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The MDA invites you to Adopt-A-Tree through the City of Richmond's Adopt-A-Tree Program



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Monday, August 15, 2016, is the deadline to sign up for the Adopt-A-Tree program through the MDA. If you sign up by then, the Museum District Association will pay 50% of the cost, but only if you are a member of the MDA.

The MDA will contribute \$25 of the required \$50 tax-deductible contribution for MDA members who wish to participate in this year's program. Applications must be post-marked by Monday, August 15. Applications postmarked after that date will be returned. Trees will be planted later this fall or in the spring, depending upon the species.

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 Museum District Association ♦ ATTN: Adopt-A-Tree
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 Please put Adopt-A-Tree on the front of the envelope.

Due to City of Richmond requirements, envelopes postmarked after August 15 will, unfortunately, have to be returned. Contact mdaenvironment@museumdistrict.org for more information.

National Night Out—August 2. See Page 6 for details.



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 Richmond, VA*



President's Column

M.A. Powers, 2016 MDA Board President

There is definitely heat brewing in the city. The temperatures have soared, houses are selling the day they hit the market, and our mayoral race has an unprecedented field of eight candidates vying for our votes! Richmond continues to be a fantastic place to live despite the financial challenges faced by the City.

The MDA Board of Directors is constantly looking for ways to strengthen the Museum District and make up for the lack of city funds. In the coming months there are a variety of ways that you can make our little part of the world a safer, stronger, and more attractive place to live. Plan to attend our events and become an active resident!

National Night Out will take place on Tuesday, August 2. Please see page 6 for more information about this crime-fighting event. Come out and meet your neighbors, local police officers, firefighters, and city council and school board members. Be part of the community, be part of the solution that makes our neighborhood strong and safe. When we look out for one another, our community is stronger, our crime rate drops and our stress levels decrease. Don't forget that "If you see something, say something." When you are an active member of your community, you recognize when something is out of place.

On Wednesday, September 14, we

will host a town hall meeting focused on supporting our schools. Representatives from each of our neighborhood public schools will be present to share the ways that we can strengthen our schools, even if we don't have children currently in attendance. Strong schools make strong communities. Look on page 5 for more information.

The currently strained finances of the city have led to a decrease in mowing and other beautification measures. The MDA is working to address these concerns within our neighborhood. The Roseneath Median Project is still evolving. Recently, a majority of the board members met on the median, walked the length, and closely examined each component of the proposal in relation its current state. We have come to a consensus that the top priority items are improved turf and prevention of vehicles crossing the median. We plan to remove the mismatched, overgrown and misshapen shrubs, as well as the worn fences, and work toward a neat, manicured appearance that is easy and affordable to maintain. For more information, please see page 8.

We are also currently working with Black Hand Coffee to bring a decorative trash can to the corner of Patterson & Belmont. Many thanks to Jon Baliles for allocating funds for green projects like this in our district!

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Mark Your Calendar!

Upcoming Events in the Museum District

What	When	Where
National Night Out	August 2, Tuesday 6-8:00 PM	Lee School Lofts 3101 Kensington at Cleveland
MDA Town Hall Meeting	September 14, Wednesday 6:15 - 8:00 PM	Temple Beth El, 3330 Grove Avenue (Enter on Roseneath Road)
Fall Alley Clean Up	October 8, Saturday 7:45 AM	Meet at Albert Hill Middle School 3400 Patterson Avenue

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<p>Zoning/Land Use Stephen Versen MDAzoning@museumdistrict.org</p>	<p>City Liaison Zoe Anne Green MDAcityliaison@museumdistrict.org</p>	<p>The board meets at 7:00 PM on the third Monday of most months at All Saints Presbyterian on Grove Avenue. If you would like to make a presentation to the board, please email or call the president.</p>

FALL ALLEY CLEAN UP

We Need Your Help To Keep
Our Neighborhood Beautiful!

The fall alley clean up will be the morning of Saturday, October 8. It's a chance to keep the Museum District looking beautiful.

Scheduling the alley clean up in October will allow us to pick up unwanted furniture and other debris from the moving and rental turnover that accompanies the beginning of the school year. Volunteers spread out across the neighborhood and clean up the alleys.

Volunteers will meet at Albert Hill Middle School, 3400 Patterson Avenue at 7:45 AM on October 8 to enjoy coffee and donuts before breaking into teams and hitting the alleys.

Please sign up today to help with the alley clean up.
Contact: MDA Environment Chair Matt Hogan at mdaenvironment@museumdistrict.org.

It takes dozens of volunteers to cover all of the alleys. And we have a lot of fun!



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Town Hall Meeting to Focus on Local Schools

The Museum District Association will host a town hall meeting for the neighborhood on Wednesday, September 14. This popular event will focus on the Richmond Public Schools and how residents of the Museum District can help our schools be successful not only in the coming academic year, but for years to come.

One of the first things that prospective residents consider when purchasing a home is the public school system. Strong schools make strong communities! Every current resident has a vested interest in the public schools whether it means having a safe neighborhood, living with educated and informed students, or maintaining property values. Our schools matter!

Representatives from William Fox Elementary, Albert Hill Middle, Binford Middle, and Thomas Jefferson High will be on hand to share specific ways that we can get behind the schools.


Please attend to meet administrators and PTA leaders, and find out how you can help. Perhaps you can mentor, tutor, sew, provide snacks for the football team, or even mow a lawn!

This meeting is open to all.

When: Wednesday, September 14

Where: Temple Beth El, 3330 Grove Avenue
(Please enter from Roseneath Road.)

Time: Refreshments 6:15-8:00 PM



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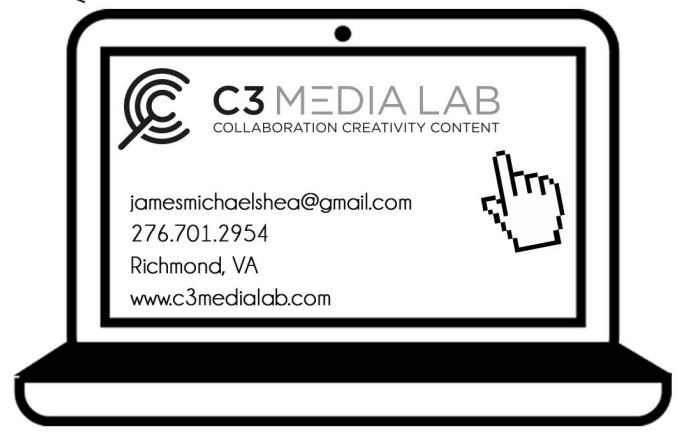
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National Night Out - August 2

What: National Night Out

When: Tuesday, August 2

Time: 6 -8:00 PM

Where: 3101 Kensington Avenue in the Lee School Lofts green space at Cleveland Street.

National Night Out (NNO) is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live.

The MDA will again host a National Night Out block party event. This year's party will take place in the 3100 Block of Kensington Avenue, where music, food, and drinks will be provided.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at the neighborhood event. City of Richmond Police and

Fire Department representatives will be on hand. Children always enjoy exploring the fire truck from our neighborhood Station 18. Special guests in the past have included Ellie the RFD arson dog, RFD Chief and Museum District resident Robert Creecy, and the RPD Chief of Police. Come out and meet your neighbors at this family-friendly event.

The introduction of National Night Out, "America's National Night Out Against Crime," by the National Association of Town Watch in 1984 began an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

That first year, 2.5 million Americans took part across 400 communities in 23 states. National Night Out now involves more than 37.8 million people and 16,124 communities across the country and around the world.



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Retreat Doctors' Hospital Hires New CEO

A few blocks east of the Museum District, you will find Retreat Doctors' Hospital, a campus of Henrico Doctors' Hospitals. With expert physicians and staff, along with the latest technology, Retreat provides outstanding medical care and quality outcomes to all of their patients.



But, it is the compassionate and personalized care of the Retreat Doctors' Hospital team that makes the difference to their patients and their families.

In June, Retreat Doctors' Hospital introduced Beth Matish as the new Chief Executive Officer.

"Throughout her career with HCA Virginia, Beth has been recognized as a distinguished leader with an impressive history of operational success," said Will Wagon, chief executive officer of Henrico Doctors' Hospitals. "She brings a strong knowledge of the Richmond healthcare environment and a deep organizational understanding of our facilities. I am confident she will continue to be a tremendous resource to all of our associates and physicians and I look forward to continued growth and success under Beth's leadership."

Matish previously served as the COO of Parham Doctors' Hospital for eight years. Prior to her role as COO, she was an Associate Administrator at Henrico Doctors' Hospital.

While at Parham, Beth led the successful launch of the Behavioral Health service line. She was also instrumental in revitalizing the Inpatient Rehabilitation program and overseeing the consolidation of the orthopedic service line at Parham. In addition, Beth was highly involved in patient satisfaction improvement, leading patient engagement training for staff, and fostering a culture focused on patient experience and excellent outcomes.

"I am proud to be a part of an excellent facility and hospital. We consider ourselves more than a hospital; we consider ourselves a part of the community," Matish said. "We are committed to providing you with

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- new Retreat Doctors' Hospital CEO
Beth Matish

the best patient experience possible. I invite you to call or stop by our hospital and discover how we can help you in your journey to health and wellness."

Beth received her undergraduate

degree from the University of Virginia and her Master of Business Administration from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business. She is married and the mother of two girls. Beth is a local Museum District resident and her family enjoys all things ACC sports, although they divide loyalties within the house—two Hoos and two Hokies.

MDA Wants You!

Do you like serving your community?

Do you live in the Museum District?

The Museum District Association is seeking new board members for 2017.

Board members attend monthly meetings and participate in many important events. We have several ex-

citing projects underway and board membership is an opportunity to lend your voice to priorities.

The best way to become involved is to email M.A. Powers at MDApresident@museumdistrict.org. She will discuss the role of a board member and opportunities that best fit your interest.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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RICHMOND CHESS INITIATIVE: Wednesdays at 6 PM at Belmont Library...suitable for 1st grade and older

LIBRARY YARNS: Do you knit, crochet, smock, or want to learn? Bring your portable work project to Belmont for a fun, informal group experience. Adults, children and teens ~ all are welcome. Thursday mornings at 10:30 AM

"READY, START, READ" is lining up to be exciting with storytimes, programs, crafts & more for all ages. Prizes for those who meet their reading goal by August 13!

LEONARDO MUSIC Sing along with Leonardo as he strums into town with a humorous, interactive musical program that promotes a love of reading in audiences of all ages and abilities. Belmont, Tuesday, July 19 @ 2 PM

The Belmont Library is located at 3100 Ellwood Avenue.

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Roseneath Landscape Contractor Hired

By Matt Hogan, MDA Environmental Chair

Stretching over one-half mile from Monument Avenue to Grove Avenue, the Roseneath Road median is one of the largest green spaces in the Museum District. For many area residents, Roseneath Road is a main north-south thoroughfare through the neighborhood, connecting Broad Street to Grove Avenue.

This year, the board has committed to the beautification of the Roseneath median and to its maintenance and upkeep going forward. This effort is led by the Roseneath Committee, which comprises several board members and neighborhood residents.

This spring, the Museum District Association hired an area landscaping contractor to maintain the Roseneath median. This contractor is responsible for cutting and edging the median on a regular basis. In addition, the company will be repairing the tire tracks and soil damage that occurred during snowstorms this past winter. Early this fall, new grass will be planted over the entirety of the Roseneath median. Though it will take two to three years before the grass is fully established, we're confident it will be worth the wait!

Prior to seeding new grass, the existing shrubs, fences, and miscellaneous planting in the median will be removed. The Roseneath median will become consistent, manicured, and easy-to-maintain, similar to the Monument Avenue median. The two defining landscape features of the Roseneath median will be well-maintained grass and the existing trees. The final step in the Roseneath median improvements will be the installation of decorative bollards at the intersections with alleyways to prevent vehicles from driving over the median at these locations.

If you have any questions about the Roseneath plan, please email the Museum District Association at MDAenvironment@museumdistrict.org. We're looking forward to seeing the transformation of the Roseneath median and hope you are, too!

Stay tuned for additional developments on this project in the coming months!

House Tour Draws Large Attendance

By Turner Cole, House Tour Chair

This May, the Museum District Mother's Day House & Garden Tour celebrated 22 years featuring nine outstanding homes throughout the district. More than 600 guests took advantage of the great weather to enjoy our beautiful neighborhood.

Benefactors

Proceeds from this annual event are invested in the Museum District to address environmental and safety issues. Additionally, donations are made to local non-profits. This year's recipients will include Albert Hill Middle School PTA, William Fox Elementary School PTA, and Thomas Jefferson High School. The Mother's Day House & Garden Tour is the single-largest fundraising event for the MDA.

A big thank you

Without a doubt, this year's tour would not have been the success it was without the hard work and dedication of the House & Garden Tour Committee: Beth Bostian, Larry Clapp, Melinda Clapp, Zoe Anne Green, Karen Lebo, Arax Mitchell, Elizabeth Nemacheck, Carmen Noviskey, M.A. Powers, and Amanda Scudder.

Special thanks to Gerry Alferio who photographed the homes and attractions.

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- Sacred Waters Holistic Spa
- Spy Rock Real Estate Group
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- Tolson Musick - Realtor
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- Urban Interiors, Elements of Carytown
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Finally, the tour would not be possible without the cooperation and support of the owners of the beautiful homes, including:

- Beth Bostian and Ben Hopkins
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The Museum District Mother's Day House Tour is an important annual event for the Museum District Association. The event would not be possible without numerous volunteers. We would like to thank them and recognize them for their efforts.

They are:

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Chiocca's Provides District with Good Eats

By M.A. Powers

Did you know that Chiocca's Deli at 425 N Belmont was just voted "Best Sandwich Spot in the City of Richmond" by Style Weekly? Chiocca's was also recently selected as the second-best local sandwich shop in all of Central Virginia by Virginia Living Magazine.

Chiocca's is somewhat of a hidden treasure. Just like the famous "Cheers Bar and Grill," Chiocca's is located down a flight of stairs, in the basement of the house standing at the corner of Belmont and Kensington. The deli was founded in 1952 by Museum District resident Mario Chiocca, Sr. and later taken over by his son, Mario "Timmy" Chiocca Jr., who owned and operated the deli until 2010.

Scott Ripley, who was living in the Museum District at the time, was in the right place at the right time and was able to purchase this unique, family business in the heart of his own neighborhood. Ripley has carried on the family tradition of serving delicious food, sourcing local products, and providing a neighborhood gathering place that is open seven days a week.

Chiocca's has been affectionately coined the "Catholic Underground" as it has served as a gathering place for the Catholic congregations and students of the neighborhood. The deli is also a hot spot for Jeopardy fans on Tuesday nights, particularly the first Tuesday of each month during "Steal the Pint Night," when you can sample the newest beer on tap and take home your beer glass! You can also play trivia with your neighbors and be entertained by a local magician.

Ripley has maintained much of the original dining area, and the bar and kitchen, including the original oven. Decades of framed photographs of the Chiocca family, celebrity visitors, and local sports teams adorn the walls around the booths and tables. It's a cozy establishment with six beer taps and several local craft beers in bottles. The deli is also home to two unique flavors of homemade ice cream sandwiches found only at Chiocca's - Nightingale Black Raspberry and Peanut Butter - handmade in Richmond. That Hot Sauce, made in Richmond, is served on sandwiches and available for purchase.

Be sure to stop in soon and check out this underground treasure! Chiocca's is open 7 days a week from 11:30AM-12:00 midnight at Belmont & Kensington.



Scott Ripley bought the family owned Chiocca's in 2010. He has kept most of the original menu and ambiance.

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MPACT is also a vehicle for reporting requests for service. City residents may submit a priority request through the city's website (Richmondgov.com), by calling 311, or via SeeClickFix (website and phone app). Monthly meetings are held throughout the city.

The meeting for the Third Police Precinct, which includes the Museum District, is held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM at the Byrd Park Round House. All residents are welcome. Representatives from the City are there to share information, receive concerns, and generally act as a resource for all residents.

What is SeeClickFix?

SeeClickFix is a request reporting vehicle under the MPACT umbrella. By accessing the city website or by smart phone app, residents can report a number of priority requests to the City.

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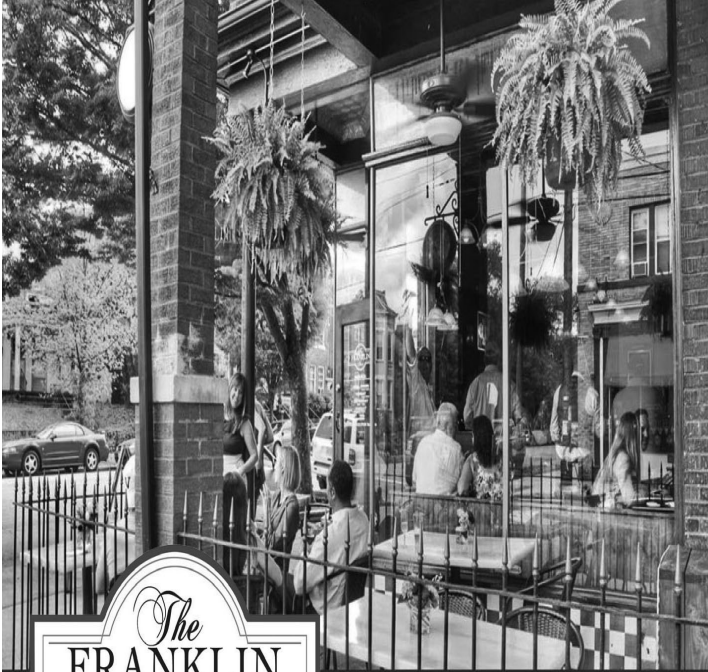
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Construction Starts on Redevelopment Project

By Justin Oliver, Oliver Properties

I am pleased to announce that Oliver Properties has begun the redevelopment of the Hill Davis Building located at 3500 Kensington Avenue. This urban in-fill project will transform the antiquated medical office complex into a Class A apartment community.

The new community will be called *Carytown Crossing in the Museum District* and will contain 39 two-bedroom/two bath apartments, 11 one-bedroom/one-bath apartments, and a management office. Each apartment will feature hardwood floors, ceramic tile baths, walk-in showers, gourmet kitchens, in-unit laundry, vaulted ceilings, and private balconies. The building exterior is a mix of period brick and stone, and accented with large white columns and sweeping roofs.

Oliver Properties worked very closely with the community and Commonwealth Architects to create a design that enhances and complements the historic neighborhood. We also recognized the unique opportunity we had to design an entire city block in an estab-



lished and vibrant neighborhood like the Museum District.

The project will take approximately 12 months to build. We hope to welcome our first residents in late Spring 2017.

For more information about the project, including renderings and a view from our construction camera, please visit www.carytowncrossing.com or call (804) 359-6362.

Rapid Transit Project Design Team Chosen

The Virginia Department of Transportation completed the procurement process for a design-build firm in April 2016 for the GRTC Pulse rapid transit project in Richmond. Three firms submitted technical and fee proposals, and the Lane Construction Corporation/STV Design team was selected. Following this selection, the Commonwealth Transportation Board ratified the decision to move forward with the Lane/STV team.

The plan outlined in Lane's technical proposal reflects everything presented to the public in 2015 and approved unanimously by the City of Richmond's Urban Design Committee and Planning Commission in November 2015.

The team is currently conducting a scope validation. During this process, the team is verifying site conditions of the corridor, and confirming information outlined in the scope of the project.

Final design is on-going. The current projected start of construction is September/October 2016. This date is



dependent on the Lane/STV team obtaining construction permits and the review and approval of the final design. Construction will be sequenced and performed in groups, with six stations being worked on, one at a time. More specific construction details will be available by August 2016.

To learn more about the Pulse Project, including the project history and public outreach, visit www.RideGRTC.com/BRT.

Spring Fling Celebrates Community



Outstanding attendance at the Spring Fling.

More than 100 members of the Museum District Association braved the elements and came out to the annual Spring Fling. Luckily, the rain stopped and attendees enjoyed a wonderful time, socializing and meeting their neighbors.

Once again, Linda and Bill Muse graciously opened their lovely home and gardens for the party. The patio provided a great place to talk and relax.

The event was catered by Savory Grain which specializes in using locally sourced ingredients. Thanks also to Ardent Craft Ales for the locally crafted brews.

We want to thank everyone who attended and hope you enjoyed the evening.



Neighbors gather at the Museum District's Spring Fling.



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Neighbors Help Maintain Roseneath Trees

By Joe Crane, Museum District resident/Richmond tree steward

Below is a list of neighbors who have helped keep the new ginkgo trees alive in the median of Roseneath Road over the past two summers by donating water from their spigots. Dave Berg, MDA Environmental Chair for many years, was instrumental in pointing out that watering was needed. Richmond Tree Stewards provided the labor but all the water was provided by the generous folks below. The last time I checked only one tree died out of the 40+ that were planted.



The city has limited resources to water all the trees planted each year, so the Tree Stewards sometimes volunteer to help supplement their efforts. In the case of Roseneath Road there

were a large number of trees planted in a relatively small area.

When our supplemental watering began I was trucking the water in. It took six pickup truck loads to water all the new trees in the median. I was near the Alexander's home and they offered to donate water for the trees on their block. They suggested other residents might also be willing to donate. No one I asked turned me down. The result is visible when you drive down Roseneath Road.

What you can do for new trees

Because so many trees were planted in a small area it was practical for the Tree Stewards to set this up as a project. However, the majority of new city trees in residential areas are widely distributed and, after planting, are usually given a green Gatorbag for watering.

I think the city hopes that residents will get the word, know what the bags are for, and help water them the first two years until they get established. My feeling is that very few people understand this. Most people assume incorrectly that the city is watering new trees.

If you see a new tree with a bag along the street in the vicinity of your home, please give it a hand. My rule is assume no one is watering a new tree unless you see them doing it. To get the best chance of survival, a new tree should be watered weekly for the first two years, from May through October. Just fill the bag (15 gallons) once a week. If a new tree looks like it needs water, it probably does, but by that time it may be too late.

It is best to get on a regular weekly watering schedule before it needs it. You will be the beneficiary of the shade and beauty it provides for many years if it makes it through the first two years. "Won't my water bill go up?" Including waste water charge the cost to fill a 15 gallon gator bag one time is less than 3.5 cents. The cost to fill one gator bag weekly from May 1 through Oct 30, 2016, would be only 90 cents. Pretty good deal to save a \$200 tree.

For more on Summer Tree Care, please visit the Richmond Tree Stewards website: <http://richmondtreestewards.org/watering-info-and-alerts/>

Roseneath Road Water Donors

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Brent Wilson

Juanita Fulghum

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Wiley Exhibit Opens at VMFA

The latest special exhibit at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts runs through Sept. 5. Titled “Kehinde Wiley: A New Republic,” the exhibit features the work of one of the most famous artists in the United States right now, Kehinde Wiley.

Wiley was born in Los Angeles in 1977. His father was from Nigeria and his mother was African-American. He earned his BFA from the San Francisco Art Institute in 1999 and his MFA from Yale University, School of Art in 2001.

Wiley’s art tends to blur the lines between contemporary masters and modern art. He often features darker-skinned individuals in hip-hop clothes in a painting based on a traditional work of art. He bases the people in his painting on individuals that he photographs on the street.

Wiley’s “Napoleon Leading the Army over the Alps” is an often cited example. It is based on a master piece by Jacques-Louis David. Instead of Napoleon on a horse, Wiley’s version features a black man in a military

clothes and a bandana.

The exhibit presents a retrospective of Wiley’s prolific career through nearly 60 paintings and sculptures. Wiley’s work raises intriguing questions about race, gender, and the politics of representation by portraying contemporary African American men and women using the conventions of traditional European portraiture.



By replacing the European aristocrats with contemporary black subjects, Wiley’s portraits draw attention to the absence of African Americans from historical and cultural narratives.

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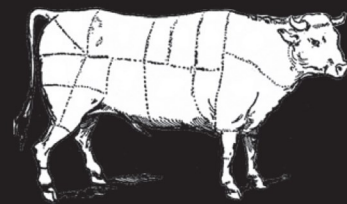
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Museum District Association, PO Box 7186, Richmond, VA 23221.

Check for \$25 must be attached and payable to: "The Museum District Association (MDA)".
We will only accept check payments.

Applications are accepted through Monday, August 15th this year for the November 1st-April 15th
Planting Season All applications must be postmarked no later than August 15th or they will not be
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Please Print legibly (All Information is required)

Applicant's Name Email Address (Most communication will be via email)

Address (including zip code) Phone# Planting Address (if different)

Map key section with a large empty box for drawing and a legend containing symbols for Existing Tree, Tree Stump, Desired location of tree(s) to be planted, and Utility Pole.

Street Name

Tree Maintenance Agreement

Conditions - To adopt a tree, you must agree to care for the tree as follows.

- 1. To insure your new tree's survival, your portable drip irrigation device must be filled with water at least once a week for the first two years during the growing season.
2. Mulch should not be piled up against the tree trunk. Keep grass and weeds out of mulch.
3. Do not cultivate or otherwise disturb soil under the tree (do not plant under trees.)
4. Keep lawn mowers and string trimmers away from tree to avoid wounding trunk.
5. Fertilize only with slow release formulas, if at all.
6. Do not use herbicides that may leach into the soil around the tree
7. Inspect the tree often to detect problems early. Report problems to Urban Forestry.

My signature indicates my agreement to the conditions listed immediately above.

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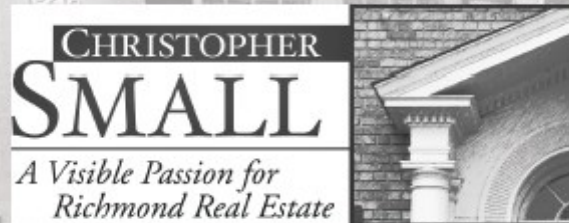
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