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Matthew Broude

Co-Founder of The Queer Neighborhood Council

Matthew Broude [pronounced Brody, the only way that makes no sense for how it's spelled] invests most of his time on community organizing; volunteering and advocacy, particularly for homelessness, food security, wealth gap, and housing justice causes; and participating in Boston civics, local politics, and community events. He can be found regularly volunteering in the kitchen at St. Francis House or at Animal Rescue League of Boston, and has volunteered with various organizations in all of Boston's 23 neighborhoods. Alongside Jack Imbergamo, Matthew co-founded The Queer Neighborhood Council, a Boston-wide group working to foster visibility, access, and organizing for Boston's LGBTQIA+ and ally community. He also joined the Leadership Team of the Downtown Boston Neighborhood Association in February 2023, where he's working to grow and diversify participation to better represent the full breadth of the neighborhood, and is proud to have welcomed nearly as many new members in the past 10 months as the Association had in total over the 9 years prior. He has also been an active collaborator with Miles Howard, Jules Murdza, and many community members in shaping the Walking City Trail, a 27-mile urban hiking route connecting over 17 Boston neighborhoods from the Neponset River Reservation to Bunker Hill Monument, and played a particularly active role in expanding the trail's pathway through Back Bay, Downtown, Chinatown, the Leather District, Fort Point, the Wharf District, and the North End. Matthew is also the founder and team leader of patient-Moon Wellness Marketing, and over the past 12 years has built a team of experts who teach small fitness and wellness businesses across the country and around the world how to get clients, piece together technology to run things



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smoothly, and get paid what they're worth. patientMoon is particularly focused on uplifting women-, queer-, and BIPOC-owned small businesses. In Matthew's clearly abundant free time, he enjoys attending community events, hanging out with friends in quiet places, and kayaking on the Charles.

Becoming a Civic Leader - Training the Next Generation of Leaders

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

Join us at "Becoming a Civic Leader" an interactive panel discussion moderated by Chief Brianna Millor of the Community Engagement Cabinet. Gain essential skills for effective community leadership from M. Lee Pelton, president and CEO of The Boston Foundation, Matthew Broude, Co-founder of The Queer Neighborhood Council, Commissioner Kristen McCosh, the city's Disability Commissioner and President of BU SOCA and youth leader Brianna Bourne. This session will delve into understanding civic roles, developing key leadership traits, mastering community engagement, and navigating ethical dilemmas. This panel promises to inspire and transform your approach to civic leadership.