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## **PARKARTS CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS RETURN JULY 11**

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department's annual ParkARTS program, sponsored by Holly and David Bruce, is pleased to announce the return of its series of children's arts workshops giving kids the opportunity to express their creativity while working on fun projects with local artists. From East Boston to West Roxbury, children ages three to ten can enjoy painting, mask and jewelry making, treasure creations, and more at the Artists in Residence Workshops held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in parks across the city.

Participation is free and all materials are provided, but young children must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of six or more must make prior arrangements by calling the Parks Department at (617) 635-4505. Now in its 21<sup>st</sup> year, ParkARTS brings a wide range of cultural offerings to city parks.

In addition, the New England Aquarium will bring its traveling tide pool exhibit to eight locations and the Marionette Puppet Show series will return in July and August at 11 a.m. at various children's workshops. See Boston's parks come alive with these whimsical puppet shows that will delight the child in everyone. Experience the unique charm of Rosalita's Puppets featuring marionettes made by professional actor-puppeteer Charlotte Anne Dore.

Children are able to cool off this summer at Splash Dance Parties in July and August at parks across Boston. Children can listen to music while playing games and dancing in our spray features. Presented with support from Turkey Hill Dairy and Mix 104.1.

### **Artists in Residence Workshops dates and locations are as follows 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.:**

#### Tuesdays

July 11, 18, 25

McConnell Park, Dorchester

Joyce Playground, Brighton

#### Wednesdays

July 12, 19, 26

Sweeney Playground, South Boston

Gertrude Howes Playground, Roxbury

#### Thursdays

July 13, 20, 27

Doherty Playground, Charlestown

Peters Park, South End

#### Fridays

July 14, 21, 28

East Boston Memorial Park, East Boston

Mozart Street Playground, Jamaica Plain

Tuesdays  
August 1, 8, 15  
Town Field, Dorchester  
Fallon Field, Roslindale

Wednesdays  
August 2, 9, 16  
McGann Playground, Hyde Park  
Ringer Playground, Allston

Thursdays  
August 3, 10, 17  
Ramsay Park, Roxbury  
Christopher Columbus Park, North End

Fridays  
August 4, 11, 18  
Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan  
Hynes Playground, West Roxbury

**The New England Aquarium will be at the following locations at 10 a.m.:**

Tuesday, July 11	McConnell Park, Dorchester
Friday, July 14	East Boston Memorial Park, East Boston
Thursday, July 20	Doherty Playground, Charlestown
Thursday, July 27	Peters Park, South End
Friday, July 28	Mozart Street Playground, Jamaica Plain
Thursday, August 3	Ramsay Park, Roxbury
Tuesday, August 8	Town Field, Dorchester
Friday, August 18	Almont Park, Mattapan

**Rosalita's Puppets Marionette Performances are at 11 a.m. Dates and locations are as follows:**

Wednesday, July 12	Gertrude Howes Playground, Roxbury
Tuesday, July 18	McConnell Park, Dorchester
Wednesday, July 19	Sweeney Playground, South Boston
Thursday, August 3	Christopher Columbus Park, North End
Thursday, August 10	Ramsay Park, Roxbury
Tuesday, August 15	Fallon Field, Roslindale

**Splash Dance Parties begin at 12 noon. Dates and locations are as follows:**

Thursday, July 13	Doherty Playground, Charlestown
Friday, July 21	Mozart Street Playground, Jamaica Plain
Friday, July 28	East Boston Memorial Park, East Boston
Friday, August 11	Hynes Playground, West Roxbury
Friday, August 18	Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan

For information on this and other ParkARTS programs, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505, visit [www.facebook.com/bostonparksdepartment](http://www.facebook.com/bostonparksdepartment) or [www.boston.gov/parks](http://www.boston.gov/parks) or follow @BostonParksDept.