

# BOSTON CHARTER DAY EVENTS

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

### Old State House Museum and Exhibits

*The Bostonian Society*

**Free admission** to the 1713 Old State House and the Boston Historical Society Museum in celebration of Charter Day 2006. Visit the headquarters of the British government during Boston's colonial period and see exhibits depicting the city's origins.

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

On the Freedom Trail at the Old State House on the corner of State and Washington Streets \*\*

Contact: 617-720-1713

### “Boston’s Cultural Continuities and Changes Since 1630”: Panel Discussion

*Boston Public Library*

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

Boston has been influenced by many waves of immigrants over the centuries. The panelists will reflect on the ways that each cultural group has contributed to the development of a distinctive Boston culture.

Welcome & Introduction:

Bernard Margolis, President of the Boston Public Library

Panelists:

John Winthrop Sears, Former Boston City Councilor and M.D.C. Commissioner

Byron Rushing, Massachusetts State Representative, Ninth Suffolk, and Historian

Sam Yoon, Boston City Councilor, At-Large

Robert J. Allison, Chair of the History Department, Suffolk University

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Rabb Lecture Hall, Boston Public Library \*

Contact: 617-536-5400



September 7 marks the 376th anniversary of Boston's creation as a formal political entity. In 1630, the town of Trimountaine was renamed Boston and declared the capital of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Boston Charter Day - an annual celebration of Boston's founding - highlights the civic spirit, longstanding institutions, and first-class cultural and intellectual life in Boston. The 2006 Charter Day Events are coordinated by The Partnership of the Historic Bostons, Inc.

All events are free, unless otherwise noted.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

### “History of the Massachusetts Bay Company”

*The Boston Stock Exchange*

Stephen Busby will give a lecture on the history of the Massachusetts Bay Company and the enduring legacies of that trading company in New England.

12 Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Vault Conference Room (Capacity 50 people)

Enter at 201 Devonshire Street \*\*\*\*

**Pre-Registration Required**

Contact: 781-639-4131



## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

### Boston’s 376th Birthday Party

*Boston Public Library*

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

The Birthday Party of Boston is celebrated each year to commemorate the naming of the Town of Boston.

Event for children and families, refreshments

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Boston Public Library Courtyard, Copley Square \*

Contact: 617-536-5400

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

### Charter Day Sabbath Gathering

*The First Church in Boston*

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

An Interdenominational Service at Boston's oldest religious institution established in 1630. Readings and psalm singing of the Puritans and recollections from the founders' church of St. Botolph in Boston, Lincolnshire. From John Cotton's pulpit in Boston, Old England, to The First Church in Boston, New England, The Reverend Robin Whitehead, Vicar of St. Botolph's Church, will address the gathering.

11:00 a.m.

The Reverend Stephen Kendrick, Senior Minister  
The First Church in Boston

66 Marlborough Street

Corner of Berkeley and Marlborough Streets \*\*\*

Contact: 617-267-6730

### Boston Founders Trail Walking Tour

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

The Boston Founders Trail Walking Tour has been created by The Partnership of the Historic Bostons, a not-for-profit organization that celebrates the historical links between Boston, Massachusetts and Boston, Lincolnshire in England. Walkers will get an historical view of the small town founded on the edge of the wilderness in 1630. The tour, which runs for two hours, is guided by Professor Will Holton and Stephen Busby. Professor Holton of Northeastern University is the President of The Partnership of the Historic Bostons. Steve Busby has been a professional tour guide in Boston since 1993 and is the Tour Manager for the Boston Stock Exchange.

1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Separate tours from The First Church in Boston and from the Old State House

Donations accepted and appreciated.

Please wear walking shoes to this event.

Contact: 617-373-3853



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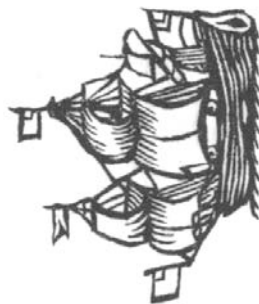
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1:30 p.m. from The First Church in Boston and  
1:30 p.m. from the Old State House



#### Public Transportation Information

- \* Copley Station on the Green Line, Back Bay Station on the Orange Line and Commuter Rail
- \*\* Government Center on the Green or Blue Line, State Street on the Orange or Blue Line
- \*\*\* Arlington Street Station on the Green Line
- \*\*\*\* Downtown Crossing on the Orange or Red Line



#### **BOSTON CHARTER DAY**

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons, Inc.  
66 Marlborough Street  
Boston, MA 02116*



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*A celebration of Boston’s founding*

*SEPTEMBER 7, 1630*



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#### **PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS**

*The Boston Foundation  
Boston Public Library  
The Boston Stock Exchange  
The Bostonian Society  
The First Church in Boston*

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