

# OPEN LAB COMPUTER USE

SEPT 25, 2010 - JAN 18, 2011

- Drop-in -No registration required
- Teacher on-site to help individuals

Jefferson Park Tuesday nights, 7-9 PM

**NEW!!! NEW!!! NEW!!!**

119 Windsor St Saturdays, Noon - 2 PM

Roosevelt Towers Tuesday nights 7-9 PM

CALL PRISCILLA LEE AT COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER FOR MORE INFORMATION  
617-349-6360

- ★ *Learn and practice at your own pace*
- ★ *Check E-mail or surf the Internet*
- ★ *Learn more advanced skills*
- ★ *Look for jobs online*

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Cambridge Housing Authority  
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*Don't throw this out! Check it out!*  
**COMPUTER CLASSES ARE BACK!!!**

*Job Search Clinic!!!  
New Computer Lab!!!  
Art Contest-\$300 Prize!!!  
Job Training!!!*

*College for Adults!!!  
JOB POSTING INSIDE!!!  
English Classes!!!  
Playgroups!!!*

**Unemployed and looking for a job???**

***Working but need a better job?***

**Need training to get that better job???**



**Check Out  
the  
CAMBRIDGE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**

***Personal Career Counseling***

***Help finding training***

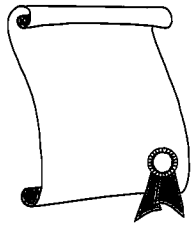
**Computer-Based Job Search**



***Call Soon!!!***

**617-349-6166**





# Education: The Key to Your Future



FREE classes at the  
Community Learning Center

*Call John Galli at 617-497-4411*

**Basic English and Computers**

9 months of instruction in English with basic training in computer skills.  
JEFFERSON PARK RINDGE AVENUE LOCATION ONLY

*Call Receptionist at 617-349-6363*

**Citizenship class**

If you have had your green card for 5 years or have been married to a citizen for 3 years and can speak, read, and write English a little, this class may be for you!

*Call Receptionist at 617-349-6363*

**G.E.D. and Adult Diploma**

On-going instruction and counseling for fluent English speakers to help complete a high school education



***New!***



## **CHA Job Search Clinic**

**Get advice from a career counselor  
and use the CHA computer lab at 119 Windsor Street  
to look for a job.**

The clinic will be held on **six Friday mornings**, starting on:

**Friday, September 10  
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**The other clinic dates are:**

Friday, September 17  
Friday, September 24  
Friday, October 1  
Friday, October 8  
Friday, October 15

To attend the Job Search Clinic, you must have:

- A resume you can bring with you
- Basic computer skills
- Intermediate English skills (or better)

**To register, call Liza at 617-349-6372  
and ask to sign up for the “CHA Job Search Clinic.”**



# Free Computer Classes



**15-WEEK** courses begin at the end of September  
(New students **must** come to one of these  
sign-up times to take a class)

## **JEFFERSON PARK CLASSES/OPEN LAB:**

- Saturdays 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon (Class)
- Tuesdays 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (Open Lab - no registration required)

To sign up for the class, come to Jefferson Park Computer Lab, basement of door 5A  
across from the MDC Pool on Rindge Avenue

### Sign-Up Time

Saturday, September 11, 10 -11:30 AM

*For more information  
about Jefferson Park,  
call Priscilla Lee at  
617-499-7151*

## **WINDSOR STREET CLASSES/OPEN LAB:**

- Tuesdays/Thursdays 9:30 to 11:30 AM (Class)
  - Monday/Wednesday 7-9 PM (Class)
- Saturdays 12 noon- 2 PM (Open Lab - no registration required)

To sign up for a class, come to 119 Windsor Street, basement of the Health Clinic

### Sign-Up Times

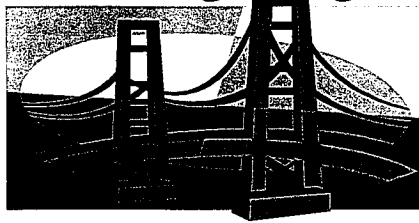
Tuesday, September 7, 9:30-11 AM  
Wednesday, September 8, 6:30-8 PM

*For more information  
about Windsor, call  
Priscilla Lee at  
617-499-7011*



*Complete Projects with Images and  
Photos in MS Word, PowerPoint,  
Internet and Email!!! 😊*

≈ The Bridge Program ≈



**Do you want to go to college  
or a career training program?**

The Community Learning Center  
offers free classes to help you get ready

College preparatory Writing, Reading, and Math classes

Computer skills

Study Skills

Information on college applications and expectations



**Classes meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6:15 – 9:15 pm**

Cambridge Community Learning Center

19 Brookline Street, Cambridge

*You must have a GED or a high school diploma*

**Next Intake is September 7, 2010, 6 - 9:00 pm**

For more info or to register for intake, call Kate Hallen between Aug 9 & Sept 3

**617-349-6365 TTY: 492-0235**

**CHA  
1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL  
RESIDENT  
ART CONTEST**

**1<sup>st</sup> place: \$300! As well as having your art  
featured in CHA'S 2012 Annual Plan and Report**

**2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$50 gift card to the Cambridge Side  
Galleria**

- The contest entry must be an original artwork by a current resident of one of CHA developments or a participant in the voucher program (Section 8).
- Artwork must be related to the theme **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY**.
- Each artist may submit one entry.
- The artist's name, age, medium used, address, and phone number should be indicated on the back of the artwork.
- Artwork may not exceed 8½" x 11".
- Provide a one paragraph description of the artwork on a separate piece of paper. Do not forget to include your contact information at the end of the description.
- Any medium could be used but please note that the winning artwork must be scanned and converted to an electronic format, if not already presented in such format.
- The winning artwork will be displayed as the inside cover design for the CHA 2012 MTW Annual Plan and Report.
- The artist whose work wins 1<sup>st</sup> place will also have a dedicated space on the first page of the Annual Plan and Report in which his/her artwork is featured. A brief description of the artist's background and interest in the arts will be published in no more than three paragraphs.

**All entries must be submitted by 5 PM on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to the following address:**

**Cambridge Housing Authority**

**ATT: MOVING TO WORK PROGRAM – ART CONTEST**

**675 Massachusetts Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl.**

**Cambridge, MA 02139**

# PATHWAYS TO FAMILY SUCCESS

Pathways to Family Success is a program that helps families reach their goals! We work with you to get an education, childcare, jobs and much more! To be in the Pathways program, parents must be interested in or taking **ENGLISH CLASSES**, have **A CHILD BETWEEN** the ages of **5 AND 8**, and **LIVE IN PUBLIC HOUSING OR HAVE SECTION 8**. For more information, please contact Jennifer Baily at **617-665-3812**.

## Pathways activities include:



### **Parents ROCK**

Spend time reading, talking, and playing educational computer games with your kids on a Saturday morning. Get books and fun activities to take home each week. We'll provide breakfast!



### **Adult Education**

Participate in classes at the Community Learning Center. You can take English classes, work towards your GED, a college class, or a certificate, and strengthen your computer and research skills at the same time



### **Parent Support**

Parents, learn about issues that are important to you and your family. We offer workshops about parenting and teamwork, special education, helping your baby learn, health and nutrition, and community resources. We'll share a meal, talk and learn from each other



### **Family Support**

Work one-on-one with Pathways staff to reach your goals and move your family forward



### **Financial Literacy**

Learn how to save money for the things that you need like bills and rent. We'll also show you how to plan for your family's future so you have enough money to pay for your children's college or to buy a home, or start a business



### **Pay It Forward Days**

Sometimes you get support, and sometimes you give it. On Pay-it-Forward days, everyone gives back to the community in fun family-friendly ways. You can volunteer at your child's school, clean up a park or plant flowers in your neighborhood - there are lots of ways to get involved!

# AGENDA FOR CHILDREN

## Literacy Ambassadors 5 Part-Time Positions Available

The Agenda for Children Literacy Initiative (AFC) in Cambridge, MA, helps children enter school ready to learn how to read and write by educating and supporting their parents and caregivers. We provide a continuum of services to parents and caregivers from the time children are born through their first years in school. Literacy Ambassadors are an important link between the Agenda for Children and parents.

### Job Description:

Participate in, organize, and/or facilitate home visits, workshops, and events that:

- Help parents understand the importance of talking & reading to their young children.
- Provide information to parents about resources & services that are available to them.
- Help parents connect to agencies or organizations

### Specific Responsibilities:

1. Do home visits to families in English and/or your home language. This includes finding families who want to be visited, as well as visiting them.
2. Outreach to families in your communities through mailings, phone calls, and in-person conversations.
3. Attend activities, events and fairs (with Agenda for Children staff members).
4. Assist and/or lead workshops in English, and also in another language (if you are bilingual)
5. Continue to learn about available community resources.
6. Attend all necessary training sessions.

### Necessary Skills/Interests:

- You want to promote literacy (talking and reading).
- You want to work with parents.
- You can connect to families with young children.
- You have good communication skills.
- You speak English (ESOL Level 3 and above).
- You are legally able to work in the United States.
- You have a social security number.
- You pass a CORI test.

NOTE: Speakers of Haitian-Creole, Amharic or Spanish are encouraged to apply.

### Stipend:

This is a paid position, \$13.69 per hour, 5-8 hours per week.

### Contact:

Priscila Cardoso, Agenda for Children Literacy Coach, at (617) 665-3825 or [pcardoso@challiance.org](mailto:pcardoso@challiance.org).

# FREE\* Job Training Program in Biotechnology!

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## CAMBRIDGE BIOMEDICAL CAREERS PROGRAM

**JUST-A-START CORPORATION**

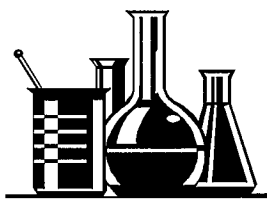
**Recipient of the 2007 Non Profit of the Year Award,  
Cambridge Chamber of Commerce, Excellence in Business Awards**

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*This 9-month training program qualifies graduates for entry-level jobs in biotech companies, hospital laboratories and research institutions. Training includes classes, tutoring, career planning and job placement. \*Free tuition is offered to income eligible students.*

### PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

Laboratory Technician/Assistant  
Quality Control Technician  
Animal Care Technician  
Biotechnology Manufacturing Assistant  
Cell Culture Technician

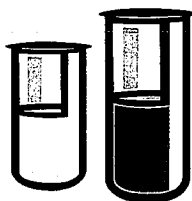


### TRAINING PROVIDED:

Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Medical Terminology  
Computer Training  
Laboratory Techniques  
Job Placement Skills  
Bunker Hill Community College Credits (19)

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

18 years of age or older  
High school diploma or equivalent  
Good reading and math skills  
English language proficiency  
Interest in the biomedical field  
Residency and funding-based eligibility standards may apply



### PROGRAM PERIOD:

Dates: September - May  
Time: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; five days per week  
Location: classes are held at Just-A-Start, Charlestown and Bunker Hill Community College, Boston. Both sites are T accessible.

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**Call John Witt at (617) 494-0444 x 325 for more information or to sign up for an Orientation.**

# Cambridge Community Playgroups Registration for Fall Session 2010

## **REGISTER TODAY - FALL PLAYGROUPS START OCTOBER 12!**

### **What are Cambridge Community Playgroups?**

Playgroups are fun, FREE groups for parents and caregivers from Cambridge, and their children ages **2-5 years old**. There are two Tiny Tots groups for children 15-23 months: one on Tuesdays and one on Wednesdays.

### **How do playgroups help my children?**

Children play and learn with their parents, caregivers, and other children. The routines and activities help children grow and get ready for school.



### **What do parents and caregivers do during playgroups?**

You get time to play and learn with your children. You help them play with other kids and do fun activities.

### **When do they meet?**

Each playgroup meets once a week for 8 weeks.



### **How often do I need to attend?**

We want to see you every week! This is not a drop-in group. It is important for children to learn routines and be part of a regular group.

### **How do I sign up?**

Fill out the registration form and return it by **Wednesday, September 29.**

1. You can mail it to: Center for Families, c/o DHSP, 51 Inman St., Cambridge, MA 02139.
2. You can fax it to 617-349-6386.
3. You can give it to anyone at the Center for Families, or drop it off at the front desk of the Child Care Resource Center (130 Bishop Allen Drive).

### **How will I know if I am in a playgroup?**

There are many people who want to be part of a playgroup! People who were on the waitlist during the spring session and turn in their fall registration forms by the due date (September 29) get first choice. There is a lottery for the rest of people who turn in their forms by the due date. We will call or e-mail you by Friday, October 8 to tell you whether you are in a group or on the waitlist.

## **Questions? Need more information? Contact:**

Beverly Halpern, Center for Families at 617-349-6327 or 617-349-6385,  
or email [bhalpern@cambridgema.gov](mailto:bhalpern@cambridgema.gov)

# Cambridge Community Playgroups Registration Fall Session 2010

Please fill in the information for all adults and children who will attend the playgroup together

I have read and I understand the information and agree to follow the rules and guidelines:

My signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My child(ren) will be attending the playgroup with: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Child(ren) (please check one):  Mother  Father  Grandparent  Other Relative  Child Care Provider

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Cambridge, MA Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please list ALL children you will be bringing to the group, including siblings:

Child's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

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Child's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Do any of the children have special needs or allergies that we should know about? YES NO

If yes, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

What language(s) do you speak at home? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Cambridge Community Playgroups? \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional:** These questions are so we can report to our funders the number of people who attend our programs who live in subsidized housing or who are currently taking English classes. The answer you give is confidential and will not affect your placement in a group.

Do you live in Public Housing, receive Section 8, or some other form of subsidized housing? YES NO

Are you currently taking a class to learn English? YES NO

PLEASE MARK YOUR TOP THREE CHOICES WITH 1, 2, AND 3. These groups are for children who will be at least 2 years old by the start of the group:

King Open School, 850 Cambridge Street	Mondays 10:00-11:30 am	(10/18, 10/25, 11/8, 11/15, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20)
Center for Families, 70 Rindge Avenue	Wednesdays 10:00-11:30 am	(10/13, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15)
Cambridge Comm. Center, 5 Callendar St.	Thursdays 10:00-11:30 am	(10/14, 10/21, 10/28, 11/4, 11/18, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16)

Tiny Tots Groups (for children 15-23 months). Please mark 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice:

Trolley Square Comm. Room, 2401 Mass Ave	Tuesdays 10:00-11:30 am	(10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30, 12/7)
Area IV Youth Center, 243 Harvard St.	Wednesdays 10:00-11:30 am	(10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 12/1, 12/8)

Return this form by Wednesday, September 29 to:

Center for Families, c/o DHSP, 51 Inman Street, Cambridge, MA 02139

You can also turn in forms at the Center for Families office (70 Rindge Ave.), or at the Child Care Resource Center (130 Bishop Allen Drive). Forms can also be faxed to (617) 349-6386.

# Cambridge Public Library Literacy Project

## 449 Broadway Cambridge, MA

### Fall Classes 2010

#### **English – Reading/Writing/Conversation (Beginner)**

Tuesdays/Thursdays 1 – 3 p.m. - on-going – Community Room

English class for the non-native speaker: includes grammar, general reading and writing. No registration is required.

#### **English – Reading/Writing/Conversation (Advanced)**

Tuesdays/Thursdays 3 – 4:30 p.m. - on-going – Community Room

English class for the non-native speaker: includes grammar, general reading and writing. No registration is required.

#### **English Conversation – Beginner and Intermediate**

Saturdays 10:15 – 11:45 A.M. – Community Room and Rindge Room

English class for the non-native speaker. No registration is required.

#### **Resume Writing/Job Hunting**

Wednesdays 1 – 3:30 P.M. – Computer Room

We can help you create a professional resume and help with on-line job applications. No registration is required.

#### **English Conversation and Speaking (Intermediate)**

Tuesdays 6:30 - 8 P.M. - on-going – Rindge Room

English class for the non-native speaker: this class focuses on speaking. Students will practice public speaking and will work on developing clear speech.

For ages 16 and up.

#### **English Conversation (Intermediate)**

Thursdays 6:30 – 8 P.M.. - on-going – Community Room

English class for the non-native speaker: includes grammar, general reading, conversation and writing. No registration is required.

#### **Computer Classes**

Computer classes will be offered at the Main Library starting in mid September.

Beginner level classes will cover Microsoft Word, Internet use, and email use.

For specific dates and times of computer classes please contact the Question and Answer Desk: 617-349-4041.

For information on computer classes: 617-349-4041

For information on English and Resume classes: 617-349-4013

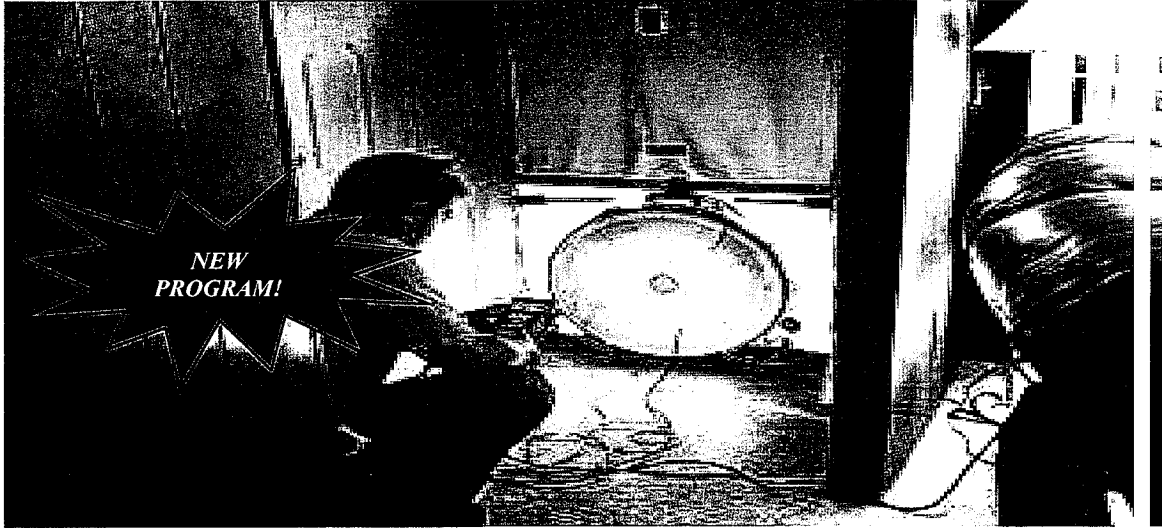
Maria at: [mbalestrieri@cambridgema.gov](mailto:mbalestrieri@cambridgema.gov)

# AACA GREEN JOBS TRAINING

**Are you interested in a GREEN job?**

**Want to become a certified energy auditor?**

**Do you want to "earn while you learn"?**



## **Energy Efficiency Technician Apprenticeship Program**

### **Learn:**

- Energy auditing skills
- Basic residential energy efficiency upgrades
- Preparation for certification exam
- Work for a company and "earn while you learn"

### **Requirements:**

- Age 18 or older
- Low/moderate income
- High School diploma/GED
- Valid driver's license and clean driving

**Now Accepting  
Applications!**

**Call Today!**

**Christopher Albrizio**

**617-426-9492 ext. 250**

[chris@aca-boston.org](mailto:chris@aca-boston.org)

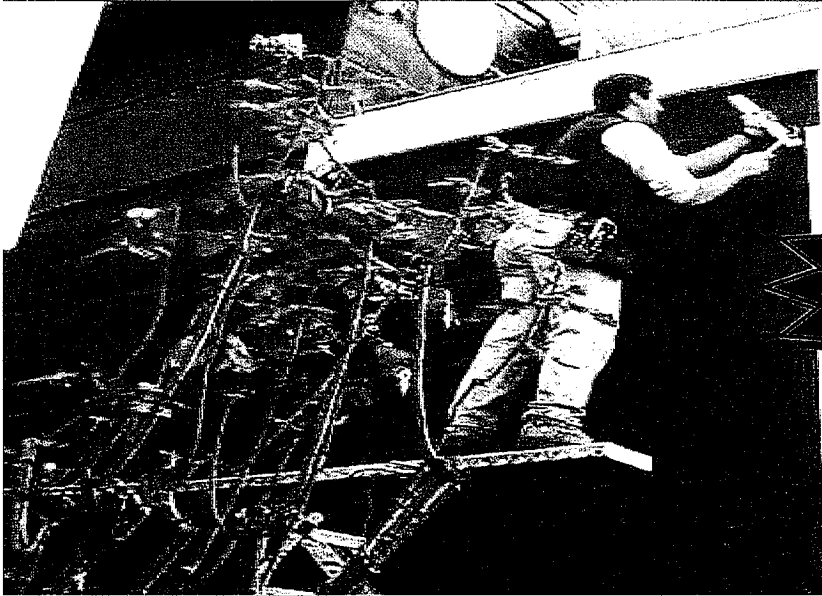
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# AACA GREEN JOBS TRAINING

**Are you interested in a GREEN Job?  
Do you enjoy working with your hands?**



**NEW "GREEN"  
CURRICULUM!**

## **BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENT MAINTENANCE SKILLS (BEEMS) Program**

### **Learn:**

- Basic carpentry, plumbing, electricity, appliance repair, and cleaning
- Energy efficiency measures and weatherization
- Vocational English and maintenance vocabulary and terminology

*All graduates receive job placement assistance!*

### **Requirements:**

- Age 18 or older
- Low-moderate income
- Motivation and commitment to maintenance career

**Next cycle begins  
August 2010 &  
November 2010**

**Call Today!**

**Victoria Wong**

**617-426-9492 ext. 251**  
**victoriawong@aaca-boston.org**

*Testing/Information Sessions held every  
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