

Profile of the Month

Darryl Settles

President, Bob the Chef's Jazz Café

Bob the Chef's Jazz Café is a full-service restaurant serving Southern and Cajun cuisine with live entertainment. BBQ ribs, Jambalaya and mustard fried catfish are just a few of the dishes that have brought national reknown to Bob the Chef's. The company also provides catering services for social and corporate events. Clients include Boston College, Citizen's Bank, Harvard University and The New England Patriots.

"Bob's" was founded by Bob and Dottie Morgan in the late '50s as a small counter service providing soul food at Mud Kelly's Big "M" nightclub on Massachusetts Avenue. Quickly gaining a dedicated patron base, the restaurant was relocated to its current location in 1968 and was renamed "Bob the Chef's."

Darryl Settles has been the owner and president of Bob the Chef's since 1990. Previously, Darryl was employed by Digital Equipment Corporation as a marketing executive. Darryl's marketing knowledge enabled him to successfully transform "Bob the Chef's" into "Bob the Chef's Jazz Café" in 1996. While maintaining the Southern tradition established by the Morgans, Darryl undertook a massive renovation of the restaurant and added a live entertainment component in addition to expanding the menu.

Darryl is committed to leveraging the success of his company to support his local community. He serves on the boards of Community Servings, the Huntington Theatre and Youth Enrichment Services (YES). Darryl is also the founder of the BeanTown Jazz Festival, an annual event that brings together a diverse group of cultures for a day of celebration and raises money for charity.



*Darryl Settles
President*

[Click on the link below to visit Bob the Chef's online and enter to win a free dinner for two!](#)



Register Now for the Boston 2004 Social Venture Institute

*“Building, Financing, and Growing a Social Mission Business:
Practical Tools for Emerging, New, and Expanding Companies”*

The Business Collaborative, The Social Venture Network, Investors' Circle and the Responsible Business Association of Greater Boston invite you to attend the 2004 Boston Social Venture Institute. The Social Venture Institute (SVI) is an initiative of Social Venture Network (SVN). SVI brings together business leaders and social entrepreneurs for a dynamic, interactive learning experience, exploring the day-to-day challenges of running a business and maintaining socially conscious values.

The Boston SVI will be held at the Center for Executive Education at Babson College from Wednesday, January 21 through Friday January 23, 2004.

For specific questions regarding SVI, please contact Barbara Graham at BarbaraJGraham@comcast.net.

To register please click [here](#).

Boston Community Capital Receives Grant from The Boston Foundation

We are delighted to announce that Boston Community Capital (BCC) has recently been awarded The Boston Foundation's "Out of the Blue Award." This is a \$75,000 unrestricted grant made by The Boston Foundation's Board of Directors. Each quarter, the Board selects one organization to receive this unsolicited grant.

As Paul Grogan, President and CEO of The Boston Foundation, explained when he called BCC with the news, the Board made its selection because the awards are given "to nonprofit organizations that have especially strong leadership and are doing extraordinary work. Boston Community Capital has built a terrific organization and has become a national model for effectively bringing capital into low income communities."

Upcoming Events

Thursday, **January 29**

Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce 10th Annual Pinnacle Awards

Sheraton Boston Hotel, Boston, MA

For further information, contact 617.557.7344 or visit www.bostonchamber.com.

Wednesday through Monday, **February 11-16**

Black Enterprise/AXA Advisors Ski Challenge

Vail Cascade Resort & Spa, Vail, CO

For further information, visit www.blackenterprise.com.

Monday, **March 1**

Shared Interest 10th Anniversary Gala

Celebrating 10 years of democracy & development in South Africa.

Pierre Hotel, New York, NY

For further information, visit www.sharedinterest.org.

Wednesday through Friday, **March 3-5**

Community Development Venture Capital Alliance 10th Anniversary Conference

Westin Times Square, New York, NY

For further information, contact Cynthia Holahan at 212.594.6747 or

cholahan@cdvca.org.

Thursday, **March 11**

"Diamonds of Dorchester," Gala Fundraiser for St. Mary's Women & Children's Center

Celebrating 10 years of service to women, children, and families in need.

Seaport Hotel, Boston, MA

For further information, contact 617.436.8600 x491.

Saturday, **April 3**

Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts 12th Annual Awards Gala

World Trade Center, Boston, MA

For further information, visit www.ulem.org.

Tuesday, **April 13**

Initiative For a Competitive Inner City (ICIC) 6th Annual Inner City 100 Awards Dinner

Westin Copley Hotel, Boston, MA

For further information, contact Jim Tessier at 617.292.2363 x128 or jtessier@icic.org.

Tuesday, **April 13**

Thompson Island Outward Bound 2nd Annual Evening Expedition

Park Plaza Hotel, Boston, MA

For further information, contact 617.426.0177 x205 or visit www.Thompsonisland.org.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, **April 15**

Facing History and Ourselves 20th Annual N.E. Benefit Dinner

Westin Copley Hotel, Boston, MA

For further information, contact 617.735.1673 or e-mail amy_peckner@facing.org.

Wednesday through Sunday, **May 12-16**

Black Enterprise Entrepreneurs Conference

Wyndham Anatole, Dallas, TX

For further information, visit www.blackenterprise.com.

Thursday, **May 13**

Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting & Dinner

Marriott Copley Place, Boston, MA

For further information, visit www.bostonchamber.com.