



EC Global Voice



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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Starting EC Celebrity of Month
- EC Boston "Name Our Newsletter" Contest Winner!
- Student reviews Usher concert
- Student visits New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall
- Students sing their way through Karaoke Night!

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USHER LEAVES CROWD SAYING "OMG"

By Ramsay Jalal— Saudi Arabia

'OMG' is what Usher's concert was titled, and that is exactly what I said when it had finished, although I take you back to the start to tell you how it went.

Coming from Saudi Arabia where concerts are not really an active thing, It has always been a dream of mine to go to a concert, A Concert, let alone an Usher concert, so anyway, I was checking ticketmaster.com when I came across the Usher OMG tour, although it was in Providence, Rhode Island, location was NOT going to stop me from seeing one of my favorite

singer, so I purchased my ticket and it seemed ages I had to wait before it was happening, it kind of felt like a dream. but finally it was the day of the event, so I finished my class at 4pm and scurried over to Back Bay station to catch the commuter rail to Providence. I was so excited I got on the wrong train but was lucky enough it happened to be a faster train and headed to Providence so I finally arrived in Providence and checked into the Hotel which was a couple of blocks down the Dunkin Donuts center the event itself still feeling like a distant dream!!

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Ramsay getting ready for the Usher Concert

CAMBRIDGE COURSE AT EC BOSTON

By Alexandra Winter— Switzerland

Do you want to improve your English and meanwhile obtain an international recognized language certificate? In this case I can highly recommend you to choose one of the Cambridge Exam courses at EC Boston such as the Advanced one which I'm in.

During twelve weeks you will be sufficiently prepared for all the parts of the upcoming exam. I especially enjoy the fact that the

class stays the same during this preparation time so that you can move on together as a group.

Another thing which most of you would like about the exam course is the there is no level test. Instead, you will go through Cambridge Practice Test that shows you in which parts (listening, reading, writing, speaking, and use of English will be tested) you already

improved and on which you should go on working. And after a great time in Boston you will not just be holding an official Cambridge diploma in your hands, but also made many new friends from all over the world!

So don't hesitate but give the Cambridge Courses a try – you won't regret it!

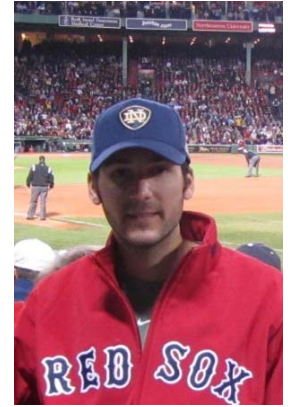
MEET EC BOSTON'S CONTEST WINNER!

By Javi Maestre Ansio — Spain

This newspaper gives me the opportunity to write about the creation of the name "EC Global Voice" in this, its first edition. So, first I'll introduce myself as a student at EC Boston. My name is Francisco Javier Maestre Ansio, although better known as Javi in EC. I'm from Spain. Last year I finished my degree in the university and decided to start a new adventure learning English. Most people would have just traveled to England to study, because of the closeness, but I wanted something different. Being in an envi-

ronment where I meet people all over the world and exchange ideas, that place is at EC Boston. We needed an attractive title and not a routine title compound alone with the name of the institution, as normally occurs. I was looking for two words to name the newspaper, when I found "global", which includes all international EC students. On the other hand, we are talking about a newspaper, a medium by which students can voice their opinions, experiences, and ideas

about EC and Boston compared it with others students. "Voice", was the second ideal word for this title, "EC Global Voice". Now I am proud to have had the opportunity to name a newspaper in which students from around the world write on their pages. I hope that "EC Global Voice" has a very successful student-life EC Boston.



EC Boston's Contest Winner
Javi at Fenway Park!

USHER LEAVES CROWD SAYING "OMG!"

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I got up to my room, got my camera and tickets and of I went to one of the most exciting events of my entire life. I arrived at 6pm and the event actually started at 7 so had to wait quite a while but by quarter to seven the place was packed!! So I got to my seat, which was by the way an excellent one, and waited patiently..

Then the lights dimmed and excitement rushed right down my spine!! so the Cataracs came on and sang a couple of their hits, then Akon came and blasted his way through some great hits, but that's not

what me and the crowd had come to see..

THEN all I heard was "are you ready for USHER" and the crowd went wild, it was then that I had really come to terms that I was about to witness a master class act from Usher!! so he finally appeared, lifted from the middle of the crowd wearing a spaceman-like outfit and he was so close it was hard to believe, he went on to blast his way through his biggest hits from YEAH! to Love in this Club and More to DJ got us falling in Love!! along with fantastic, breathtaking dance moves that only HE could pull off. But what really stuck out for me was when the light dimmed, and the Billie Jean

beat started, goose bumps covered my body as he did the Michael Jackson dedication, being a huge MJ fan myself it was so great seeing that, Usher also went on to address the crowd from time to time, and it ended with him singing OMG with the crowd singing along to, and really was the icing on the cake for a night that was quite simply OMG!!

WANT TO BE EC GLOBAL VOICE'S ECELEBRITY?

Think that you have what it takes to be an ECelebrity?

The newsletter crew is looking to start a new feature called "ECelebrity of the Month".

To be an ECelebrity, you first must be nominated by your fellow students, teacher, or member of the EC Boston staff. You will fill out an application telling

us why should be chosen and then have one of the teachers or EC Staff members sign off of it.

Some of the duties of the ECelebrity for their month would be to attend at least one new student orientation to talk about their time here at EC Boston as well be able to help out in the monthly Busted Ticket raffle that happens on a Friday. The student

that is chosen for the ECelebrity of the month will also be featured in the monthly student newsletter.

Contact Kirsten or any of the student Ambassadors for more information!

EC BOSTON STUDENT TAKES PART IN HISTORIC MOMENT



Santiago at the Boston Commons during the celebrations

By Santiago Gomez Schwartz — Spain

"I was at home when I heard the news about the killing of Osama Bin Laden. A few minutes later I went down to Boston Common to see if anything was happening. I saw a lot of young people celebrating the news. I took some pictures and it made me happy to have lived through a historic American moment here, it made me feel a little closer to the U.S.A. This event wasn't as much about politics for me as it was about the experience."

NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY (NEC)'S JORDAN HALL

By Liz Kwon - Korea

Many people say that Boston is the Hub of education. I think here in Boston is not only the central city of studying but also crucial place of music. A mount of Bostonian enjoy the music anytime. i'd like you to know about the Jordan Hall. it is located near Boylston street, so easy to find the place. In addition, there are lots of free concert like classic, hip-hop, rock, etc. Even if the musicians are usually NEC students, the sound and their skill are really high quality. if you want to check a schedule of the performance, here the website is. www.necmusic.edu/comcerts and enjoy the city of Boston !

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STUDENTS BRING DOWN THE HOUSE AT LIMELIGHT!

By Kirsten Bilas—Student Counselor

Last night EC Boston students were treated to a night out on the town singing karaoke with Kaitlin and Kirsten.

Kaitlin and Kirsten got the crowd going by singing songs by Madonna and Miley Cyrus. A bunch of students got up on stage and sang "Gasolina" and another student sang some Taylor Swift!

Ramsay was a huge hit singing "Forever" by Chris Brown and

Kirsten got the students on stage during "Waka Waka" by Shakira with even some of the students doing the famous dance from the World Cup official song!

Some of the highlights of the night were students strutting their stuff to "I'm too Sexy", rocking out to the American karaoke staple "Don't Stop Believing" and the girls being taught the "Single Ladies" dance by the amazing DJ while

all the ladies we singing the song on stage.

All and all it was a fantastic night and all of the students had fun!



Students take the stage during EC Boston's Karaoke Night at Limelight !


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The EC Boston Newsletter Team is always looking for students to submit their articles! The next newsletter is scheduled to come out June 24th. Submissions must be made by Friday June 17th to be considered for the June 2011 newsletter.

Questions? Chat with any of our three Student Ambassadors or come to the front desk to learn more about how to take part in our monthly newsletter.

F R O M T H E N E W S L E T T E R C R E W



Kirsten Bilas

This has been a great month teaming up with the Student Ambassadors (Abdullah, Annie, and Liz) with getting this **FIRST** edition of the EC Newsletter off of the ground.

I couldn't be happier to see all the students that took the time to write amazing articles

I just wanted to give a big "Thank You" to the student ambassadors who's input into this newsletter was no less than invaluable!

I would love to hear what you think about our first edition so please feel free to email me at KirstenBilas@ecenglish.com!

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

Kirsten Bilas

Student Counselor



The EC Boston Newsletter Crew!