production now touring under the company's grand chapiteau at Suffolk Downs, is a unique evoca-

tion that takes the Montreal-based Cirque to rich new terrain.

"Luzia"—with a title deriving from the Spanish words for light ('luz') and rain ('lluvia')—invites the biggest audience, young and old. Cirque 'passengers' alike, to share its visually stunning and culturally

rich 'flight' to a surreal Mexico that blends dreams and reality.

As always, the big top cast—here under the expert direction of Daniele Finzi Pasca—includes first class talent from around the world. That talent attends this always colorful and singularly poetic show.

There is the early stunning grace and visual beauty of the

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Contortionist Aleksei Goloborodko in Cirque du Soleil "Luzia" (photo credit: Matt Beard)

## City of Boston's Family Friendly Beach Is Open

The City of Boston's "Family Friendly Beach" at the BCYF Curley Community Center in South Boston is open for your enjoyment. The beach is open seven days a week and offers families

access to an enclosed stretch of beach on Boston Harbor, restrooms with changing tables, picnic tables with umbrellas, outdoor showers, beach game equipment, wifi and the use of

an indoor area to get out of the sun. Experienced, certified lifeguards are on duty.

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## Controversy over a roof deck

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The Board of Appeals yesterday approved a roof deck proposed by the owner of 10 Bond Street that would sit between the roof decks at 8 and 12 Bond Street, rejecting demands by neighbors to deny permission because he currently lives and works in Argentina.

Frederick Bates has been trying since 2013 to win city approval for the deck. His attorney and architect told the board the deck would not be visible from the street and that he would put in planters—with some plants reaching six feet in height—to screen it from his immediate neighbors.

His attorney, Dennis Quilty, said seven other buildings on the short street between Milford and Hanson streets already have decks and that a total of 38 buildings within a 300-foot circumference of Bates's single-family building have decks.

Residents said Bates would be welcome to file another application for a deck when he fulfills what they said was a promise to move

into the building himself, rather than renting it out. In fact, some accused him of reneging on that promise. Residents told the board they don't know what could happen if an absentee landlord put in a deck—who would they talk to if they had problems?

One resident raised the specter of an incident at 12 Bond Street, which has a deck and had an absentee landlord—and a dog that spent hours on the deck barking.

That landlord, Baily Dent, attended the meeting—to oppose the proposed deck. He acknowledged the dog problem, said it was the fault of his tenant's and that the neighborhood has had no such problems since he moved into the unit himself.

Quilty said Bates does plan to move into the building at some point, but gave no timeline.

Board Chairwoman Christine Araujo tried repeatedly, and futilely, to get people to stop talking about where Bates lives now, saying that's not a zoning issue that the board

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## USES

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Through its charitable giving programs, Wells Fargo embraces its responsibility to be a leading corporate citizen and the opportunity to create more resilient, sustainable communities through its operations and actions. Wells Fargo focuses its giving on community development, health and human services and educational programs that create lasting change and address the challenges facing the cities and towns where its customers and team members live and work.

USES's accredited Early Childhood Education program serves 64 children ages 3 months to 5-years-old, focusing on readying children for school by promoting learning and building cognitive, motor, and social emotional skills. Its STEAM curriculum introduces and reinforces concepts such as cu-

riosity, creativity, and problem-solving; it also helps with language and motor development.

"We are incredibly grateful for Wells Fargo's support of our STEAM initiative. This approach to learning through an arts lens helps develop critical-thinking, problem-solving, and reasoning skills, laying the foundation for children in our programs to thrive in the classroom," said USES President and CEO Maichairia Weir Lytle.

"Wells Fargo has a rich history of community support in Massachusetts and we have personal connections to the people in our communities," said Briana Curran, vice president, communications and community relations, Wells Fargo New England. "United South End Settlements provides critical services to Boston's youth, serving as an outlet for our city's children to learn, thrive and become successful adults in a safe, enrichment environment."



Briana Curran, Wells Fargo Vice President of Communications & Community Relations, meeting with children in a USES early childhood class.



## Theater

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sequence known as Running Woman, with Shelli Epstein luminous with monarch butterfly-evoking wings—kudos to gifted costume designer Giovanna Buzzi. Running Woman takes its inspiration from a Mexican tradition of barefoot women running 50-100 miles through the mountains.

A metallic horse (evoked by Cirque performers) that follows Epstein derives from Spanish influence. (Elsewhere expect to see performers' attire conjuring the heads of armadillos and crocodiles.) Epstein also performs as one of the female flyers in the penultimate eye-catching *Swing to Swing*—which reaches uncommon height as pushers send her and fellow flyers to catchers. Bringing together a highly athletic ensemble from Belarus, Ukraine and Russia, *Swing to Swing* reaches remarkable height.

Eric Fool Koller has Everyman eloquence as the clown who 'lands' at the start—along with the audience—in the show's singular representation of Mexico. This gifted Netherlands performer also displays great comic skill interacting with audience members at various points throughout "Luzia" and especially during *Clown-Beach*—in which a kind of beach ball volley ball stretch ensues—and *Clown-Rain*.

*Clown-Rain*, a visual standout, conjures up such images as fish and birds. Here Koller

turns Keatonesque as his vulnerable Clown struggles to fill his clearly empty flask with the pillar-like rain that moves beyond him as he pursues it. Also light-hearted is a sharply timed trampoline-set Hoop Diving with performers from the United States, Canada and Australia.

Mexican vocalist Majo Cornejo delivers the songs in composer Simon Carpenter's evocative score—complete with opera-like strains and blends of modern and traditional rhythms—with rich tone and strong phrasing.

Hand Balancing on Canes, one of several standout acts, features gravity-defying French performer Ugo LaFolay increasing his feat's degree of difficulty repeatedly as he adds canes and height to his act. French juggler Cyllos Pytlak seamlessly handles seven-pins not only in front of the Cirque du Soleil audience but also as he performs with world-class confidence during his time in various aisles.

Russian contortionist Aleksei Goloborodko arguably delivers the most arresting showstopper in "Luzia" amid stage-adorned candles. Goloborodko's magical work with head and pelvis—could he be quadruple-jointed?—makes him the best contortionist this critic has seen during decades of covering Cirque du Soleil and even such theatrical counterparts as the Big Apple Circus.

This visit to Mexican custom and Spanish music proves as imaginative in its own distinctive way as the company's recent invention-praising "Kurios" and as uplifting as its stirring earlier "Alegría." Take flight with Cirque du Soleil's soaring "Luzia."

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# South End Citizen Teachers Honored

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Each year, the President of the United States recognizes volunteers throughout the country with the President's Volunteer Service Awards (PVSA). South End residents Laura Diss and Eric Halliday are among this year's recipients. As Citizen Teachers these volunteers spend several hours each week sharing their professional "know-how" with middle school students in low-income communities during after school hours. The mentorship and support they provide is helping close the opportunity gap which exists between students

in underserved communities and their peers from more affluent communities.

During the 2017-2018 school year, nearly 4000 volunteers worked in our classrooms impacting over 29,000 students across the country. 2018 PVSA winners worked in expanded learning time apprenticeships during after-school hours this school year teaching focusing on a field they either work in or have a particular expertise in. These apprenticeships run for ten weeks each semester, offering hands-on, project-based learning that help students connect the lessons they learn during school hours with real-world applications beyond the classroom. Many of the apprenticeships focus heavily on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) – and include Lego Robotics, Rocket Science, Mock

Trial, 3-D Printing, Social Justice, and more.

Honorees show a notable commitment to service. Gold level recipients taught 4 of the past 4 semesters, silver level recipients taught 3 of the past 4 semesters and bronze level recipients of the two of the last semesters. Diss and Halliday are being recognized as silver level honorees.

"We thank our PVSA winners for their unparalleled commitment to our students, communities and the mission of Citizen Schools," said Citizen Schools CEO Emily McCann. "Their gifts of time and talent help our students access and explore potential career pathways and support students' academic and social emotional growth. Their work lies at the heart of our mission."

## Resources

### Summer Programs for Kids

Roxbury Community College is offering summer programs for kids. We have a 4-week Summer Arts Intensive program (ages 10-14) and two Summer STEM Weeks. Summer Arts features drama, theater, taiko drums, creative writing, and dance. STEM Week 1 (ages 7-10) features awesome chemistry and science experiments, coding, mini medical school, and creative writing. STEM Week 2 (ages 10-14) features LEGO Robotics, Money Matters, creative writing, and a STEM career panel. Limited spots – enroll today!

Summer Arts and STEM Week 1 start July 9 and STEM Week 2 starts August 6

Roxbury Community College – 1234 Columbus Ave, Roxbury, MA 02120 (STEM Weeks both take place on-campus; Summer Arts takes place up the hill from RCC at the UU Urban Ministry – 10 Putnam St, Roxbury. Visit <http://www.uu-mass.edu/life-long-learning/kids-to-college-programs> or contact us at (857) 701-1605 or LHagen@uuc.mass.edu

### Free Tennis Lessons at Almont Park

Free drop-in tennis lessons for kids, adults, and seniors. Equipment provided.

Saturdays starting June 2nd, 11am-12pm for ages 5-10, 12-2pm for kids and adults over age 11; Monday through Thursday evenings starting July 9th at 6pm for kids five and up.

Almont Park, Almont Street, Mattapan, MA, 02126

More information at [www.franklinpark-tennis.org](http://www.franklinpark-tennis.org) or 617-427-8900.

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### Boston Parks Summer Fitness Series

30 free fitness classes every week in your neighborhood parks. Offerings include Yoga, Zumba, Afrobeat Bootcamp, Cardio Dance, Carnival Fit, Tai Chi, Walking Groups, Line Dancing, Salsa dancing and more!

June 4th – September 29. Times vary (see full schedule [www.bphc.org/SummerFitness](http://www.bphc.org/SummerFitness)) City parks all over Boston

[www.bphc.org/SummerFitness](http://www.bphc.org/SummerFitness)

### \$1 Friday Nights at Boston Children's Museum

Every Friday evening families can enjoy the entire Boston Children's Museum for \$1. The museum includes an Art Studio, Construction Zone, and more.

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Boston Children's Museum, 308 Congress Street, Boston

Visit <http://www.bostonchildrensmuseum.org/visit/target-1-friday-nights-sponsored-target>

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This group is for children and teens in kindergarten through senior year of high school and their parents who are grieving the death of a parent or sibling. The group provides opportunities to share experiences, create projects, and participate in memory making activities. There is a special group for parents/caregivers. This is a membership group, but new members are welcome at any time. Dinner and parking reimbursement provided.

The 1st Wednesday of the month from October-June 5:30-7:30pm

Massachusetts General Hospital, 55 Fruit St, Boston, MA 02114

For more information about the program or to register please contact Hillary D'Amato at [mghclubstar@partners.org](mailto:mghclubstar@partners.org) or at (617) 643-9276.

### Get a Free Bicycle with CommonWheels' Earn-A-Bike Workshops

This winter, CommonWheels is hosting its second season of Earn-A-Bike program, in collaboration with Charlesview, Inc. This program is specifically designed for women in the Allston-Brighton area. This program is designed to give women who lack financial access to a bicycle an opportunity to learn bike mechanics and maintenance while fixing up a bicycle that they will keep at the end of the program. Participants will be taught skills such as how to fix a flat tire, how to fix brakes, and how to fix problems inside your bike. This program is free, but available spots are limited and participants must submit an application to be accepted into the program. We will have two sessions, with the first beginning in January.

Participants who attend at least 5 of the 6 sessions will earn:

- \* a fully functional bicycle
- \* a helmet, lock, and lights
- \* training on maintaining, fixing, and riding your bicycle

email [info@commonwheels.org](mailto:info@commonwheels.org) for info about upcoming classes and how to apply.

### YEAR UP Recruitment

For young adults interested in taking their next step in their journey towards a career & higher education, Year Up's mission is to close the opportunity divide through a one-year intensive program. This free program serves youth ages 18-24 who receive an educational stipend and earn up to \$1 FREE college credit recommendations while taking classes and completing an internship at top companies in Boston to prepare them for a

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## BPDA

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residential units, 190 of which will be affordable. In addition, the projects will create 379 jobs upon their completion.

The BPDA continues to make progress towards Mayor Martin J. Walsh's goal of increasing affordable housing to support a strong middle-class. Since the start of 2018, 2,908 new housing units have been approved, with 585 affordable units for low or middle-income residents.

## South End Development Projects

217 Albany Street to bring innovative residential co-living to the South End

Live: 24 on-site IDP units, interior and exterior amenity areas, part of Ink Block development

Work: 140 construction jobs, 10 permanent building operations full-time employees

Connect: 125 bike storage units, new pedestrian activation, expanded Blue Bikes, building, WiFi, LEED certified

Size: 139,900 square feet

The 217 Albany Street project is located in the South End bordering Chinatown. The majority of the project site currently consists of service area parking and driveway associated with Ink Block residential buildings and the existing Ink Block Whole Foods grocery store, as well as a vacant two-story brick building formerly occupied by the Transit Insurance Agency.

The project will construct a new all-inclusive, co-living, 14-story residential building. This will include apartments with efficient layouts, making use of reduced square footage as compared to conventional studio apartments.

This is accomplished through a hotel-style residential amenities program that includes a common kitchen and lounge, co-working and meeting space, as well as fitness facilities, shared rooftop space, and housekeeping services. The building will contain up to 250 units containing 327 individually leased bedrooms, within 197 studios known as "microunits", 35 two-bedroom units, 12 three-bedroom units, and six four-bedroom units. Each unit has its own private kitchen, bathroom and living areas. The proposed residential units will be "move-in ready" with furniture, premium Wi-Fi, and television connections. Another unique aspect of this residential concept is the inclusion of a live-in community manager to organize regular social events for residents in the building.

The project will not include any on-site parking, instead residents will be encouraged to utilize nearby MBTA train and bus service, taxis, and private ride services. Car sharing services such as Zipcar are also available in the immediate vicinity of the project site. Short- and long-term monthly public parking for residents will be available at the 175-space "Underground at Ink Block" parking facility across Albany Street under I-93. Secure bicycle storage will also be provided within the project building for residents and any building support staff.

Approval of Shawmut Avenue/Washington Street Block in South End to create 536 residential units

Live: 536 units with up to 139 affordable units

Work: 600 construction jobs and approximately 70 permanent jobs

Connect: 27% open space, new North-South and East-West pedestrian connectors, new courtyard open to public

Size: 617,216 square feet

The Shawmut Avenue/Washington Street Block project will include three new buildings and represents a collaborative effort between the developer and two Chinatown community organizations, the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England (CCBA) and Boston Chinese Evangelical Church (BCEC).

The first building, 112 Shawmut Avenue, will be a maximum of 13 stories and consist of 139 residential units, associated residential amenity spaces, and a three-level enclosed garage containing 110 parking spaces, as well as related site and landscape improvements.

The second building, 120 Shawmut Avenue, will include the expansion of the BCEC

building to consolidate BCEC's services onto one site. The improvements at 120 Shawmut Avenue will consist of either the demolition of a portion of the existing facility and the construction of a vertical addition, or the new construction of up to a 12-story structure to house two religious sanctuaries with combined seating for 1,130 people, a gymnasium, fitness rooms, offices, classrooms and meeting spaces for religious education, recreational and social services uses, a small ground floor commercial space, and 84 residential units on the upper floors of the building.

The third building, 50 Herald Street, is currently owned by the CCBA. The 50 Herald

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<b>CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE</b>		<b>Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court</b>	
Estate of: Robert A. Coviello Date of Death: 05/10/2017		Docket No. SJU17P1152EA	
To all interested persons: A petition for sale of real estate has been filed by: <b>Dolores Russo of Boston MA and Thais Cassirao of Needham Heights MA</b> requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300	
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 08/02/2018.			
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: June 29, 2018 <i>Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate</i>			

<b>CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304</b>		<b>Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court</b>	
In the matter of: John S. Hellyer, Jr. Of: Boston, MA		Docket No. SJU18P1433GD	
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 John S. Hellyer, Jr. is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Boston Medical Center of Boston, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.		RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person	
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 various specific authority.		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114	
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 08/09/2018. 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.			
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 9, 2018 <i>Terri Klug Caffazzo, Register of Probate</i>			

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should fill out an online Student Interest Form at <http://www.yearup.org/apply>.

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To get the code, call 617-534-5690 and redeem it at TheHubway.com.

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## Roof Deck

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could deal with. "I just want to focus on the deck," she said. "We're not talking about the universe here and people's lives, we're talking about this deck, which is 294 square feet."

One Bond Street resident did support Bates. Harry Ceccon, who has lived across the street at 7 Bond for 63 years, and who told the board he might have been the first street resident to add a roof deck, said he has never had a problem with the decks on either side of him. He added that he looked out his bedroom window before the hearing and counted 17 decks.

Another supporter was Bates's tenant,

who has lived in the building with his wife and daughter for the past five years.

The mayor's office supported the deck proposal. "We don't feel owner occupancy should necessarily be the criteria" for a zoning decision, a neighborhood liaison told the board. But citing the neighborhood opposition, City Councilors Ed Flynn, Annissa Essaibi George, Ayanna Pressley, Michael Flaherty and Michelle Wu and state Rep. Aaron Michlewitz all opposed the deck.

After an aide to Wu cited a petition against the deck signed by 75 residents, Araujo asked, "out of curiosity, how many of those people have decks?" The aide said he did not know.

The board vote was not unanimous. Member Anthony Pisani voted against allowing the deck.

## BPDA

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