Members of the Public may sign up for Public Comment via the CHAT by 10:30 a.m. Comments left in the chat will not be acknowledged. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk of the Board, pcarver@bpl.org
The Trustees of The Boston Public Library reaffirm our commitment to racial equity and to principles of diversity equity and inclusion, more broadly.

The Library is formally committed to becoming an anti-racist organization in response to systemic racism, inequity, and injustice prevalent in our society.

We acknowledge also that the Boston Public Library’s Central Library stands on land that was once a water-based ecosystem providing sustenance for the indigenous Massachusetts people and is a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among nations. We are committed to land acknowledgements for all locations at which we operate.

*We reaffirm this commitment to set the context for* our planning, deliberations, and public engagement so that they take place from the spirit of welcome and respect, found in our motto ‘free to all.’

* Taken from the Institutional Statement Ratified by the Board of Trustees for the Boston Public Library on September 29, 2020. 
FELLOWS ATHENAEUM TRUST COMMITTEE (FATC)

A. Reading of Reaffirmation Statement

B. Roll Call of Committee Members

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes from 8.17.22

D. FATC Budget update
BPL Updates

Priscilla Foley,
Director of Neighborhood Services
Review of FY23 Program Updates

Candelaria Silva-Collins,
FATC Program Manager
FATF Programs

October 2022 – February 2023

Presentation by
Candelaria Silva-Collins
FATF Grantee Orientation
9/12/2022
Program Categories

0 Arts

- Dance
- Film
- Exhibit
- Music Concerts
- Music Lessons
- Play Reading Book Club
- Visual Arts

0 Instruction

- Know Your Rights When Interacting with Police & Law Enforcement
- Brazilian Dance Class
- Chess Classes
- Math for Life (4th & 5th graders)
- Creative Writing & Visual Art Making
- Genealogy “Tracing Our Roots” Bootcamp
- Smart Phones workshop
- Collage Workshop
- Creativity as Meditation
Program Categories-2

0 Instruction -2

- Family Cooking classes
- Senior Cooking classes
- Sewing Classes
- Movers and Shakers
- Play Reading Book Club
- Piano classes
- Musical stories – Interactive literature & music learning
- Arts Camp (Artist & Activists of Harlem Renaissance)

0 Health & Well-being

- Cooking Classes (for Families and Seniors)
- Creativity as Meditation
- Movers and Makers
- Introduction to Chakras and Chair Yoga
Program Categories - 3

- Empowerment
  - Beyond the Bars (for people impacted by incarceration)
  - Know Your Rights When Interacting with Police & Law Enforcement
Programs

Play Reading Book Club (On Beckett completed, Made in China in process)

Piano Classes – (10/15-6/17)

Makanda Project Concert featuring Dee Alexander – (11/12)

Latino Pioneers in Boston (10/17) – doc screening, magazine, and exhibit

Math for Life (10/27-12/15) – For 4th & 5th grade students

Brazilian Dance Classes (10-29-12/10)
Programs

- **Brazilian Dance** – Final Performance: Power of Skirts (12/17)
- **Chess Classes** with Chess Wizards:
  - Session 1 – (9/28-11/16 - Wed. afternoons)
  - Session 2 – (10/1-11/10 – Sat. midday)
- **Sewing 101**
  - Session 1 – (10/24-12/17 – Mondays & Saturdays)
  - Session 2 – (17-2/27 – Mon. & Sat.)
  - Closing certificate ceremony (3/11)
Programs in Action

**Photos**
Beyond the Bars workshop
1/19/2023
Chess Wizards

12-15-2022
Latino Pioneers in Boston
Film screening – 10-17-2022
Latino Pioneers in Boston

Poster exhibit
Early audience pix
Latino Pioneers screening
Brazilian Dance Class
Brazilian Dance Class
Power of Skirts audience
Drummers – Power of Skirts

Final Performance
Carlos & Kamilla teaching

Piano classes
Piano classes
Piano classes
Did you like the workshop? Yes

2. Did you work out problems with a pencil? Help you understand math more? Yes

3. What part of the workshop did you not like? I liked it a lot.


5. What could have the instructor have done better? Nothing
Musical Stories

Crowd

Musicians
Play Reading Book Club
2 different plays (On Beckett & Made in China)
Sewing 101 Classes
Gifts from Sewing 101 for Roxbury staff
Pincushion cupcakes
Sewing 101 Certificate Ceremony
Finding the Light Within:
Intro to Chakras & Chair Yoga
Current/Upcoming

- TBK (Take Back the Kitchen Classes) – one for families, one for Older Adults
- Roxbury Concert Series (3 concerts)
- Poetry Alive (families)
- Makanda Project Concert featuring Rickie Ford and Askia Toure
- Know Your Rights
- Movers & Makers: Movement & Art Making Workshops (families)
- Musical Stories (families)
Current/Upcoming - 2

- Sewing 101
- Smart Phones Instruction (Adults)
- Tracing Our Roots Bootcamp (Adults)
- Creativity & Meditation (Adults)
- Finding the Light Within: Intro to Chakras & Chair Yoga
- Piano Classes (Recital – June 17)
Flyers for upcoming programs

**Family Arts Workshop: Poetry Alive!**
Free workshop with Families Creating Together

Join Families Creating Together, an inclusive arts program for children of all abilities, and visual and performing artist Brenda Huggins for two fun sessions of Poetry Alive!

Enjoy a bilingual and interactive creative writing and visual art workshop that centers around the themes of community and imagination. Express and share your creative ideas through a variety of fun and engaging artistic activities including drama games, poetry writing, drawing and painting. Make your words come alive!

Recommended for youths ages 7+ and their adults.

Free workshop materials and a light snack will be provided.

This program is funded with the generous support of the Fellowes Foundation Trust Fund.

**POETRY ALIVE!**
Date: Saturday, April 1 and April 8, 2023
Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Pre-registration required.
Please email familymeetings@gmail.com to RSVP.

Roxbury Branch Library | 146 Dudley St. | Roxbury | MA 02119

For more, visit www.bljl.org

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**Roxbury Concert Series**
Presents: “The Romantic Piano Trio” Brahms Piano Trio Op. 8
Free concert with reception to follow

Join us for the opening concert of the Roxbury Concert Series featuring internationally renowned musicians Carlos Yang, Gao Huijun, and Krisanto Sardina.

The concert will feature Brahms Piano Trio Op. 8, one of the most beautiful pieces of music written for this format (Piano, Violin and Cello).

Join us and enjoy the reception to follow along with the possibility to meet and greet these distinguished artists.

This program is funded by the Fellowes Foundation Trust Fund.

Roxbury Concert Series Presents: “The Romantic Piano Trio” Brahms Piano Trio Op. 8
Date: February 18, 2023
Time: 12:00-1:00 pm
RSVP by emailing concerts@roxburyconcernts.org.

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For more, visit www.bljl.org
Two more flyers

Know Your Rights: When Interacting with Police and Law Enforcement is a 4-part panel series, made possible by a grant from The Carnegie Corporation of New York. The series is designed to increase awareness of the rights that all individuals have when interacting with police and law enforcement officials. Each session will feature a panel of experts, including police officers, attorneys, and legal experts. The series is open to the public and is free of charge. For more information, please contact us at 617-777-0940.

Jazz Concert: The Makanda Project

Music written by Ricky Ford, based on poems by Langston Hughes. Poems read by Akeba Knight and Vanessa Silva.

• Saxophones: Ricky Ford, Kurtis Rivers, Law Osborne, Sean Berry, Terrilaye Bajigos, and Charlie Kohlhase
• Trumpets: Jerry Sadowski, Danielle Nelson, Ryan Kapp, and Lorenzo Marc
• Trombones: Alfred Patterson, Richard Harper, Michael Primally, and Bill Lewis
• Piano: John Konstantinovski
• Bass: John Lockwood
• Drums: Yvon Israel

There will be two shows. Seating capacity limited; reservations recommended. For more information, visit makandaproject.com/confirm-performance.

This program is funded through the Commonwealth Cultural Fund, and supported by the Boston Cultural Council, the Kreamer Company Charitable Foundation, and the Mirab Theatre, Inc. Leonard Foundation.

Jazz Concert: The Makanda Project
Date: Saturday, February 25, 2023
Times: 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm (First show)
8:30 pm - 11:00 pm (Second show)

Roxyroxy Bar of the Boston Public Library
140 Dudley St., Roxbury, MA 02119
617-461-6686

For more, visit www.bpj.org
Challenges

- Space at the branch
- Physical condition of branch on Saturdays
- Combative/Toxic attitude of one grantee
- Learning curve with invoicing & reports
- Need to have same reporting forms for everyone

- Receipts with the various ways people pay for things now
- Recruiting children
- The hype (some people write a better grant than they deliver program)
- Getting acknowledgement for FATF
Needs

- Notice from Business Office when a check has been issued
- Format from Business Office for grantees to submit receipts
- Grant application software
- Business card? BPL address?
- More meeting space at library or return to 2nd evening opening
- Custodial care on Saturdays
Thank you.
Discussion of FY24 Requests for Proposals

Candelaria Silva-Collins,
FATC Program Manager
New Business

Evelyn Arana Ortiz, Committee Chair
Public Comment

• People will be chosen in the order they were received and allowed 2 minutes to speak.

• The Moderator will unmute your mic when you are called on.

• Comments made in chat during meeting will not be acknowledged.

• If follow up is required, please send your contact email or phone number to the Clerk of the Board at pcarver@bpl.org