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FYI SALEM

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From the Mayor's Desk



Dear Salem resident,

Salem is excited to once again celebrate Preservation Month!

Every year in May, communities throughout the nation celebrate Preservation Month to recognize the unique historic resources that make their communities special.

Salem is blessed with one of the most important and beautiful collections of historic buildings in the country.

This heritage defines Salem's unique character and sense of place and also serves as a vital tool that contributes to the city's economic health.

Some facts about Salem during this celebration:

- Salem's historic architecture spans almost 400 years and includes almost all of the architectural styles popular in the United States over the

past four centuries.

- Salem has more than 4,500 resources documented in the City's historic inventory, the third largest inventory in Massachusetts.
- Salem has almost 1,700 historic buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places.
- Salem's historic municipal assets date from the early 1600s to the mid-20th century and include historic buildings (15+), historic parks (7), historic monuments (5+), and historic cemeteries (5), as well as historic structures, artwork and documents.
- Salem has awarded more than \$2.8 million in CPA funds to assist 37 historic preservation projects.
- Salem has more than 25 organizations that participate in the Salem Preservation Partners group.

This year's Preservation Month theme "*People Saving Places*" provides a perfect opportunity for Salem to thank our local preservation advocates.

It is through the tireless efforts of local individuals, friends' groups, and non-profits organizations that many of Salem's historic places have been saved and preserved for

current and future generations.

The City and the Salem Preservation Partners are excited to host local events starting in May in order to focus attention on Salem's unique heritage and people.

Walking tours, in-person and virtual lectures and open house days are just some of the events planned.

The City also continues preservation efforts at some of Salem's most iconic historic landmarks, including restoration of the Salem Common Fence, improvements to Dickson Memorial Chapel at Greenlawn Cemetery and the refurbishment of the Almy's Clock.

Other recent preservation initiatives include an update to the Salem Historical Commission Design Guidelines, revisions to the Demolition Delay Ordinance, and efforts to address climate change impacts to historic resources through the *Preservation in a Changing Climate* initiative, an exhibit of which is currently on display on the first floor of Salem's City Hall Annex.

For more information on these projects and a list of partner events, visit www.preservingsalem.com.

Thanks for reading FYI Salem!

Kim Driscoll
Mayor, City of Salem

Salem Ferry

The City of Salem, in partnership with Boston Harbor City Cruises, will once again this year offer seasonal ferry service with several daily trips between Boston and Salem beginning May 26th through Halloween. Convenient departure and landing points for the approximately 50-minute ferry ride are 10 Blaney Street in Salem and One Long Wharf in Boston.

"The Salem Ferry is a terrific amenity and transportation alternative for Salem residents and visitors alike," said Mayor Kim Driscoll. "The return of the ferry each season is a celebratory moment and I hope those looking for a different way to get between Salem and Boston will take advantage of it, especially with discounted fares for Salem residents."



For Salem area residents, the Ferry is a great choice for commuters who work in Boston or for anyone visiting Boston for a day or overnight stay. Special commuter, Salem Resident and North Shore Resident rates are available when purchasing tickets in person with proof of residency. Discount multi-ride passes are also available. Free parking is available at the Blaney Street lot for ferry riders with passes available at the ticket booth.

For visitors to Boston, the Ferry provides a convenient and enjoyable way to take a day trip to Salem and experience all that the city has to offer. While onboard visitors can also enjoy beautiful views of Boston, Salem and the New England shoreline from the outdoor viewing decks or the temperature controlled inside decks.

The Landing at the Salem Ferry, Salem's completely-outdoor waterfront patio bar, located at the end of the Blaney St. Pier, will also return this season. Opening Day is May 25th and the season will run through Halloween – open Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 11 PM, weather dependent. This season, in addition to its regular offerings, an

expanded live music calendar, events and additional food options are planned for The Landing.

2022 Schedule
Salem Ferry

Rates*	Roundtrip	One-Way
Adult	\$45	\$25
Senior	\$41	\$23
Child (3-11)	\$35	\$20

*Prices starting at
Special resident, commuter and multi-ride fares available.

For more information or to purchase tickets, scan here!

cityexperiences.com/Boston

2022 Schedule Salem Ferry		Boston Harbor City Cruises	
	Boston	Salem	
May 14 - October 31			
Monday - Friday			
*Thursday & Friday only 6/23 - 6/31			
	9:30am	7:00am	
	11:45am	10:30am	
	2:30pm	1:00pm	
	5:30pm	4:00pm	
	8:30pm*	7:00pm*	
Saturday & Sunday			
*Saturdays only starting 6/25			
	9:30am	8:00am	
	11:45am	10:30am	
	2:30pm	1:00pm	
	5:30pm	4:00pm	
	8:30pm*	7:00pm*	
Holiday Schedules			
Memorial Day Weekend			
May 28 - 30			
	9:30am	8:00am	
	11:45am	10:30am	
Independence Day Weekend			
July 3 & 4			
	2:30pm	1:00pm	
	5:30pm	4:00pm	
Labor Day Weekend			
September 4 - 6			
	8:30pm*	7:00pm*	
Halloween			
October 30 & 31			
*Saturdays only starting 6/25			
*Please note: Schedule subject to change.			

RESIDENT, COMMUTER AND MULTI-RIDE RATES

Salem Resident Round Trip Rates: Adult - \$19, Senior - \$15, Child - \$11

North Shore Resident Round Trip Rates: Adult - \$31, Senior - \$26, Child - \$19

Commuter Round Trip Rates (Mon – Fri rush hour trips only): Adult - \$16, Senior - \$8, Child - \$8

10 Ride Passes: Non-Commuter - \$200, Commuter - \$72



Festival Grants

Mayor Kim Driscoll and the City of Salem are pleased to announce the creation of the **Festival and Special Event Support Program**, a grant program designed to support festivals and special events taking place in the spring and summer of 2022. The program is being announced as part of National Travel and Tourism Week, which runs from May 1st until May 7th.

"These events are a crucial part of what makes Salem a great place to live, work, play and are a critical part of our economy," said Mayor Kim Driscoll. "For residents, visitors, and businesses alike, options to gather safely will reawaken one of the key drivers of our local economy and are an important part of our recovery from the last two years of pandemic life. I can't wait to be part of the wonderful festivals and special events planned for Salem this spring and summer."

The program will provide financial support for organizations and entities that organize and hold festivals and special events in the City through September 15, 2022. Eligibility will be determined on a case-by-case basis and is open to non-profits, community groups, and other entities and will support cultural, creative, and historic focused programming as well as farmer's markets, awareness programs, and more.

For more information on the program or to apply, please visit www.salemma.gov/recovery. The Salem Festival and Special Event Support Program is made possible by the American Rescue Plan Act, which provides financial support to organizations that suffered an adverse economic impact as the result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

CLC Survey

Salem for All Ages, in partnership with the Salem Council on Aging and the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services, are conducting a brief survey to gauge public feedback regarding the Mayor Jean Levesque Community Life Center (CLC).

While the survey is open to all, the hope especially is to gather input from Salem residents who do **not** normally visit the CLC. The survey will be online through 10:00 May 20 and can be found at www.salemma.gov/CLCSurvey.

"It's been about four years since the CLC opened and, especially with the impacts of the pandemic, we would like to get a sense of what types of programs and activities are working well and where we can grow," said Mayor Kim Driscoll. "I encourage all residents, whether they have been to the CLC or not, to take a few minutes to complete this brief, but important, survey."



The City of Beverly and City of Salem present

FREE STYROFOAM RECYCLING EVENT



Hold on to your
Styrofoam!

Saturday
June 11, 2022
9AM-12PM



Community Life Center
401 Bridge Street, Salem

Sorry, no packaging peanuts or food service containers will be accepted.

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Free Bluebike Rides

May is Mental Health Awareness Month and National Bike Month, and Bluebikes title sponsor Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts is sponsoring FREE Adventure Passes each Sunday with "Miles for Mental Health" to shine a spotlight on the link between outdoor exercise and improved mental health. Go online to <https://member.bluebikes.com/map/> to see the Bluebikes stations in Salem and grab a bike! Download the Bluebikes App and enter the appropriate code.

5/15: BlueMiles15

5/22: BlueMiles22

5/29: BlueMiles29



The City of Salem is providing an additional distribution of free rapid antigen COVID-19 tests for at-home use. Any Salem resident or individual who works in Salem is eligible to pick up three boxes of tests (two tests per box) from the Health Department offices, 98 Washington St, Mondays-Wednesdays 9am-4pm and Thursdays 9am-7pm through the end of May, or as long as supplies last.

COVID Testing

Open Space Advisory Group

The City of Salem seeks applicants to the advisory group for its forthcoming Open Space & Recreation (OSRP) planning process to begin in late-spring 2022 and conclude in early 2023. The OSRP process is a way for the City to identify community needs and desires on a variety of open space and recreation topics. The process will include informational presentations and community input exercises to discern goals and make recommendations to the community based both on input and professional community planning best practices and analyses.

The commitment is for: participating in group meetings every other month or so; public workshops (that may potentially be a combination of either physical or virtual meetings); providing feedback about the process and public forums, as well as helping draft potential survey questions for the community; getting the word out about the Salem OSRP 2029 process, public workshops and the online surveys; providing ideas and feedback for potential presentation content, preliminary goals, draft survey questions, and draft plan report in early/mid 2023.

The deadline to apply is May 24, 2022. Email tdevine@salem.com: (1) Name, address, phone number, and email address of nominee. (2) A brief explanation of how the nominee engages or wishes to engage in Salem's Park & Recreation facilities or programming. (3) A summary of the nominee's interest in serving on the advisory group. (4) Any further information that may support the City in its selection of advisory group members. The City expects to receive more nominations than it can accom-



-modate and therefore cannot guarantee that any application will result in selection to serve on the Advisory Board.

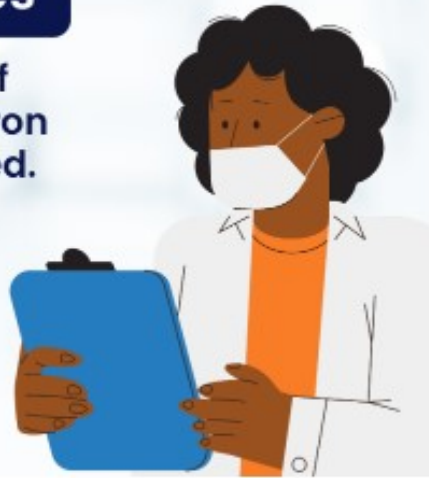
COVID-19 Booster Doses

The best way to protect yourself from COVID-19, including Omicron is to get vaccinated and boosted.

Who? Everyone ages **12** and older should get a booster.

When? At least **5** months after your second Pfizer or Moderna shot, or **2** months after Johnson & Johnson.

As of 1/5/2022



COVID-19 Booster Doses

Adolescents age 12 and older are now eligible to get a booster, 5 months after their second Pfizer shot.

As of 1/05/2021



COVID-19 Booster Doses

Adults age 50 and older and some immunocompromised individuals are now eligible to get a second booster, at least 4 months after their first booster.

As of 3/29/2022

