

# THE Eco MOSQUITO

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS AND EVENTS AT HSPH AND BEYOND

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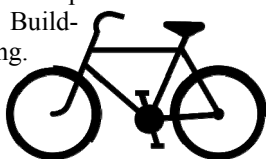
Summertime and bein' green is easy. Veggies are sproutin' and farmers' markets are nigh. Oh, the sun is out, and your boss is on vacation. So hush little baby, don't you cry.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Bikers, have you ever left HSPH after a long day and, like a three year-old on her first trike, just couldn't wait to hop on your wheels and speed away? Man, that is such a great feeling! And what a huge let-down when you discover that you have a flat. No worries, the Harvard Longwood Bicyclists and HMS have installed two new bike repair stations at the bike cages outside the Goldenson Building and the New Research Building.

Check out the website for your Boston/Longwood biking needs:

[hsph.harvard.edu/bikes](http://hsph.harvard.edu/bikes)



## The Market Round-Up



As advocates of both public health and environmental sustainability, we feel compelled to really push the local, fresh fruits and vegetables this summer. Here are some local markets:

**Central Square Farmers' Market at Norfolk Street**  
Mondays, 12-6, open through November 25

**Harvard Square Farmers' Market at Oxford Street**  
Tuesdays, 12-6, open through October 29

**Mission Hill Farmers' Market at Brigham Circle**  
Thursdays, 11-6, open through October 21

**Brookline Farmers' Market at Coolidge Corner**  
Thursdays, 1:30-dusk, open through October 31

**Cambridgeport Farmers' Market at Magazine Street and Memorial Drive**  
Saturdays, 10-2, open through October 26

## GREEN TIPSTER

Do you feel guilty spending precious dollars ordering lab supplies? First of all, you've got to get over that because you're just doing your job and it's all in the name of science. Second of all, we can help! Get free lab supplies through the Harvard Labs Reuse List at [green.harvard.edu/labs-reuse-list](http://green.harvard.edu/labs-reuse-list). Use the list to either get rid of extra lab supplies or stock up on things you need.



Pssst! If you like the Eco Mosquito and want your own copy (would it be weird to hang it in your bathroom at home?), you can find the PDF at [hsph.harvard.edu/ecoopportunity](http://hsph.harvard.edu/ecoopportunity)



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## Why Are People Hanging Out at the Waste Bins?

There have been reported sightings of people hanging around the cafeteria waste bins at lunchtime and even reaching their hands into the bins to separate trash, compost, and recyclables. Who are these people and why are they all up in our waste? It turns out that these are some Green Team members who wanted to help members of the HSPH community to know into which bucket they should chuck it. Understandably, when confronted with three waste disposal options, many people are either left with analysis paralysis or just panic and throw it all into the closest bin. The Green Team figured a little gentle coaching might be in order. Since most of the disposables from the cafeteria are compostable, it was mainly a matter of showing people that they can, in fact, compost a lot of their waste. And it's always helpful to have someone remind you of what can be recycled. Since studies\* have shown that even adults love stickers, you may have seen proud composters walking around with little green "I Composted" stickers affixed to their shirts. These "composting ambassadors" will be back again in the fall when our new students arrive. Contact the Green Team if you're interested in hanging out at the waste bins and making new friends!



*\*the study referred to was a show of hands (n=6).*

## DON'T MISS THIS!

Getting lost in headphone land is so wintertime. Make the most of your summertime lunch breaks by enjoying the free **Berklee Summer Concert Series**, right here in the Kresge Plaza or on the Quad. Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30, **July 10-August 28**.

Do you miss taking field trips? The HSPH Eco-Opportunity Green Team thought you might like **Summer City Safaris**: one-hour guided tours during Thursday lunchtime to interesting places nearby. Upcoming tours include the Countway Garden (led by Sonya Milonova) on **July 25** and the Fitzgerald Park (led by David Havelick) on **August 8**. Meet outside the Kresge entrance at 12:30.

The **Green Team** is growing and we want you to join us! Come to the next meeting on **July 17** from 11-12 in FXB G10 for snacks, green ideas to improve our School, and lots of friendly chatter.

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