

WHAT'S NEW IN BOSTON

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Summer of 2026 Boston Takes Center Stage

The summer of 2026 will showcase an unprecedented confluence of events that will make Boston the place to be. The excitement starts with FIFA World Cup. Boston is set to host seven matches during the tournament, with Group Stage play starting on June 11 and the last game on July 9 when Boston hosts a Quarterfinal. Boston will set up fan zones and watch parties throughout the city.

Tall Ships return to Boston Harbor on July 10 for Sail Boston. Boston is the fifth and final port in the US that will host the Sail 250 flotilla. Over one hundred majestic ships from dozens of countries will take part in a Parade of Sail through Boston Harbor, which is wide enough to provide ample viewing areas and narrow enough to afford great proximity and spectacular views. The Tall Ships are in port through July 16.

During these global events, the United States will of course mark its 250th anniversary on July 4, 2026. As America's founding city, Boston is poised to celebrate and commemorate the occasion in style with experiences in the city and across the commonwealth.

Boston's Culinary Evolution

With the arrival of the Michelin Guide this November, Boston's evolution as a culinary destination is having a watershed moment. Long associated with traditional fare and exceptional seafood, the foodie culture in Boston now resembles the city itself – a melting pot of ethnic influences highlighted by Latin American, Asian, Mediterranean, and Caribbean cuisine. While New England's farm-to-table and sea-to-table pipelines have long produced some of the freshest offerings in America, the next chapter of Boston's culinary story promises to redefine perceptions. This movement is being shepherded by an array of young and up-and-coming culinary creators whose stories are central to Meet Boston's efforts to elevate the city's status as a culinary capital.

 **The Revere Hotel Boston Common**

(Opened Q1 2026)

356 Rooms | 200 Stuart Street, Boston

Revere Hotel Boston Common has unveiled a full renovation across all guest rooms and corridors, introducing a lighter, more contemporary look while preserving its signature style. Updates include refreshed carpets, artwork, and paint, enhanced natural light throughout the rooms, and upgraded bathrooms. Select king rooms now feature walk-in showers for a spa-like feel, while queen rooms add sleek glass shower doors, delivering a more modern, comfortable stay in downtown Boston.

 **Atlas Hotel Allston**

(Opened Q1 2026)

246 rooms | 40 Western Ave, Boston

Recently opened in January 2026, The Atlas Hotel is a new boutique hotel located at 40 Western Avenue in Allston. Designed for curious, connected travelers, it offers 246 thoughtfully designed guestrooms and flexible meeting spaces filled with light for up to 100 people. The hotel is situated in a vibrant neighborhood near Harvard University, providing easy access to local attractions and public transportation.

 **Say It Loud: AAMARP, 1977 to Now at the ICA**

(February 12, 2025 - August 2, 2026)

The ICA/Boston debuts Say It Loud: AAMARP, 1977 to Now, the first museum survey dedicated to Boston's African American Master Artists-in-Residence Program. Featuring five decades of work by 39 artists, the exhibition celebrates AAMARP's enduring legacy of creative resistance, cultural memory, and Black artistic excellence. Spanning painting, collage, textiles, photography, and more, the show traces the program's evolution from its 1977 founding to today, accompanied by a new scholarly publication and related public programs.

 **Broadway in Boston 2025-2026**

(April 2025 - August 2026)

The Broadway in Boston 2025-26 season kicks off in April with 'Shucked.' The season includes hit favorites including 'The Book of Mormon,' 'Hamilton,' 'The Sound of Music,' 'Les Misérables,' 'Moulin Rouge!' and more.

 **Swingers Crazy Golf Club**

(Opened February 2026)

Back Bay welcomes Swingers Crazy Golf Club, the London-born entertainment concept blending immersive mini golf and carnival games with craft cocktails and elevated street-food offerings. Located in the heart of the neighborhood, the vibrant venue features indoor courses set within theatrical, design-forward spaces. The venue features live DJs, inventive drinks, and a lively social atmosphere.

 **American Repertory Theater**

(Opening Q1 2027)

The American Repertory Theater will begin a new era with the opening of its state-of-the-art home in Allston in early 2027. The new venue will feature flexible performance spaces designed to support innovative productions and expanded community engagement, reinforcing ART's role as a leader in contemporary theater and positioning Allston as a growing cultural hub.

 **Encore Boston Harbor Expansion Project**

Encore Boston Harbor is planning a major expansion in Everett that includes two new on-site hotels and a future MBTA Commuter Rail stop. The project is part of a development agreement with the City of Everett and is designed to increase hotel capacity and improve transit access to the resort and surrounding area.

 **Navy-Notre Dame Football Game**

Gillette Stadium on October 31, 2026.

 **FIFA World Cup 2026**

Gillette Stadium - which will be renamed Boston Stadium - is set to host 7 FIFA World Cup matches in in the summer of 2025, including 4 Group Stage games, a knockout and quarterfinal. Group Stage matches will be announced in December of 2025.

 **National Women's Soccer League: Boston Legacy FC**

Boston will welcome professional women's soccer in 2026 with the inaugural season of Boston Legacy FC, the city's NWSL expansion team. The name, chosen in 2025, honors Boston's rich sports history while looking toward the future. Legacy FC will play home matches at Gillette Stadium and develop a \$27 million performance center. The inaugural match will take place on March 14, 2026.

 **Revolution Soccer Stadium**

Planning is underway for the Revolution's new stadium in Everett.

 **Bar 23**

(Opening Spring 2027)

Bar 23 will offer a more intimate, cocktail-driven sibling to Grill 23 & Bar in Fan Pier. The 75-seat concept is expected to pair ice-cold martinis and premium steaks with a lively, upscale bar atmosphere designed for after-work drinks, date nights, and late-evening dining in the Seaport.

 **Le Petit Maison**

(Opening Fall 2026)

Internationally acclaimed French Riviera-inspired restaurant LPM will make its Northeast U.S. debut at Four Seasons Hotel One Dalton Street, Boston. LPM Boston will bring its signature Mediterranean-inspired cuisine, bright flavors, effortless elegance design, and lively Côte d'Azur atmosphere to the city's dining scene.

 **Hawksmoor**

(Opening Q3 2026)

Hawksmoor Boston, the acclaimed London steakhouse, arrives in Fort Point this fall with a 200-seat restaurant and waterfront terrace. Known for sustainably sourced, dry-aged beef cooked over charcoal, the menu pairs signature cuts with standout cocktails and the beloved Sunday Roast, bringing one of the world's top steakhouse experiences to Boston.

 **Jazz Urbane Club**

(Opening Summer 2026)

Coming soon to Nubian Square, Jazz Urbane Club is set to become a vibrant new arts and dining destination celebrating Boston's jazz and cultural legacy. The venue will spotlight local and national musicians alongside an elevated dining program designed to create an immersive nightlife experience rooted in community and creativity.

 **Moro Mou**

(Opening Summer 2026)

From the team behind beloved local restaurants like Kaia, Bar Vlaha, and Krasi, Moro Mou is an intimate 15-seat omakase restaurant coming to Boston's Seaport District. The concept blends Greek ingredients and culinary traditions with Japanese technique, emphasizing seafood, fermented elements, and a warm hospitality ethos.

 **Agosto**

(Opening Summer 2026)

Chef George Mendes introduces Agosto in Boston's South End as an intimate, reservation-only tasting-menu restaurant inspired by Portuguese cuisine and global flavors. Built around a chef's counter, the minimalist space is designed for a highly personal dining experience focused on seasonality, technique, and narrative-driven courses.

 **Baby Sister**

(Opening Summer 2026)

Opening alongside Agosto in the South End, Baby Sister is a casual, daytime bakery-café from chef George Mendes. The concept centers on house-baked breads and pastries, breakfast and lunch offerings, and an approachable neighborhood vibe to contrast its fine-dining sibling.

 **Ci Siamo**

(Opened Spring 2026)

The beloved New York City Italian restaurant, Ci Siamo, expands to Boston, bringing its Roman-inspired menu and live-fire cooking to the Seaport. Expect handmade pastas, wood-fired pizzas, seasonal vegetables, and classic Italian flavors, served in a refined yet approachable setting.

 **Rosa y Marigold**

(Opened Spring 2026)

Back Bay will welcome its first in-city Peruvian restaurant from the acclaimed duo behind Celeste and La Royal. Located in the vibrant Lyrik development at the crossroads of Newbury Street and Massachusetts Avenue, the 100-seat space blends a sleek dining room with a moody bar, live music, and an open kitchen for an immersive, dinner-party vibe. Expect a bold menu of ceviche, tiradito, anticuchos, chifa-inspired dishes, and sándwiches for lunch, plus a Pisco cocktail program and weekend brunch. The name pays tribute to Nobel- and Pulitzer-winning poet Louise Glück, reflecting the founders' ethos of bringing people together through food and culture.

 **La Tavernetta**

(Opened Spring 2026)

East Boston's waterfront dining scene gets a Southern Italian spin with La Tavernetta, the newest concept from the team behind MIDA. The menu features spritzes, grilled seafood and skewers, coastal-inspired small plates, and a lively all-day atmosphere designed for lingering over drinks by the harbor.



The Zebra Room

(Opened Spring 2026)

Hidden beneath Yvonne's, The Zebra Room brings retro glamour in an intimate steakhouse to Downtown Crossing. The subterranean space pairs classic chops and cold martinis with moody 1970s-inspired interiors and a secret entrance for an exclusive, lounge-like feel.



Uptown Social

(Opened Spring 2026)

Restaurateur Nia Grace breathes new life into the former Darryl's Corner Bar space with Uptown Social, a soulful new gathering spot blending comfort food, cocktails, and live music. The South End/Roxbury venue honors the neighborhood's rich cultural history while introducing a fresh new era of dining and nightlife.



Foxglove Terrace

(Opened Spring 2026)

Perched atop Allston's new Atlas Hotel, Foxglove Terrace is a cocktail-forward rooftop lounge from the acclaimed Comfort Kitchen and Ama team. The stylish new venue pairs panoramic skyline views with inventive drinks, seafood-driven small plates, and nightlife programming that's already making it one of the city's buzziest new rooftops.



Olivia's Kitchen

(Opened Spring 2026)

Located in Somerville, Olivia's Kitchen brings warm, homespun Italian cooking from Piedmont-born chef Simona Sbrano. The intimate neighborhood spot pairs handmade pastas, regional specialties, and elegant pastries with a cozy, family-run atmosphere.



Alice & Monarch

(Opened Spring 2026)

New in Kendall Square, Alice & Monarch combines two concepts under one roof: Alice, a modern Italian-inspired taverna serving pizza, pasta, and shareable plates, and Monarch, a stylish subterranean dessert and cocktail lounge. Created by the team behind Source, the dual-concept destination blends elevated dining with playful late-night energy.



Le Boulevard

(Opened Spring 2026)

Coming to Fan Pier is Le Boulevard, a glamorous new Parisian-inspired brasserie from the team behind Grill 23 & Bar. The expansive waterfront restaurant will bring classic French fare, steak frites, seafood towers, and all-day café energy to the Seaport, complete with a sprawling patio overlooking Boston Harbor.



Willie's

(Opened Spring 2026)

From the award-winning BCB3 Hospitality team behind Zurito, Somaek, and Sushi @ Temple Records comes Willie's, a new neighborhood pizza and pasta destination in Beacon Hill. The sit-down restaurant will serve a playful, eclectic menu built around thin-crust pizzas, house-made pastas, and seasonal small plates that reflect the chefs' diverse inspirations. Alongside its lively food program, Willie's will offer a casual yet thoughtful drinks lineup, plus takeout and delivery options for pizza and more. The space is designed to fill a local dining niche on Charles Street while highlighting unexpected twists and flavorful favorites.



Common Craft

(Opened Spring 2026)

The acclaimed multi-concept hospitality destination Common Craft expands into South Boston with a new culinary and beverage experience. The South Boston outpost will lean into full table service and an evolving dining program led by James Beard Award-winning chef Tony Messina. Slated to open in early March, the concept features a 133-seat dining room, two bars, including an intimate cocktail spot called The Stillroom, and a rotating menu series called The Current that highlights a different theme (ingredients, techniques, places, or people) each month, with a focus on craft producers and creative culinary storytelling.



Eastern Edge Food Hall

(Opened February 2026)

Eastern Edge Food Hall introduces to Cambridge a dynamic, multi-vendor dining destination showcasing a diverse mix of local chefs and global flavors under one roof. The expansive space features curated food stalls, a central bar program, and communal seating. Designed as both a culinary incubator and a social hub, Eastern Edge reflects Boston and Cambridge's evolving food scene and entrepreneurial spirit.



Ama at the Atlas

(Opened January 2026)

Ama at the Atlas opens in Allston within the Atlas Hotel from the team behind Comfort Kitchen. The all-day restaurant draws inspiration from global comfort foods and family traditions. The menu evolves from breakfast through dinner in a warm, welcoming space where familiar flavors become uncommon bites.



Dalia

(Opened Spring 2026)

Dalia brings a fresh, design-focused dining experience to South Boston, blending vibrant Spanish flavors with a modern, social atmosphere. The menu highlights shareable tapas plates, quality ingredients, and polished presentations, making it a lively new addition for both dinner and drinks.



Avra Estiatorio

(Opened Spring 2026)

Avra introduces its signature Greek hospitality to Boston with a seafood-forward menu rooted in simplicity and quality. Featuring pristine fish, olive oil-driven dishes, and a coastal-inspired setting that channels the spirit of the Mediterranean.



Bambola

(Opened Spring 2026)

Bambola reimagines the Italian supper club with a balance of elegance and indulgence, pairing Roman classics and Southern Italian fare with a theatrical, high-design setting. Inspired by a glamorous Italian villa, the experience blends attentive hospitality, refined technique, and bold presentation.



The Girl Next Door

(Opened Spring 2026)

The Girl Next Door brings a stylish, neighborhood vibe to the Seaport, blending high-design energy with an approachable, modern menu. The menu includes Italian-inspired comfort dishes, like paninis and pizzas, paired with playful signature cocktails, creating a versatile, go-to spot.

**Maple & Ash**

(Opened Spring 2026)

Maple & Ash brings its acclaimed, over-the-top steakhouse experience to Boston, known for indulgent cuts, seafood towers, and a celebratory atmosphere. The menu is bold and luxurious, complemented by a dynamic wine and cocktail program.


**My Girl**

(Opened Winter 2025)

Located near Post Office Square in Boston's Financial District, My Girl is a stylish cocktail bar designed for after-work crowds and late-night energy. The program emphasizes creative cocktails, a polished bar atmosphere, and a social setting that bridges downtown dining and nightlife.

 **The Road to Revolution: Massachusetts and the Independence Movement**
(Open Through January 3, 2027)


This compelling new exhibition at the Old State House explores Massachusetts's pivotal role in the fight for American independence. Through immersive galleries, original artifacts, and dynamic multimedia displays, visitors trace the events and ideas that ignited a revolution — from colonial resistance to the birth of a nation. Set within one of Boston's most historic landmarks, the experience brings the story of 1776 to life in the very place where it unfolded.

 **Holocaust Museum & Education Center**
(Opening Q4 2026)

Slated to open in late 2026, the Holocaust Museum and Education Center will be located at 125 Tremont Street along Boston's Freedom Trail. Spanning 33,000 square feet, the museum will feature immersive exhibits and cutting-edge technology designed to foster critical thinking and remembrance. Founded by Jody Kipnis and Todd Ruderman, the institution aims to preserve and perpetuate the memory and lessons of the Holocaust for future generations.

 **Cross Street Cultural & Culinary Hub**
(Opening Q3 2026)

This transformative new development in Boston's historic North End is reimagining a longtime vacant block on Cross Street into a vibrant cultural and commercial gateway celebrating the neighborhood's rich heritage. Spearheaded by local restaurateur Frank DePasquale, the project will open La Scuola, an Italian-affiliated culinary school and café, alongside specialty shops and other local retail offerings. The initiative also includes support for relocating the North End Historical Society's museum to Prince Street—bringing neighborhood history into a prominent Freedom Trail setting. Together, these spaces will create an immersive destination where food, tradition, and community unite in one of Boston's oldest and most beloved neighborhoods.

 **Dewey Square Mural**
(Unveiled Q2 2026)

The Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy unveiled the 2026 Dewey Square Mural, "The Midnight Ride," by Boston-born artist Rixy. Created in partnership with Embrace Boston and Everyone250 in celebration of the nation's 250th anniversary, the vibrant large-scale artwork blends elements of fantasy, manga, anime, and Boston's cultural histories. Located adjacent to South Station, the mural will welcome residents and visitors to downtown Boston throughout 2026.

Anniversaries & Events

Tall Ships Return - Sail Boston (July 11-16, 2026)

Boston, known for its Visiting Ship Program, eagerly awaits the return of the tall ships for Sail Boston 2026®. The city, rich in American Revolution history, invites visitors to explore the Freedom Trail. This 2.5-mile path weaves past sixteen historic sites, from Boston Common to Bunker Hill and the Charlestown Navy Yard, home to the USS Constitution, the oldest commissioned ship still afloat.

250th Anniversary of the American Revolution

For all celebrations in Massachusetts, you can find out all the details at the MA250 Website located [here](#). For all of The American Revolution 250 Events, you can find out all the details at the Rev250 Website located [here](#).

Logan Airport & Transportation

Delta Airways

Service to Tel Aviv, Israel will launch October 24, 2026, and will run daily.

Delta Airways

Service to/from Halifax will run 1x a week starting June 13th and concluding in early October.

Delta Airways

Service to/from Madrid, Spain will begin May 16, 2026, and will run daily. Service to/from Nice, France will begin May 17, 2026, and will run 3 times per week.

Porter

Service to/from Toronto will operate twice daily beginning on May 14, 2026.

Porter

Service to/from Montreal will operate daily beginning on May 14, 2026.

JetBlue

Service to Milan will operate daily beginning May 11, 2026.

JetBlue

Service to Barcelona will operate daily beginning April 16, 2026.

Aer Lingus

Boston to Dublin, Ireland expanding April 13, 2026

Aer Lingus will expand seasonal service from Boston Logan to Dublin on April 13, 2026, operating five times weekly on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Sundays as part of its largest-ever transatlantic summer schedule.

JetBlue

Service to/from Guanacaste, Costa Rica will start twice a week in November and will become daily by December 18, 2025.

Arajet

Service to/from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic will launch November 20, 2025 and will run four times per week.

JetBlue

Seasonal daily flights between Halifax Stanfield and Boston Logan airports launched on June 26, 2025.

WestJet

Boston to Vancouver, Canada launched June 9, 2025

WestJet has recently announced their new summer destinations for their network.

Vancouver to Boston started seasonal service on June 9, 2025 and goes until October 13.

JetBlue

Boston to Madrid, Spain launched May 22, 2025

JetBlue has started daily summer seasonal service to Madrid, Spain from May 22 to October 24.

JetBlue

Boston to Edinburgh, Scotland launched May 22, 2025

JetBlue has started daily summer seasonal service to Edinburgh, Scotland from May 22 to October 24.

Delta Airways

Boston to Milan (MXP) launched May 23, 2025

Delta launched a new route between Boston Logan International Airport and Milan Malpensa Airport in Q2 2025. This nonstop service connects Boston to one of Italy's premier fashion and business hubs. The flight operates daily, providing travelers with convenient access to Northern Italy.

Delta Airways

Boston to Barcelona (BCN) launched May 22, 2025


Beginning in Q2 2025, Delta will also offer nonstop service from Boston to Barcelona, Spain. The new route will open up opportunities for travelers heading to one of Europe's top tourist destinations known for its culture, architecture, and beaches.

Delta Airways

Service to/from Liberia, Costa Rica launched January 11, 2025.

Seasonal nonstop service between Liberia, Costa Rica and Boston 3 times per week.

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