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Community Rowing, Inc. to offer Biomimicry Clinic during April School Vacation
*Rowing and Science will intersect during this unique opportunity*

BRIGHTON, MA – Community Rowing, Inc. (CRI) will launch a Biomimicry Clinic during April School Vacation this year. This CRI program will combine elements of rowing, ecology and design through a place-based educational program that will give students a different perspective of the river. Students will learn system thinking strategies to explore the Charles River ecosystem from the hydrological and geochemical cycles to the broader ecosystem services that the river provides.

Classes will run Tuesday through Friday, April 21-24 from 11:30am-2:00pm at Community Rowing located at 20 Nonantum Road in Brighton, MA. The class will be taught by Sarah McInerney, Ph.D. Biomimicry Fellow, University of Akron with Peter Lawrence of Biomimicry New England. This program is offered to rowers in 6th - 9th grades and can be taken in concert with April School Vacation Learn to Row at CRI or as a stand-alone class.

“The CRI Biomimicry Clinic is an exciting opportunity for student athletes to engage with the natural world around them, observing the river they row on in a unique and innovative way.” says Ted Benford, Executive Director at CRI.


ABOUT COMMUNITY ROWING, INC.
Community Rowing makes rowing accessible without regard to individual ability, background or experience. We aim to enrich our community by providing resources to enable urban youth, military veterans, and individuals with disabilities access to the sport and its profound emotional, social, and physical benefits. As a leader in rowing, we deliver these transformative lessons and experiences to over 12,000 individuals and their families annually. For more information, please visit CRI’s website at [www.communityrowing.org](http://www.communityrowing.org).
ABOUT BIOMIMICRY NEW ENGLAND
Biomimicry New England was founded in 2014 by Peter Lawrence, Anamarija Frankic and Tim McGee, who are each biomimicry experts with diverse backgrounds. Our mission is to establish nature and natural systems as an important resource for education and innovation in New England. Programs include biomimicry training for K-12 teachers, developing biomimicry courses for university students, 1-4 day workshops, biomimicry exhibitions and lectures & discussions for the general public. To achieve this, BNE works in collaboration with organizations throughout New England including: The New England Aquarium, Bridgewater State University, the Cape Cod Museum of Natural History, Olin College, Peabody Essex Museum, Rhode Island School of Design, Museum of Science and others. BNE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization headquartered in Boston. Learn more at www.biomimicryne.org

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