



JANUARY-MARCH 2025

All programs are free and open to the public. The Visitor Center is located at 100 Davol Street in the Captain Thomas J. Hudner, Jr. Memorial Building. Free parking is available in the DCR parking lot at 5 Water Street in Fall River. An adult must accompany children. For more information call (508) 675-5759. Ext 0.



ADA/reasonable accommodation

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The Visitor Center and boardwalk are wheelchair accessible.

VISITOR CENTER, daily 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Exhibits and Community Gallery

Permanent and temporary exhibits, self-guided brochures, tours, and activities highlighting Fall River's past and present can all be found in our Visitor Center every day.

SPECIAL EXHIBITS AND SELF-GUIDED OPPORTUNITIES

Daily, through
March 15

Visitor Center

Food for Thought: the Origins of Massachusetts Foods and Why it Matters

Where does your favorite food come from? Be prepared to be surprised.

This colorful exhibit explores the cultural exchanges that resulted from the Europeans' first arrival to the Bay State, focusing on food, ecology, and the vibrant culinary legacy of the interaction of cultures. This special holiday exhibit is on loan from the Commonwealth Museum in Boston.

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Sing! The Sesame Street® World of Composer Joe Raposo

Celebrate the creative genius of a local hero: Joseph Guilherme Raposo, the son of Azorean immigrants who became one of the creators of Sesame Street®. Drop by and take a photo with Miss Piggy or Kermit. Experience our photo stands with images of Big Bird, Elmo, and many of their friends.

See our exhibit on the life of Joe Raposo with his friends Frank Sinatra, Lena Horne, President Jimmy Carter, First Lady Nancy Reagan and so many more.

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On the
Boardwalk

StoryWalk®: Sing!

Say good-bye to winter blues with an inspirational StoryWalk® on the Boardwalk. We invite you to read & sing "Sing," written by Joe Raposo and illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld. "Sing" is now the Official Children's Song of Fall River!

Sing out loud, sing out strong, Fall River! StoryWalk® is a unique adventure in reading and walking... and singing!

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SPECIAL EXHIBITS AND SELF-GUIDED OPPORTUNITIES, continued

Daily

Water + Granite + Gravity = Fall River

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Fall River was once the third largest city in Massachusetts, with thriving factories and bustling piers on its waterfront. Without the water of the Taunton and Quequechan Rivers, the granite cliffs, and the power of gravity, and the waterfalls that they produced, there would be no Fall River. The park highlights this legacy with seven granite way finders that commemorate the industry through time.

This is a 30-minute self-guided walk through waterfront history connecting the way finders. Information is available at the

Daily

Creation Station Activities

Visitor Center

Get creative! Stop by the Visitor Center and grab one of our unique coloring sheets of moments in Fall River history. Experience all things Fall River with puzzles, scavenger hunts, and activity sheets. Weave a row on our community loom! For all ages.

FILMS

Daily

The Fall River Line

Available on-demand

Ask a park staff member

Climb aboard and explore Fall River Line, which ran from New York City to Fall River and was famous for its elegance, grace and superior service. Visit a bygone age, when the way you traveled was just as important as getting there. Run-time: 57 minutes.



Safe Houses: Fall River and the Underground Railroad

Discover the hidden history of Fall River and its role in the Underground Railroad. See the houses and streets that welcomed escaped formerly enslaved people. Learn about the abolitionists of Fall River, especially the women, who opened the gates of freedom and their homes in this 20-minute film.

The Fabric of Fall River

Discover Fall River's rich past through this classic documentary that showcases the history of Fall River from the First People through the cotton mill era, to the needle trades of the 1980s. For ages 8+ years. Run-time: 34 minutes.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT

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March 15

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Innovators & Pioneers: Black in Fall River

Meet some of the inventors, educators, mariners, abolitionists and everyday African-American women and men who called the Fall River region home.

Watch a film about the Fall River Line and see photos of the workers who made it run. Discover Black Fall River in a multimedia experience of exhibits, films, and Creation Station activities. Suitable for all ages. Free. All materials will be provided.

FEBRUARY VACATION WEEK PROGRAMS

February 15 - 22, 2025

February 15-22

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Creation Station

Mask Maker, Mask Maker, Make Me a Mask!

Get ready to celebrate Mardi Gras/Carnival or just fight the winter blues and make your very own colorful mask. All materials provided free of charge. Suitable for all ages,

February 16 & 22

12:00 PM- 2:00 PM

Visitor Center

Colonial Medicine with Dr. Dave of the Lafayette-Durfee House Foundation

Learn about early American medical and dental practices and see the tools and devices that were used. It may look and sound like a horror movie, but this was medicine! Fun for the whole family. Drop in anytime from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM.

February 22

12:00 PM-3:00 PM

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Native American Storytelling and crafts with the Pocasset Wampanoag Tribe of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Learn how to make your own corn husk doll. Dream out loud and make a dreamcatcher! Suitable for all ages. Free. All materials will be provided.

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