

Local Students in New England Premiere of Opera "Dead Man Walking"

(Right): Two Dedham Middle School students were in the New England premiere of the opera "Dead Man Walking," staged this past weekend at the Somerville Theatre by the Boston Opera Collaborative, and got to meet Sister Helen Prejean, the author of the book *Dead Man Walking* that inspired the movie.

The members of the Boston City Singers (BCS) in the opera met Sister Helen Prejean, pictured at right, before the final performance of the opera. *Dead Man Walking* is based on Sister Helen Prejean's book about her work on both ending the death penalty and providing better support for victims of violent crimes.

In the photo, Foster Staton-Todaro, on the left side of the back row, and his brother Wyatt, on the right of the same row, are 6th graders at Dedham Middle School and members of the Boston City Singers Cantare choir.

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