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Media Resources & Reminders for the 127th Boston Marathon Everything you need to know for a successful Boston Marathon Media Experience

BOSTON—The Boston Athletic Association (B.A.A.) looks forward to welcoming you to Boston for the 127th Boston Marathon on Monday, April 17, 2023. In advance of race week, we'd like to share the following reminders and schedule.

Credential Pick-Up: Media credential pick-up will occur within the Fairmont Copley Plaza hotel's State Suite from Thursday, April 13 through Sunday, April 16 within the following hours:

Thursday, April 13 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 14 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday, April 15 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sunday, April 16 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

All media members will be required to agree to the <u>Boston Marathon News & Media Access Guidelines</u> upon picking up credentials. NOTE: Some non-rights holding organizations have coordinated group pick-up of credentials with the B.A.A. We will be in touch with such organizations soon with further details.

Boston Marathon Media Resources: The B.A.A. encourages all media to frequently visit our <u>Boston</u> <u>Marathon Media Resources page (https://bstnmar.org/Media</u>) for up-to-date start lists, links, and information. This year's Media Guide, Uniform Guide, Participant Guide, Official Program, start lists, splits, transcripts, and results will be available within the Media Resources page.

Updated Field Lists: Field lists are available within the <u>media resources page</u>. Of note, the following add/drops have been made to the Professional Men's and Women's fields.

- Olympic medalist and world champion Hellen Obiri (Kenya) has been added to the Professional Women's Field.
- Sheila Chepkirui (Kenya), Sharon Lokedi (Kenya), and Daniel do Nasciemento (Brazil) have all withdrawn.

Updated start lists for the B.A.A. 5K and B.A.A. Invitational Mile will be available on race week within the media resources page.

Mixed Zone Area: Members of the media looking to interview general athletes may do so at the designated mixed zone area located near the BosTix kiosk on Copley Square Park, just off the entrance path to the VIP tent at the southeast side of Dartmouth Street and Boylston Street. B.A.A. representatives will be on hand to help coordinate athlete availability upon request. <u>Note that only official broadcasters are allowed on the street at the Dartmouth/Boylston Street intersection. All champion and top finisher interviews will continue to be held in the Fairmont Copley Hotel Grand Ballroom Press Center.</u>

Our media personnel and volunteers will do their best to connect you with athletes for interviews.

Boston Marathon News & Media Access Guidelines: All media must follow the Boston Marathon News & Media Access Guidelines, which can be found here. Please review the News & Media Access Guidelines prior

to race day. Failure to follow the Boston Marathon News & Media Access Guidelines will result in loss of credential/media access for your entire outlet, and may result in legal action and/or payment of rights fees for violating Boston Marathon licensing agreements.

127th Boston Marathon Media Schedule of Events (subject to change)

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Public Safety Press Conference | 10:30 a.m. | Boston Marathon Fan Fest Stage, Copley Square Park Public safety and race officials will share pertinent information to ensure a safe and successful Boston Marathon experience.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

John Hancock Professional Athlete Press Conference | 10:00 a.m. | Fairmont Copley Plaza *Media Credential Required for Admission*

Members of the John Hancock Professional Athlete field, including Olympic and Paralympic medalists, race champions, and winners of Abbott World Marathon Majors races, will be available for group and individual interviews. A preliminary list of attending athletes can be found below:

Professional Women: Atsede Baysa, Emma Bates, Amane Beriso, Gotytom Gebreslase, Sara Hall, Joyciline Jepkosgei, Edna Kiplagat, Des Linden, Mary Ngugi, Nell Rojas, Lonah Salpeter, Susannah Scaroni, Manuela Schär, Aliphine Tuliamuk, Ababel Yeshaneh.

Professional Men: CJ Albertson, Evans Chebet, Lelisa Desisa, Scott Fauble, Gabriel Geay, Marcel Hug, Eliud Kipchoge, Benson Kipruto, Shura Kitata, Albert Korir, Conner Mantz, Matt McDonald, Daniel Romanchuk, Ben True.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15 - ONE BOSTON DAY

2023 B.A.A. 5K presented by Point32Health | 8:00 a.m. | Boston Common

Nearly 10,000 participants will take part in the first race of the 2023 B.A.A. Distance Medley, racing 3.1 miles through Back Bay. A stellar professional field features top American and international athletes. While registration is sold out, members of the community are invited to come out and cheer athletes on. <u>A list of professional athletes competing can be found here</u>.

2023 B.A.A. Invitational Mile | 10:30 a.m. | Boylston Street/Boston Marathon Finish Line

The B.A.A. Invitational Mile features some of the top professional milers in the world, as well as scholastic student-athletes from each of the eight cities and towns along the Boston Marathon route. <u>A list of professional athletes competing can be found here.</u> Fans pack the loop course on Boylston, Newbury, Dartmouth and Exeter Streets.

One Boston Day of Remembrance | 2:30 p.m. | Boylston Street Finish Area

Open to the Public

The City of Boston and the B.A.A. will honor April 15, 2013 with two remembrance events on Boylston Street on Saturday, April 15, 2023. The first will be an early morning private gathering and wreath laying at the memorial sites for the families who lost loved ones at the 2013 Boston Marathon. Honor guards made up of first responders from Boston and neighboring areas will be present at the memorial sites throughout the day. After the B.A.A. 5K, the City will open Boylston Street between Dartmouth and Fairfield Streets for members of the public to visit the memorial sites.

At 2:30 p.m., the public is invited to join members of the One Fund Community, Mayor Michelle Wu, Governor Maura Healey, first responders, hospital leaders, B.A.A. leadership, and local running groups at the Boston Marathon Finish Line for a dedication of a new commemorative finish line, the ringing of bells, and the unveiling of a One Boston Day marker on Boylston Street.

A brass quartet from the Boston Pops along with members of Boston City Singers Tour Choir will perform a selection of music in remembrance of April 15, 2013. Community members and the general public are encouraged to attend these events as we reflect, remember, and celebrate the strength and unity of Boston.

Media Note: WCVB will be the pool television camera for the morning gathering on Boylston Street. The B.A.A. will provide an on-street pool camera television feed for the 2:30 p.m. remembrance, available via The Switch in Boston (Circuit HD/PTC 7) starting at 2:00 p.m. Still photographers will be able to cover the afternoon event from designated areas on the photo bridge and Boylston Street, as well as from public areas behind the barricades along Boylston Street. We ask all media to respect the remembrance and reflective nature of this event.

2023 B.A.A. Relay Challenge | 3:00 p.m. | Boylston Street between Dartmouth & Clarendon Streets

Middle schools and youth programs from around Greater Boston will gather for the B.A.A. Relay Challenge. In the culmination of a month-long program taught by volunteer coaches, the relay challenge features students racing in relays and learning running tips from B.A.A. athletes and coaches.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14 THROUGH SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Boston Marathon Expo | Hynes Convention Center

Friday, April 14 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, April 15 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Sunday, April 16 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

The Boston Marathon Expo will be open to participants and members of the public from Friday, April 14 through Sunday, April 16. Participants will pick up their bib numbers and explore a sponsor pavilion, pose for photo-ops, and shop the largest collection of adidas Boston Marathon merchandise in town.

The Expo also features an extensive panel series, <u>which can be viewed in its entirety here</u>. Guests include Boston Marathon Race Course Director Dave McGillivray, Ali Feller of the Ali on the Run podcast, author and advocate Alison Mariella Désir, professional athletes Kara Goucher and Lauren Fleshman, running pioneers Marilyn Bevans, Kathrine Switzer, Patti Dillon, and Boston Marathon champions Jon Anderson and Jacqueline Hansen, who celebrate the 50th anniversary of their 1973 victory this year.

Boston Marathon Fan Fest | Copley Square Park

Friday, April 14 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, April 15 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, April 16 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Boston Marathon Fan Fest in Copley Square Park will be the place to soak in the race week atmosphere. Fan Fest will play host to live music, entertainment, photo-ops, meet and greets, a final Boston Marathon training clinic, and more. A detailed event schedule, including featured panelists, is available here.

Top contenders within the John Hancock Professional Athlete Field will take part in Q&A's at Boston Marathon Fan Fest, and will interact with spectators at the finish line following their sessions. Among those scheduled to participate are world record holder and Olympic gold medalist Eliud Kipchoge, Boston Marathon champions Evans Chebet, Daniel Romanchuk, Manuela Schär, Des Linden, Edna Kiplagat, Meb Keflezighi, and Ernst van Dyk, as well as top Americans such as Aliphine Tuliamuk, Sara Hall, Emma Bates, Susannah Scaroni, Scott Fauble, and Conner Mantz.

The Boston Marathon Light Up the Night Projection Show in partnership with Meet Boston (New for 2023) | Fairmont Copley Plaza

Friday, April 14 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Saturday, April 15 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Sunday, April 16 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

New for 2023, a marathon-themed video projection show will feature three unique shows each evening that will light up the iconic façade of the Fairmont Copley Plaza hotel and get participants, spectators, and community members ready for race day. Featuring highlight videos and memorable moments from 127 years of racing, the

projection show will celebrate this year's #oneBOSTON theme and will play every 15 minutes each evening. The show is in partnership with Meet Boston and created in coordination with Hersch Visuals & LuminArtz.

Samuel Adams Run Pub | Intersection of Boylston Street and Dartmouth Street

Friday, April 14 3:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Saturday, April 15 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Sunday, April 16 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Unwind at the Samuel Adams Run Pub, just steps from the finish line. Enjoy a Samuel Adams 26.2 Brew and explore the marathon-themed beer garden adjacent to Copley Square. The Beer Garden will feature games and have athlete meet & greets throughout the weekend.

MONDAY, APRIL 17 - 127th BOSTON MARATHON RACE DAY

127th Boston Marathon | Hopkinton to Boston, MA

A field of 30,000 athletes will participate in the 127th running of the Boston Marathon, covering 26.2 miles from Hopkinton to Boston. The world's oldest annually run marathon celebrates community spirit and the pursuit of athletic excellence each year. A media work room will be available first-come, first-served within the Fairmont Copley Plaza grand ballroom.

Schedule of Starts:

6:00 a.m. ET – Military Marchers 9:02 a.m. ET – Wheelchair Division – Men 9:05 a.m. ET – Wheelchair Division – Women 9:30 a.m. ET – Handcycle & Duo Participants 9:37 a.m. ET – Professional Men 9:47 a.m. ET – Professional Women 9:50 a.m. ET – Para Athletics Divisions 10:00 a.m. ET – Wave 1 10:25 a.m. ET – Wave 2 10:50 a.m. ET – Wave 3 11:15 a.m. ET – Wave 4

Boston Marathon Mile 27 Post-Race Party presented by Samuel Adams | 6:30 p.m. | Fenway Park The Mile 27 Post-Race Party presented by Samuel Adams returns to Fenway Park. Finishers can enjoy

America's most beloved ballpark, walk on the warning track, and savor refreshments as they cheers to conquering 26.2 miles. Tickets are available <u>for purchase here</u>.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

Boston Marathon Champions' Press Conference | 10:00 a.m. | Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel

This press conference will feature champions of the 127th Boston Marathon and other notable finishers, as well as officials from the Boston Athletic Association.

For the 38th year, John Hancock will serve as principal sponsor of the Boston Marathon.

ABOUT THE BOSTON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (B.A.A.)

Established in 1887, the Boston Athletic Association is a non-profit organization with a mission of promoting a healthy lifestyle through sports, especially running. The B.A.A. manages the Boston Marathon, and supports comprehensive charity, youth, and year-round programming. The Boston Marathon is part of the Abbott World Marathon Majors, along with international marathons in Tokyo, London, Berlin, Chicago, and New York City. Since 1986, the principal sponsor of the Boston Marathon has been John Hancock. The 127th Boston Marathon is scheduled to take place on Monday, April 17, 2023. For more information on the B.A.A., please visit www.baa.org.

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