

**Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School**



# **HERITAGE FESTIVAL**

The B.R. Xpression Vocal Ensemble/The Celtic Fusion  
Concert Band

*April 23<sup>rd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2019*



**Boston Heritage Festival**  
**Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

*“Boston here we come...”* , our trip to Boston has quickly arrived! Once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and guardians for their support of this year’s music trip. We have finalized our itinerary and all bookings are in place and secured hopefully insuring a successful and musically rewarding excursion to the historically and culturally rich city of Boston.

**Please read carefully the attached itinerary as it indicates contact phone numbers and other important information regarding our involvement in the Heritage Festival in Boston.**

- all students are asked to report to Bishop Ryan School at **10:15pm** to prepare for departure. Please arrive at the back entrance parking lot, school lobby doors. I will be waiting there with doors open.
- the buses will be leaving at **11:00pm.** sharp. Please arrive **ON TIME!**
- students must remember to bring their performance attire (B.R Xpression jackets and Celtic Fusion jackets, black school pants and black shoes and socks ONLY!) and all music, instruments, mouthpieces etc. that they may require. **IT IS THE STUDENTS RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THE CARE OF THEIR INSTRUMENTS WHILE AWAY.** Students who are not prepared to perform with instruments and proper performance attire will NOT be allowed to perform on-stage at the festival.
- although the cost of some meals are included in the package, students will need to have adequate funds for all other meals and shopping if desired. Please provide your son/daughter with **American** currency for all purchases.
- dress for all functions, with the exception of our music performances is **casual.** The Boston Harbour Whale Cruise and the Haunted Ghost tour will be outdoors. Please prepare for cool and inclement weather however, **please do not over-pack!.**
- students are entitled to shop for goods while in the U.S. The limit must not exceed **\$800.00 CANADIAN.** Please research if desired.
- please make sure that your son/daughter has **adequate medical coverage** (Blue Cross etc.) If you are unsure, it is advised to purchase additional coverage for peace of mind. The C.A.A. offers coverage at a nominal charge (non-members as well). Each student **MUST** carry this with them **AT ALL TIMES.**

- Please be aware that students will be given SOME free time to shop downtown. Although chaperones will be nearby, students are responsible for ensuring that they ALWAYS move together in a BUDDY system and be responsible at all times!
  
- please make sure your son/daughter has their **BIRTH CERTIFICATE** and/or **PASSPORT** as proof of citizenship (to be carried at all times). I believe the new photo health cards will suffice as well.
  
- ***PARENTS ARE ASKED TO PLEASE CHECK THEIR SON/DAUGHTERS SUITCASES FOR ANY ALCOHOL OR ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES. STUDENTS WHO ARE CAUGHT WITH DRUGS OR ALCOHOL EITHER UNDER THE INFLUENCE OR IN POSSESSION OF WILL BE SENT HOME AT THE PARENTS EXPENSE IMMEDIATELY AND SUSPENSION PROCEEDINGS WILL TAKE PLACE AS SOON AS THEY ARRIVE BACK TO SCHOOL. A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY WILL BE IN EFFECT!!! (A few years ago a student was escorted to the airport and flown home at the parent's expense for an infraction against the above policy.)***

It is expected that students will be on their **best behavior AT ALL TIMES**. Any student who opposes authority will be harshly dealt with upon the return to school. Contact with the parents will also occur immediately and possible plans made to deliver the student home at the families expense if necessary. **Please remind your son/daughter that we are representing our school, city and country.**

We have worked hard at preparing musically for this festival in Boston. Having achieved numerous Gold and Silver medals as well as the coveted Spirit Awards in the past in Boston, Myrtle Beach and most recently Nashville we are eager to display our talents to the Heritage Festival Adjudication staff. We are B.R and we are ready to shine!!!! Congratulations Celtics on all of your hard work preparing for this festival.

Please be assured that this trip will undoubtedly be a highlight to be remembered by your son/daughter. If you have any last minute questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school. Looking forward to a rewarding musical weekend.  
**School #573-2151 ext 3337.**

Yours in the Interest of Music Education,

David M. Tabone  
Head of Arts /Music Director

**Boston 2019 Heritage Music Festival**  
**DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY**

\*please note that itinerary is subject to change\*

**DAY 1 – Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019**

**10:15pm**

**All students arrive at Bishop Ryan**

Board busses with instruments and luggage

**Do not forget to have your photo I.D. and Birth Certificate or Passport with you.**

DO NOT ARRIVE LATE!!!!

**11:00pm**

Bus departs Bishop Ryan

Badder Bus



**DAY 2 – Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**12am –**

**12:30am**

Arrive at U.S. Border Crossing – entrance to the U.S.A. – **students are reminded to have birth certificates and photo identification available for U.S. Marshall.**

Continue safe departure for Boston. Students will require US money for short stops and to purchase lunch along the way. Students are encouraged to bring healthy snacks and drinks for consumption on the trip. Our motorcoaches are also equipped with DVD players so bring your favourite movies to watch!

**9am**

Approximate time of arrival at the **Double Tree Boston – North Shore Hotel,**

50 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923 where we will drop off luggage in a room, have a hot buffet breakfast, use washroom facilities before heading the the Northshore Mall for 4 hours.

**(cost of breakfast included)**



**10:30am**

Arrive at North Shore Mall at **NORTHSHORE MALL** 210 Andover St, Peabody, MA 01960, USA

**(Cost of lunch in Food Court not included).**

*Enjoy shopping at America's most popular stores where we will spend 4 hours shopping and exploring the mall while waiting for check in at the hotel*



**4:00pm**

Head back to hotel for Room Check in, grab keys and luggage, relax and freshen up for an hour. Get acquainted with the hotel amenities.

**5:00pm**

Depart for dinner and sightseeing at Faneuil Hall/Quincy Market. Here we will get dinner at the many restaurants located here **(cost not included).** Enjoy the first taste of Boston!



**8:15pm**

Return to hotel. Socialize and enjoy amenities!

**11:00pm**

**ROOM CHECK. Lights out!** Students are reminded that after room check has been taken, under no circumstances are other students allowed in the room. Students who are caught in another room will be reprimanded and warned. **If a repeated offense happens they will be sent home at the parents expense!**

### **DAY 3 – Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

6:30 am

**Wake up call.** Shower and prepare for the day in Boston. We will be taking the whale watching tour today so make sure you are dressed appropriately for the weather.

7:00 am

**Full hot breakfast buffet** in Hotel. (All you can eat!) **(Cost of breakfast INCLUDED!)**

8:45 am Depart for - **NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM WHALE WATCH - BOSTON HARBOR CRUISES**  
(Cost of tour included)  
**BOSTON, MA 02110**

Group must arrive 30 minutes prior to cruise. Reservations under Bishop Ryan/Mary Tabone. Director report to ticket booth to obtain group tickets. Be prepared with jackets. Food/beverage available for purchase on board. Cruise is 3 hours. Helpful Hints...

Don't forget the camera, film and binoculars. We have a galley serving food and beverages. Wear comfortable shoes or sneakers. Bring a light sweater or jacket. Remember sunscreen and sunglasses



1:00pm Back to the hotel for a few hours of relaxing and freshening up.

4:30pm Leave for a group dinner at Rockafellas for 5pm , 231 Essex Street, Salem MA. **(Cost of dinner INCLUDED)!**



6:45pm Walk to the Salem Night Witch tour (cost included) at 7pm (5min. walk from Rockafellas) – 127 Essex Street, Salem MA, 01970



8:30pm Board the bus to head to hotel for the night

11:00pm **ROOM CHECK.** *Lights out!*

## **DAY 4 – Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

### **PERFORMANCE DAY**

- 8am-10am Board buses for breakfast at New Brothers Restaurant, 31 Maple St, Danvers, MA. Cafeteria style breakfast made to order (**Cost of breakfast INCLUDED**). Two buses will arrive at 8am, two buses will arrive at 9am.
- 10:30am Board buses from hotel to depart for step on guided tour of Boston. Meet at corner of Surface street and Clinton Street at 11pm
- 2:00pm Head back to hotel for a couple hours before departing for performance venues
- 5pm Pizza will be provided. (**Cost INCLUDED**)! Students can eat in their rooms.
- 6:30pm **Depart for performance venue. Arrive at 6:45 to Masconomet Regional High School, Auditorium, 20 Endicott Rd. Boxford, MA 01921, Concert Band warm up 7:15pm, performance 7:50pm**
- BR Xpression Vocal group warm up 8:30, performance 8:50pm**
- 9:30pm After adjudications return to hotel.
- 11:00pm **ROOM CHECK.** Lights out!

## **DAY 5 – Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

- 8am Doubletree Hot Buffet Breakfast (**cost of breakfast INCLUDED**)!
- 11am Load luggage on buses, check out of hotel and board buses for Harvard Square. In this area students can shop, visit the grounds of Harvard University, grab some lunch and snacks for the bus ride home.



- 3pm** Drop off at eclectic and bustling shopping district at Quincy Market/Faneuil Hall for more exploration. Visit the The New England Holocaust Memorial. It is an outdoor space, open, free and accessible to the public at all times. It is located in Carmen Park on Congress Street near Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market, on Boston's historic Freedom Trail.
- 6:00p.m** Walk to the New England Aquarium. 1 Central Wharf Boston, MA 02110. For Awards Ceremony and Aquarium visit. Cost of admission included!
- 9:30pm Board buses and depart for home!

## WELCOME HOME CELTICS!

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# P o i n t s o f I n t e r e s t

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### About Berklee

Berklee College of Music was founded on the revolutionary principle that the best way to prepare students for careers in music is through the study and practice of contemporary music. For more than half a century, the college has evolved to reflect the state of the art of music and the music business. With more than a dozen performance and nonperformance majors, a diverse and talented student body representing more than 70 countries, and a music industry "who's who" of alumni, Berklee is the world's premier learning lab for the music of today—and tomorrow.

*Berklee College of Music*

### Notable alumni



Many alumni of the college are notable figures in the music industry.<sup>[9]</sup> Some notable artists that have studied at Berklee include multi talented producer/musician Camila Grey of the band Uh Huh Her, producer Quincy Jones, pianists Bruce Hornsby, Keith Jarrett, Hironi Uehara, and Diana Krall, guitarists John Petrucci, Steve Vai, Rivers Cuomo, Ian Thornley, Kevin Eubanks, Shane Gibson, John Mayer, critically acclaimed session drummer Steve Hass, bassist and keyboardist Matt Wachter, bassist John Myung and drummer Mike Portnoy (both of whom, along with John Petrucci, are part of the progressive metal band Dream Theater), songwriters Aimee Mann, Paula Cole, Gavin DeGraw, Tracy Bonham, and Melissa Etheridge, film scorers Alan Silvestri and Howard Shore, jazz saxophonist Branford Marsalis, New York composer-arranger and producer Rob Mounsey, Danish producer and jazz drummer Thomas Blachman and electronic music/film composer "BT" (Brian Transeau). Two members of the hard rock band Aerosmith, guitarist Brad Whitford and drummer Joey Kramer, are also Berklee alumni. Katelyn Clampett, a singer-songwriter currently attends Berklee. Trey Parker, the co-creator of the animated series South Park, attended Berklee with an interest in film scoring, but transferred to University of Colorado to complete his degree

## HARVARD UNIVERSITY

**Harvard University** (incorporated as *The President and Fellows of Harvard College*) is a private university in Cambridge, Massachusetts, U.S., and a member of the Ivy League. Founded in 1636 by the colonial Massachusetts legislature,<sup>[2]</sup> Harvard is the oldest institution of higher learning in the United States. It is also the first and oldest corporation in North America

Harvard is consistently ranked at or near the top of international college and university rankings,<sup>[5][6][7][8][9]</sup> and has the second-largest financial endowment of any non-profit organization (behind the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation), standing at \$28.8 billion as of 2008.

## USS CONSTITUTION NAVY SHIP

**USS Constitution** is a wooden-hulled, three-masted heavy frigate of the United States Navy. Named after the Constitution of the United States of America by President George Washington, she is the oldest commissioned naval vessel afloat in the world.<sup>[Note 1]</sup> *Constitution*, launched in 1797, was one of the six original frigates authorized for construction by the Naval Act of 1794. Joshua Humphreys designed these frigates to be the Navy's capital ships, and so *Constitution* and her sisters were larger and more heavily armed and built than the standard frigates of the period. Built in Boston, Massachusetts at Edmund Hartt's shipyard, her first duty with the newly formed United States Navy was to provide protection for American merchant shipping during the Quasi War with France and to defeat the Barbary pirates in the First Barbary War.

Her most famous era of naval warfare was the War of 1812 against Great Britain, when she captured numerous merchant ships and defeated five British warships: HMS Guerriere, HMS Java, HMS Pictou, HMS Cyane and HMS Levant. The battle with *Guerriere* earned her the nickname of "**Old Ironsides**" and public adoration that has repeatedly saved her from scrapping. She continued to actively serve the nation as flagship in the Mediterranean and African squadrons and circled the world in the 1840s. During the American Civil War she served as a training ship for the United States Naval Academy and carried artwork and industrial displays to the Paris Exposition of 1878. Retired from active service in 1881, she served as a receiving ship until designated a museum ship in 1907. In 1931 she made a three year 90-port tour of the nation and in 1997 she finally sailed again under her own power for her 200th birthday. *Constitution's* mission today is to promote understanding of the Navy's role in war and peace through educational outreach, historic demonstration, and active participation in public events. As a fully commissioned US Navy ship, her crew of 60 officers and sailors participate in ceremonies, educational programs and special events while keeping the ship open to visitors year-round and providing free tours. The officers and crew are all active-duty US Navy personnel and the assignment is considered special duty in the Navy.



### *The Freedom Trail*

The **Freedom Trail** is a red (mostly brick) path through downtown Boston, Massachusetts that leads to 16 significant historic sites. It is a 2.5 mile (4 km) walk from the Boston Common to the Bunker Hill Monument in Charlestown and is popular with tourists. Part of the Freedom Trail has been included in the longer Boston Harbor Walk. The Freedom Trail is a unit of Boston National Historical Park.

The Freedom Trail was originally conceived in 1958 by local journalist William Schofield who was promoting the idea of linking important local landmarks with a pedestrian trail since 1951. Fifty years later tourists from all over the world visit Boston and walk in the footsteps of history.

### *The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere*

The role for which he is most remembered today was as a night-time messenger on horseback just before the battles of Lexington and Concord. His famous "Midnight Ride" occurred on the night of April 18/April 19, 1775, when he and William Dawes were instructed by Dr. Joseph Warren to ride from Boston to Lexington to warn John Hancock and Samuel Adams of the movements of the British Army, which was beginning a march from Boston to Lexington, ostensibly to arrest Hancock and Adams and seize the weapons stores in Concord.



### **Boston Harbor Cruises – Whale Watching Tour**

The Catamarans (the boats we will travel on) Sister vessels Aurora and Nora Vittoria are the largest and fastest custom whale watch vessels in the United States. Each carries up to 400 passengers at speeds approaching 35 knots (37.5 mph) to the eco-rich environment of Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary.

Powered by four Cummins engines and MJP water jets, the two vessels are not only fast but also environmentally friendly. They're fully air conditioned and heated, plus they're very stable on ocean waters, making them a pleasure to ride.

Our catamarans feature 3 outside decks for optimum viewing capability. Inside you'll find climate-controlled cabin space featuring carpeting, soft upholstered transit and booth seating, free onboard WIFI, state-of-the-art audio-visual systems, and a galley offering snacks and beverages for purchase.

Outfitted with all of the latest marine electronics and navigation systems, BHC's catamarans qualify as some of the most advanced and safest passenger vessels in the country.



