



## COMMUNITY

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### Music/Concerts

#### **Boston Pops**

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boston\\_Pops](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boston_Pops)

The Boston Pops Orchestra was founded in 1885 as a subsection of the [Boston Symphony Orchestra](#) (BSO), founded four years earlier. Careful examination of the rosters of "pops" or "Festival" orchestras, which are associated with a co-resident symphony orchestra in the same community, shows that the principal players of a "pops" ensemble usually hold the post of assistant or associate principal of the "parent" ensemble. In general parlance, the Boston Pops is described as: "The Boston Symphony minus the first-chair players." This "elite core" of BSO musicians constitute a separate subsection of the BSO, and perform alongside the Pops as the Boston Symphony Chamber Players, a 12-member ensemble founded in 1964. These arrangements, and a similar one with the [Tanglewood](#) Festival, provide year-round employment for the musicians.

#### **Hatch Shell**

[http://www.bostoncentral.com/events/hatch\\_shell\\_events/p1021.php](http://www.bostoncentral.com/events/hatch_shell_events/p1021.php)

The department of Conservation & Recreation, presents summer, fall, winter and spring concerts in the parks which they manage and maintain. Come enjoy some free family entertainment at the Hatch Shell this year!

#### **Boston Ballet**

<http://www.bostonballet.org/>

Since 1963, Boston Ballet has been one of the leading dance companies in the world on stage, in the studio and in the community. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Mikko Nissinen and Executive Director Barry Hughson, the Company maintains an internationally acclaimed repertoire and the largest ballet school in North America, Boston Ballet School. Boston Ballet maintains a repertoire of classical, neo-classical and contemporary works, ranging from full-length story ballets to new works by some of today's finest choreographers. Boston Ballet's second company, Boston Ballet II, is comprised of pre-professional dancers who gain experience by performing with the Company and independently, presenting lecture-demonstrations and special programs to audiences throughout the Northeast.

## **Performing Art Centers and Theatres**

[www.themusiccircus.org](http://www.themusiccircus.org)

### **South Shore Music Circus**

For nearly 60 years, the South Shore Music Circus and its sister venue, the Cape Cod Melody Tent, have been presenting world-class entertainment in the scenic Massachusetts coastal communities of Cohasset and Hyannis. The only two continuously-operated tent theatres in the round in the United States, the Music Circus and Melody Tent are owned and operated by the South Shore Playhouse Associates, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to encouraging and supporting the arts, cultural and educational organizations throughout the communities of the South Shore and Cape Cod. With a colorful history dating back to its humble beginning in 1932 in Cohasset, Massachusetts, one interwoven with the fabric of summer theatre history on the east coast, our theatres have emerged as popular destinations for patrons and performers alike, providing a relaxed ambiance and intimate theatre experience where every seat is within 50 feet of the stage.

<http://www.bpt/index.html>

**Boston Playwrights Theater**

949 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02115

<http://www.regenttheatre.com>

**The Regent Theater 7 Medford Street Arlington, MA 02474**

Built in 1916, the historic Regent Theatre remains true to its roots as a vibrant vaudeville house. An intimate 500-seat performing arts center with superior acoustics and comfortable seating, "Arlington's Show Place of Entertainment" features live music concerts, theatre, dance events, family entertainment, comedy, film specials, and more.

Conveniently located just minutes from Cambridge and Boston, the Regent is MBTA and handicap accessible with free parking across the street (nights and weekends after 3pm on Saturday) and a variety of great restaurants and shops within easy walking distance.

The Regent is dedicated to bringing the highest quality events to the area, and while we are a community theater attracting audiences from Arlington and the surrounding towns of suburban Boston, we have a number of exclusive events throughout the year with nationally and internationally known performers—many of whom are bona fide legends.

### ***Musicals***

[www.massconcerts.com](http://www.massconcerts.com)

Welcome to the MassConcerts website! Here you will find information about music and entertainment that we are promoting in the northeast United States. Information about specific artists and links to other music and entertainment resources on the web.

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