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ALL DAY

Solar Light Installation by Materials & Methods

Free

April 14 - April 23

[Cambridge City Hall](#), 795 Massachusetts Ave
Cambridge, MA 02139



Visit the dynamic outdoor light installation by Materials & Methods suspended above the front lawn of Cambridge City Hall, created for Cambridge Science Festival! Full details [here](#).

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9:00 AM

Free Admission to Harvard Museum of Natural History

Free

April 23 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm | Recurring Event ([See all](#))

[Harvard Museum of Natural History](#), 26 Oxford Street
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Explore 12,000 specimens drawn from Harvard's vast research collections -- dinosaurs, meteorites, gemstones, and animals from around the globe. See hundreds of animals including giraffe,

elephant, armadillo, platypus, giant whale skeletons & more. Get close to the Kronosaurus, a 42-foot-long marine reptile, and amazing gemstones and minerals including a 1,642 lb. amethyst geode, and visit the world-famous exhibit of 'Glass Flowers.' Cost: Free. Drop-in.

[Find out more »](#)

Free Admission to Harvard's Peabody Museum

April 23 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm | Recurring Event ([See all](#))

[*Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology*](#), 11 Divinity Ave
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Explore the varied beauty and craftsmanship of war objects drawn from cultures around the world in Arts of War: Artistry in Weapons across Cultures. From maces, clubs, daggers and spears, to shields, helmets and entire suits of armor, this exhibition offers museum-goers more than 150 examples of weapons that are also extraordinary works of art. See 19th-century warrior art by Plains Indians in Wiyohpiyata: Lakota Images of the Contested West. Cost: Free. Drop-in.

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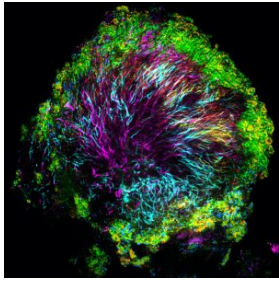
Spit for Science and Nose Pick for Progress: The Human Microbiome Comes

Free

Alive at Forsyth

April 23 @ 9:00 am - 11:00 am | Recurring Event ([See all](#))

[Forsyth](#), 245 First Street (Enter at 1 Athenaeum Street)
Cambridge, MA 02142 United States



Join Forsyth microbiologists to learn about the bacteria that live on your body. Over 700 types of “bugs” are found in human mouths! Attendees will have a chance to take bacteria from their mouth and nose and see their own microbiome. Forsyth will also showcase its one-of-a kind technique that creates high-resolution maps of bacterial “forests.” Finally, by nose picking for progress, attendees will have the opportunity to contribute to what could become the world’s largest database of nasal bacteria! Cost: Free. Drop-in.

[Find out more »](#)

10:00 AM

Bug Blitz: Discovering Insect Biodiversity in the City

April 23 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

[Mount Auburn Cemetery](#), 580 Mount Auburn St.
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Be a citizen scientist - discover the amazing insects of Cambridge! Join science faculty from Lesley University to kickstart a long-term collaboration with Mount Auburn Cemetery to map biodiversity within the historic cemetery and its urban wildlife habitat. Help us test out our citizen science-based methodology while discovering beneficial insects that act as pollinators, decomposers and ecosystem engineers. Cost: Free. Pre-registration suggested in case of weather-related cancellation bit.ly/bugblitz

[Find out more »](#)

Pond Life Exploration @ Fresh Pond Reservation

Free

April 23 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

[*Black's Nook at Fresh Pond Reservation*](#), 650 Concord Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Learn all about the amazing diversity of plants and critters that make their home in and around the water at Fresh Pond! Cost: Free. Drop-In.

[Find out more »](#)

The Natural History of Your Favorite Foods

Free

April 23 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

[*Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology*](#), 11 Divinity Ave
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Finally you get to play with your food! Meet archaeologists and use your observational skills to compare ancient wild plant and animal species to modern ones. Taste, process and handle new and old world ingredients from favorite foods like pizza and chocolate cake, and learn how they became the staples of the American diet we enjoy today. Cost: Free. Ages 9+. Drop-in.

[Find out more »](#)

10:45 AM

Community Sculpture Race

Free

April 23 @ 10:45 am - 2:00 pm

[Danehy Park](#), Sherman St.
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Meet at Danehy Park at 10:45am. Teens, artists and everyday inventors will race their whimsical wheeled contraptions half a mile around Cambridge's olympic soccer field followed by an exhibition of works and drawings until 2 PM. There will be a number of sculpture building workshops in the months leading up to the event. Please see the website for details and information: www.sculptureracing.org/danehy. Submit racing sculptures entries by April 11 to sculptureracing@gmail.com. Cost: Free. Pictured: 2016 "Aesop's Fabulous Flying

Machine" by Maud Morgan Arts with
Mitch Ryerson

[Find out more »](#)

12:00 PM

Cambridge Explores the Universe

Free

April 23 @ 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

[Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics](#), 60 Garden St.
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



Become an astronomer for a day! Enjoy exploration stations that include hands-on activities, telescope tours, ask an astronomer booths and solar observing. Find out the latest discoveries about the sun, exoplanets, and black holes and take your own telescope images using our robotic telescopes. Go on a virtual tour of space using the World Wide Telescope visualization lab. It's out of this world! Cost: Free. Drop-in.

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3D Printing and Design in the Idea Hub

April 23 @ 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

[MIT Museum](#), 265 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



Learn how to design in three dimensions using Tinkercad and explore how 3-D printers can turn digital models into reality. Cost:

Included with Museum admission.
Drop-in.

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1:00 PM

SoundScience Fun!

April 23 @ 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm | Recurring Event ([See all](#))

[MIT Museum](#), 265 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



SoundScience Fun! is an interactive sing along performance designed to explore the science of sound through the magic of music. Together we sing about strings, have a percussion discussion, ride a sound wave and have fun! Cost: Included with Museum admission.

[Find out more »](#)

Soil Science with Drumlin Farm!

Free

April 23 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary](#), 208 S Great Road
Lincoln, MA 01773 United States



Come join the Drumlin Farm staff to investigate the importance of soil quality on an organic farm! Discover the interplay of soil, wild and human, in regard to sustainable agriculture. We'll take soil samples at locations across the farm, measure organic matter, learn about compost, and plant

some seeds for the summer growing season. Join us for a free program that includes free admission to our sanctuary! Cost: Free. Pre-registration required, email escudder@massaudubon.org

[Find out more »](#)

2:00 PM

Paradise

\$15 - \$46

April 23 @ 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm | Recurring Event [\(See all\)](#)

[Central Square Theatre](#), 450 Massachusetts Ave
Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



Yasmeen, a Muslim-American teenager in the Bronx, meets with her teacher Dr. Royston, a mysterious scientist forced to teach high school biology. If she salvages her perfect score, she can claim her independence: pursue her passion for science while honoring her cultural traditions. An unlikely, inspired partnership is created, investigating adolescent romantic love. Clashes arise out of their conflicts over religion, science, and mentorship as both teacher's and student's lives are transformed forever. World premiere of a new play from Laura Maria Censabella, directed by Shana Gozansky, produced by Underground Railway Theater. A Catalyst Collaborative@MIT Production. Additional performances throughout

the week. Cost: \$15-\$46, Tickets at www.centralsquaretheater.org or 617-576-9278. 25% off tickets with code FESTIVAL

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Science Murals with ART+BIO Collaborative

Free

April 23 @ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

[Corner of Brookline and Green Street.](#), Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



ART+BIO Collaborative collaborates with Cambridge Science Festival to create iconic science murals in Cambridge that illustrate biological research and study organisms. Come see our latest project and hear from the

artists and scientists involved. Cost:
Free

[Find out more »](#)

Science of Brewing

Free

April 23 @ 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

[Aeronaut Brewing Co.](#), 14 Tyler St.
Somerville, MA 02143 United States



Come to Aeronaut Labs, where we'll be demonstrating brewing science, from yeast growth to extracting sugars from grain. Lab tours, too! Cost: Free. Cash bar for 21+. Drop-in.

[Find out more »](#)

MIT Solar Electric Vehicle Team Tour

Free

April 23 @ 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

[MIT Building N51-154](#), 265 Massachusetts Ave.,
Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



The MIT Solar Electric Vehicle Team is a student group at MIT, dedicated to designing, building and racing solar-powered electric vehicles. We're currently manufacturing our car to be raced in the 2017 Bridgestone World Solar Challenge in Australia. Members will explain what we do and lead a tour of our shop, where you can see our work and ask questions! Cost: Free. Drop-in.

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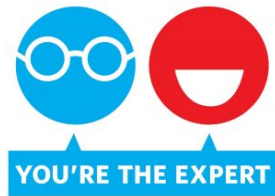
4:00 PM

You're the Expert Live at the Cambridge Science Festival

Free - \$20

April 23 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

[Brattle Theater](#), 40 Brattle St
Cambridge, MA 02138 United States



You're the Expert is a live show, podcast, and new public radio program on 90.9 WBUR, Boston's NPR station. The radio show uses comedy to make academic research more accessible and exciting. Through game show segments and hilariously misguided guesses, a panel of comedians will try to get to the bottom of what a distinguished scientist studies all day. You won't want to miss being part of the audience for this live show and podcast taping. You're the Expert is hosted by Chris Duffy and produced by Pretty Good Friends. Cost: Free for members of the MIT community, \$20 for others. Tickets are on sale now! [Click here](#) This event sponsored by The de Florez Fund for Humor

[Find out more »](#)

Singin' of the Rain: Songs about Weather and Climate

April 23 @ 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm

[Museum of Science](#), 1 Science Park
Boston, MA 02114 United States



Please note updated time! This event begins at 4:00pm Come hear an exciting collection of songs about weather and climate from North Cambridge Family Opera. Performed by an intergenerational chorus, songs are accompanied by a slideshow of lyrics and artwork created by students in Cambridge schools. Topics include tornadoes, rain and thunderstorms, El Niño and La Niña, the ozone hole, ocean level rise, the basic distinctions between weather and climate and more. Cost: Free.

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Immigration – Through the Lens of the First Generation

Free

April 23 @ 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

[Central Square Theatre](#), 450 Massachusetts Ave
Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



Join us after the April 23 performance of Paradise for a one-off event. Special guests compare their personal experiences with those of the young scientist in Paradise. Free and open to the public. Seating is first come, first serve

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7:00 PM

BAHFest MIT

\$5 - \$23

April 23 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

MIT Kresge Auditorium, 48 Massachusetts Ave
Cambridge, MA 02139 United States



BAHFest is a celebration of well-argued and thoroughly researched but completely incorrect scientific theory. Our brave speakers present their bad theories in front of a live audience and a panel of judges with real science credentials, who together determine who takes home the coveted BAHFest trophy. And eternal glory, of course. BAHFest returns in to MIT on Sunday, April 23rd at Kresge Auditorium. Show begins at 7PM. Host: Ben Lillie Keynote Speaker: Marc Abrahams Judges: Jodi Beggs, Sarah Hird and Robert Gooding-Townsend For more information visit BAHFest Tickets are on sale now! Get yours here.

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FESTIVAL**

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14th - 23rd
2017 for the
11th annual
Cambridge
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