



ABOUT US AT GGHMS.

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets is committed to promoting a diverse business district while maintaining our neighborhood's historical character. We encourage innovative and creative techniques to foster economic development that enriches the lives of business owners, employees and residents of our community.

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THIS MONTH'S FEATURED BUSINESS.

Uptown Dance Center

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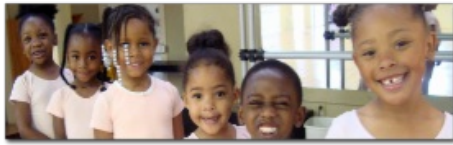
STORE HOURS:
Tues - Fri 5:00 - 9:00 pm
Saturday 10:30 - 4:00 pm

WEBSITE:
<http://uptowndancecenter.com/>

Uptown Dance Center, founded by Leta Tavares, Artistic Director/Founder, offers classes starting at age three and continuing through adulthood. The school also has a boutique that provides a range of dance wear such as tap shoes, costumes, tights and Leotards.

Programs

We offer quality private and group co-ed instruction to children, teens and adults in Ballet, Tap, Modern/Jazz, Hip-Hop, Acrobatics, Creative Movement, Liturgical, Vocals, Modeling and Ethnic Dance. Periodically we will host Dance Workshops with Guest Choreographers and other artists. Our program runs year-round, July through August, and is broken into three payment options. Payment can be made monthly or receive a discount by paying for the semester in advance. When students register, commitment is for the full year. All students perform in our Holiday showcase, Spring showcase and Annual Revue.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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*Come decide how Roxbury will make our voice heard and influence development decisions in Roxbury. Join us to strategize and take action!

Thursday, December 3rd from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Roxbury Community College Student Center (Building 4, 2nd Floor)

1234 Columbus Ave, Roxbury, MA (Food, childcare and translation services will be available)

*BOSTON IMPACT INITIATIVE LOCAL ECONOMY SALON

Tuesday, December 8th from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Old Oak Dojo located at 14 Chestnut Place, Jamaica Plain, MA

#5onMain



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THE BOSTON IMPACT INITIATIVE
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST

LOCAL ECONOMY SALON

for an informal conversation hosted by Glynn Lloyd about the challenges and opportunities for promoting successful Black-owned businesses in the city of Boston. This gathering continues the conversation that took place on November 4th when more than 600 people gathered in Dorchester for the inaugural meeting of the new Massachusetts Black Economic Council (MBEC).

The Salon will take place at the home of Deborah Frieze,
14 CHESTNUT PLACE JAMAICA PLAIN

RSVP

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GREATER GROVE HALL MAIN STREETS IN THE NEWS!

INFORMATION ON THE CAR SHARE PROGRAM.

A small group of 30 individuals went to Mexico City to better understand how Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) works. There is consideration of putting five BRT lines up in Boston and one of those would connect Mattapan to Dudley Square. BRT has a dedicated lane like a train and, in the same way, it doesn't have to stop for traffic. People prepay prior to boarding, and the entrance platform is the same level as the bus to minimize people going up and down stairs.



Pictured Above

- A front picture of Metrobus.
- A photo of the group visiting a metro station.
- A photo of the group listening to a presentation put on by Metrobus officials.
- A rear view of a Metrobus. You can see the traffic congestion to the right of the bus.

"Councilor Jackson's presentation of the planning and design of a future public engagement process for Roxbury."

The planning and design of a future public engagement process for Roxbury. Our objective is to collaboratively build a framework with community leaders in Roxbury that will foster increased, democratic dialogue among Roxbury residents and organizations and create conditions for identifying shared goals and taking community action. We also hope that this process will provide a foundation for the community of Roxbury to meaningfully engage in long-term, ongoing planning processes with the City of Boston.



"A Letter from Councilor Jackson."

Dear Members of the Roxbury Community,

Development has started to make major changes in Roxbury and the City of Boston is currently working on a city-wide master plan that will further impact the community. We need to make sure these plans support Roxbury residents and businesses instead of pushing us out!

This fall we initiated a community-driven process for Roxbury to identify shared goals and take action on planning and development decisions that impact Roxbury. I've enlisted the MIT Department of Urban Planning and Studies to help facilitate this process.

We are hosting a meeting on December 3rd for the entire Roxbury community to take part in this process. The goal of this meeting is to discuss strategies for reclaiming Roxbury planning for the Roxbury community.

Come decide how Roxbury will make our voice heard and influence development decisions in Roxbury! Join us to strategize and take action! Please bring your friends, family, neighbors, and members of your organization to the meeting!

Meeting details are as follows:

Thursday, December 3rd, 2015 from 6:00pm - 8:00 pm

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1234 Columbus Ave, Roxbury, MA (Food, childcare and translation services will be available)

RSVP + Survey: [here](#) (also includes RSVP for childcare and translation), or
email: roxburyworkshop@mit.edu

If you have questions, please feel free to follow up directly with the MIT team
at roxburyworkshop@mit.edu.

Thank you,
Councilor Jackson

NEWS FEEDS:



Freeze Frame Leadership Team

A photo of the Freeze Frame committee presented at Prince Hall includes many familiar faces such as Senator Dianne Wilkerson, Teri Williams, Glynn Lloyd, Darryl Settles and Louis Elisa.



Attendees at the Freeze Frame presentation

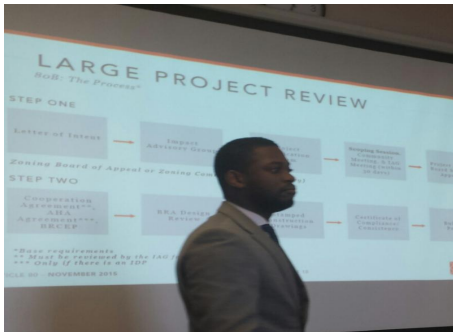
A portion of the crowd at the Freeze Frame presentation held at Prince Hall. A total of 497 people signed in and as many as another two hundred came and went or stood.



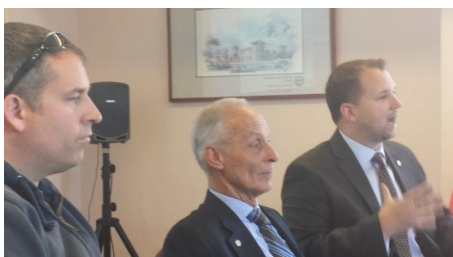
Ed Gaskin & Teri Williams at Freeze Frame

Ed Gaskin with Teri Williams, president of One United Bank, and one of the leaders at the Freeze Frame presentation at Prince Hall in Grove Hall.

Presentation to Main Street Directors



The BRA staff reviewed the Article 80 process with the Boston Main Street Directors at the Main Street Directors meeting. Development projects over a certain size must go through a BRA review process and the team from the BRA was explaining the process



Inspectional Services Department

A team from the ISD came to present to the Main Street Directors on various issues such as making sure business owners know to shovel the sidewalk in front of their business.

DREAM **BIG** Small Business of the year **Award** 2016

This Saturday, November 28, is Small Business Saturday. In celebration of America's small businesses, we encourage you to #ShopSmall and nominate big!



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SMALL, IT'S TIME TO
NOMINATE BIG!

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Take a moment to recognize the standout small businesses in your community by nominating one or more for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's [Small Business of the Year Award](#).

Winner receives a \$10,000 cash prize and will be recognized during [America's Small Business Summit](#), June 13-15, in Washington, D.C.

[Nominate Big Today!](#)

Deadline for submissions is January 8.

Sincerely,
America's Small Business Summit Team

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