

ART DUJOUR

VAL'S VIEW

It's a Wonderful Life



Everyone loves a good holiday movie, especially this time of the year! Curling up on the couch with friends, family and a mug of hot cocoa to watch old classics and new favorites. The most famous of this delightful genre of film is, most certainly, "It's a

Wonderful Life", and WGBH is giving you a chance to see it! On December 16th, from 7:00-10:00pm The Brattle Theater in Cambridge will be hosting a special first-timers screening of the movie for FREE! Cozy up with your friends and family, grab a tub of popcorn, and enjoy the on-screen magic of the holidays! Doors open at 6:00pm and seating is first come first serve, so make sure to get there early! For more information and to RSVP to the event visit www.brattlefilm.org. Happy Holidays!!

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ART BRIEFS

First Night Tour - Thursday, December 31, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Otis House, 141 Cambridge Street, Boston, Mass.

Get ready to celebrate Boston's famed First Night festivities with a stop at Otis House. Enjoy a tour of the 1796 house on Beacon Hill and explore the elegant life of one of Boston's leading families. No one in Boston threw a better party than Harry and Sally Otis. Discover how the Otises lived and entertained at the turn of the nineteenth century. Tours on the hour and half-hour. Free Please call 617-994-5920 for more information.

The College of Art and Design at Lesley University

Saturday, January 9, 2016 from 9:00 am-8:00 pm

If you're interested in pursuing a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Visual Arts, this one-day event is a great opportunity to get all your questions answered about the program. To register visit:
www.lesley.edu/event/mfa-in-visual-arts-residency-day

A PhotoWalks Tour Experience - Beacon Hill will teach you how to see creatively and take amazing pictures in less than 2 hours. And, there's plenty of fascinating commentary on Beacon Hill's history. Walking along the picturesque streets of Beacon Hill is like an immersion into a 19th century English-inspired neighborhood. Rich in history and architecture, learn how to capture the ambiance in photographs that make time stand still. Adults: \$40 | Youth: (10-17): \$20 All ages and skill levels welcome. Advance reservations required. Saturday, Dec 26, 2015 10:00am -11:30am. www.photowalks.com

The Annual "Christmas In The City" Event with Boston Police Gaelic Column of Pipes and Drums. December 20 at 12 pm. Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, 415 Summer St, Boston, Massachusetts 02210. www.facebook.com/events/511147452399360

Mapparium - Mary Baker Eddy Library



The Mapparium's three-dimensional perspective of the world of 1935 is enhanced by A World of Ideas, an original presentation that features a rich orchestration of words, music, and LED lights to illustrate how ideas have traversed time and geography and changed the world. The Library is also showing a complementary exhibit, "The Mapparium: An Inside View," featuring letters, documents, and artifacts never before made public. These showcase the construction, history, and significance of this magnificent architectural and artistic achievement.

www.marybakereddylibrary.org. Image from Mary Baker Eddy Library web site.

Call to Boston Artists and Boston Based Art Organizations

BNN Neighborhood Art Gallery is seeking Boston based artists and or art organizations to do two month exhibits at their television studios in Egleston Square. Includes wall exhibit (up to 15 framed pieces), digital gallery of exhibit on TV channels, a reception and appearance "It's All about Arts" program. Call Janice at 617-708-3224 for details and an application. www.bnntv.org/vod/bnn-digital-art-gallery

Museum of Fine Arts - Drawing in the Galleries

- Every Wednesday, 6-9 pm
Drop-in and sketch from live clothed models and from objects in our galleries. All ranges of drawing experience are welcome, including visitors who are picking up a sketchbook for the first time. A drawing instructor provides insights on drawing technique and how the artist-model relationship can inspire the sketching process. Drawing materials are provided. This is a free program, for all ages. Gallery locations change each week. Please check at the Sharf Visitor Center for current location. Avenue of the Arts, 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02115, 617-267-9300, www.mfa.org

The Public Open Night at the **BU Astronomical Observatory** is a chance for people to come observe the night sky through telescopes and binoculars and see things they otherwise might not get to see, and learn some astronomy as well. The Open Nights are held most Wednesday evenings throughout the year, weather permitting. It is open to everyone. Starting times are 8:30pm during the spring and summer, and 7:30pm during the fall and winter. The program lasts about an hour. Wednesday, Dec 23, 2015 8:30p - 9:30p Coit Observatory at Boston University 725 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, MA FREE
<https://twitter.com/buobservatory>

Art Dujour is brought to you by *Its All About Arts*, a television show on Boston Neighborhood Network Television with host Glenn Williams and co-host Valerie Eliason. The show features local artists both visual and performing and art administrators. Watch on *BNNLive* - Comcast 9 or RCN 15 or streamed live on bnntv.org. Mondays from 6-7 pm. To be a guest visit itsallaboutarts.com/cableshow.htm or call 617-543-7443. LIKE <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Its-All-About-Arts/711758485539757>