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WHERE IN THE WORLD DOES
A SAX PLAYER JUMP UP ONTO
A PILE OF FAKE PLASTIC ROCKS
AND PLAY A COOL JAZZ SAX SOLO
INFUSED WITH MELLOW ROCK
& AMERICAN BLUES,
DURING A 4/20 BAKE SALE?

WHERE ELSE?

WELCOME TO CABBAGETOWN, USA

LUCILLE'S BAKESHOP
WINS THE CUPCAKE INVITATIONAL!

SEE PAGE 19

Sax musician is Guy "Big Papa" Priester of Kaya's Embrace,
who's full length album "Now or Never" drops May 17th.
Hit the listening party at @centerstageatl that night!
Photo by James Robbins.



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CNIA President's Letter



**MARINANGELES
GUTIERREZ
RIVERA**

Welcome the sunshine. Lot's going on this May, get involved and get connected! Thanks to everyone who came out for the New Neighbor Party, we hope you met some folks.

We appreciate all the Bake Sale volunteers and donations, it was a beautiful spring day and successful fundraiser! As we look toward the summer, some of our signature events return, like Bingo and Movie Night, don't miss these family-friendly events.

During CNIA, last month we had a featured presentation from GDOT to discuss the Memorial Drive bike plan and road diet project. Thanks to everyone who came with questions. Details of the presentation will be posted to Cabbagetown.com/transit. In May we will have featured presentations from our Fulton County Commissioner, Natalie Hall, with representatives from the Senior Services department, Arts & Culture department, and Tax Commissioner office. In addition, we'll feature Krog Codex who has been archiving the many layers of the Krog Street Tunnel. We look forward to having you!

We're always looking for volunteers to make the magic happen. See the monthly committee meeting details under the Community Meetings section or by visiting Cabbagetown.com - Calendar.

- 05/03, Friday: Bingo Night @ Community Center
- 05/10, Friday: Movie Night @ Cabbagetown Park
- 05/11, Saturday: Stacks Squares Artist Talk @ The Atlanta Contemporary
- 05/23, Thursday: Concert Series

- @ Joyce Brookshire Amphitheater, Cabbagetown Park
- 05/18, Saturday: O-Games by The Patch Works @ Cabbagetown Park
- 06/01, Saturday: Cabbagetown Reunion

Atlanta's Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) - Plan A: "Atlanta For All". Plan A sets forth the vision, goals, policies, and actions for future growth and development in Atlanta. Public participation is critical to preparing the plan. From now until May 2025, the Department of City Planning will be engaging residents on land use, transportation, housing, economic development, nature, historic preservation, and other aspects of city building to update Plan A.

NPU-N Community Workshop in June: Designed to continue building consensus on the maps and policy statements for Plan A. Activities include: Department of City Planning presentation on Round 1 public input and overview of the planning process. Collect public input on revised Land Use maps and policies. **SAVE THE DATE:** Wednesday, June 12th, 2024 at 6:30p, at The Trolley Barn (NPU-N) 963 Edgewood Ave NE.

SURVEY PARTICIPATION: <https://www.atlantaforall.com/survey>
There are three online surveys you can complete. Share your voice.
(1) Neighborhood Survey, (2) City-Wide Survey, and (3) Interactive Mapping Survey.

OUR NEW NEWSPAPER EDITOR



**WILLOW E.
COPPOCK
KASTELBERG**

Hi my name is Willow. On April 28th, 2024 I became an editor with Kyle on the Cabbagetown newspaper. I've lived here my whole life and I think Cabbagetown is really fun and cool. I love WOLVES!!!!!!!!!!!!

I like our neighborhood because we have very fun activities like Chomp and Stomp, Olympic Games and BINGO!!!

I love playing Bingo with Q. I have so many kid friends and my favorite is Q because when I was 4 and he was 2 (flash

back) I ran up to him and said "come on" and then I said to his parents "what is his name?". "His name is Q." responded Q's parents. So I said "Oh. well come on Q".

(Right now) I have so many grown-up friends and my favorite is Ryan because he is funny.

Now that I'm an editor, I think for future Cabbagetown, I will organize more trash pick-up days and three days of the year for an event that I will assemble to celebrate the holidays. And I plan to have more stories from kids.

If you see my mom and me walking around the neighborhood you can come up to us and tell me any ideas for the newspaper and I will right it down and maybe put it in the newspaper. I love Cabbagetown but someday I do want to explore London and Universal Studios.

SO FOR NOW GGGOOOOOODDD BBBBBYYYYEE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

PARTY ON, GARTH!

These Cabbageheads are celebrating B-days this month:

- Corryn GoldSchmidt, Alexandra Nelson, Gerie Gilbert
- Dian Huff-Chatmon, Peter Knudsen, Ryan Peters
- Elizabeth Mahaffey, Jess Bloomingdale
- Christina Kennedy-Farr, Alicia Forsee, Cathy Woolard
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- Anthony Doc Mills, Jordana Russell, Stevie Devries
- Mikal Kolbein Gule, Joe Normandin,
- Willow#wolf, Tim Sullivan, and Kris Sanchez.

CNIA: General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 9th, 2024, 7p. Meeting conducted by Marinangeles Gutierrez Rivera. Minutes by Lucy Perkins.
Location: Cabbagetown Community Center.

1. Welcome - Marinangeles Gutierrez. 7:06p start time.

2. Review and Approval of March Minutes. New neighbor party, concert series, bake sale (performances and such!), Stacks Squares same day! Motion to approve - unanimous! Motion approved.

3. Atlanta Police Department Updates – Lt. Butler. Not present

4. City of Atlanta Council Person - Council Person Liliana Bakhtiari
a. On recess

5. Special Presentation: GDOT Design Review of Memorial Dr.
Ron with Traffic Ops. Background - GDOT Safety Program (reduce fatalities and injuries). This project is part of the Atlanta Intown Multimodal Study. Roadway reconfiguration - remove lanes, add turn lanes and bike lanes. Two Projects: Resurfacing and safety project. Resurfacing - Ted Turner to Memorial (some already done). 8/31/2024 expected completion for resurfacing and road diet (and maybe bike barriers). 8/15/25 finished designs for raised elements and cycle track. Two-way cycle track needed instead of one on each side (narrower and can block it from cars). In C'town specifically, Boulevard to Pearl adding the two-way cycle and turn lane. C'town environment will not be affected. Partnering with MARTA - exploring raised cycle track at bus stop.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. Q: What kind of population and business growth does GDOT project – in our area – over the next ten years? 1.5% annual growth anticipated with bike traffic.

2. Q: Memorial and Blvd - there are many bottlenecks there - will y'all work on syncing the lights to help with traffic? Signal operations team will be syncing and adjusting. No right on red to avoid pulling into cycle traffic. They will work with ATL on the bottleneck at Blvd. Moreland and Memorial is also being worked on to potentially fix bottleneck.

3. Q: Can we protect the bike lane at Memorial to not turn it into a right turn lane? There will be protection (concrete and vertical posts)

4. Q: Is there a map for cyclists? GDOT no, City of Atlanta yes. They're working on it. There is a map of designated bike routes but not what type.

5. Q: Is there any risk of this getting the kibosh? No one has tried to stop so far. Delivering as resurfacing so to avoid public comment. There is operational data on traffic flow and they've been monitoring to make sure it doesn't get worse.

6. Q: Why no raised elements for bus stops? Worried that people will drive up on them. It's never been done.

7. Q: Changes to the speed limit? Crosswalks? There will be some but any between Blvd and Pearl might not be safe to create. This project will help people stay at 35 mph.

8. Q: how do we request pedestrian beacon at Memorial? A: We can maybe get it done with a different project but adding to this project would delay it further. We can find a way. The driveways make it difficult to add the crosswalk.

9. Q: Sidewalks? No. Curb ramps, yes. There will be a future sidewalk extension but no sidewalk improvement planned right now.

10. Q: Can we get the raised elements? Yes but it may not be with THIS project.

6. Committee Reports

Cabbagetown Initiative (CI) - Brandon Sutton, CI President.

Community Center clean up happening. CI Election - looking to bring back executive director, a position lately gone, they'll vote next month. Increase capacity to serve the community with grants and funding. Looking for ways to provide support. Meeting next month. Four seats are designated CNIA to check on CI. CNIA position for CI - treasurer role - Parth has been nominated to take that role. He wants to get involved and will get help from the previous treasurer. Background in finance. Motion to nominate Parth as treasurer role for CI - seconded - 16 in favor - unanimous!

7. Financial Report - Jack Cunningham, Treasurer.

Budget was approved - no update.

8. John Dirga. Park update: Park Pride grant to fix up amphitheater - 3-1 match if we raise \$50,000. Work day was great and hours counted towards funds raised. Fundraising! Bake Sale on April 20th and a cupcake battle. Please volunteer - starts around 1p. Sign up on cabbagetown.com/bake. Many sponsors! Same day as Stacks Squares on the side of the cotton mill. Little's will have a DJ and other special vendors. Concert series April 18th - also volunteer! **The Relics** and **Red Eye Orchestra** - psychedelic rock. Friday New Neighbor Party. May 11th artist talk - exhibit at Atlanta Contemporary - Artist talk from the artist and curator.

Hospitality Committee - Amanda Bisgaard, Chair. New

Neighbor Party soon. Events coming on May 3rd, June 21st, July 26th. September 28th is The Cabbagetown Prom. Always need volunteers. Homes for new neighbor parties and holiday crawl and tour of homes please reach out!

Transportation Committee - Eric Foley, VP

NPU update - summer days approved and fast tracked, liquor licenses including savage pizza, citation for code enforcement given - he did not appear. Met with Tactical urbanism for Wylie Street Traffic Calming project. Wheel stops to narrow the lane and slow down traffic from Estoria to Tennelle. We'll create a weird triangle - do we want to put something there? Like bike parking or art?

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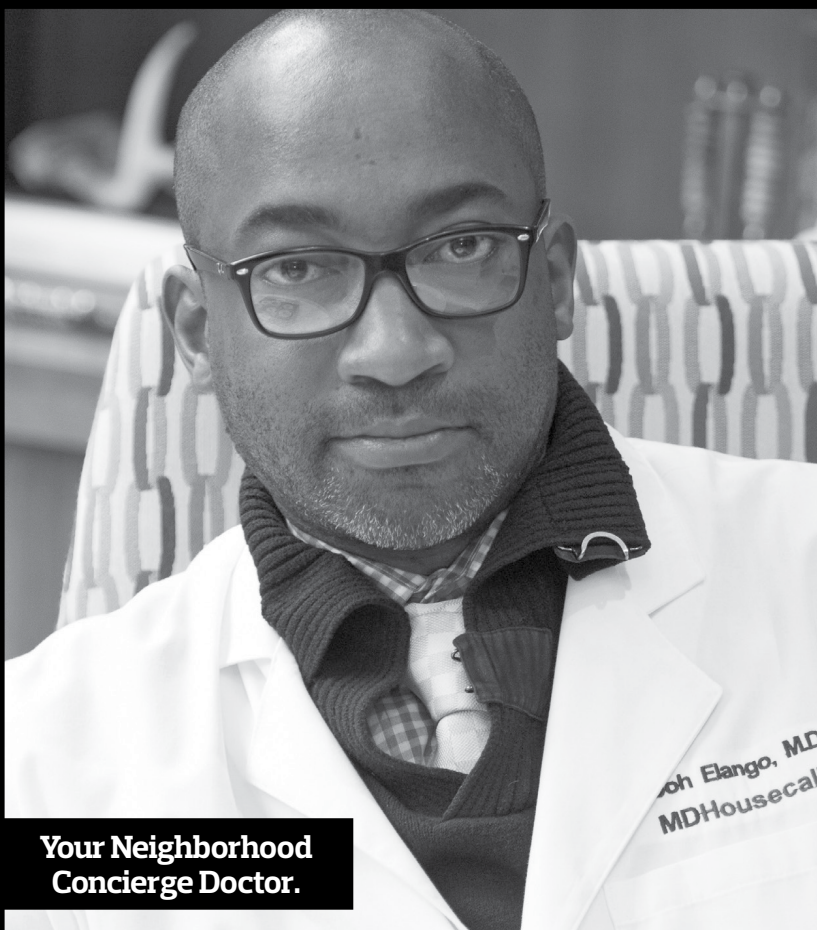
**Cabbagetown Art Center (on Carroll Street) is awesome! Now offering kids classes too.
Check it out: cabbagetownarts.com**

WHO IS THAT?!!!

CAN YOU IDENTIFY THESE CABBAGEHEADS?

YOU CAN DO IT! Can you identify these current, former, and honorary Cabbageheads based on photos from years gone by? To submit your guesses (in order), email them to: newsletter@cabbagetown.com. The first person to submit all correct answers

in proper order will win one beverage of their choice at Milltown Tavern, courtesy of The Cabbagetown Neighbor. Here is the solution to last month: 1. Shirley Tubbs-Hughes 2. Elena Paulsen 3. Rev. David DeChant 4. Taylor "Minsky" Coppock.



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STELLAR PERFORMERS



**ARTY
SCHRONCE**

Amsonias are stars in my my garden in more ways than one. Their common name is “blue star” for their star-shaped, steel-blue flowers. Besides bearing attractive flowers in a rare and welcome color, amsonias are stellar performers. These perennials are pest free, drought tolerant and easy to grow.

I grow two species – the Eastern blue star (*Amsonia tabernaemontana*) and the Arkansas blue star (*Amsonia hubrichtii*).

The Arkansas blue star is the more ornamental of the two due to its fine foliage. In summer its threadlike leaves sparkle after a light rain or heavy dew, and the plant becomes a mist of gold in autumn. The Eastern blue star is also colorful in the fall, but the overall effect is less dramatic. Eastern blue star is native to the eastern half of U.S. while Arkansas blue star is found in a much more limited range in Arkansas and Oklahoma. I also grow a hybrid of the two that occurred naturally in my garden. It bears characteristics of both parents. These two hybridize so readily it makes me wonder if they are actually one species.

Amsonias thrive in full sun to half shade, and average soil is fine with them. In fact, if too rich the plants may become lanky. I have one in the sidewalk planting strip in soil that appears to be a mix of clay and cinders peppered with bits of asphalt and concrete. It looks as happy as if sitting on a throne. And it is crowned with loads of flowers.

Since they are members of the same family as milkweeds and even exude milky sap when cut, I had hoped that, like milkweeds, my blue stars would also serve as host plants for monarch caterpillars. No such luck, but the flowers attract butterflies and bees.

A few good companion plants that bloom along with amsonias include copper iris, bearded irises, California poppies, rose campion, bleitilla orchid and peonies. I saw an ideal pairing of Eastern columbine and Eastern blue star in front of a cinnamon fern at the Mordecai House in Raleigh. The combination of the red and yellow of the columbine with the blue of the amsonia was a perfect floral trio of primary colors.

There are other species of amsonia that you may want to try. There are also hybrids and named forms selected for particular qualities. I once included a pure white Eastern blue star in a garden I designed consisting of mainly of white flowers. It was perfect for that situation, but unless you have a special need or just want rarities, go with the blue. After all, there are so many more white flowers than blue ones. And at this stage, explaining to someone that I am growing a white blue star, requires more time than I want to give.

Arty Schronce is a degreed horticulturist, garden writer and lecturer whose articles and photographs have appeared in numerous newspapers and various magazines and books.

CURATOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

by John Dirga

Stacks Squares Mural Project retrospective gallery exhibition, "The Corner Office" remains open through May 19th at the Atlanta Contemporary Art Center (535 Means St NW, 30318 atlantacontemporary.org).

Join us on Saturday, May 11th at 12p for an Artist Talk and Q&A with the Curators: Austin Blue, John Dirga, and Angie Jerez. Audience members will be able to manipulate the interactive installation, watch an unique time-lapse video, and learn about the site history.

Dirga & Blue created the project in 2017 to increase community access & participation in Cabbagetown's popular arts programming.

Angie guest curated Round 11, and designed the installation for Atlanta Contemporary, including a new original indoor mural. She will zoom in virtually, schedule permitting. Other special guests will discuss their experiences with the mural program, and encourage newcomers to apply!

Stacks Squares was launched with generous financial assistance from CNIA, the Stacks Lofts, and then-Councilmember Natalyn Archibong. Ongoing support is provided by Sam Flax, TriBridge Residential, and Topo Chico.

More information: cabbagetown.com/squares



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Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association (CNIA) Meeting Agenda

TUESDAY, MAY 14th, 2024 at 7p

Meeting to be held at the Cabbagetown Community Center (177 Estoria Street). Find this month's links & materials at www.Cabbagetown.com/agenda

6:30p: Food & Community

7p: Meeting Begins

I. APD Updates

II. April Minutes Approval

III. Atlanta City Councilmember Bakhtiari's Office Update

IV. Featured Presentations:

- Fulton County Commissioner Hall
- Property Taxes, Senior Services, Arts & Culture, and more!
- Krog Codex
- Archive of the Krog Street Tunnel

V. Treasurer's Report

VI. NPU-N Report

VII. Cabbagetown Initiative Report

- Cabbagetown Park Fundraising Campaigns

VIII. Committee Updates

- Cabbagetown Summer Daze
- Hospitality Committee
- Transportation Committee
- HPLU
- The Patch Works:
- O-Games
- Cabbagetown Reunion

IX. New Business

~8:45p Adjourn

OTHER COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Cabbagetown Initiative (CI):

Typically First Mondays, May 6th, at the Community Center at 7p

Historic Preservation & Land Use Committee (HPLU):

First Wednesdays, May 1st, 7p Google Meet

Cabbagetown/Reynoldstown Joint Transportation Committee

(CRTC): Thursday, May 2nd, 6p - 7:30p

Rotating Location/Google Meet

Hospitality Committee

Meetings are dependent on planning needs.

We're always looking for volunteers!

MIKKELSON'S MARKET HAS R'TOWN EXCITED!

By Kyle F. Bidlack

Pretty much everyone in C'town knows about the magical wonder that is JenChan's on Carroll Street, but what you MIGHT not know is that Emily, Jen (and Mik) are gearing up to open a new market in R'town... and we can't wait!

Mikkelson's Market will take over The Urban Market Grocery Store on Flat Shoals Avenue and everyone has their fingers crossed for a grand opening in July.

According to RoughDraftAtlanta.com, Mikkelson's Market is a very personal project for Emily. They named the market after her father who died earlier this year. It pays tribute to her family's Danish heritage through specialty items on the grab-and-go food menu.

"My dad owned restaurants, as did my mom. I've now lost both of them. Part of my grieving is throwing myself into work and opening this market in honor of my dad," Emily said. "I got my work ethic from my dad. You don't get days off when you own a restaurant. We even named our son Mikkelson. There's just something about passing down a legacy and knowledge and recipes in families."

What can we look forward to at Mikkelson's Market? Good question. Em & Jen will sell prepared "plates of the day" from JenChan's and grab-and-go food like breakfast sandwiches, Hoisin duck and pints of smoked gouda mac and cheese. The market will also sell provisions such as smoked fish, other preserved goods, smørrebrød (Danish open-faced sandwiches) and aebleskivers (Danish pancake-like puffed pastries) based on Emily's great-grandmother's recipe.

"The menu will rotate with the seasons, and we're very excited about opening up to more farm partners." Emily told RoughDraft.

What else? Em and Jen are hoping to sell boutique wines as part of the retail arm of the business. They are also looking into a **Shopify** website for online ordering.

"We want Mikkelson's to be for the neighborhood, including families who live here and want to bring their kids in for a root beer float or a Slushie while they pick up provisions for lunch or dinner," Emily said.

Get ready Reynoldstown! We think you are going to love the brand of hospitality that Em and Jen bring. We can't wait to see how a Danish culinary scene fuses with a smart, young, vibrant, and growing 'hood like R'town. *"No one is rich enough to do without a neighbor."* That's an old Danish proverb. Em and Jen can depend on us, and visa-versa. See ya' there.

Reynolds Makery & Pulperia (on Pearl Street) is a great place to grab a bite, a bev, browse and buy!
Check it out: reynoldsatl.com

O-GAMES! OH MY!



ANNA PFEFFER

Hey-O! The annual Cabbagetown O-Games is May 18th! This is such a fun day for our community and a great way to meet your neighbors in our wonderful little 'hood.

The event takes place at the Cabbagetown Park and starts at 10a sharp with each street team lining up, chanting, and prepping to take home the gold. At 10:30a, the team's ceremony kicks off as each team takes the field with their walk-

on song...And games begin at 11a! Scan the QR code below to get on your team ASAP so you can get onboard with your team's uniform and anthem. So much fun!



The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat.

The Cabbagetown O-Games are hosted by our neighborhood history center, the Patch Works! Participant fees are \$15 per person and all FUNds go to the Patch Works Art & History Center.

Learn more about the Cabbagetown O-Games and see pics from previous years here: thepatchworks.org/the-cabbagetown-o-games/

You may not make it to the Summer Olympics in Paris...But you can BE A CABBAGETOWN OLYMPIAN! What could be better than that??!! Scan the QR Code to join your team today!



Top of the Charts

By Kyle F. Bidlack

What is Cabbagetown listening to? Good question.

Here's April's hottest songs on the *Milltown Tavern* juke box.

1 CREED
HIGHER

CREED TOPS THE CHART FOR THE FOURTH STRAIGHT MONTH

2 RADIOHEAD
BODYSNATCHERS

9 CRESCENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL
FORTUNATE SON

3 SANTANA
BLACK MAGIC WOMAN

10 GOTYE
SOMEBODY THAT I USED TO KNOW

4 MOTLEY CREW
HOME SWEET HOME

11 FOO FIGHTERS
LEARN TO FLY

5 OASIS
WONDERWALL

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PATIENCE

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BAD COMPANY

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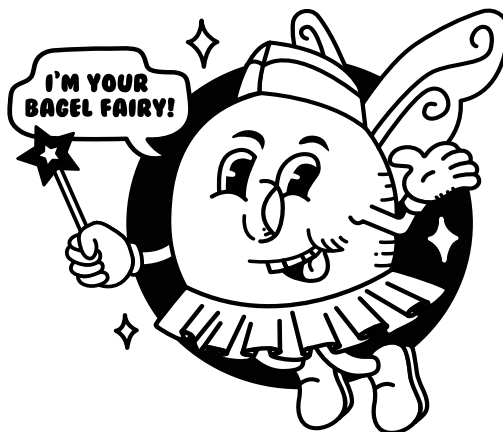
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**CELINE
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MOVIE NIGHT in Cabbagetown Park season 2024 kicks off May 10th with that action-packed, Atlanta-set 2017 thriller **BABY DRIVER**.

Look for your hometown landmarks (BINGO board, anyone?) while getaway driver "Baby" (Ansel Elgort) tries to escape his life of crime. Things go awry for the young man, of course, and chaos ensues.

Also starring Jamie Foxx, Jon Hamm (*sigh*), Eiza Gonzalez, and real-life

baddie Kevin Spacey. And look for rocker Flea, as well as local Fox5 news journalist Morse Diggs.



The film debuted at South By Southwest (SXSW), is noted for its soundtrack and was nominated for numerous awards (Academy, BAFTA, Golden Globe etc) for acting and technical achievement.

Here's a review: Perfect blend of action, comedy, and a great soundtrack! The film stars Ansel Elgort as the titular character in deep with some

undesirables from the criminal underworld. To pay them back, he must use his driving skills to help with a number of heists. During all this, he becomes smitten with a waitress (Lily James) who makes him feel like he's more than just a criminal. He then decides to try and escape his life of crime, but he soon realizes that it's much easier said than done.

Come on down to the Park for a picnic before the flick! The movie rolls when it is dark enough to see the screen. See y'all there!

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We've got overflow space in the Little Picnic Area and maybe some in Whisper Park. Introductory rates are dirt cheap! If it seems fair to you, it's cool with us. Basically "pay what you can" a nominal donation to the neighborhood, with priority is given to Cabbagetown folks, past & present. No food vendors, please.

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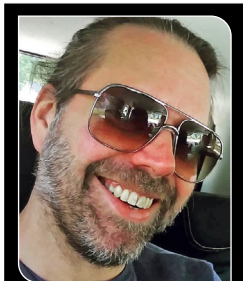
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Diamond Street Players founder, Spencer Garn grew up in North Palm Beach, FL where he began taking piano lessons around the age of seven. He then played mostly punk-rock guitar in his teens and recorded on four-track cassette! His rock, funk & soul-jazz keyboard adventures with the Hammond organ began sometime in his early twenties when he was lugging a chopped Hammond M3 around, and at some point an old & heavy chopped CV organ for gigs.

Currently, he plays the Hammond SK2 on many gigs, has an A100 at home, a C3 at *Diamond Street Studios* (Atlanta, GA), his studio where he has also been a recording engineer and producer since around 2008.

His instrumental organ recordings have been licensed to TV shows, such as *Anthony Bourdain's "No Reservations"* and various other outlets, and he continues to write and record instrumentals which highlight the Hammond organ sound. His latest studio album, and studio house band, 'Diamond Street Players', released an LP of funky-soul driven tracks back in 2019 which highlights the Hammond organ sound.

Currently, he has a slew of new original recordings he's been working on with studio partner, *Tyler "Falcon" Greenwell* (drummer with *Tedeschi Trucks Band*), and local Atlanta studio musicians. They also are recording and producing many great artists from out of state as well as local Atlanta bands. Follow the Socials to check out new recordings from their various studio collaborations as well as new original material from *Diamond Street Players* in 2024.

When he's not in the studio or performing he shoots photography on Fujifilm cameras and lenses and DJI drones. Check out his links for more details about bands he's played with.

The Diamond Street Players are a five piece soulful ensemble lead by organist Spencer Garn. Born out of a six-month weekly residency in 2016, and his *Little Five Points Studio*, Diamond Street, the band features a rotating group of local Atlanta musicians he has worked with regularly over the years and has been recording new original songs with, primarily throughout 2017.

In 2016 the musicians held a weekly Thursday night residency at *Little Vinyl Lounge*, which paid tribute to the groovy Hammond Organ sound of the late 60's era. Garn and company covered a variety of funky soul, jazz & boogaloo organ grinders from the era by artists ranging from *Lou Donaldson* to *Booker T. & The MG's* to *Jimmy McGriff* who released on record labels such as *Blue Note*, *Stax*, & *Prestige*.

After two 7" teasers already this year, The *Diamond Street Players* drop their debut self-titled LP this August 2nd, 2019. The album brings you ten delicious mid-and-up-tempo grooves chock full of gritty and soulful Hammond organ instrumentals, backed up by the perennially hard-and-funky DSP rhythm section. Two vocal tracks round out the set, with *Amanda Joy* making her hypnotic vocal debut on *Million Miles*, and the powerhouse *Adryon de*

Leon (Orgone and Matador! Soul Sounds) bringing the OH, SO HEAVY How Many Lies, How Many Times to LP glory.

This studio band, led by organist & producer, Spencer Garn was recorded and mixed at *Gemco's Diamond Street Studios* in Atlanta, GA. If you thought the days of studio house bands (*Stax*, *Motown*, *Muscle Shoals*) were gone forever, then hop in and take a ride down Diamond Street with these players!

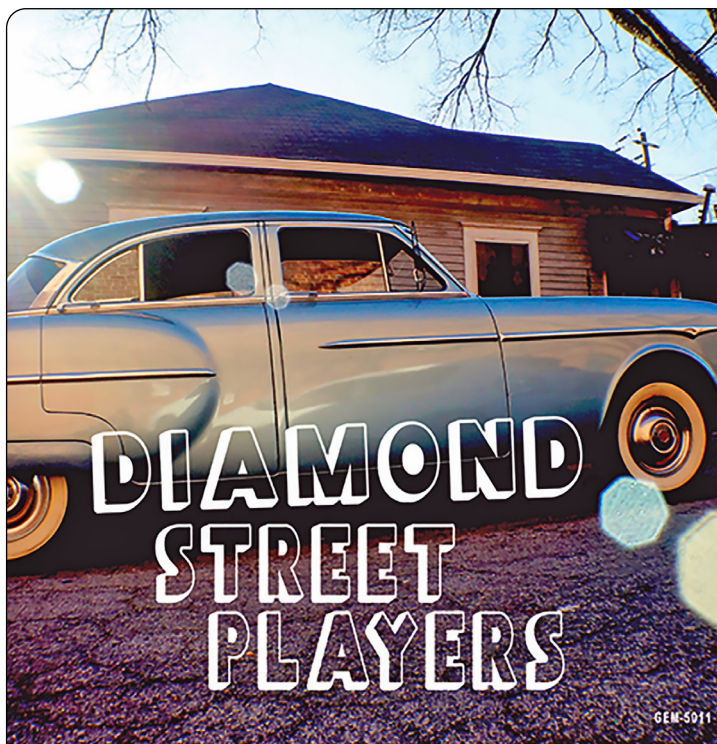
The first two singles, *Million Miles* (feat. Amanda Joy), and the timeless and timely dance-floor burner *How Many Lies, How Many Times*, were written and produced in conjunction with *Leo Black (The Dynamites)*,

and are on this full LP including Spencer Garn's blistering B-sides from those 45s, *Organ Workout* and *Murky Retrograde*.

Bada Dum Dum, the Players' own sing-along party anthem, needs no language-specific lyric for any super soul dance party to join in.

You get some old school New Orleans vibes on Clean Slate & Suzy's Boogaloo, and some Gemco-pedigree deep funk/soul instrumentals on Grease Gun, & Split the Difference. No dull moments on this LP, folks. Jump in that car on the cover and take that funky ride on wax.

DSP has a new album coming out to follow up the single released this year. The Jams will persist and please. Like a rare precious jewel past the rough stages into golden moments for music lovers and fans alike.



KROG STATION?

By Kyle F. Bidlack

Unless you've been living under a boiler house, you've probably heard that Mayor Andre Dickens announced that Atlanta will build four new in-fill MARTA stations, and low-and-behold, one of them – according to the announcement – will be near the Krog Tunnel.

And – beyond that – not much more is known. No details like; how will we fund this, or when will we build this, or what will this look like. Seems like BIG details are still being worked out OR info is being dripped out strategically. We'll get to that later.

Absent of BIG details, I'll give it my best guess (pure speculation).

If a Krog Station comes to fruition, I believe it will be an elevated station and cantilevered over Decatur Street or Dekalb Avenue. It will be smaller than most MARTA stations. It will probably have only one platform (on the north side of the tracks) and will necessitate the addition of a criss-crossing track (not a big deal).

Don't hold your breath. I am thinking the station won't open till sometime between 2031 and 2034. How will we fund it? Good question. Federal dollars will probably come into play, but a big bulk of the cost will probably fall on Atlanta taxpayers. Don't be surprised if Krog Station costs upwards of \$100 million.

Where, exactly? Our best guess is within two blocks – east or west – of the Krog Tunnel. Don't be surprised if some high density, transit-oriented developments (low to mid-rise apartments and condos) come along too. This kind of housing is generally considered a good thing, especially in a growing metropolis like Atlanta.

Is info being dripped out strategically? Maybe. Recently – reading between the lines – Mayor Andre seemed to shift from strongly behind Beltline rail transit, to something less definitive.

Will the four in-fill stations be built at the expense of Beltline rail transit? One can only speculate. But if this IS the case, The Mayor will undoubtedly face some very – understandably so – disappointed citizens. Promises were made, and breaking them is seldom good. Promising more low-income housing along with the four new stations MIGHT be a strategy for overcoming the disappointment. The Mayor may also be betting that CSX will sell Hulsey Yard in the next thirty years. If that's the case, then Krog Station suddenly becomes a no-brainer.

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Historic Preservation and Land Use Committee - Anya Warren and Mrs. Elsas, Co-Chairs

241 Powell had a hearing for a bathroom redo. 103 Pearl adding dormers - hearing tomorrow after advice from HPLU. **Mystic Lotus** - must do adjustments - hearing has been pushed back. Porch was changed after advising not to. April 24th hearing after miscommunications. Realtor representing investor for empty space at 214 Estoria - wanted to build a 4-5,000 square foot home. Came back and told him he could build a worker's cottage and must follow setbacks - might be a deal breaker.

CDP. Comprehensive Development Plan must be turned in every few years. CDP gets updated quarterly through legislation. 4-6 year cycle try to get input. Meetings listed at Atlantaforall.com/events

9. New Business
Patchworks O-Games on May 18th - street vs street field day games. There is a Captain's Meeting on April 15th. Patchworks - open call for board members. Exciting stuff happening so please let us know if you want to be involved. Next meeting: Commissioner Hall from Fulton County will bring representatives from senior services, property taxes, and arts and culture. Krog Codex who has been documenting the tunnel.

10. Motion to adjourn - 8:42p

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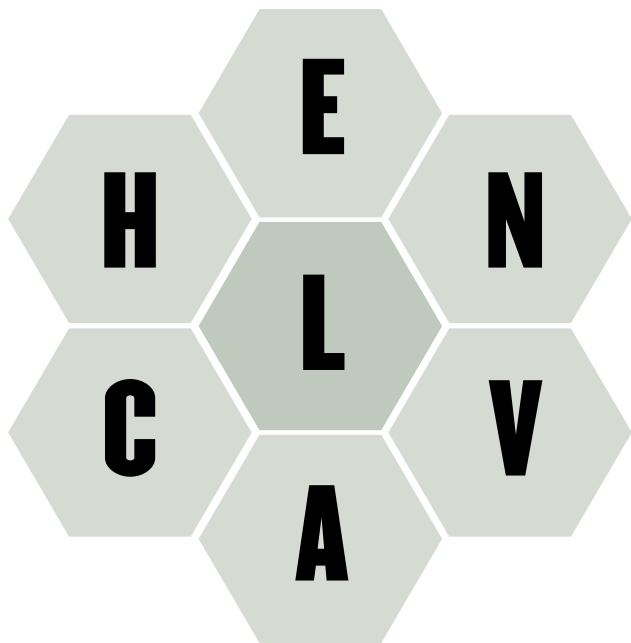
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Spelling Bee

How To Play Spelling Bee: 1) Words must include the center letter. 2) Words must contain at least four letters. 3) Letters can be used more than once. 4) Each puzzle includes at least one "pangram," which uses every letter at least once. **How many pangrams can you find?**



- 1. 15.
- 2. 16.
- 3. 17.
- 4. 18.
- 5. 19.
- 6. 20.
- 7. 21.
- 8. 22.
- 9. 23.
- 10. 24.
- 11. 25.
- 12. 26.
- 13. 27.
- 14. 28.

Last month's Pangram solution: **Adjourn**

LUCILLE'S BAKESHOP WINS THE CUPCAKE INVITATIONAL



The ladies of Lucille's at The Bake Sale in Esther Peachy Park.



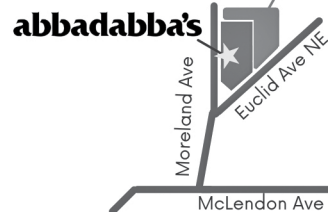
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By Kyle F. Bidlack

ACROSS

- 2) Creatures symbolized on mah-jongg tiles.
- 7) Pinky or pinky toe.
- 11) Final four?
- 12) Absolutely nothin'.
- 13) Painter Monet.
- 14) "Aladdin" character whose first line is "Oy! 10,000 years will give you such a crick in the neck!"
- 15) Coca-Cola container.
- 16) Something shared by wetlands and woodwinds.
- 17) Years and years.
- 21) The schmear goes here.
- 22) Intoxicating substance sometimes called "Bud".
- 23) Game sometimes played at JenChan's.
- 25) "Beat it!"
- 26) Paid back through an app.
- 29) NY baseball team, familiarly.
- 32) Bird that's also a term in golf.
- 35) Popular "Stomp" instrument?
- 36) This month's co-editor.

- 38) Times for musicians to shine.
- 39) Most-valued cryptocurrency.
- 41) One-named singer who starred in "Moonstruck".
- 42) Plentiful.
- 43) Bit of cheek makeup.
- 45) Degrees conferred after successful defenses.
- 49) Bit of entertainment for guests.
- 53) The beginning of many fairy tales.
- 56) Intoxicating substance sometimes called "bud".
- 57) Animal that "eats, shoots & leaves" in a book about punctuation.
- 58) Religious offshoot groups.
- 59) One might be on track to arrive.
- 60) Bicycle wheel : circle :: ___ : radius.
- 62) Bean choice at Chipotle.
- 64) First solo female artist inducted into Country Music Hall of Fame.
- 68) Capture, as a checkers piece.
- 70) "Get outta here!"
- 72) Ubiquitous symbol of an adult party.

- 74) Having a potty mouth.
- 77) Column's crosser.
- 78) Bird that's the symbol of the National Audubon Society.
- 79) Arctic floater.
- 81) "Sure thing!"
- 82) Ball room music?
- 84) Courtroom dozen.
- 85) Female friend, in Spanish.
- 86) Stirred from slumber.

DOWN

- 1) Biblical betrayer.
- 3) Tech giant facing an antitrust lawsuit from the D.O.J.
- 4) Channels that stink.
- 5) Where would Ctown be without him?
- 6) Old-timey "Oh my!"
- 8) Venerated celebrities.
- 9) Drink of steamed milk and Earl Grey tea.
- 10) Aileen Cannon or Juan Merchan, in 2024 news.
- 17) Extreme suffering.
- 18) Weather phenomenon with a Spanish name.

- 19) Ridge on a guitar's neck.
- 20) Pasta that's totally tubular.
- 21) Woman celebrating with a band?
- 22) Popular "Chomp" instrument.
- 23) Some Ctown artwork.
- 24) Genre for The Black Lips.
- 27) He was born on Auburn Ave.
- 28) Who "has left the building," in a famous concert announcement.
- 30) Pad thai ingredient, often.
- 31) How anchovies are preserved.
- 33) Genre for Faye Webster and Florence & The Machine.
- 34) Baseball player who signed biggest contract in pro sports history.
- 36) "What in the ___?!"
- 37) Pirate's booty.
- 39) Zoom call effect for a distracting background.
- 40) Naughty thing to do in a chorus.
- 43) Sound of spring?
- 44) Whizzed up on caffeine.
- 46) Move like a pendulum.
- 47) ___ Taylor, early role for Ron Howard.

- 48) Exercise that from ancient India.
- 50) Change, as the Constitution.
- 51) The first Saturday in May.
- 52) What a little bird told me?
- 54) Candy beside a Butterfinger, perhaps.
- 55) A red flower, or a pink wine.
- 57) Plumber's tube.
- 58) Genre for Sublime and No Doubt.
- 61) Setting for Cher and Nicolas Cage's date in "Moonstruck".
- 63) Theater award.
- 65) The first NY Times Wordle word.
- 66) "How's it goin'?"
- 67) Butterfingers.
- 68) Battery life, informally.
- 69) Defeat by a large margin.
- 71) On average, it's roughly 239,000 miles from Earth.
- 73) Trippy fungus, informally.
- 75) Beat it!
- 76) Headlining speech at a convention.
- 80) Quick with the one-liners.
- 83) Theater group.

C'town Chows: Cupcakes & Cookies? Yes, Please!



STACY
and **JAKE**

What a month it's been in Cabbagetown.

A rager of a new neighbor party at **Anne's**, live music in the park, Stacks Square refresh, and our most favorite event of them all, the first annual neighborhood bake sale!

With delicious treats flying all about the 'hood in our very own homegrown bake sale and cupcake invitational, you know we had to cover this lovely weekend in our May issue of Cabbagetown Chows.

Stacy and I were invited to be a part of the panel of judges for the Cupcake Invitational, and had the true honor of rubbing elbows with the following esteemed judges: Head Pastry Chef Claudia Victoria Martinez of **Miller Union**, Jen Chan, co-owner of neighborhood fave **JenChan's**, Jacob Sobel of our delicious southwestern mainstay, **Agave**, Su-Jit Lin, a travel and food journalist published in **Food & Wine**, **Huffpost**, and many more, Akila McConnel, Owner and Historian at **Unexpected Atlanta**, Food and Lifestyle Influencer **Bites.With.Brit**, and our very own council member of District 5, **Liliana Bakhtiari**.

To think we're now in print in the same sentence as these folks makes the taste of being your neighborhood food columnists just that much more sweet.

So it's clear the company was top-drawer, but what delighted us even more about the event was getting to taste those delicious cupcakes submitted for judging by **Little's Food Store** (Littlesfoodstore.com), **Lucille's Bakeshop** (Lucillesatl.com), **Kupcakerie** (Kupcakerie.com), and **Sweet Cheats** (Sweetcheatsatlanta.com).

There was a lot to love in reviewing these confectionous treats, and while was quite a bit of spirited debate, in my mouth, everyone was a winner. However, we all knew there could really just be one, so we argued our points like we were in **Twelve Angry Men**, and eventually came to a unanimous decision. But, before we get there, let's hit a couple of the highlights from some of the losing (less-winning?) cupcakes.

Little's Food Store definitely brought their A-game, and everyone agreed their cupcakes were fantastic. A particular highlight was the balance of sweet and salty found in their Banana Bread Cupcake, littered with crunchy walnuts and topped with a delectable cream cheese frosting.

Another highlight bite was served up from Kupcakerie, in their Scarlet Letter Cupcake - a very berry strawberry cupcake with their strawberry frosting.

And finally, can't forget our neighborhood fave, Sweet Cheats, bringing the creativity with their Ube Coconut cupcake - perhaps one of the most inventive bites of the day for me.

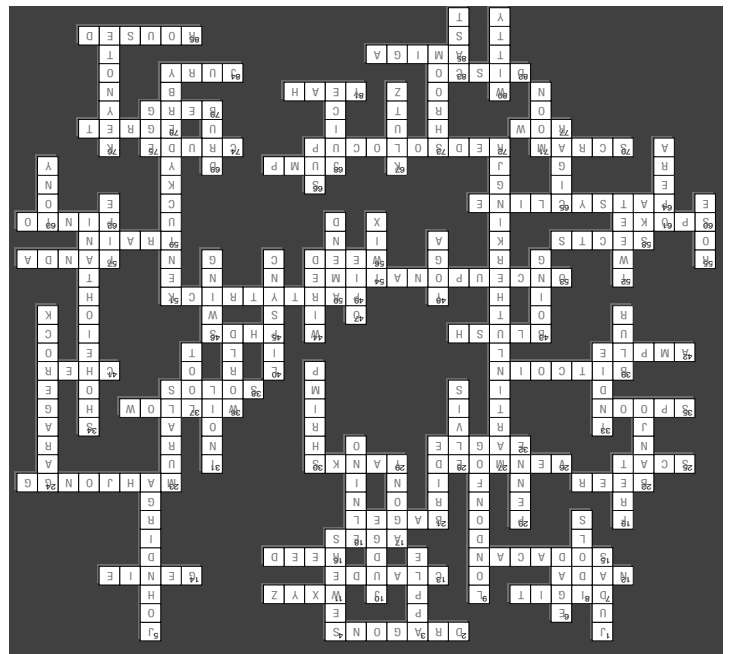
Despite the fierce competition brought by the master bakers outlined above, our panel determined that Lucille's Bake Shop deserved to take the cake. The folks at Lucille's brought the trifecta for us; delicious taste, heightened creativity, and a world-class presentation. A peanut butter and jelly cupcake with PB frosting really became a center of conversation amongst the group, and everyone agreed the presentation of their offerings were unmatched.

With a nod to the neighborhood, these cakes were topped with sugar candies all custom made to reflect beacons in our community; a "Stacks Lofts" crunchy candy, a "Cabbagetown Skyline", and a perfectly piped green cabbage frosting rose to top off the third cupcake. **Well done, Lucille's, and and a huge congratulations on the win!**

Well, that's about it from us, but we will leave you all with a big thank you. Thank you to Anne Stuhler and all volunteers for hosting a fantastic new neighbor party, thank you to the bakers who entered our Inaugural Cupcake Invitational, and thank you to all the folks who participated in the neighborhood bake sale (big shout out to my personal favorite home baker, Emily Johnson, with her kitchen sink cookies - unbelievable!). And finally, thank you all for making this community one where we all feel very lucky to live (and eat) in.

As always, if you've got a spot you think we need to try, drop us a note at Stacy.spector22@gmail.com.

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The Eclipse was pretty badass.

Throng of Cabbageheads hit Esther Peachy Park, Cabbagetown Park, and the roof decks of Mill Bldgs No.1 and No.2 and Warehouse No.8 (B Bldg.)

It was hard to beat the experience at Mill Bldg No. 1. Thanks to Brandon Sutton, we had Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon as our soundtrack, and he had it PERFECTLY timed so that when the eclipse hit it's pinnacle, Pink Floyd launched

into its perfectly written lyric for the moment (*And everything under the sun is in tune, and the sun is eclipsed by the moon*). Just a great vibe on a wonderful day.

It's the little things. Note Brandon's shirt (left side of the photo). It's the same shirt that David Gilmour (Pink Floyd guitarist) wore when performing the album on the road back in early 1970s. Nice touch Brandon.



Some epic artwork at The Stacks Squares on Carroll Street.



Das Kaiser takes the stage at Esther Peachy Park.

A DAY TO REMEMBER

"Wow!" That's how DJ Nuchols described the 4/20 Bake Sale at Esther Peachy Park. There were so many wonderful moments throughout the day. The bands played 4/20 themed cover songs like "Last Dance with Mary Jane" and "Comfortably Numb" and the cupcakes satisfied the natural (and induced) hunger pangs.

Pitch perfect moment: The lead singer of Das Kaiser – Willem Kaiser – is the son of dearly departed Eric Kaiser. Eric was in "Chowder Shouters"; a highly successful C'town band from the 1990's.

Does he ever rest? Much (all?) of the interactive artwork around the park was created by John Dirga.

We raised about \$2,000 for the park and word on the street is that we are going to do it again on 4/19/25.



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NEW SUMMER MENU!

We will debut our new Summer menu on Wednesday, May 1st, 2024! We will be keeping most of your favorites, bringing back some oldies and because the Lobster & Shrimp Enchiladas were such a hit, we are adding it to the new menu!

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