



## MEMO

**Date:** May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
**To:** BPRW Commission  
**From:** Meghan O'Daniel, Community Garden Outreach Coordinator & Customer Service Associate  
**RE:** Keepsake House Event Sound Waiver for May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Request for waiver at Battery Park to allow amplified sound for a live music performance called "Roots Less Traveled".

Keepsake House is an organization that focuses their efforts on creating meaningful connection and community through roundtable-style concerts and conversation about their artists' work. They hope to leave listeners with a deeper love for and understanding of the art made: a keepsake to hold on to. They are committed to supporting independent artists across genres, backgrounds and time zones and are particularly committed to seeking out BIPOC and LGBTQ+ artists to be a part of their shows. Their shows are purposefully affordable and accessible to community members. They are requesting to have amplified sound during their event and have already booked the park.

Staff contact for the event is Hailey Savage.

This event will feature 4 independent songwriters, with conversation interwoven throughout the musical performances. The artists are: Frank Song Jr., Marcie Hernandez, MIKAHELY, and Sabrina Comellas – all Burlington based artists except for one, who is from Brattleboro. The amplified sound will take place between 6pm and 8:30pm. They are expecting between 50 - 70 people to attend. They have a COVID-19 mitigation plan in place.

It is on a day with no conflicting events.

**Staff Recommendations:**

Allow waiver for amplified sound.