

**UPCOMING INTEREST
GROUP MEETINGS**

Monday 03/13

3:00PM English Conversation Practice

Tuesday 03/14

10:00 AM English Conversation Practice

12:00PM Knitting for Everyone

Wednesday 3/15

10:00AM Infant and Toddler Playgroup

12:30PM Italian Conversation Practice

1:00PM Board Meeting

7:30PM MIT Women's Chorale Rehearsal

Thursday 3/16

9:30AM Art Explorations

10:00AM Out and About Tour

1:30PM English Conversation Practice

Friday 3/17

12:30PM French Conversation Group

2:00PM Advanced English Conversation

Monday 3/20

12:00PM Telling Lives: Memoir Writing

3:00PM English Conversation Practice

Tuesday 3/21

10:00AM English Conversation Practice

12:00 PM Knitting For Everyone

Wednesday 3/22

10:00AM Infant and Toddler Playgroup

7:30PM MIT Women's Chorale Rehearsal

Thursday 3/23

9:30 AM Art Explorations

1:30PM English Conversation Practice

Friday 3/24

10:00AM Nowruz/Spring Celebration

2:00PM Advanced English Conversation

**IMPORTANT UPCOMING
DATES IN OUR AREA:**

St. Patrick's Day	March 17
First Day of Spring	March 22

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Neighbors News

What's New in Neighbors News

A.R.T. Tour with Out and About



Out and About Group is happy to announce it's first tour of the year! Come and join them for a visit to American Repertory Theater! They will meet at the Lobby of the A.R.T. theater at Loeb Drama Center - 64, Cambridge, MA 02138 at

10:45am on March 16. The tour starts at 11am and will last one hour. After the tour they will have lunch together at Harvard Square area restaurant. Please RSVP to reserve your spot at neighbors@harvard.edu

Celebrating Spring!

Another festive event is coming soon! Come and join us at Neighbors' meeting room from 10am to 11am on March 24, to celebrate the International Nowruz Day! A wonderful cultural tradition, Nowruz or Persian New Year has been celebrated by people from diverse ethno-linguistic communi-

ties for thousands of years. It promotes values of peace



and solidarity between generations and within families. We will be happy to have you as our guests and grateful if you want to volunteer and bring a home-made dish to the party and maybe share a story of the interesting traditions from your home country! Event is free for Harvard Neighbors members and their families! Check your e-mails for an invitation to the event next week!

Around the neighborhood

Cambridge is a home or a work site for many of us, but how well do you know it's nine distinguished neighborhoods? When you think of Cambridge neighborhoods, think "Square".

Many of the key areas in Cambridge are indeed squares.

Harvard Square - home to Harvard University, is what many would consider the heart of Cambridge.

Kendall Square - MIT Campus and a range of technology companies location.

Central Square - is the cultural and music district of the city.

Cambridgeport - a picturesque

residential neighborhood.

Inman Square - not directly accessible by the T, culturally diverse neighborhood, home to professionals and students.

Porter Square - a residential area with a range of nice shops and restaurants.

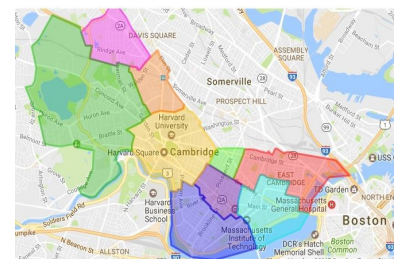
East Cambridge - Once a village of its own, is one of Cambridge's oldest residential neighborhoods and is historically home to many of the city's industries. New luxury condos are popping up along side the tech company sprawl from Kendall Square.

West Cambridge - a residen-

tial neighborhood bordered by the Fresh Pond Reservation and Historic Mount Auburn Cemetery.

If you want to learn more of the areas, neighborhoods and squares of Cambridge click on the link below:

<http://www.cambridgeusa.org/visit/neighborhoods/>



Celebrating St. Patrick's Day

Every year on March 17, the Irish and the Irish-at-heart across the globe observe St. Patrick's Day. What began as a religious feast day for the patron saint of Ireland has become an international festival celebrating Irish culture with parades, dancing, special foods and a whole lot of green. Since around the ninth or 10th century, people in Ireland have been observing the Roman Catholic feast day of St. Patrick on March 17. Interestingly, however, the first parade held to honor St. Patrick's Day took place not in Ireland but in the United States. On March 17, 1762, Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City. Along with their music, the parade helped the soldiers reconnect with their Irish

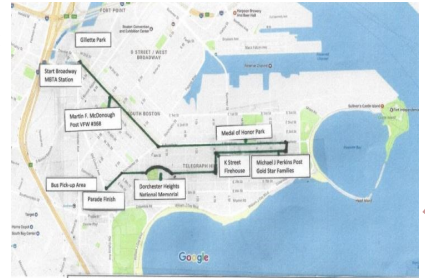
roots, as well as with fellow Irishmen serving in the English army. On March 17, Irish International Immigrant Center invites you to a free Irish Party with loads of craic, Irish music, dancers and performers. Click on the [link](#) for more details. If you happen to be at the Faneuil Hall Marketplace Center in Boston on St.



Patrick's Day don't miss the live entertainment all day, starting at 10 am! Dance to some Irish tunes, enjoy performances by Irish Step Dancers, then hit



the restaurants and pubs for some green beer! Don't forget, the traditional South Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on March 19, Sunday at 1pm. Your best bet for viewing the parade is to stake out a spot anywhere along Broadway to enjoy the colorful floats, Irish and American pipe and drum bands, and enthusiastic crowds.



Parade Route: Start on West Broadway @ MBTA Station to East Broadway, Right onto P Street, Right onto East Fourth Street, Left Turn onto K Street, Right onto East Sixth Street, Around Thomas Park, onto Telegraph Street, Left onto Dorchester Street and End at Old Colony Avenue.



Weekend Ideas

A free photographic exhibition which was unveiled at the Vatican Museum is at Faneuil Hall in Boston, until March 26th, 2017.

'Life of a Swiss Guard', reveals the most photographed military corps in the world in a new light, away from the uniforms and flags. The exhibit was prominently displayed in the Vatican Museums Cortile delle Cozzazze in Rome last year. Photographer Fabio Mantegna has captured on film an intimate view of the life of the men who make up the Swiss Guard. Individual personality, all of which is sealed by their oath to lay down their lives, if necessary, in defense of the Bishop of Rome, the Successor of Saint Peter.

The exhibit features military paraphernalia passed down from generation to generation of this military corps, as well as 80 photographs that unveil the dedication of men who take the oath as members of the Pontifical Swiss Guard. Visitors to the Faneuil Hall can see the exhibit on the 4th



floor of the historic building, above the Great Hall, in the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company (AHAC) of Massachusetts museum daily from 9am to 3pm. To learn more click [here](#).

If you haven't been to Salem lately, why not consider a weekend gateway?

Peabody Essex Museum has a couple of new interesting exhibitions: **WOW World of Wearable Art** made possible by partnership with the New Zealand's Government - presenting 32 ensembles of the competition's most unique,



spectacular and outlandish wearable artworks and **Shoes: Pleasure and Pain** - organized by

the Victoria and Albert Museum, London. Examples from famous shoe collectors are shown alongside a dazzling range of historic shoes, many of which have not been displayed before.



Both exhibitions are located in the Special Exhibitions Galleries of the museum. Museum is Open Tuesday-Sunday, 10am-5pm

Open the third Thursday of every month 10am-9pm. For directions to the museum and more information click on the link :

<http://www.pem.org/>



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