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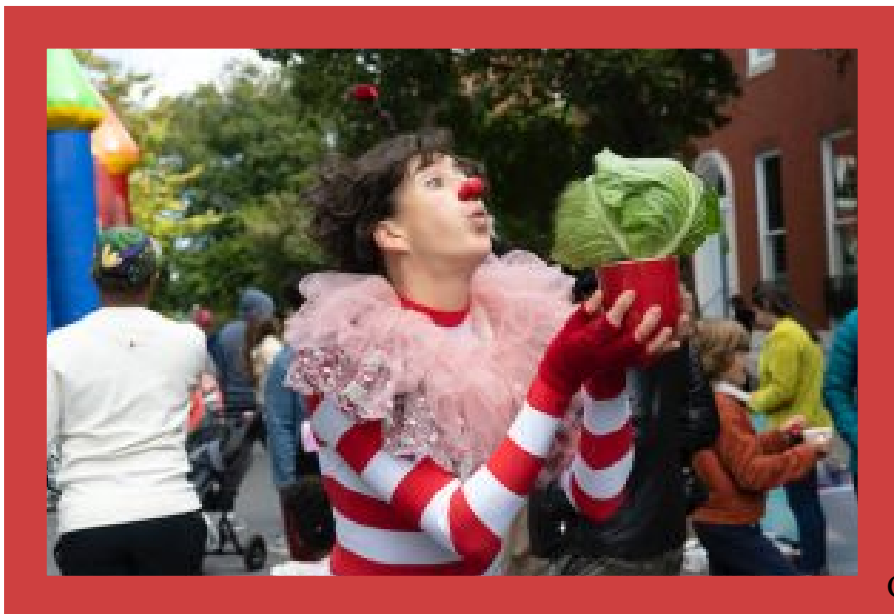
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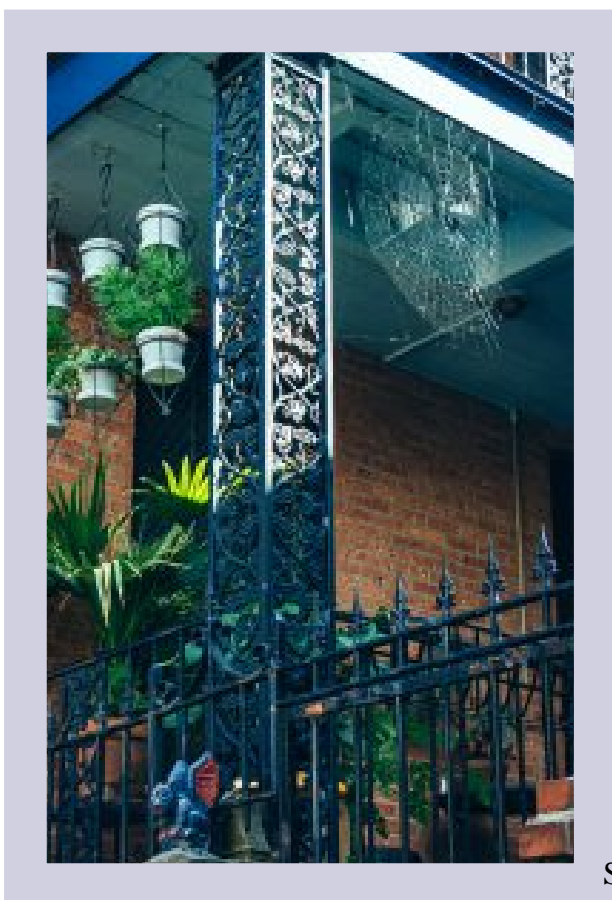
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The emergence of Fall brings a return of Festival on the Hill and a visit of some "spooky" neighbors



Clowning at Festival on the Hill -

Zhee Chapman



Spiders in the 'hood - KT Pozzi

A voyage of discovery: hanging with the recycling crew in Bolton Hill

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The COVID crisis was tough on city services, but from a consumer (and taxpayer) perspective probably no disruption has been felt more universally than residential recycling collection.

COVID struck so many workers early in 2020 that weekly pickups collapsed. Some of us hauled stuff to Sisson Street station or other city yards. In some parts of town trash and recyclables flowed into streets and alleys. The city distributed 65-gallon blue recycle bins in the fall of 2021, which some residents welcomed and others rejected as ugly and not easily kept out of sight in an historic district like ours.

Then in January 2022 DPW announced a “temporary” reduction in pickups from weekly to biweekly. DPW’s director told a skeptical city council in June that the new recycling bins were making recycling routes across the city longer and forcing the need for a comprehensive routing study. So far, no route changes have been implemented and DPW refuses to predict when weekly pickups will resume.

On Oct. 7, I rode some of the recycling route that winds from East Baltimore through Reservoir Hill and Bolton Hill and then further west and north. Driver Gregory Neal and two guys on the back of the truck, George McNeil and Maurice Barrow, worked to complete our route, known as 45003, that requires 2,973 stops along streets and alleys before ending their day late in the afternoon. They start at 6 a.m., and have no coffee breaks or bathroom stops until the truck is filled and taken to northeast Baltimore to unload.

I joined them at the leisurely hour of 9, accompanied by a DPW minder, Doreen Moore. She once drove a city recycling truck but after 26 years at DPW now coordinates drivers and staff and helps oversee services on five recycling routes each day, four days a week (20 routes each week). With biweekly pickups, each route is scheduled in an A or B route week. (Ours is a B-week pickup. The next pickup is

Friday, Oct. 22.) Apartment buildings and businesses must use private haulers.

I saw that most of us are fastidious about separating our paper, plastic, glass and metals from other garbage and solid waste, but some residents mix them inappropriately. The three men on the recycling route are told to photograph and refuse to empty bins that are considered "contaminated and unacceptable," but to do so slows their operations. They refused no bins during our tour together, even though some were using plastic bags inside the bins, a no-no for recycling. As we rode together, Ms. Moore was constantly on the phone, sending a crew to pick up bins overlooked the previous day, and dealing with staffing and truck breakdowns on an app called Rubicon.

Typically, the driver moves the truck forward slowly while the men jog behind, picking up blue and smaller yellow bins, boxes and occasional paper bags of recyclables. They take 10 to 20 steps hauling, dumping and returning each bin or armful of boxes and bags. In narrow alleys like Lovely Lane or those in Spicer's Run, the driver backs down the alley to its end. The pickup guys hang on the truck and then scramble behind it. On streets where no alleys exist, they dart around parked cars, adding extra paces for each bin.

I made a rough guesstimate that by the end of their minimum 10-hour days our two slender guys had jogged between 5 and 6 miles, carrying or pushing bins. When the blue bins are filled, they can be placed on a lift that dumps them onto the back of the truck. However, about half the time a can, bottle or other item slips off and hits the ground. The workers bend to grab it, a *pas de deux* executed with trash in hand. Boxes and smaller bins get lifted and thrown onto the truck, which uses a heavy steel blade to compact mixed materials.

For this work the men on the back of the truck earn \$16.88 per hour plus overtime many days, and benefits once they achieve permanent status. Drivers make more (as do workers who come through on garbage days). The city still is unable to hire, train and retain enough drivers to revert to weekly pickup, DPW says. Newly trained or hired CDL drivers often hang around just long enough to find a softer or more rewarding driving job in the private sector.

McNeil and Barrow were substitute laborers. The two men normally assigned to our route, James Carter and Andrew Thompson Jr., were out with injuries. On-the-job accidents are common, ranging from a slip and fall to shoulder injuries to occasional fingers or arms caught in the truck machinery. Those who can work are given lighter duties at DPW facilities until the injury heals. Others use workers' compensation leave.

Here are three ways that Bolton Hill residents can make recycling efficient:

- **Put plastic, cans, bottles and paper loose together, directly in the bins or boxes.** Do not put them in plastic bags, which cannot be recycled in this single-stream system and can jam machinery. Use blue or yellow recycling bins and/or sturdy paper boxes and bags. There is no limit to the amount of recycling per pickup, although the big bins seem adequate for most households.
- **Do not put recycling in a container used for other solid waste, and do not co-mingle recycling and trash in a blue or yellow recycling bin.** Keep your bins separated. (Recycling is

voluntary, but other garbage is picked up by a different crew on another day – Wednesdays in most of Bolton Hill.)

- **Break down empty cardboard boxes and stack them alongside your recycling bins.** The number of boxes has grown exponentially (Thanks, Amazon!) since the pandemic made us order everything online. Boxes are bulky and take extra handling.

When a truck can hold no more recycling the two workers crawl inside the cab to go to the DPW Northwest Transfer Station at 5300 Reisterstown Road. On the day I was with them the truck halted pickups at Jordan and Mosher streets and headed out. It was noon, and Ms. Moore estimated their route was 45 percent complete. They unloaded at the northeast station, took a short break and headed back to Bolton Hill. I bailed out.

At the two-level transfer station, the recycling is offloaded from the city truck, compacted and then reloaded on a larger truck by a contractor who hauls the stuff to a recycling center in the county. Only there is it sorted, bundled and eventually sold or taken elsewhere. That's another story for another day.

– *Bill Hamilton*

Departures: Patsy Andrews leaves town: Michael Britt and Frank Shiver are remembered

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People come and they leave, but memories stick around. A few days ago, Patsy Andrews, after two decades in the neighborhood, quietly relocated to Frederick, to be nearer family. [Michael Britt](#), the music and choir director at Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church, died a young death last month. [Frank Shivers'](#) family and many neighbors gathered in Scott Fitzgerald Park, which he helped establish, to memorialize him.

Patsy Andrews

Patsy is what everyone wants in a neighbor. She is open, interested and friendly with everyone she meets. She has been willing to do almost anything to support those of us on her block: house sitting, babysitting, cat sitting, 200-pound dog walking--always asking and truly caring about our lives. She has taken care of many neighbors as they grew older and needed to move on to other places.

She quietly handled the annual Bolton Hill yard sale and springtime parking permit process as easily and efficiently as possible, jobs which took much more time than anyone imagines. Oftentimes, she delivered parking permits to neighbors' homes to save them a trip downtown. She loves decorating her house for Halloween, sitting outside reveling in the costumes and giving away the best candy. And Christmas is always an adventure: many a neighbor can remember getting the call that she needed help getting the biggest Christmas tree she could possibly find into her house year after year.

Patsy often brought neighbors together by hosting dinner parties, and she has been a fixture on daily dog walks. Patsy, we are excited for your new adventures west of here. Know how much you have been appreciated and how much you will be missed in Bolton Hill.

– *Barbara and Lat Naylor*

Michael Britt

[Michael Britt](#) was one of the first people I met when I moved to Baltimore in 1984. We struck up a friendship over our common interests, pipe organs. Michael knew just about everybody in town who played one and what organ was in which church.

His ability to make music spontaneously or through great rehearsals was amazing. And what a sense of humor! He could make people like music no matter what the piece. He used to play a series of organ concerts each spring and fall based on fun and silly music. What a blast to be in the audience in a proper church and all of a sudden, the audience would start laughing because of his antics at the keyboards.

He had quite a talent and could lead choirs and other instrumentalists through some of the great works of sacred church music. No matter the organ, he could find the best way to express the sentiment of the music so that any listener became a part of the presentation. After many years at Catholic churches, he took a position at Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church in Bolton Hill using the great Skinner organ, maximizing the expressiveness of such an organ. Michael would also play at Corpus Christi Church on the beautiful 130-year-old Odell organ. It was a challenge to play due to its tenuous condition, but with his generous help and excitement for the instrument, we were always able to make it work and he would create some real art. His performances there during Artscape annual were memorable.

His husband George Bareford, a gifted baritone, often performed with Michael accompanying. Michael's excitement for the instruments and generous volunteering to help others will be long remembered and sorely missed

– *David Storey*

Frank Shivers

On Scott Fitzgerald's 126th birthday last month, admirers of the late Frank Shivers came to honor him in the park he helped create to honor the writer. Family members, Baltimore Heritage's Johns Hopkins and others spoke. Here are excerpts from remarks by Shivers' longtime neighbor Bob Pellaton.

I met Frank Shivers shortly after we moved from DC to Bolton Street, 33 years ago. Frank must have been surprised to learn that we knew little about Bolton Hill, or Baltimore, for that matter. "Well," Frank said by way of orientation, "You have just moved 45 miles north into the South!" To prove his point, he challenged us to go up Howard Street on a particular day in January to a double equestrian statue in Wyman Park. There, he assured us, we would find gathered around it the sons, daughters and grandchildren of the Confederacy, in full period regalia. We thought he was pulling our leg. But we went. And there they were! (The statue recently was removed.)

That was just the first of many things that Frank Shivers would teach us about the history of this city, and then about our neighborhood. I discovered that in 1978 Frank had published a book, *Bolton Hill: Baltimore Classic*. Thereafter, whenever I met Frank on the street, I would ask him questions about Bolton Hill's history or its other attractions. He was passionate about both, having lived here for 40 years prior to our arrival.

Bolton Hill always had a pedigree, he explained, having been developed from three large estates after the Civil War. That gave it an aura which lasted until two world wars disrupted the social and economic order. Large rowhouses were then broken into apartments. Properties deteriorated. Urban renewal threatened demolition and highways. Then Frank described the renaissance, never mentioning his own considerable role in it.

The result (of Frank's work, bringing people together, encouraging restoration, turning concrete into gardens) is the neighborhood we have today: restored architecture and beautiful gardens; institutions and traditions, some new, some old; and an influx of people who are diverse, creative, energetic and aware of our colorful history.

MICA student becomes 8th Bolton Hill carjacking victim this year

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A MICA student had her Volkswagen carjacked on West Lafayette Avenue, the eighth carjacking in 2022 in Bolton Hill. There were none reported last year, although both in the neighborhood and citywide these incidents have been on the rise for a few years.

According to a BPD detective, the incident occurred on Sept. 27, at 6:17pm in the 100 block of W. Lafayette St. The victim was sitting in her vehicle when she was approached by two unknown males who had their faces covered with masks. They demanded her vehicle and pulled her from the Volkswagen Tuareg. In her exit the victim obtained a laceration to the forehead.

Although there are similarities in some of the carjackings the suspects are not the same, the detective said. “I can say this with certainty because on Sept. 24th the individuals responsible for some of the carjackings earlier in the year in your neighborhood admitted to their guilt in court and were detained. “ The detective was in touch with BHCA’s safety committee chair, Jim Prost.

He said that of the eight incidents, three had been solved and there were warrants out for suspects in two others.

There were 383 victims of carjacking citywide reported to the Baltimore Police Department by the end of July, up nearly 50 percent from the previous year. Police say most of the crimes involve young men or boys, frequently but not always armed. “The majority of them do not have driver’s licenses,” Police Col. Richard Worley [told WYPR](#). “But that’s the minor offense. The [major] offense is that you’re using guns to make these carjackings.”

Carjackings have become a substitute for a less dangerous form of car theft in the past that commonly

involved adolescent joyriders. In those days breaking into or entering unlocked vehicles and “hotwiring” them was a simpler, safer crime. With greater reliance on key fobs and remote locking device, car manufacturers have, ironically, made car ownership more dangerous.

Police say these steps you can take may reduce the risk of becoming a victim:

- Whenever possible, park in a well-lit, populated area
- Stay alert and don't be distracted by your phone
- Have your keys ready but not out in the open

If you do become a victim, try to recall the perpetrators physical appearances, including their shoes and hair styles. Comply with their demands and call 911, BPD advises.

Druid Lake refurbishment to bring new amenities to cherished park

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Druid Lake years ago, before construction took over.

Early in the COVID-19 pandemic, my husband and I embraced nearby Druid Hill Park as an urban gem for outdoor recreation. We started playing tennis there, met friends for socially distanced outdoor hangouts, rode bikes in the wooded hills on the north side of the park, and volunteered to water trees for the city's forestry division.

Druid Hill Park is one of the oldest public parks in the United States, and one of the grandest alongside New York's Central, Philadelphia's Fairmount, and San Francisco's Golden Gate parks. (Druid Hill Park is nearly the same size as Central Park.) And it's only a half mile from Bolton Hill's northern border.

But when we bike or walk up Park Avenue from Bolton Hill through Reservoir Hill to go to the park, there are two shortcomings: accessing the park involves a unappealing and dangerous crossing of high-speed, wide Druid Lake Park Drive to get to there, and once inside the park, the lake itself has been fenced off and inaccessible.

Plans are afoot to change both impediments to enjoying the Park.

Plans unveiled last month show a dramatic reimagining of Druid Lake to create numerous ways for the public to interact with the lake. Previous lake access was restricted since it acted as a municipal reservoir, but the federal government ordered cities to enclose and cover their water supplies. That process is near completion.

After several public input sessions about which amenities the community wanted, the new rendering for the lake features a swimming section, a boating and kayak dock including a boathouse with a café, a fishing pier, a boardwalk traversing across the lake, an amphitheater and education center, and even islands. The proposal is not finalized, and there will be another public input session in Spring 2023. Construction is expected to begin around Spring 2024. Learn more by reading a [news article about the](#)

[plan](#) or [viewing the plan itself](#).

The large public pool in Druid Hill Park [reopened this summer](#) with new amenities. Meanwhile, the city's Department of Transportation is [working on a "Complete Streets" plan](#) that would make Druid Lake Park Drive more appealing and safer to cross. That plan still is being finalized.

While Druid Hill Park already provides a beautiful, historic outlet for residents of Bolton Hill, proposed improvements to the lake and easier access will make it even better.

– *Andrew N. Dupuy*

Bike lanes possible someday on Eutaw Place – or not

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Eutaw Place neighbor Henri Daniels organized a meeting at Unity Hall last month to have members of the city Department of Transportation hear concerns about a bike lane that could be installed on Eutaw Place. Approximately 60 people attended the meeting.

It followed the DOT presentation of possible bike lane routes at the April 2022 BHCA monthly meeting, recounted in the [Bolton Hill Bulletin](#). The DOT's PowerPoint presentation from that meeting is still [accessible here](#). The broader plan would call for a bike lane connecting Druid Hill Avenue near Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard on the south, up to Druid Park Lake Drive on the north.

DOT attendees included Patrick Patterson, Bike Planner; Matt Hendrickson, project manager for the bike lane; Allysha Lorber, Capital Planning chief, and Eric James, a community liaison.

DOT made clear that its proposal was not yet finalized, and it would not necessarily install a bike lane on Eutaw Place at all. Apparently, Madison Avenue remains one alternative route. In any event, the DOT said they would call their own public meeting later, when plans are more complete, and hear additional community input on that final draft plan.

At the September meeting, four institutional groups voiced their opposition to a bike lane on Eutaw: The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge at 1307 Eutaw Place; Hiram Grand Lodge at 1205 Eutaw Place; the college fraternity Kappa Alpha Psi at 1207 Eutaw Place, and Estep Bros. Funeral Home at 1300 Eutaw Place.

These stakeholders primarily opposed the bike lane because it would result in some loss of parking along the median curb of Eutaw Place, when that is allowed. Currently parking is permitted on the median curb from 6 pm to 6 am, Monday through Friday; in effect, people can park on the median curb during nights and weekends. Parking on the sidewalk (outer) curbs would be unaffected if a bike lane were installed alongside the median. Eutaw Place currently is not part of Bolton Hill's Area 3 Residential Parking Permit restrictions.

These groups were most vocal in their opposition to a bike lane on the southbound (west) side of Eutaw Place, stating that would unacceptably interfere with funeral services at the Estep Brothers Funeral Home. Some individual neighbors concurred that losing any parking would be not only a burdensome inconvenience but present safety concerns if drivers have to walk farther between available parking and their destinations.

But cyclists and others pointed out that the safety and convenience of drivers shouldn't be the only concern. Cyclists should have safe, direct biking routes, and bike lanes can also generally impose traffic calming by narrowing roadways (thereby shortening crosswalks) and slowing traffic. DOT stated that Baltimore's rate of traffic-related injuries has become extremely high, and that they're trying to impose traffic calming as part of their Complete Streets initiative.

One attendee suggested that the city parking authority, in consultation with BHCA, could extend Area 3 permit eligibility to residents on Eutaw Place, without necessarily extending the Area 3 restrictions to Eutaw Place. This could enable such residents to find parking within the interior of Bolton Hill if that were helpful to them. Another proponent of bike lanes pointed to a vast wealth of unused parking around State Center, just south of Eutaw Place, which conceivably could be used to ameliorate any loss of parking.

DOT officials heard community comments for two hours, taking detailed notes as people commented. They said often that the bike lane plan is not yet finalized, and the community will have the opportunity to be heard again at a later meeting.

– *Kevin Cross*

MICA's president: we're back to a 'new' normal and planning for the future

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Photo Courtesy of MICA

In its first full year of on-campus activity since the COVID pandemic shut it – and every other university -- down in March 2020, Maryland Institute College of Art is fully open, with students and faculty back in the classrooms and visitors welcome.

“The fall semester feels very different from last fall, when we partially re-opened under strict health protocols, and certainly much better than the year before, when we had shut down and pivoted to online studies,” said Sammy Hoi, MICA’s president since 2014 and a Bolton Hill resident. While the school still monitors its health protocol needs, in place, it has begun to resume public events and now welcomes visitors to exhibits and community students for open enrollment classes.

Enrollment and dormitory occupancy were impacted by the shutdown, particularly among international students confined to their home countries or unable to enter the U.S. because of COVID travel restrictions. Student enrollment is just under 2,000 now, down about 10 percent from its pre-pandemic peak. “We’re aiming for a healthy, gradual enrollment recovery,” Hoi said, with fewer international students so far but representing a greater range of countries. Chinese students are fewer, reflecting that country’s extended COVID policies as well as geopolitical tensions.

“We’re keeping in place some of the changes we made that worked well, so we have more hybrid classes available where faculty and students determine that works,” he said. However, most hands-on art and design classes and labs are in-person once again and reductions in staff and payrolls have been restored.

The Baltimore Banner painted [a somewhat bleaker picture](#) at the school.

MICA lays claim to being the nation’s oldest continuing degree-granting college of art. This month MICA’s board will consider a new strategic plan to take the school through its 2026 bicentennial. The planning began in 2018 but went on hiatus in the pandemic. It’s overarching objective is to empower students to have the widest range of options to thrive and succeed in in art and design-centric careers in every economic and social sector.

The plan honors MICA's non-profit roots and mission-driven ideals and stresses the differentiators in its arts education such as creative entrepreneurship. . That includes emphasizing a return on investment for students and embracing diversity, equity, inclusion and global outreach. It also seeks to ensure the school's affordability, growth and national and international culture. MICA will explore what it called new "scaffolding learning options."

Finally, Hoi stressed MICA's desire to continuing interaction with its neighbors, pointing to the presence of MICA security personnel as a factor in keeping students, staff and the neighborhood safe. "We have a symbiotic relationship," he said. He said he loves living in Bolton Hill.

– *Bill Hamilton*

What's up with Artscape? Pay attention on Oct. 20

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A clown copes at the 1982 first Artscape (Baltimore Sun)

After a three-year hiatus and, before that what seemed to be a steady march away from an emphasis on art to one of food trucks, it appears that [Artscape](#) will return in 2023, probably next September.

Exactly when is still unclear. With some fanfare, BOPA (Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts), the city's quasi-public arts agency, in August announced plans to re-create "a bold, ambitious festival with a singular focus on the arts: an Artscape that is more accessible to everyone, and one that brings a lasting impact to communities in our city." It was scheduled for five days instead of the usual three: Sept. 13-17.

Then someone noticed that Rosh Hashanah overlaps with those dates, which quickly were scrubbed from the Artscape website. "In response to the concerns of our constituents, we are taking another look at the dates for the 2023 festival. We will be making our official Artscape announcement on the afternoon of October 20," the agency announced. Greater Baltimore has a large concentration of Jewish residents.

Historically, Artscape has drawn as many as 350,000 participants from the region. Its organizers used to boast that it was the largest free cultural event in the country. BOPA's latest director has tried to make major changes, including the timing and location of the festival. It historically has stretched from Mt. Royal Avenue around MICA, where planning for the first festival began, to Penn Station and north and south up Charles Street.

It always has taken place in the summer. According to the [Baltimore Sun](#), the first Artscape in June 1982 brought two days of non-stop rain and only 62-degree high temperatures. Paintings and other art exhibits were drenched. An outdoor concert by Ray Charles had to be moved. The late jazz singer Ethel Ennis performed with a 17-piece band, in the rain. More recently late-July Artscapes have coincided with the most humid and hot days of the season.

City council member Eric Costello worked to shoot down BOPA's plan to decentralize Artscape and move much of it away from Bolton Hill, Charles Village and Mt. Vernon, in his district. The Oct. 20 announcement will, presumably, indicate the entertainers, arts programs and boundaries, but it seems likely that Artscape 2023 will center on the Station North Arts district, a short walk east from Bolton Hill. That should ease parking pressures on Bolton Hill.

Bolton Hill Notes

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Do you have a plan for voting? It's already underway

If you don't watch commercial television or read the local news, it is possible that you might not know that it's time to vote again. In heavily Democratic Baltimore, the big balloting day often is the Democratic primary which was held in July.

But this year, more than most, voting in November matters. All elected statewide offices – governor and lieutenant governor, attorney general and state comptroller – are open, with the incumbents stepping down. Our Bolton Hill state assembly incumbents, all Democrats, were renominated but there are Republican and other candidates running for the three state delegate slots and for the single state senate seat. There are several ballot initiatives including the controversial “[Question K](#)” which seeks to impose term limits on the mayor and other elected officials. Another would legalize adult-use recreational cannabis in Maryland.

Voting already is underway. You have several options for casting a ballot.

- **Voter registration:** it's too late to register pre-election, but you can register at the polls and vote in person on Nov. 8.
- **Mail voting:** Requests for a mail-in ballot must be received by Tuesday, Nov. 1. To request a ballot, visit www.elections.maryland.gov or call 410-396-1444. Your mail ballot must be completed, signed, and returned in the mail, postmarked on or before Nov 8.
- **Early Voting:** It begins Thursday, Oct. 27 and ends on Thursday, Nov. 3. Voting centers are open every day, from 7am until 8pm, including weekends. You can vote at any of the seven [early voting centers](#). The two closest to the neighborhood are at the University Of Maryland Engagement Center, 16 S Poppleton Street, Baltimore MD 21201, or The League for People with Disabilities, 1111 E Coldspring Lane, Baltimore, MD 21239.
- **Election Day:** Tuesday, Nov. 8. You must vote at your assigned polling place. To find your assigned polling place, visit voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/PollingPlaceResults . Polling places serving Bolton Hill include Eutaw-Marshburn Elementary School, 1624 /Eutaw Place; Mt. Royal Recreation Center, 12 W. Mosher St., and Brown Memorial Church, 1316 Park Avenue.

BHCA meetings are in-person and open to all

The next BHCA board meeting will take place beginning with a 7:30 p.m. social gathering on Tuesday, Nov. 1, in person at Farnham Hall, Memorial Episcopal Church. All neighborhood residents are welcome.

Bulbs sale is underway at Rawlings Conservatory

You can pick out bulbs in person this year at the Rawlings Conservatory's annual bulb sale, says Joyce Oliner of the Bolton Hill Garden Club. She adds: "Bulbs from the conservatory's spring flower show will be for sale during regular conservatory hours at Druid Hill Park through Oct. 23. Stock up now for beautiful flowers next year. Many varieties of tulips, hyacinths and daffodils will be available at great prices." Hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

[Fall Bolton Hill Tree Planting is Oct. 29; volunteers needed](#)

Come on out to plant trees in Bolton Hill! The Midtown Community Benefits District will supply the trees and volunteers plant them in trees wells around the neighborhood. Meet at Fitzgerald Park to divvy up location assignments. Bring gloves and shoes for digging, no experience necessary. [Sign up here.](#)

Winter Dumpster Day is set for Dec. 10

Okay, technically winter does not begin until 4:48 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 21. But you can take unwanted furniture, building materials and other junk to a dumpster at Park Avenue at Wilson Street from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., hosted by Midtown Baltimore and DPW. The dumpster will be brought to and removed from the location on the same day.

About the Bulletin . . .

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