



**REAL QUICK!**

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**Mother's Day 2nd Saturday: Free flowers! Street music! Specials!**

Moms deserve more than a day, and so we hereby declare that the Second Saturday evening of May 8 is Mother's Night Out.

That's right, dads and granddads and uncles—arranging child care and other household tasks is on you this Saturday while Mom enjoys late shopping, great dining, and more in downtown Cambridge. Here's what's happening:

**Build a Bouquet!** Participating shops will offer FREE flowers starting at 5pm! While supplies last! Pick up one stem in each shop, and you could go home with a bouquet. Flowers will be at Sugar Magnolia, Sunnyside Shop, Dragonfly, Joie de Vivre, Pear Tree South, A Few of My Favorite Things, LunaChick, and Trumpeter Swan Antiques.

**Win \$100 in Retail Therapy!**

As you pick up flowers, enter your name and e-mail into a drawing for a \$100 shopping spree at participating Second Saturday merchants! No purchase necessary. Enter once in each store you visit.



**Enjoy a Serenade!** Violinist Keven Diaz and guitarist Pete Doyle will be serenading downtown shoppers. Tips welcome!

**Second Saturday Tastings** at A Few of My Favorite Things, 414 Race Street. Plus, buy a box of chocolate and get 10 percent off a bottle of wine!

**At LunaChick,** take 10 percent off silver



jewelry just by mentioning Cambridge Main Street. Make it 15 percent if you also sing an original song that mentions Main Street's Jim Duffy by name.

**Fashions Galore!** Get ready to look your best for all the summer parties and excursions ahead by checking out the latest clothes and accessories at Dragonfly, Sunnyside, Sugar Magnolia, Joie de Vivre, LunaChick, and Pear Tree South.

**Art Openings!** Three galleries will host free receptions—the Main Street Gallery, Dorchester Center for the Arts, and Joie de Vivre Gallery. See page 4 for details.

**Dining & Music.** Downtown restaurants will be hopping, so get your reservations in early. Plus, Minus One plays jazz at Canvasback at 8pm, and the D'Vibe & Conga Duo plays at Jimmie & Sook's at 10pm.

**Help Our Lax Kids!** It's "Haircuts for Helmets" day at Cutting Edge Salon, 515 Poplar Street. Get your hair cut from 2-5pm and proceeds support CSD lacrosse; stop by later for other surprises.



**Parent's Night Out:** Try Second Saturday babysitting at the YMCA—\$10 per child for Friends of Main Street and \$5 for YMCA members. 5–10:30pm for kids ages 4-10. Reserve by noon, May 6, at 410.221.0505.

Second Saturday runs from 5-9pm, but come downtown earlier in the day for the **Second Saturday Book Sale** at the Dorchester Library, 9am-2pm, this month with a Mother's Day jewelry sale!



**Get your fix of fresh: Farmers' Market returns May 6!**

Opening Day is here! The Main Street Farmers' Market returns on May 6, bringing local farmers into our downtown 3-6pm every Thursday through October. (That's half an hour earlier than previous years.)

This time of year look for spinach, arugula, lettuces, garlic, beets, turnips, kale, peas, and asparagus.

On opening day, register your name in a drawing for a gorgeous hand-made African basket. Bonnie Reed of the Fibre Café will be on hand with some friends doing a knitting display.

"It's going to be a great year at the market," says manager Beth Ann Lynch. "More and more folks are coming to see the value of fresh, healthy, local foods."

A mix of familiar and new vendors will be at the market this year, and Lynch is planning some special twists, from music to crafts.

Keep up to date on all the Market happenings at [cambridgemainstreet.com](http://cambridgemainstreet.com) and [facebook.com/CambridgeMainStreet](http://facebook.com/CambridgeMainStreet). Or send an e-mail to [office@cambridgemainstreet.com](mailto:office@cambridgemainstreet.com) to get on the list to receive a weekly e-mail about market highlights.

## For the dogs: Sunnyside goes clairvoyant!

Not to be missed: The legendary, mysterious, and glamorous Madame Canina will be making an appearance at Sunnyside Shop, 500 Poplar Street, 4-6pm on Saturday, May 15. Bring your favorite canine companion to the store, and the clairvoyant Madame C. will conduct Paws Reading that predicts your dog's future. Free, but donations welcome! It'll be great fun for a great cause. The Dorchester Humane Society will be on hand with some pets in need of nice homes, and Sunnyside will donate a portion of sales proceeds to support the Society. More info at 410.901.9009 or sunnysideshop@verizon.net.



PHOTO COURTESY SUNNYSIDE

## A designation that pays dividends

Anyone see that recent article in the *Star-Democrat* about \$22 million in federal money coming to Maryland to support energy-efficiency projects in homes and businesses? Only towns that are officially designated as Main Street communities will be eligible to receive those funds. It's the state's way of rewarding towns like ours that make the Main Street commitment. Key point: For any new grant programs resulting from this award, projects all over the city will be eligible, not just downtown. So once again, our Main Street designation benefits the whole town!

One last thing: Cambridge Main Street will receive none of these funds. Through this award, however, we may someday soon be able to give businesses access to energy audits and energy-efficiency building improvements at reduced costs. Those details are still being worked out by our friends in the Department of Housing & Community Development. It'll be a couple of months before we know how it's going to work.

### Green Team in

**action:** A big thank you to Main Street's Green Team volunteers (including Dave Harp & Tom Hannon, shown here) who spent a recent Saturday morning weeding, mulching and tree-gatoring—keeping city-owned property looking good!



PHOTO BY BRIAN ROCHE

## Tubman Conference coming in June

The first-ever Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Conference will bring expert historians and biographers from around the region into downtown Cambridge the weekend of June 3-6. It's being organized by the Choptank Region Heritage Network, which has been leading monthly Harriet Tubman discussions in various downtown locations for years.

Organizers expect more than 100 attendees will sign on for educational sessions, tours, and a special ticketed Saturday night dinner featuring keynote speaker Kate Larsen, author of *Bound for the Promised Land: Harriet Tubman, Portrait of an American Hero*. Most conference events will be held downtown at Chesapeake College.

"From the day the Heritage Network took on this project, they've been committed not just to having the conference downtown but to running it in a way that supports downtown businesses and cultural institutions," said Jim Duffy of Cambridge Main Street. "Their approach here is deeply appreciated by everyone downtown."

For information, e-mail [tubman.conference@gmail.com](mailto:tubman.conference@gmail.com).

## EVENTS

MAY 6, 13, 20, 27; 3-6pm

### Farmers Market

Local produce, meats, more. Academy and Muir Sts. See page 1.

2ND  
SAT.

MAY 8

### Mothers Night Out Second Saturday

Shops and galleries stay open late. See page 1.

MAY 15, 6-9pm

### Gallery 447 Re-Opening

Public is invited to the reception. 447 Race St. See page 4.

MAY 20, 9am

### Senior Celebration

At Sailwinds. Entertainment, health screenings, prizes, more. Free admission. Info: 410.228.0190.

MAY 22, 6-11am

### Indoor Yard Sale

At Sailwinds. \$1 admission. Details: 410.228.7245.

MAY 22, 12-5pm

### Cambridge Lives Block Party

On Pine Street. See page 7.

JUNE 3-6

### Harriet Tubman Conference

In Cambridge. See story on this page.

2ND  
SAT.

JUNE 12

### Second Saturday

Shops and galleries stay open late.

JUNE 13

### Eagleman Ironman 70.3 Triathlon

More than 1,200 triathletes come to Cambridge. See page 7.

More at [cambridgemainstreet.com](http://cambridgemainstreet.com)

### DID YOU KNOW?

Annual membership contributions made by the staff and board of Cambridge Main Street increased by 44 percent in 2009 compared with 2008. We'll be asking many of our members to renew in the coming weeks and we want to be sure you know that the commitment to our downtown starts with our volunteer board.

# Mother's Day gift ideas!

Looking for some great Mother's Day ideas? Try a few of these right here in downtown Cambridge!



FUN TEACUPS AT  
A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS

Ceramic Teapot class begins May 13 and runs for six weeks. For details, call 410.228.7782. Speaking of tea and whimsy, also check out the lovely teacups at A Few of My Favorite Things (above left).



FINE JEWELRY  
AT LEDNUM'S

**Jewelry.** Who can resist jewelry? In downtown Cambridge, you'll find a wide range of styles and prices for every budget. Try Lednum's Jewelers for fine jewelry; handcrafted pieces at Joie de Vivre, LunaChick, Pear Tree South, and Sunnyside; and the latest trends at Dragonfly.

**For the crab lover.** Whether your mom is close by or lives out of town, let her enjoy some Maryland crabs. Pick them up steamed at J.M. Clayton's, Kool Ice & Seafood, or Ocean Odyssey (all of them Main Street members). Ask about shipping live crabs to out-of-town moms.



HUNTER DOUGLAS  
BLINDS

**Give a house lift:** How about a gift certificate toward new window treatments or blinds? You'll find them at JFH Designs and Hubbard's Blinds & Custom Framing. Or browse antique shops together—try Backfin, Chesapeake Classics, and Trumpeter Swan.

**Go historic.** Why not spend some time exploring local history together at the newly renovated Harriet Tubman Museum (dedicated to the life of one of the strongest heroines we know!) or the Richardson Maritime Museum. Or take the walking tour of historic High Street, Saturday at 11am (meet at Long Wharf)—even if you've

lived here all your life, we bet you'll learn something new. Or try the Nathan's two-hour skipjack cruise Saturday, May 8, at 1pm. (See page 5.)



**Get planting.** One gift lots of moms love—help in the yard. Stop by Simmons Center Market for a wide selection of annuals, perennials, shrubs, mulch, and more—and then do the work for her. And don't forget to stop by participating shops 5-9pm, Second Saturday, May 8, to pick up free flowers. See page 1.



NIGHT LIGHT AT DRAGONFLY

**Great gifts.** Wander through the downtown shops and you'll see lots other interesting gift possibilities, such as these night-lights made from recycled glass at Dragonfly and a collection of colorful wallets and bags at Sunnyside.



HAPPY COLORS AT SUNNYSIDE

**Get creative.** How about sending your mom to an art class? The Dorchester Center for the Arts has a great roster of art classes for all levels—even if you have no experience. Here's a great one to consider: The Whimsical



WHIMSICAL TEAPOT  
BY KAY JONES



BROOCH AT  
JOIE DE VIVRE



YUM!

## THE BUZZ

- 1 Congratulations to **Joy Staniforth**, who recently purchased the upstairs of her building at 410 Race Street (Joie de Vivre). The space is a shell now, but Joy plans to put artist studios in and maybe an apartment down the road. Thanks for investing in our downtown!
- 2 Speaking of Joie, Joy just submitted a Main Street Façade Improvement Program application to help her pay for new business signage, exterior lighting, and interior storefront window lighting. Thanks for investing (again!) in our downtown.
- 3 Congrats to **Elizabeth Miskell**, owner of Avé Salon Spa, who is on her way to becoming the Eastern Shore's only Aveda educator.
- 4 A fun new travel website covering destinations all over the country and run by the National Trust for Historic Preservation shone a spotlight on April 28 on our own little town. [blog.gozaic.com](http://blog.gozaic.com)
- 5 A big thank you from Cambridge Main Street to **MTS Broadcasting**, which organized the first-ever Mid-Atlantic Boatbuilders & Dealers Expo last month. Main Street provided some marketing and volunteer-staffing assistance with the event, and then MTS bowled us over by donating gate receipts to support the work we do revitalizing downtown. Please say thanks from us the next time you see Troy Hill, Kirsten Strohmer or anyone else from MTS.
- 6 Congratulations to the **Chamber of Commerce** on their sold-out "Locavore" dinner and awards presentation in April. Downtown's own **Jimmie & Sook's** won new business of the year. Also picking up awards were valued Main Street members **Tri-Gas & Oil** (large business of the year), **Jack Brooks of J.M. Clayton Company** (business person of the year), and **Whitten Insurance** (small business of the year).

## Nationally known artist to lead workshop at DCA

Nationally recognized artist Karen Rosasco will lead a three-day Watermedia Workshop at the Dorchester Center for the Arts May 14-16. Beginners, intermediates, and advance levels are welcome. There will be demonstrations and individual critiques daily. Rosasco has been teaching art and design to high school students and adults for 40 years, leads painting trips to Europe, and exhibits award-winning abstract paintings in shows and galleries. Space is limited and the cost is \$260 for members; \$300 for non-members. To register or for more information, call 410.228.7782.

## Girls Night Out at the arts center May 21

Enjoy an evening of creative fun, wine and appetizers on May 21, 7-10pm. Patti Logan shows you how to make mosaic jewelry. Invite your friends or come meet new people. \$25 per person. Reserve at 410.228.7782.

## For the kids: summer art classes at DCA

The Dorchester Center for the Arts (DCA) will present art classes for children starting June 28 through August 6. The programs are primarily for ages 6 and up, with a class for preschoolers in July. Programs will include partial day and extended day programs. To learn more, call 410.228.7782, stop in at 321 High Street in Cambridge, or go to [www.dorchesterarts.org](http://www.dorchesterarts.org).

## What's our Main Street manager doing in Oklahoma?

He's learning to do his job better and make our organization stronger. Executive Director Jim Duffy and board member Katie Clendaniel are both in Oklahoma City this week, attending a slew of training sessions at the National Main Streets conference. Did you know that there are some 1,700 other Main Street communities in the country? (The state's Maryland Main Streets office is a huge help in making conference attendance affordable.)

Duffy also recently attended a day-long training session focused on restaurants operating in historic downtowns and how Main Street programs can best support them. The session was led by Todd Barman, a top expert with the National Trust Main Street Center.

"That's another of the great things about being an officially designated Main Street city," said Chad Malkus, president of the board of directors and attorney at Hodes, Pessin & Katz. "It puts so much expertise and experience on a national and even international level right at our fingertips."

## IN THE GALLERIES

### Gallery 447 reopens May 15

After closing for several months of extensive interior renovations, Gallery 447 celebrates its grand reopening on Saturday, May 15 with a reception 6-9pm for a new exhibit, 'The Marks of Six Painters.' The show features works of veteran painters from Baltimore and D.C.

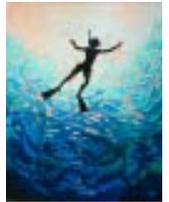
"Every investment building owners make in our downtown helps us all move forward," said Jim Duffy of Cambridge Main Street. "Owner Greg VandeVisser set out to turn a great space into a breathtaking one, and I can't wait to see the finished product on May 15."

In addition to the opening reception, an artist panel discussion will take place 7pm, Saturday, May 22. Gallery 447 also plans to host performances, films, and other events—and rent out the space for special events. *Open Wednesday-Saturday, 10am-5pm. 447 Race St., 2nd Floor, 410.924.0692, [gallery447.com](http://gallery447.com).*



PHOTO COURTESY GALLERY 447

**Main Street Gallery:** 'The Figure: Motion/Emotion' features works about sports, athleticism, exertion, and the human figure in action by top contemporary regional artists. Timed to coincide with the Eagleman Ironman 70.3 triathlon in Cambridge on June 13. Show runs May 7-June 29. Free artist receptions 5-8pm on May 8 and June 12. Gallery is open Wed.-Sat., 12-4pm. *413 Muir Street*



LISA KRENTEL



DANNY DOUGHTY

**Danny Doughty Gallery:** Step into another time and place at this gallery featuring folk art and metal work. Open late Second Saturday, May 8. At the back of Joie de Vivre Gallery. *410 Race Street*

**Dorchester Center for the Arts:** Karen Rosasco, nationally recognized watermedia artist; plus 'Intersections/Departures: New Work by Sculptor Martin Hughes and Mixed Media Artist Mary Ann Schindler.' Show runs May 6-29. Artists' reception is Second Saturday, May 8, 6-8pm, with live music by Minus One and light refreshments. *321 High Street*



KAREN ROSASCO



PAUL LOCKHART

**Joie de Vivre Gallery:** Featuring wall sculptures, furniture, and other work of direct metal artist Paul Lockhart. Meet this Dorchester County artist Second Saturday, May 8, 5:30-7:30pm. The gallery also features textiles, jewelry, and more created by artists and artisans. Now open 'til 6:30pm Thursday and Friday. *410 Race St.*

**Gallery 447:** 'The Marks of Six Painters' features work by Deborah Kahn, Jo Smail, Steven Cushner, Tom Green, WC Richardson, and William Willis. *447 Race Street, 2nd floor*



WILLIAM WILLIS

Also, don't miss paintings of Shore life and sports memorabilia prints at **Wright's Art & Framing**. George Wright's work hangs in Cooperstown's Baseball Hall of Fame and the Maryland Senate. *111 Maryland Avenue*

## NEWS FROM DOWNTOWN SHOPS &amp; RESTAURANTS



**SIMMONS CENTER MARKET:** Lots of hanging baskets, hibiscus, bedding plants, perennials, azaleas, rose bushes, ferns, and more. Mulch, top soil and stone in bulk and bag. Loads of colorful pottery in all sizes, shapes, and prices. Until Memorial Day Weekend, open Mon-Fri 8-6, Saturday 8-5; greenhouse only on Sunday 11-2. Don't forget steaks, chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers to throw on the grill so mom doesn't have to cook!



### A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS:

Every Saturday (weather permitting) sample sauces, dips, rubs, and more dur-

ing Saturday Sampling.

### BACKFIN ANTIQUES:

New (but old) spring treasures, including vintage oyster cans. Expanded hours: Tues.-Sat., 10am-5pm.



**BISTRO POPLAR:** Specials are featuring lots of fresh, local food, including asparagus from Butter Pot Farms (also at the Farmers' Market), crab from Halls on Hoopers Island, sirloin from Simmons Market, oysters from the Choptank Oyster Company. Also, starting May 9, through Labor Day Weekend, Bistro is open Sundays for lunch and dinner. Reserve at 410.228.4884.

**CRAB FEASTS AT POINT BREAK:** Crab feasts now available at Point Break Beach Bar. Must have minimum of 4 people. Reserve at 410.221.7888.

**GIGI'S TRATTORIA:** Now open seven days, 11am-9pm. Enjoy the weather with outdoor dining!

**FIBRE CAFÉ & CRABCATCHER'S SCAVENGER SHOP:** Fibre Café now has quilting fabric. Plus bikes, tools, fishing poles, tools, and all the stuff you want for spring at Crabcatcher's.

**COLORTYME:** 20% off cash sales on anything in the store. \$200 off a new rental agreement. Browse our catalogs. If we can't beat competitors' prices, receive \$100! Mothers receive a special gift on

May 7 & 8. Call store manager for details: 410.901.8340.

**JOIE DE VIVRE:** New jewelry arriving every day. Expanded hours: now open until 6:30pm on Thursdays and Fridays.

### KARAOKE, SOUL FOOD, MOTOWN AT J&J:

Karaoke every Thursday night at 8pm with DJ Chuckie Love at J&J Banquet Hall. Plus, on Sundays, soul food buffet, 2-6pm, followed by a night of Motown music at 7:30pm.

**LUNACHICK:** Add a burst of color to your wardrobe with Shop Therapy's fun and funky garments.



**SUNNYSIDE:** We love our Bay! Sunnyside now sells Chesapeake Bay Foundation tees, caps and baby rompers. Plus new apparel from Be The Bay, which gives 10% of profits to Chesapeake Bay restoration.



**TRIVIA AT PORTSIDE:** Wednesday night trivia nights. Think of a creative name for your team, compete for prizes. 7:30pm, 201 Trenton St.



**DRAGONFLY:** Check out the funky new watches in lots of fun colors by PixelMODA made of high silicone rubber. Only \$20!

## Shop Talk: Our merchants spring into action

When we make our downtown rounds these days, our heads are spinning! Every shop we hit seems to be in the midst of a great mini-makeover—sometimes more than mini. Shop owners and employees are moving things around, sprucing things up, putting out new product, putting up new signs, expanding their hours, coming up with fun promotional ideas, and more!

We're very happy that some of this is the result of Main Street's successful application to bring in top-flight retail consultant Margie Johnson last month. She served up a bevy of good ideas and advice at a full-house presentation, then did some one-on-one consulting later in the day.

But the bottom line here is on our shop owners. They're the ones who have sleeves rolled up and imaginations working overtime. Make sure you get into the shops this Second Saturday—or any day soon—to check out their work.

And thanks from all of us at Main Street to all the business owners and employees downtown who are working so hard these days to make our downtown a fresh, fun, and fantastic experience for customers!



## Skipjack cruises return for the season

The skipjack *Nathan of Dorchester* is back in action. Public cruises began May 1 and continue most weekends through October. Leave from Long Wharf. May 15 is the early-reservation deadline that'll get you \$50 off on a charter sail aboard the Skipjack Nathan to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, a reunion, whatever! Tell them you heard about it here. Check the full schedule at [skipjack-nathan.org](http://skipjack-nathan.org).

## Going Wild West on the Eastern Shore!



Howdy, pardners! Come summertime, you're all gonna need to saddle up and ride on over to a major new annual event for Cambridge and the Mid-Shore region: The Annie Oakley Wild West Festival!

Cowboys & cowgirls from near and far will gather Aug. 6-8 at Governor's Hall at Sailwinds Park to celebrate Annie Oakley, the famed sharpshooter and former Cambridge resident on the occasion of her 150th birthday! There'll be live music by the Oklahoma Twisters, Cowboy Country, Artie Hill and the Long Gone Daddies, and other top acts. There'll be cowboys & cowgirls, beer & wine garden, Wild West re-enactments, arts & crafts, pony rides, a Native American area, great food, and more.

The event is being organized by Craig Curley, who works with the Baltimore-based nonprofit Hungry for Music and has produced a number of successful large-scale events over the years.

A share of the proceeds from the Wild West Festival will be donated to support the work of Cambridge Main Street. Other proceeds will be set aside to help finance the 2011 festival.

"This is a fabulous addition to our summer calendar of events," says Jim Duffy, executive director of Cambridge Main Street. "Craig brings a lot of experience to this endeavor, and we're thrilled to welcome him and this event to Cambridge."

The weekend opens with a ticketed Friday night Barn Dance at Governor's Hall featuring the DC area's top western swing band, the Oklahoma Twisters. Admission to the festival will be free on Saturday and Sunday. For more info, go to [www.annieoakleyfestival.com](http://www.annieoakleyfestival.com). Details also available at [cambridgemainstreet.com](http://cambridgemainstreet.com).



## Taste of Cambridge is July 10!

Mark your calendar: Taste of Cambridge and the Crab Cook-Off happen Saturday, July 10, 4-10pm. We're lining up the judges, restaurants, vendors, music, and more. And we're already getting ticket requests from around Maryland and beyond! Keep up with what's happening on the special Taste page on the Main Street website, [cambridgemainstreet.com](http://cambridgemainstreet.com).



PHOTO BY JILL JASUTA

## Tuesday, 2nd Saturday sailing races are back

Choptank Sailing Association's sailing races are back for the season. Tuesday races begin May 4. Second Saturday sailing races begin May 8. These low-key, fun races are open to adults 21 and over; no experience required. Meet at the end of Pier E, near the Long Wharf fountain (at the end of High Street in Cambridge). Starting at 1pm on Second Saturdays (dockside activities 12:15-12:45pm). After the race, head downtown for dinner or beverages. The Second Saturday races are scheduled from May through September. The Tuesday Night Live sailing races start at 6pm (dockside activities 5:15-5:45pm). Details at [www.choptanksa.info](http://www.choptanksa.info).

## Blind-folded dinghy race is June 5

Join the fun of the fourth annual Blind-folded Dinghy Race Saturday, June 5. Each team has two people; the rower is blindfolded and the teammate talks them through the course (no touching!). Benefits the Dorchester Humane Society. Trenton Street Park (across from Beazer Condo building on Cambridge Creek). For more info, call 443.521.9340.

## Music fest to be part of Summer Send-Off

In case you haven't heard, elements of the Groove City Jazz & Blues Fest, which happened in May in past years, will be incorporated into this year's Summer Send-Off. Scheduled for September 18, Summer Send-Off calls for a mix of blues, brews, and barbecued foods in a block party atmosphere with street closures, vendors, beer tastings, late shopping, and art openings. Watch for details at [cambridgemainstreet.com](http://cambridgemainstreet.com).

## HOW YOU CAN HELP DOWNTOWN CAMBRIDGE



Cambridge Main Street is all about making our community a more vibrant, fun place to live and a more successful place to do business. Here's how you can help:

**Become a Member.** Join the businesses, individuals, and families who help our downtown by becoming full members in Cambridge Main Street. Membership gifts begin at the \$100 Stakeholder level; learn more at [www.cambridgemainstreet.com](http://www.cambridgemainstreet.com).

**Become a Friend.** The Friends of Cambridge Main Street program is designed to boost connections between Main Street and the families and individuals who love our downtown events and are loyal to our downtown shops. Learn about the benefits of donating \$50 and becoming a Friend at [www.cambridgemainstreet.com](http://www.cambridgemainstreet.com).

**Volunteer.** Cambridge Main Street has just one employee, so much of the work we do depends on the efforts of volunteers. There are countless ways you can contribute. For more information, email [office@cambridgemainstreet.com](mailto:office@cambridgemainstreet.com) or call 443.477.0843.

## LIVE MUSIC

**Jimmie & Sooks:**

Live music Thursday through Saturday. Every Thursday is Blake Mills starting at 8pm. Friday and Saturday, music starts at 10pm. Upcoming shows:



MERCY CREEK

May 7: Jackson Monsour  
 May 8: D'Vibe N Conga Duo  
 May 14: Mercy Creek  
 May 15: Carter and J Guy  
 May 21: Blake Mills

May 22: Mike Elzey's Mayhem Band

May 28: Jackson Monsour

May 29: Great Train Robbery

For the latest, call 443.225.4115 or go to [jimmieandsooks.com](http://jimmieandsooks.com). 421 Race Street

**Canvasback Restaurant & Pub:**

May 1: Laura Todd

May 8: Minus One

May 15: Laura Todd

Call for the latest info, 410.221.7888. 420 Race St.

**Point Break Beach Bar:**

May 14: Beat Ryderz and Bossman album release party

May 21: Blitzed (featuring Dave Ryan)

For the latest, call 410.221.7850. 420 Race St.

**Portside:**

May 15: Mid Life Crisis.

For the latest, call 410.228.9007.

**Snapper's:**

The Tiki Bar is now open with Sunday night deck parties. Live music starts at 6pm.

May 9: Patty Reese

**Dorchester Center for the Arts:**

May 29: Guitarist Scott Davis has performed around the world, in South America, Africa, and Europe. 7:30pm. Tickets cost \$8 for DCA members; \$10 for non-members. Refreshments included. For tickets call 410.228.7782.

**Christ Church Concert Series:**

May 9: Barbershop singers, the Peninsularies, perform as part of the concert series. 4pm, followed by a reception in the parish hall. Tickets at the door: \$10 (children and students free). For the full schedule of upcoming concerts, go to [www.christchurchcambridge.org](http://www.christchurchcambridge.org).

## Cambridge Lives! plans block party May 22

The 600 block of historic Pine Street in Cambridge will be the site of a community block party on Saturday, May 22 featuring fun, food, entertainment, music, raffles and auction items, vendors—and more.

Sponsored by the Cambridge Lives! organization, the event will run from noon to 5pm on the 600 block of Pine Street. Cambridge Lives! is a volunteer citizens group co-chaired by Jermaine Anderson and Elizabeth Daniels. The group is working in concert with the City of Cambridge and other key community organizations (including Main Street, of course) on strategies to help spark continued revitalization along the historic Pine Street corridor.

The block will be closed to traffic during the party. The Gospel Souls and the Ragin' Unstoppables are slated to perform. In addition, there will be a Car & Bike show as part of the event. A silent auction is in the works, and David "Nicky" Henry is expected to deliver one of his always stirring accounts of Pine Street's rich and amazing history.

For more information, call Elizabeth Daniels at 410.228.7360 or Mary Calloway of Cambridge Economic Development at 410.221.6074.

## Eagleman triathlon is coming June 13; volunteers needed

The Eagleman Ironman 70.3 triathlon is coming to Cambridge Sunday, June 13. This event draws more than 1,200 athletes (as well as their



family and friends). It takes a huge volunteer effort to make it happen—more than 1,000 volunteers in all. The incredible level of community support won the triathlon top honors last year in *Triathlete* magazine. To join in the volunteer fun, contact local race director Gerry Boyle at [gerry-boyle@comcast.net](mailto:gerry-boyle@comcast.net)

or 443.786.0059.

## Get revved up for 100th year of powerboat races July 22-26

Save the date! July 22-26 is the 100th anniversary of the Cambridge Classic Powerboat Regatta, the oldest active inboard



powerboat race in the country! Cambridge will host the first-ever running of the Triple Crown (World, Canadian, and U.S. Summer National Championships) in the nation. Event organizers expect more than 150 race teams—as well as thousands of fans, boaters, and their families here for the event,

which will be held at Great Marsh Park. Special festivities are planned around the race. Look for an announcement soon about a concert that Friday night at Sailwinds. And Jimmie & Sook's owner Amanda Bramble is already at work organizing a downtown block party for Saturday night. Main Street is one of her many helpers on that one! If you'd like to help, too, stop in J&S and tell Amanda so. More info: [www.cpbra.com](http://www.cpbra.com).