

Wieseltier on Boston Bombings (& So Much More)

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Leon Wieseltier, like Kinsley writing in the pages of the *New Republic* and, like Kinsley, one of those writers I wish I could write like, has [this essay on our response to the Boston bombing](#) [1]. The money quote: "We cling desperately to the illusion of our immunity, even after it has just been disproved by experience, and to the fiction of the pastness of the past: we call it 'closure,' which is just a decision not to care anymore, and not to let experience intrude any further."

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[1] <http://www.newrepublic.com/article/113011/boston-massacre-and-our-emotional-efficiency>