

Summer Program 2025

Wonders of Creation: Art, Science, and Innovation in the Islamic World

Thursday, May 22 at 11:00 a.m

(McMullen Museum, Boston College)

Join TILLI for a tour of The McMullen Museum of Art exhibition, *Wonders of Creation: Art, Science, and Innovation in the Islamic World*, which explores intersections of art and science in Islamic intellectual and visual culture from the ninth century to the present day. It employs the lens of “wonder” as defined by a celebrated thirteenth-century Islamic scholar Zakariyya al-Qazwini (d. 1283) in his cosmography, *The Wonders of Creation and Rarities of Existence*. Using wonder as a vehicle, *Wonders of Creation* illuminates the global impact of science and artistic production from the Islamic world and its diverse geographies and multifaceted visual cultures. Over 170 works, including illustrated manuscripts and paintings, maps, scientific instruments, magic bowls, luster dishes, architectural elements, and contemporary art, evoke wonder through a visual journey. **Cost: \$10, Lunch cost at Café Landwer not included.**



Studios Without Walls: Dream Upon the River

Thursday, July 10, 11:00

a.m. (Rain Date: July 11)

(Riverway, Brookline near the Longwood Stop)

Join TILLI to walk on the Riverway to view the annual *Studio Without Walls*. We will meet on the Riverway near the Longwood T stop on Chapel Street). *Studios Without Walls* has chosen 17 site specific sculptures in a remarkable variety of mediums, with a range of messages about equality, the environment, & social action. Incorporated is work by disabled artists from Gateway and Boston Green Academy. Each piece has a statement with a QR code to explore more about each artist. The 26th annual exhibition is again free to all. The art treasure hunt provides rhyming clues for each piece. Led by an artist/docent, the exhibit features sixteen sculptures by 20+ artists. After the walk, we will meet back at Temple Israel for a bag lunch. Tour is approx. 1 hour and 40 minutes. **Cost: \$10 for tour, \$15 for bag lunch at Temple Israel following the tour**



Theater Party: The Light in the Piazza

Sunday, June 8, 2:00 p.m. Matinee

There will be a talk-back.

(Huntington Theater, Boston)



Join TILLI at the Huntington Theater on Huntington Ave. to see *The Light in the Piazza*. Enjoy a summer in Italy! Witness a lush and soaring romance when artistic director Loretta Greco creates a brand new production of this Tony-Award-

winning musical written by Craig Lucas with music and lyrics by Adam Guettel and based on the novella by Elizabeth Spencer. Protective American mother Margaret brings her daughter Clara abroad for a glimpse of Italy’s romantic history. A real life attraction sparks between Clara and Florentian Fabrizio. Margaret struggles to reconcile her hopes for her daughter’s future and her deep concerns about the match. **Tickets: \$30**

TILLI Excursion to Tanglewood: Yo-Yo Ma, Pépin, Saint-Saëns, and Mendelssohn

Sunday, August 10

(Tanglewood, Lenox MA)

Join TILLI for a special summer excursion to Tanglewood, the summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Participants will depart from Temple Israel by bus at 10:00 a.m. and travel to the Berkshires. Upon arrival, we will enjoy a boxed lunch before attending the afternoon performance: Yo-Yo Ma, *Pépin*, *Saint-Saëns*, and *Mendelssohn*, featuring the incomparable cellist Yo-Yo Ma. Following the performance, the group will gather for dinner at a local restaurant. **Ticket cost tba, registration coming soon. Dinner cost at a local restaurant not included.**



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Jewish Historical Walking Tour of the North End

Thursday September 18, at 11:00 a.m.

It's easy to look at today's North End in Boston, with its many Italian restaurants, and assume there was never a Jewish presence. In fact, during America's 3rd Wave of Immigration, 1880-1920, the North End served as the center of Boston's growing Jewish population. There has been a historical Jewish presence in the North End going back to the 1700s. In this 90-minute tour, we will examine the buildings, some extant and some not, along with aspects of everyday Jewish life, and potential points to connect with your ancestors. If your family is from Boston, bring your stories, and perhaps we can see how they fit in with the Jewish community's unique history in Boston. The walk is about a 1/2 mile. Those interested can join the group at a restaurant for lunch following the tour (not included in program cost).

Tour cost is \$10 per person.



TILLI Summer Program/2025 CALENDAR

Wonders of Creation:
McMullen Museum,
Boston College
(May 22)

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Jewish Walking Tour
of the North End,
Boston
(Sep 18)

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The Light in the
Piazza, Huntington
Theater
(Jun 8)

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TILLI Fall Semester
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Studios Without Walls:
Riverway, Brookline
(Jul 10)

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Tanglewood Excursion,
Lenox, MA **(Aug 10)**

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(Dec 4)

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