BARD ACADEMY ACTIVITIES ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE

I voluntarily accept all risk of personal injury, illness, or death that my Bard Academy Student may incur resulting from their participation in Academy activities, as well as any damage to property. In consideration of being permitted to participate in these activities, I, on behalf of my family, heirs and personal representative(s), agree to assume all the risks and responsibilities of participation in these activities, including transportation and any activities incident thereto, and I hereby release, waive, discharge, hold harmless and covenant not to sue Bard College, Bard Academy, their trustees, officers, agents, employees, contractors, and any students acting as employees (collectively “Releasees”), with respect to any and all liability for any harm, injury, damage, cost, or expense of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to, suffering and death, or any damage that my property may incur, whether caused by the contributory negligence of the Academy or carelessness of the Releasees or otherwise, while participating in, or in transit to or from, the activities associated with events and programs described above.

I understand that this Release is for the benefit of Bard College and Bard Academy and their affiliates, subsidiaries, agents, employees, and related entities only. Third parties, such as common carriers, hotels, or travel agencies are not released from liability for their acts.

Please initial the activities listed below that you allow:

____ I permit my Bard Academy Student to participate in supervised Academy activities such as, but not limited to, class field trips, academic conferences, sporting events, various outdoor activities (e.g. canoeing, hiking, swimming, ropes courses), cultural and musical events, dining, shopping and other leisure activities.

____ I permit my Bard Academy Student to use Academy provided transportation to participate in unsupervised activities such as, but not limited to, internship and volunteer placements, standardized tests, religious services, and other local destinations for cultural and musical events, dining, shopping and other leisure activities.

____ I permit my Bard Academy Student to participate in Academy supervised overnight or multi-day activities such as, but not limited to, academic conferences, and various outdoor activities (e.g. canoeing, hiking, swimming).

I understand that students can organize their own transportation at any time with local public transportation and taxis outside the oversight or supervision of Academy employees.

I also understand that this Release shall be interpreted under and governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I, ____________________________________________, parent of, ____________________________________________, have voluntarily elected to permit my Bard Academy Student to participate in trips, events, and programs as indicated above.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

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[Signature] [Date]