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Free Fun Fridays Kicks off at the Museum of Fine Arts on July 1st!

Free Fun Fridays is officially launching on Friday, July 1st at the Museum of Fine Arts. Please join us this summer for free admission to some of the state's most treasured cultural resources



For the full schedule of dates and locations, please visit

www.highlandstreet.org and be sure to check our Facebook and Twitter pages!

HSF Announces New Round of Community Impact Consultants

HSF is extending invitations to non-profits to apply for Community Impact Consultants, which provides consulting services to Massachusetts-based 501(c)3 organizations with operating budgets between \$500,000 and \$2 million.



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Specifically, Community Impact Consultants addresses the following issues: organizational growth; stakeholder engagement; board development and governance; human resources planning and organization realignment; technological and informational system planning / web design / social media; staff and leadership development; resource development and fundraising; program planning and evaluation, and accounting and financial planning.

Consultants will be paired with selected non-profits following a needs assessment, fiscal review, and proposed project evaluation. Highland Street Foundation is accepting applications at www.highlandstreet.org, and will select non-profits to receive consulting services for a six-month period.

Chihuly's "Through the Looking Glass" Featured at the MFA

The Highland Street Foundation is delighted to support *Chihuly: Through the Looking Glass* at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. Dale Chihuly's wondrous creations, on display in the MFA's beautiful new Art of the Americas wing, gives an international public the chance to experience the spectrum of his vibrant career.

This exhibition celebrates the remarkable career of an iconic glass artist at an important moment in the history of both contemporary glass and the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. Dale Chihuly has described himself as "more choreographer than dancer, more supervisor than participant, more director than actor."

To learn more about the exhibit, please visit <http://www.mfa.org/exhibitions/chihuly>.



Summer Reading Series Begins on July 7 at TADpole Playground

The TADpole Playground is sponsoring its eighth summer-long series of reading events in partnership with ReadBoston. Each event will feature a different storyteller who will entertain the children with stories intended for audiences between the ages of three and six years old. All events are free and open to the public with children in attendance receiving gifts courtesy of Highland Street Foundation and books courtesy of ReadBoston.

Following are the weekly reading event dates for 2011, with the official kickoff on July 7: July 14, July 21, July 28, Aug 4, Aug 11, and Aug 18. All readings begin at 11 a.m. Please visit the newly-redesigned www.tadpoleplayground.org for more information.



The Gatekeeper at TADpole Playground roots for the Bruins!

Statues throughout Boston have been decorated in honor of the Boston Bruins' quest for the Stanley Cup. Among those is the Gatekeeper frog above TADpole Playground on the Boston Common. Go Bruins!



Youth Philanthropy Initiative

HSF's Youth Philanthropy Program, which is an after-school / extracurricular program for middle, high school, and college-aged youth that engages and empowers youth to collectively choose and fund nonprofits, appeared in the media this past month. To read the articles, please follow the links below.

"Foundation's Program Trains Young Philanthropists Statewide"

May 18, 2011

Massnonprofit.org

Click [here](#) to read the full article.

"An MBA Project Teaches Fund Raisers the Rigors of Awarding a Grant"

May 15, 2011

Chronicle of Philanthropy

Click [here](#) to read the full article.

[About Highland Street Foundation](#)

The Highland Street Foundation is committed to addressing the needs and concerns of children and families in Massachusetts and California. We direct our efforts to provide access and opportunities in the area of education, housing, mentorship, health care, environment and the arts. For more information, please visit www.highlandstreet.org.