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SUMMER AT THE CHARLES HOTEL

Families, Get Excited for the Summer Kids Music Series and New Bike Program!

Cambridge, MA (June 8, 2009): Located in the heart of Harvard Square and along Boston's Charles River, [The Charles Hotel](#) celebrates summer with its new **complimentary bike program**, annual **Kids Summer Music Series**, **Regattabar Summer Courtyard Series**, and **family-friendly hotel packages**. These programs, along with the hotel's proximity to Harvard Yard and downtown Boston, history museums and Fenway Park, make The Charles an ideal place for summer fun.

SUMMER SPECIALS AT THE CHARLES HOTEL

The Charles Hotel Bike Program

This summer, guests can enjoy bike riding at The Charles Hotel. **Six Electra Amsterdam Classic Bicycles** equipped with shopping baskets are available complimentary to hotel guests. Additionally, the Hotel has partnered with **The Liberty Hotel** in Beacon Hill, encouraging guests of both hotels to take the eight mile scenic ride along the river to and from the hotels, while touring the historic streets of Beacon Hill and Harvard Square. The option to ride one-way and return by taxi or public transportation is also available.

Father's Day

Come Celebrate Father's Day at The Charles by having Sunday brunch at Henrietta's Table. At \$45 per person, this is a fantastic way to spend the morning honoring hardworking dads. Please visit Henrietta's Table on the web at www.henriettastable.com or call 617.661.5005 for more information.

Annual Kids Summer Music Series

In its third year, this series is a hit! Kids and parents alike enjoy these Sunday afternoon shows. All shows start at **4:30 p.m.**, with **preshow activities at 4 p.m.** in the **Regattabar**. Afterward, families can enjoy supper in **Henrietta's Table**, which adds to the fun by offering kids a **free brownie ice cream sundae garnished with a musical theme decoration**. Doors open one hour prior to show time. Tickets are \$12, and children one year and under are free. Tickets can be purchased online at www.regattabarjazz.com or by calling 617.395.7757.

Sunday, July 19

Brady Rymer and The Little Band That Could

Sunday, July 26 **Baby Loves Salsa with the Jose Conde Band**
Sunday, August 2 **Laughing Pizza**
Sunday, August 16 **Ben Rudnick**

Regattabar Summer Courtyard Series

The Regattabar and the Berklee College of Music have come together this summer to create a special **Monday night courtyard series** free to the public. During the concerts, **Henrietta's Table** will offer **\$10 burgers** and **\$5 beers**. Wine and an assortment of cookies will also be for sale.

Monday, July 20 **Katie Thiroux Trio**
Monday, July 27 **The International String Trio**
Monday, August 3 **Carlos Averhoff Jr. IRESI Project**
Monday, August 10 **Rocco and the Stompers**
Monday, August 17 **Gina Cimelli**

Also check out summer activities with **Chef Jody Adams** and [Rialto](http://www.rialto-restaurant.com) at www.rialto-restaurant.com.

PACKAGES & SPECIAL RATES AT THE CHARLES HOTEL

Visiting from out of town? Extend the family bonding by spending the night at The Charles in one of its deluxe guestrooms, with prices starting at \$199 per room (not including taxes). Special rates are also available for multi-night stays.

Introducing the **Down to Earth** Package

Summer is the season for the freshest foods. While staying at The Charles, guests can enjoy its **weekly Farmers' Markets** to try some of the area's very best seasonal ingredients. The **Down to Earth Package** includes:

- Overnight accommodations in a deluxe guestroom, featuring custom signature quilts and sumptuous down duvets, Séura® in-mirror televisions, and Bose Wave® radios.
- A signed copy of Chef Peter Davis' cookbook, *Fresh & Honest*. Chef Peter Davis of Henrietta's Table at The Charles Hotel released *Fresh & Honest* this past fall. His restaurant was recognized by *Gourmet* magazine as one of America's "Best Farm-to-Table" restaurants in 2007.
- Use of the Electra Amsterdam Classic Bicycle, along with helmet, map of the city and U-style lock and key.
- Picnic lunch for two from Henrietta's Table to take on your bike ride.

The **Down to Earth Package** starts at \$235 per room, per night, based on double occupancy, not including taxes. The package, valid seven nights a week, is based on availability.

Additional packages are available including **All That Jazz**, **Refresh and Refuel at The Charles**, **Kids Quest**, and **Check into The Charles**. For more information about these packages, please visit The Charles Hotel at www.charleshotel.com or call 617.864.1200 or 800.882.1818.

Fourth of July

Just steps away from the Hotel lies the Charles River, where you can watch the famous Fourth of July Fireworks from the Larz Anderson Bridge or on the grass along the river. Reserve your room now at a special rate of \$199, available from Sunday, June 28th through Tuesday, July 7th.

About The Charles Hotel

[The Charles Hotel](#), Harvard Square is the smart place to stay. A member of Preferred Hotels and Resorts and AAA Four-Diamond award-winner, The Charles may be the only hotel in the world to welcome Noble Laureates, Pulitzer Prize winners, Academy Award winners, jazz greats and New England farmers.

Reflecting the eclecticism that is Cambridge, The Charles Hotel is a modern interpretation of New England hospitality with a thriving jazz club, the [Regattabar](#), two signature restaurants, ice-skating rink (winter months only), state of the art conference facilities and a central location in the heart of Harvard Square. The hotel is home to [Henrietta's Table](#), featuring "fresh and honest to goodness home cooking," and recently named one of "Americas Best Farm to Table Restaurants" by *Gourmet* and [Rialto](#), one of the best restaurants in America [*Gourmet*, *Food & Wine*, *Esquire*, et. al.] [Noir](#), the hotel's lounge, is on the first level of The Charles Hotel. Designed by Peter Niemitz to reflect the decadent atmosphere of 1940s nightlife, Noir's drink menu features a mix of classic cocktails and a bar menu perfect for late night or afternoon dining.

The hotel also boasts an adjacent urban spa, Le Pli and the Wellbridge Athletic Club with swimming pool. Special in-room amenities include the high-tech Bose Wave® radios, Séura® in-mirror televisions and cordless phones, as well as two-line speakerphones with voice mail, PC and fax modem capabilities and DVD players.

Catering to internationally renowned business leaders, government officials, entertainment executives and leisure travelers alike, it's no wonder that the *New England Travel Guide* has designated The Charles as the best hotel to "stay put in" when visiting Boston.

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