



ARTS FIRST

Thursday, May 2 – Sunday, May 5: ARTS FIRST

2019. ARTS FIRST is four rousing days of performances, exhibitions, and art-making opportunities. See visual art, opera, dance, music, comedy, theater, public art, poetry, and so much more! Most events are free. Details at:

ofa.fas.harvard.edu/arts. Festival highlights include:



Thursday, May 2, 4-5:30PM – Harvard Arts Medal Ceremony. U.S. Poet Laureate and Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Tracy K. Smith '94 is the recipient of the 2019 Harvard Arts Medal, which will be awarded by President Bacow. Free tickets (HUID; limit two) at the Harvard Box Office. Agassiz Theatre.

Friday, May 3, 5:30-7PM – Jazz on the Plaza. Harvard Jazz Bands will present the annual ARTS FIRST jazz concert. Saxophonist and composer Don Braden '85 will be the guest artist. Plaza Tent.



Saturday, May 4, on the Plaza:

- **11AM-12:30PM – Pre-Fair Concert.** Enjoy performances by THUD, CityStep, and the Harvard Pops Orchestra (*Legend of Zelda, Star Wars!*)



- **12:30-1PM – Performance Fair Kickoff.** The always cheerful Harvard University Band, with its unique joy and jocular, gives a big and boisterous ARTS FIRST welcome.

- **1-5PM – ARTS FIRST Performance Fair.** Don't miss comedy, a cappella, dance, music of all kinds, drama, and more. Performances run nonstop and showcase the talent and creativity of Harvard students, faculty, and staff. Park yourself at one of the 11 stages, or wander around to see as much diverse art as you can cram into four hours!

- **1-5PM – Make Art.** Make Art stations offer the opportunity for you to be an artist and take your creation home with you. Run by students and staff on the Plaza, you can try ceramics, figure drawing, and more.



- **3-5PM – DanceFest.** A celebration of dance traditions from around the world takes over the Plaza tent. This is a perennial favorite at the festival.



Sunday, May 5, 11AM-12:30PM – Beyond Borders. Uniting their art forms, members of Silkroad Ensemble, Parker Quartet, and the Brattle Street Chamber Players of Harvard College will share the stage. This bold and

borderless concert will feature more than a dozen musicians in a one-of-a-kind experience that reminds us of the power of inclusiveness, curiosity, listening, collaboration, and intergenerational artmaking. Harvard Commons, Smith Campus Center.

Upcoming Events

- **Friday, April 26, 9-11PM – Grille Crawl.**

Grab a group of up to eight friends, and head to the House grilles. Get a punch card at any participating grille, purchase food to get a punch, enjoy our Rave theme and different activities, and appreciate the uniqueness of each grille. Three punches gets a free 2019 Grille Crawl t-shirt; hit all five grilles, and enter a raffle to win free grille for the rest of semester! Eliot, Winthrop, Dunster, Quincy, and Pfoho Grilles.



- **Saturday, April 27, 8PM – Visitas Concert: Prokofiev, Strauss, Ravel, and Stravinsky.** Join the Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra for a special concert welcoming the class of 2023! Featuring: Prokofiev's *Symphony No. 1, Op. 25*; Strauss's

Dance of the Seven Veils; Stravinsky's *Concerto in D "Bale" for String Orchestra*; and Ravel's *La Valse*. For tickets, visit the Harvard Box Office. Sanders Theatre.

- **Saturday, April 27, 10PM-1AM – Glow Wars: The Battle Begins.** Ready to battle? Light up the night with your friends, and enjoy a massive game of capture the flag. Savor free Felipe's burritos. Glow sticks provided, excitement required. All are welcome, including spectators! Harvard Yard.

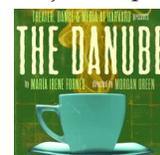


- **Wednesday, May 1, 3-6PM – CEB Presents: LDOC 2019 – Paradise.** CEB is building a portable Paradise resort in Tercentenary Theatre for the last day of classes (LDOC)! Upon entering the resort, you will be greeted by a cold beverage, a refreshing face towel, and a custom shirt. Relax at a spa with a full oxygen bar, massages, manicures, and healing bracelets. Move over to the boardwalk to find a caricaturist and henna artist, or make your own summer slime and sand art. Visit the restaurants for dumplings and snow cones. Hear a steel drum band. Tercentenary Theatre.

- **Wednesday, May 1, 6-7PM – Art & Open Mic Night.** Celebrate the end of the year through art! The First-Year Arts Room and Journal Project invite you to an art and open mic night. Enjoy art, music, poetry, film, and other forms of creative expression by your classmates. Pizza will be served. Lamont Library B-30.



- **May 2-4, 7:30PM; May 4-5, 2PM – TDM Spring Production: The Danube.** Eve and Paul meet and fall deeply in love, and just as quickly develop symptoms of an unexplained illness as the world begins to disintegrate around them. With their health in decline, the two cling to their relationship as a refuge from an otherwise inhospitable environment. For free tickets, visit: tdm.fas.harvard.edu. Farkas Hall.



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Submissions

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Tuesday at 9:00AM to:
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Published Fridays.

Safety Notice

To contact an FYE representative in the event of a serious, non-academic emergency, please call your proctor, or the Harvard University Police at (617) 495-1212. Safety and other emergency messages are displayed on the Harvard Emergency web page: harvard.edu/emergency. Sign up for MessageMe to receive the most up-to-date emergency information: messageme.harvard.edu.

Summer Storage



Looking for a place to store your stuff this summer? Check your 2022 Class List email sent Monday, April 15, or contact your upperclass House to see if they have a storage area in their basement. Some Houses allow students who live over 150 miles from the College to store their belongings on a first-come, first-served basis.

Another option is discounted storage through collegeboxes.com. Sign up online, order boxes, and select a pickup time. Enjoy free pickup when you move out, secure storage space over the summer, and free delivery when you move back this fall. For eligible students moving to Lowell House, the College will pay up to \$180.50 for storage through this site.

First-Year Fun



The First-Year Social Committee hosted a sightseeing cruise around Boston Harbor on Saturday, April 20 (left and below).



Monday, April 15, first-years tried their hand at improv comedy at the Ice Cream & Improv event in the Grays Common Room (left and above).

Resources & Opportunities for First-Years



Enhanced Brain Break with OSAPR. Take a break with OSAPR for a self-care Monday! OSAPR staff will host this community-wide, self-care session. Make de-stress balls, craft aromatherapy aids, do some decorative coloring, and play with toys as we wrap up the academic year. **Monday, April 29, 9:15-10:45PM, Annenberg.**

Finals Care Packages. Finals are here; take good care. Come pack a self-care package with an assortment of chocolate, candy, coloring books, tote bags, face masks, art supplies, and more. It only takes a few minutes to put together a package for your friends. Show them how much you care, and help them push through finals! **Thursday, May 2, 11AM-2PM, First-Year Arts Room, Holworthy basement.**



Daily Chatter

DailyChatter. Harvard College is teaming with DailyChatter to provide all students with a free, non-partisan, independent, daily international newsletter that focuses on current events from around the world. Opt-in today: dailychatter.com/harvardcollege.

Journal Project Prompt #32: What does "doing good" mean to you? What actions have you taken in the past week which exhibit that?



Calling Musicians and Interested Students – Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture: One-Time Only in Harvard Yard! Participate in one of the most brazen, fun, and Olympian interpretations of this famous piece ever heard in Cambridge. A long tradition at Lowell House, and now in conjunction with ARTS FIRST weekend at Harvard, this pick-up performance of the 1812 is open to the entire community and



features simulated cannon fire explosions, a kazoo chorus, pealing bells, and the stoic conductor who shepherds this racing chariot of a performance across the finish line and to great artistic victory. Show up, and you're in! All are welcome. Kazoos provided. **Sunday, May 5, 3PM, Tercentenary Theatre.**

Academic Events

- **Tuesday, April 30, 6-7:30PM – The "Peculiar Problems" of Preservation: Life, Death, and the Afterlife in the Museum.**  Who has the right to preserve museum collections, and why? Whose histories are preserved and whose are omitted through preservation? In this lecture, Sanchita Balachandran, associate director of the Johns Hopkins Archaeological Museum, will consider what role the scientific, physical, and cultural practices of preservation play in what (and who) lives, dies, or is brought back to life in the museum. Menschel Hall, Harvard Art Museums.
- **Thursday, May 2, 6PM – The Human Swarm: How Societies Arise, Thrive, and Fall.** Mark W. Moffett, author and photographer, will discuss the social adaptations that bind societies and distinguish humans from other animal species. Drawing on psychology, sociology, and anthropology, he explores how human society evolved from intimate chimp communities into sprawling, complex civilizations. Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St.

