# Office of Global Programs March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025



Hello Beacons! We hope your semester is going well, and that you all have had a great time in Boston so far! As Spring sets in (despite this current weather), the weather will get warmer and there are some fun activities to do in Boston in the coming weeks! Let's take a look!

## **Ice Skating**

When: Starting Until mid March, 10:00am – 9:00pm Weekdays, 10:00am – 10:00pm Weekends.

Where: The Boston Commons

Admission: 10\$ for adults



The Boston Common Frog Pond is home to a summer spray and splash pool in the summer and is the outdoor winter ice skating place to be in Boston.

Managed by The Skating Club of Boston® in a public-private partnership with the City of Boston. Year-round, family-friendly activities include the summer spray pool, historic carousel, winter ice skating, professional figure-skating shows, and special events for kids, families, citizens and visitors.

#### Freedom Trail

When: Daily -8:30am - 4:00pm

Where: 139 Tremont Street, Boston MA 02111

Admission: 17\$ for adults

About: Boston's official Freedom Trail tours! The Freedom Trail Foundation's most popular, introductory, tours highlight the diverse history that took place at 11 of the 16 official Freedom Trail historic sites, featuring Boston Common, Massachusetts State House, Park Street Church, Granary Burying Ground, King's Chapel & King's Chapel Burying Ground, Boston Latin School site/Benjamin Franklin statue, Old Corner Bookstore, Old South Meeting House, Old State House, Boston Massacre site, and Faneuil Hall. Experience stories of the American Revolution, as well as the history of traditionally underrepresented peoples spanning from the  $16^{th} - 21^{st}$  centuries.

#### **Meditation**

When: Sunday, March 2nd, 2025, 9:00a -12:00p - Repeats Weekly

Where: Shambhala Boston, 646 Brookline Avenue, Brookline, MA 02446

Admission: Free

Meditation is a great way to relax after a stressful week and to meet other like-minded people. Accessible in person or online, this class is the perfect way to start your recovery on Sunday.

"Sunday Morning Meditation: Nyinthün will be held online and in-person from 9am-12noon. All are welcome to join the virtual practice through the Zoom URL: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/586788974">https://zoom.us/j/586788974</a>

Nyinthün is a weekly group practice of sitting and walking meditation held every Sunday morning. The practice begins and ends with a short set of traditional group chants and includes a dharma reading and a practice of compassion for those who have instruction in Tonglen."

#### Coffee + Crafts

When: Sunday, March 2nd, 2025, 1:00p - 4:00pm Repeats Weekly

Where: Boston Fiber Company - 460A Harrison Ave, Boston, MA 02118

Link: www.bostonfibercompany.com

Feeling crafty? Join the Boston Fiber Company every Sunday until May for their coffee + craft days. With coffee, tea, and snacks, as well as the ability to bring your own project from home or buy materials in the store. "All crafters are welcome!" They say.

Also join them for their popular Sip + Stitch!

## Saint Patrick's Day Parade

When: Sunday, Mar 19, 2025, 1:00p - 5:00p

Where: Broadway MBTA Stop to Farragut Road, W Broadway, Boston, MA

Link: <a href="https://southbostonparade.org/">https://southbostonparade.org/</a>



It's right around the corner! Join the famously Irish City in celebrating its heritage at the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston, the city's Irish neighborhood. The first celebration in the city was over 110 years ago, in 1902, and it has drawn crowds of up to a million people. A must see if you are in the city.

# **Comedy Nights**

In need of a laugh? Check out any of these comedy shows happening in Boston weekly on various nights of the week! Some bars are 21+ depending on the night of the week so please check our listings and double check for yourself!

Check out a list of all Boston Comedy Night: <a href="https://linktr.ee/boscomedyshows">https://linktr.ee/boscomedyshows</a>

(21+) King's –

When: Sunday, March 2nd, 2025, 7:30pm - 9:00pm Repeats Weekly

Where: 50 Dalton Street, Boston, MA 02215

Website: https://kingsbackstage.eventbrite.com

(21+) Bill's Bar –

When: Wednesday, March 5th, 2025 7:30pm - 9:00pm Repeats Weekly

Where: 5 Lansdowne Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02215

According to the website: <a href="https://billsbar1.eventbrite.com">https://billsbar1.eventbrite.com</a>

"Offering a delicious dinner menu, top-notch selection of beer and unique cocktails, Bill's Bar provides a vibrant & friendly atmosphere."

Lucky's Lounge -

When: Monday, March 3rd, 2025, 7:30pm - 9:00pm Repeats Weekly

Where: 355 Congress St, Boston, MA 02210

According to the website: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/comedy-at-luckys-lounge-seaport-tickets-418349202727">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/comedy-at-luckys-lounge-seaport-tickets-418349202727</a>

"With classic cocktails and a notable menu, Lucky's Lounge takes its food & drink as seriously as its entertainment. The discrete entrance, underground location and lively atmosphere all mirror a 1960s speakeasy that's a guaranteed good time any night of the week."

#### **Quincy Market**

When: Monday-Saturday 10:00am-9:00pm, Sunday 12:00pm-6:00pm

Where: 4 South Market Street, Boston MA 02109

Quincy Market actually comprises of three buildings – Quincy Market at the center and flanked by South Market and North market. They were built at the same time in the 1820s to cope with the overcrowded Faneuil Hall.

Today, Quincy Market has turned into a festival marketplace where you can find colonnade eateries, lots of shops, pushcarts along the side of the buildings and street performers. All these make Quincy Market a popular place for locals to hang out and relax, and tourists to experience the historic town of Boston.

#### **Boston Celtics vs The Los Angeles Lakers**

When: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 8:30pm

Where: TD Garden (100 Legends Way, Boston MA, 02114)

Admission: TBD

The Boston Celtics play the Los Angeles Lakers play each other on March 8<sup>th</sup> for a highly anticipated match up. After the Lakers traded for star guard, Luka Doncic, the entire NBA fanbase has been looking forward to how these two teams play as it could be a possible preview to the NBA finals. The Celtics look to cement their legacy over the Lakers in the biggest game in the rivalry since the Kobe Bryant days. Should be a great game and a fun atmosphere!

#### St. Puptrick's Day

When: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Where: Night Shift Brewing - 87 Santilli HWY, Everett, Massachusetts

02149

Calling all dog lovers. Whether you just love them or own one yourself, this event is for you. Go March 16<sup>th</sup> for the pup chug! A festival of good dogs having a great time, this event is sure to brighten your day. Complete details are below.



"Join us and Red Dog Pet and Resort Spa on March 16<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm at the Everett Taproom for ST. PUPTRICK'S DAY! Enter your dog into the Pup Chug or come and watch the fun! Get your dog portrait painted by Zoeby's Custom Creations, and shop from local vendors The Pet Snackery, The Chill Pup, Raw Dino and Doggy Paddle Designs. Get delicious food from Pennypacker's and Rocco's Doughnut Co will also be serving some sweet treats. All proceeds from Pup Chug tickets sales will be donated to the Northeast Animal Shelter. First chug starts at 2:00 pm and second starts at 2:15 pm.

Large/XL Large Dog Breeds:

Dogs over 30lbs may participate in the 2:00 pm chug.

Small/Medium Dog Breeds:

Dogs under 30lbs may participate in the 2:15 pm chug.

Prizes:

First Place: \$25 NSB Gift Card, NSB Dog Swag, and trophy.

Second Place: \$15 NSB Gift Card and trophy.

Dog Beer: Water, Chicken Broth, Topped with Whipped Cream.

## Free International Women's Day Tours

When: à Wednesday, Mar 08, 2025, 10:00a - 8:00p

Where: Nichols House Museum - 55 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, MA 02108

Website: <a href="https://www.nicholshousemuseum.org/events/2185/">https://www.nicholshousemuseum.org/events/2185/</a>

This townhouse, built in 1804, was purchased in 1885 by Elizabeth Nichols and Dr. Arthur Nichols. There, their three daughters became a designer, a writer, and a social activist. They employed live-in domestic staff who also occupied the home. Rose Standish Nichols, their eldest daughter, later inherited the property and decided it would become a museum. Join us on international women's day in celebrating their stories through their museum and its free tours.

"Tours take place at 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 5:00, 6:00, and 7:00pm. Hear about the fascinating women of 55 Mount Vernon Street including the Nichols sisters, domestic staff, and local artists.

Advanced registration is highly suggested and day-of openings are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Reserve either a free or donation ticket to save your spot. One ticket per visitor. The Museum is across three floors with no elevator."

#### **Boston Ballet 'Swan Lake'**

When: March 12<sup>th</sup>- March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Where: Boston Opera House (539 Washington Street Boston MA)

Swan Lake is a timeless story of love, betrayal, and sacrifice. On a hunting trip, Prince Siegfried discovers Odette, a woman who was captured and transformed into a white swan. Struck by her beauty, he vows eternal love, unaware that her captor Von Rothbart has been watching them. Von Rothbart has cast a spell on Odette that can only be broken by her one true love. To prevent the couple from breaking the spell, he tricks Prince Siegfried into declaring his love for his daughter Odile. Believing that Odette has come to him in masquerade, the prince happily selects Odile as his bride and unwillingly breaks his vow to Odette, dooming her to remain a swan forever. In the final act, a heartbroken Odette and regretful Siegfried reunite and destroy the evil sorcerer, but the spell cannot be undone.

## Free Thursdays at the ICA

When: Thursday, March 2025, 5:00p-9:00p Repeats Weekly

Where: Institute of Contemporary Art 100 Northern Avenue, Boston, MA 02210



Admissions: FREE

Free advanced tickets link: http://www.icaboston.org/visit

"Admission is FREE for all every Thursday from 5 to 9 PM during ICA Free Thursday Nights. Tickets for Free Thursday Nights will be available at icaboston.org/tickets at 10 AM on that Thursday morning.

#### Career Fair

When: March 5<sup>th</sup> 2025 from 12pm-3pm

Where: Campus center 3<sup>rd</sup> floor ballroom

If you want to get a head start on your future, check out our career fair that is held here at Umass Boston. This event will offer many different job opportunities that you will be able to check out and even get some practice talking to the representatives of those companies! Make sure to bring your resume, and to dress for success!

#### **Umass Boston Events:**

Make sure to always keep an eye on UMB involved on the Umass Boston website for events that are being offered here. We have some great events coming up in March, so definitely try to make one if your available (https://umb.campuslabs.com/engage/events).

#### **Chefs Table: BBQ Nation**

When: Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am and Friday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm

Where: Campus Center Food Court

Chefs table in the Food Court is bringing a delicious BBQ spread perfect to get ready for Spring. Come and try the delicious concept during these selected days through the second week of March. Wouldn't want to miss this one!

#### Wander-in Wednesdays

When: Wednesday, March 12th at 1:00-2:00 pm

Where: The Globe

Wander-in every Wednesday to talk with UMass Boston Student Global Ambassadors who have studied abroad to learn about your options. Learn about program information, starting your search, scholarship & financial aid info, and steps to making your dream to study abroad a reality. This is a great event to get out of your comfort zone and explore exciting opportunities!

#### Peter and the Starcatcher

When: Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

Where: University Hall Theatre

Interested in musical theatre? Get tickets now for Peter and the Starcatcher, a Tony-winning play based on the story of the legendary Peter Pan. Consider attending this event, the UMass Boston Theatre Arts always exceeds high expectations with their performances!

Tickets on sale now- will sell out! Students, Faculty, Staff \$12, General Public \$17

https://umb.universitytickets.com/?cid=185

## **VSA Origami Night**

When: Wednesday, March 5th at 5:30pm

Where: Campus Center, CC-3545

Calling all origamists, come join VSA at their Origami Making event. Enjoy snacks and help create paper decorations for the upcoming Culture Show!

# **Open Ice Skating at Clark Arena**

When: Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00-8:00pm

Where: Clark Ice Arena – Clark Athletic Center

Interested in learning to skate? Come to Clark Ice Arena on Campus for open ice skating, it's free! A fun activity to end your week, many UMass Boston students enjoy attending open skate. Bring your own skates or enjoy a pair of free rental skates for some fun on the ice. Busy studying on Sunday? Don't worry, the Clark Ice Arena offers open ice 4 times a week!

## **Off-Campus Living Info Session**

When: Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

Where: East Residence Hall Fishbowl Room

Interested in moving Off-Campus next semester? Now's the time to look, join the Off-Campus Living organization to learn about apartment searching and making the roommate search easier!

# **Global Program Led Events**

The Global Programs Office offers events to international and foreign exchange students. If you are interested in kayaking, attending a Red Sox game, or a tour of Boston via the duck boat tours please inquire about these events to Stephen Litchfield (s.litchfield001@umb.edu)

I hope you are all enjoying your semester at UMass Boston so far, and I hope these events get you out and about in the city as the weather gets warmer!