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**\*\*\* BOSTON'S CELTIC MUSIC FESTIVAL \*\*\***

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BCMFest *is* **Boston's Celtic Music Festival**. Join the party this **January 12, 13 and 14<sup>th</sup>** as 3 generations of Celtic players come together in the dead of winter in the heart of Harvard Square. More than 25 acts on 5 stages over 3 days are offered up for a winter celebration of Celtic music tradition and innovation. It will be freezing outside, but inside **Club Passim, The First Parish Church in Cambridge and Springstep in Medford**, things will be heating up.

All are welcome, says festival co-founder Shannon Heaton, "From the beginning, BCMFest has encouraged everyone to participate in whatever way they can — whether by performing, volunteering or simply attending BCMFest events — because this *is* a festival for everyone."

BCMFest weekend starts Friday night with simultaneous concerts at Club Passim in Cambridge -- offering a more traditional set of music --and at Springstep in Medford -- where there will be one kickin' Boston Urban Ceilidh dance party! Saturday features all day performances by players from near and far. The festival will also cosponsor Sunday afternoon workshops at the Club Passim School of Music.

Saturday night's final performance, called "Finding Our Place," will cast a spotlight on the area's copious young Celtic music and dance talent while honoring Boston's "Tradition Bearers". These are players who have helped shape the thriving Celtic music and dance scene in Boston. "Finding Our Place," like the previous BCMFest finale pieces, is the brainchild of Susie Petrov, BCMFest performer and board member. "The idea was that the festival showcase some of the people who, for years, have helped keep Celtic music and dance alive and well here in Boston," Petrov says, "and at the same time, throw a spotlight on the next generation of musicians who are 'finding their place' in Celtic music and dance."

Get ready for some one-of-a-kind performances by some of the most exciting Celtic players from the city of Boston and beyond. BCMFest is by and for Celtic music fans, old and new, and promises to be an unforgettable weekend of fun for all ages. Besides, what else are you gonna do in the dead of winter?

**Featured Performers Include:** Matt and Shannon Heaton, Flash Company, Eric Merrill and Western Star, Annalivia, Blue Moose and the Unbuttoned Zippers, Boston Urban Ceilidh, The Deadly Sins, Four Horsemen and many more!

**BCMFEST Schedule**

Friday January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007

7:30pm - Kick-off Concert Club Passim, 47 Palmer St, Cambridge

7:00pm - Boston Urban Ceilidh Dance Party, Springstep, 98 George P. Hassett Dr.  
Medford

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Saturday January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007

BCMFest in Harvard Square

11am-6pm - Dayfest

Four stages

Club Passim 47 Palmer St.

Unitarian First Parish in Cambridge 3 Church st.

8:00pm - BCMFest Finale

"Finding Our Place"

Unitarian First Parish

Sunday also includes Workshops at Club Passim School of Music

**All events are all ages!**

**For more information, to order tickets and complete schedule and lineup:**

**[www.bcmfest.com](http://www.bcmfest.com) [www.clubpassim.com](http://www.clubpassim.com)**

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