The Charles River Esplanade

Welcome to The Charles River Esplanade. The Esplanade is a continuous Park that stretches over three miles from the Museum of Science to the Boston University Bridge on the Boston side of the Charles River. We encourage you to enjoy your time exploring this beautiful green space.

ABOUT THE ESPLANADE ASSOCIATION

The Esplanade Association is a privately funded nonprofit organization that works to revitalize and enhance the Charles River Esplanade, preserve natural green space, and build community by providing educational, cultural, and recreational programs for everyone.

BECOME A MEMBER

The Esplanade Association receives no government funding. We depend on the generosity of our members to support the work we do to care for the Esplanade. We have different levels of membership so you can choose the one that is right for you. To learn more or become a member, visit [www.esplanadeassociation.org](http://www.esplanadeassociation.org).

Help Us Make Life Better on the Esplanade

Though the Esplanade Association has accomplished much since 2001, the Park requires significant and ongoing care to ensure that it remains beautiful and sustainable. Whether you make a financial contribution, become a member, or volunteer, your support helps to make life better on the Esplanade.

VOLUNTEER

The Esplanade Association has many opportunities for individual volunteers and corporate/group volunteers throughout the year. Working alongside our Park staff, volunteers participate in a host of Park beautification and maintenance projects that include planting, raking, invasive removal, trash pick-up, and bench painting. Schedule your volunteer day at [www.esplanadeassociation.org](http://www.esplanadeassociation.org).

Getting to the Esplanade

The Esplanade is easily accessible via public transportation, on foot, or by bike. As Storrow Drive separates the Park from the city, visitors must use one of the eight footbridges to enter. There are no parking facilities on the Esplanade.

Traveling by the MBTA

- From the Green Line
  - Kenmore Station
  - Hynes Station
  - Copley Station
  - Arlington Station
  - Science Park Station
- From the Red Line
  - Charles/MGH Station

Department of Conservation and Recreation

The Esplanade Association works in collaboration with the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). To report problems at the Park please contact DCR’s Community Relations Line: 617-626-4973. DCR requires a Special Use Permit for any use or activity which exceeds in any way the common use of DCR parklands. Visit [http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/](http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/) to learn more.

Calendar of Events

Learn more about the Esplanade Association’s free Park programming and events by visiting [www.esplanadeassociation.org](http://www.esplanadeassociation.org).

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Points of Interest

PUBLIC GATHERING AREAS
6 Lederman Park
8 Charles Eliot Park
11 DCR Hatch Shell Oval
13 Fiedler Field
D Boating Docks

RECREATIONAL AMENITIES
3 Tennis Courts
4 Alfond Spray Deck
5 Teddy Ebersol’s Red Sox Fields
19 Exercise Course

PLAYGROUNDS
3 Charlesbank Playground
12 Esplanade Playspace
18 Stoneman Playground

BOATING AND SAILING FACILITIES
7 Community Boating, Inc.
10 Union Boating Club
20 Boston University Sailing Pavilion

DISCOVER THE HISTORY OF THE PARK
8 Charles Eliot Memorial
9 Commissioners Landing
11 DCR Hatch Memorial Shell
13 Arthur Fiedler Memorial
14 Lotta Fountain (dog friendly)
15 Dartmouth Street Landing
16 Oliver Wendell Holmes Memorial
17 James and Helen Storrow Memorial

INSTITUTIONS
1 Museum of Science
2 State Police Barracks

Visit www.esplanadeassociation.org to learn more about Points of Interest on the Esplanade

Map Legend
- Footbridges/Access
- Restrooms
- Refreshments
- River Docks
- Subway Station
- Bike Share Station*
- Parking Garage
- Distance Between Footbridges
- Walking Path
- Suggested Biking Path

*Use the Hubway app for up-to-date information about bike station locations

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