

FELLOWES ATHENAEUM TRUST ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Please sign up for Public Comment by 12:30pm via the “CHAT” or send written comments to the Clerk of the Board, pcarver@bpl.org. Comments left in the chat will not be acknowledged.

August 17, 2023

Evelyn Arana Ortiz, Chair

BPL OPENING STATEMENT

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.

FELLOWES ATHENAEUM TRUST COMMITTEE (FATC)

Evelyn Arana Ortiz, Committee Chair

- A. Roll Call of Committee Members
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes from 6.15.23
- C. Trustees FATC FY24 budget
 - Expenditure: \$110,933.16
 - Carryover: \$124,908.89
 - Total: \$235,842.05**

BPL Updates

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Priscilla Foley,

Director of Neighborhood Services

Candelaria Silva-Collins

FATC Program Manager

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- Updates on FY23 programs

FATF Programs in June & July 2023



Take the A Train- Exploration of the Harlem Renaissance (June)

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Take the "A" Train

Enter the world of the Harlem Renaissance!

A FREE five-session arts workshop for children* exploring the art, culture, history and activism of the Harlem Renaissance.

Come experience a unique and exciting hands-on workshop where children (ages 6-10) will explore the creative processes of key historical Harlem Renaissance figures. We will immerse ourselves in books, storytelling, art, music and dance.

This program is facilitated by arts educators Stephanie McKay and Lauren Dale. Stephanie is an internationally renowned recording artist who uses the arts to engage in culturally responsive learning. Lauren is a career educator who is passionate about integrating children's books to create rich educational experiences. Artists will include:

- Session 1 12:15 - 2:45 pm** Duke Ellington and Ella Fitzgerald
- Session 2 12:15 - 2:45 pm** August Savage and Nicholas brothers
- Session 3 12:15- 2:45 pm** Zora Neale Hurston
- Session 4 12:15- 2:45 pm** Romare Beardon and Langston Hughes
- Session 5 12:15- 2:45 pm** Jacob Lawrence

Registration is required. Upon registration, please pick a session. Children can attend all five or just one. Lunch will be served each day.

*This program is funded by the Fellowes Athenaeum Trust

Take the "A" Train - Week-long Camp
June 26th - June 30th 12:15 pm - 2:45 pm
for kids ages 6-10

Roxbury Branch of the Public Library
149 Dudley Street, Roxbury, MA 02119
In person. Masks optional
To register <https://forms.gle/1qjbeHLHWAWNqB4Z7>



For more, visit www.bpl.org

KIDS



Take the A Train - Camp about Harlem Renaissance

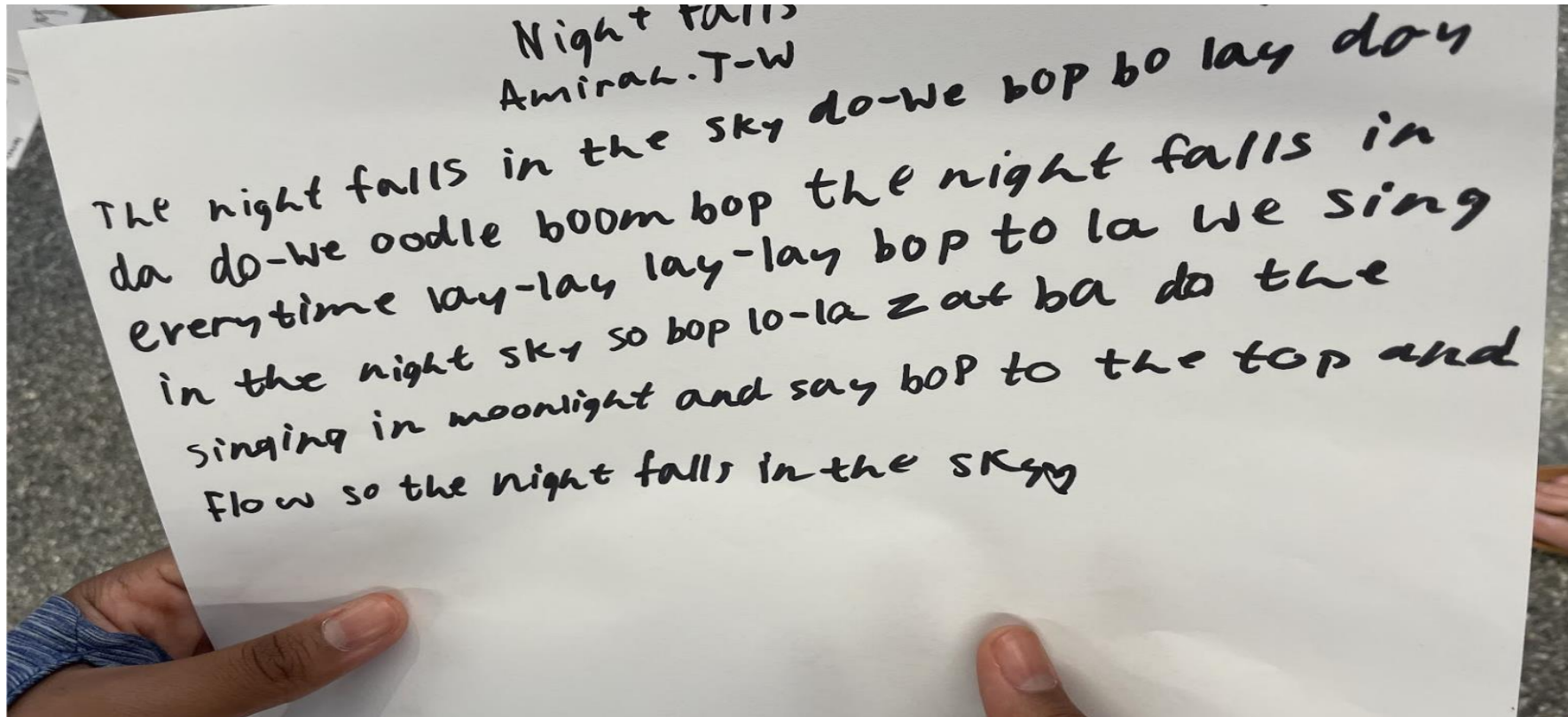


Take the A Train Instructors Stephanie McKay & Lauren Dale



Take the A Train - activities





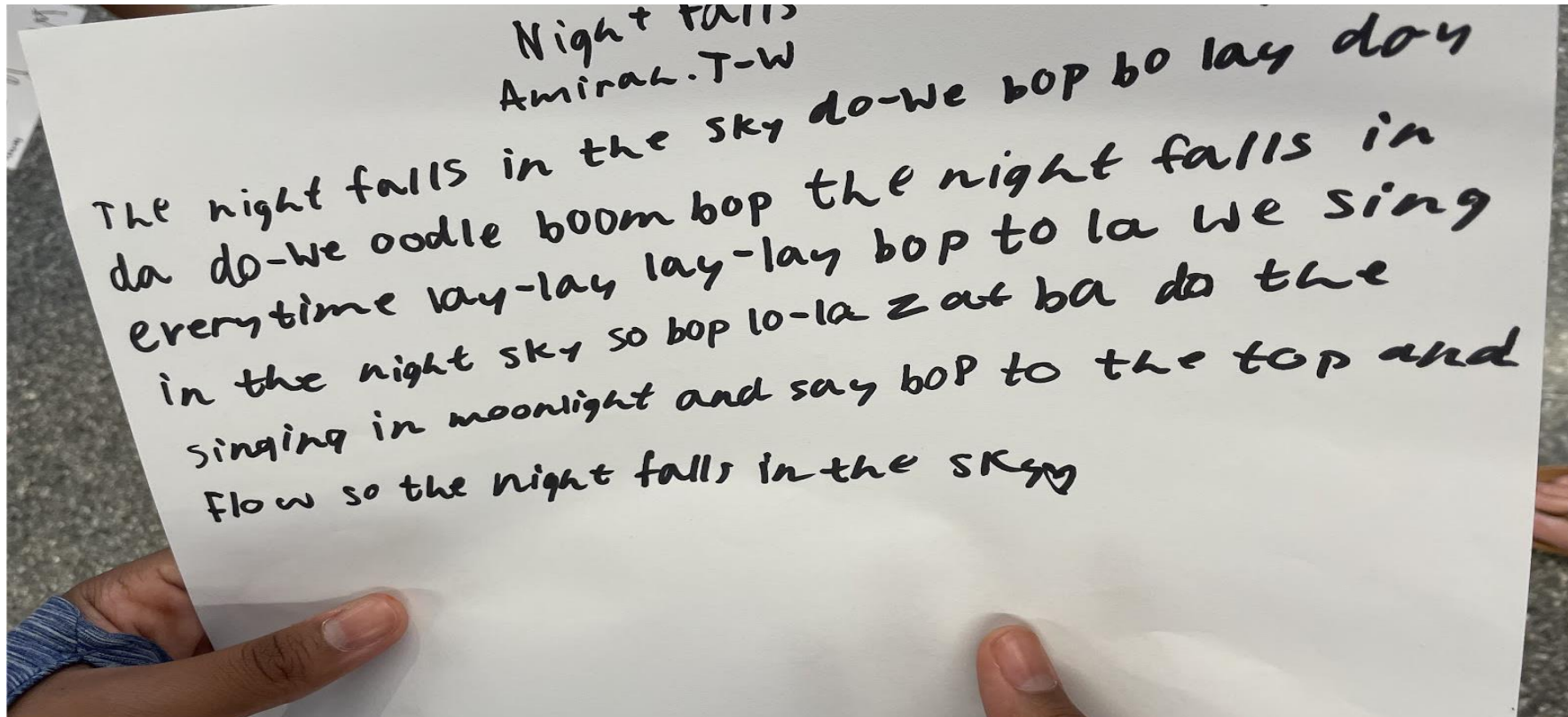
Take the A Train

Song with scatting written by student



Take the A Train

Books



Take the A Train

Scat Song written by student

Movers and Makers July 2023 (6 sessions)

 **Movers & Makers**
with Iris Evans and Breyanna Catlett



FREE Family Event | 2023 Summer Sessions
MOVE TOGETHER. ENGAGE YOUR SENSES. CREATE ART.

We'll begin each session with playful movement and games before we settle into our creative space to create art.

July 7th 10am-12pm | Jewelry Making
July 7th 12-3pm | Tie-dye
July 8th 10am-1pm | Tie-dye
July 8th 1-4pm | Potted Plants
July 12th 10am-1pm | Jewelry Making
July 21st 10am-1pm | Terrarium

Snacks provided.

LOCATION:
Roxbury Public Library
149 Dudley St, Roxbury, MA 02119

For more information / to register contact:
iris@irisemindbody.com

Sponsored by: Fellowes Athenaeum Trust Fund



For more, visit www.bpl.org

Movers & Makers Instructors with Kids - Iris Evans & Breyanna Catlett





Movers & Makers

Threading bead necklaces and bracelets

Movers & Makers Terrariums





As you can see, programs funded by FATF are reaching many in positive ways.

Candelaria Silva-Collins

FATC Program Manager

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- Questions on RFP applications
- Review of FY24 Applicants

Applicant	Organization or Individual	Project	Audience	Description	Amount Requested	N/R*
Isaura Oliveira	Resist, Inc. (fiscal agent)	Afro-Brazilian Workshop	18-elders	Joy is Resistance: Afro-Brazilian Workshop Series, dancing, singing, and storytelling	\$9,471.00	R
Stephanie McKay & Lauren Dale	We Start with Art, LLC	Take the A Train	K-5 th graders	Hands-on public art workshop exploring the artwork & processes of African American artists and activists from the Harlem Renaissance	\$9,000.00	R
Iris Evans	Individual	Movers and Makers	Families (ages 5+)	Hands-on art activities led by 2 artists with movement	\$5,000.00	R
Marvin Henry	Relax Now Mobile Spa, LLC	Wellness/Relaxation	Adults (17+)	Wellness including basic stress and relaxation management and techniques; reflexology covering points of relief in the bod	\$4,350.00	N
Rob Brose	Chess Wizards	Chess classes	Children (6+)	Chess classes for children of all ability levels	\$10,000.00	R
Leslie R. English	Individual	Sewing 101	2 Adults only, 1 Family (Children 9+)	Three sewing one-session Boot Camps	\$7,218.50	R
Michelle Holcomb	Haley House, Inc.	Take Back the Kitchen classes -	1 Seniors 1 Families	Two series of 4 cooking classes	\$9,135.00	R
S. Matt Read	Boston Comic Arts Foundation	Tween Cartooning Workshop	Kids – ages 10-13	Five-day Tween Cartooning Workshop Series	\$7,500.00	N
Carlos Vargas	Individual	Roxbury Concert Series	All ages	Four concerts featuring classical, jazz, and international music	\$6,200.00	R
Carlos Vargas	Individual	Piano classes for children	Kids – ages 6-18	fundamentals of music and piano playing to	\$10,000.00	R

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John Kordalewski	Individual	Makanda Project Concerts	Adults	Two concerts (Fall 2023, Spring 2024)	\$8,000.00	R
Michelle Coleman	Individual	Chair Yoga	Adults	Chair Yoga and Introduction to Yoga's Ethical Principles (2 5-session series)	\$10,000.00	R
Marie Firmin	Black Biz Development, Inc	Queen Makeda Performance Project	Teens & Adults (>)	Business and community skit performance and discussions	\$8,850.00	N
Kelley Chunn	Roxbury Cultural District	Nubian Nights		Nubian Nights LIVE 2024 – performance series	\$7,500.00	N
Carole Walton	The American City Coalition	The Greater Roxbury Book Fair		Roxbury Book Fair	\$8,638.99	N
Faith Johnson	Full Circle Arts	Art & Meditation	Adults & Seniors	To series of 5 sessions – Art & Meditation workshops	\$4,491.58	R
Kathy Eow	ArtsEmerson	Play Reading Book Club	Adults	3 play will be studied – five sessions (including performance) per play	\$10,000.00	R
Dr. Lucy Lomas		Women's Health and Wellness Empowerment Series	Adult (Women)	4 session series on women's health	\$10,000.00	N
Darnell Anderson	Thabasix Solutions	1 -Mental & Manual Arithmetic Math cooking sessions		16 2 hour weekly workshops for 4th and 5th grade students on mental and manual arithmetic. 2 2-hour nutrition workshop teaching recipes that use math	\$10,000.00	R

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Alda Witherspoon	The Witherspoon Institute	GET LIT WINKids BOOK BAN-D CLUB	Kids 5-15	Post COVID Learning Crisis Literacy Program for Youth aged 5-15.	\$9,009.00	N
Denise Washington	Individual	Pop-Poetry Workshop	Adults 18+	Poetry workshop with published journal and public reading	\$7,000.00	N
Tyra Lane-Kingsland	Individual	Cooking/Nutrition Workshop	Caregivers (especially mother 25-45 with young children)	4 cooking & nutrition workshops	\$6,900.00	N
Jock Payten	Nubian Square Investment Advisors LLC	Fundamentals of Financial Planning	Adults (20-60)	Three-session workshop to cover fundamentals of financial planning	\$5,000.00	N
Epitheo Evans	Emerged Wellness, LLC	CALM Experience Tween Program	Tweens (9-12)	4 day program that teaches mindfulness practices such as emotional regulation, anxiety reduction, and mindful eating.	\$1200.00	N
Theresa Brewer	TLB Consulting	Confronting Oppression to Advocate Racial Equity Workshops	Adults	Three full-day (six-hour) workshops – Fall, Winter & Spring	\$5,005.00	N
Daniel Callahan	Create & Record LLC	MassQing Workshops	HS-Adults	Four MassQing workshops -ritual applications of paint to the face used to reveal rather than conceal, and bring out what is within	\$9,711.97	N

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Daniel Callahan	Create & Record LLC	Marketing Workshop	Adults	Staying Authentic While Marketing Your Work – 4 session workshop for creatives	\$6,183.98	N
Ashleigh Gordon	Castle of Our Skins, Inc.	Black History, Culture & Music Workshops	Kids (age 4+) & Families	Interactive, intergeneration, education workshops highlighting Black history, culture, music & the arts	\$10,000.00	N
Danielle Williams	Prophetic Resistance Boston	CORI Info Table	Ages 21-70	CORI Info tale registering people for CORI Sealing clinics	\$10,000.00	R

***N= New applicant R= Returning applicant**

- Highlighted applicants did not submit the FATF Application form even though they attended the Information session *(except for Chess Wizards, who've had a rep attend in previous years.)*
- 29 grant proposals from 27 applicants

New Business

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Public Comment

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- 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