

Fall River Heritage State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation



JULY 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 o.



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The Visitor Center and boardwalk are wheelchair accessible.

VISITOR CENTER, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM **Exhibits, Scavenger Hunts, Community Gallery**

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

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

July 4th 3:00pm-10:00pm

2025 City of Fall River Fourth of July-Waterfront **Celebration!**

Boardwalk & park grounds

Rain date July 5

Independence Day! Celebrate on the waterfront with your friends and neighbors. Enjoy fireworks on the Taunton River beginning at 9:30 pm. Enjoy food trucks and music on the meadow in the evening. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. Fun for all ages. No bags, backpacks, or coolers. Rain date is

July 9th 12:00pm-2:00pm Adventures

Visitor Center

Nature Play & Learn Series with the Trustees' Mobile

Let's explore nature with the Trustees' Mobile Adventures! Kids and families can explore and learn about nature through fun games. Healthy kids, happy adventures. Join the fun!

In collaboration with the Trustees and Fall River WIC. Mobile Adventures is a Trustees Youth Initiative aimed at increasing access to nature for youth in urban areas.

July 19th

Meet at the **Visitor Center** **Echoes of the Pocasset**

12:00pm-2:00pm Join a trolley tour to remember the village of the Pocasset tribe. Hop on the city trolley for a multi-stop tour guided by Pocasset Wampanoag Sachem Weetamoo "Reenactment" by Amber Velazquez. Meet Sachem Edward Grey Fox Page and members of the tribe beginning at noon. Once aboard the trolley, enjoy an immersive talk on life for the Pocasset tribe. Guests are encouraged to bring an umbrella.

July 28th 6:00pm-8:00pm

Park grounds

Rain date July 30

Fall River Public Library Presents: Legends Concert

This tribute concert will feature the music of legends like Neil Diamond, Johnny Cash and Creedence Clearwater Revival, brought to life by the phenomenal Robert Black and his band. The evening will feature free temporary airbrush tattoos, spin art, a raffle and other surprises. This concert is made possible through the generosity of Debby and Richard Danner

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EXHIBITS

June 1st-August 17th **Echoes of the Pocasset & the Falling River**

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Celebrate the rich history of the First People of Fall River and the Quequechan by exploring way finders along the river. This is a trailways initiative created by the Fall River Arts and Cultural Coalition and the City of Fall River, in partnership with the

Pocasset Wampanoag Tribe.

Copies of these way finders will be on exhibit at Heritage Park through the Summer. Also enjoy our in-Lobby StoryWalk® which tells of the fate of the Quequechan.

Through August 1st StoryWalk®: Quequechan—the Forgotten River

From pristine waterway to industrial lifeblood. This is a story of nature, industry, neglect, and rebirth. This is a delightful inspirational book by Fall River native Jeanne L. Prevost, illustrated by Linda Crockett. Read along and learn as you look out

our windows at the mouth of the Quequechan River.

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Through August 1

Boardwalk

StoryWalk®: Outside In

Walk the Boardwalk and explore outside with the book "Outside In" by Deborah Underwood; illustrated by Cindy Derby. This is a reminder that very little separates us from Outside, and that we are all part of a much greater universe.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Story Walk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

July 1st-August 17th Visitor Center Dioramas created by the Lafayette – Durfee House Foundation:

- The Battle of Fall River May 25, 1778: Watch the reenactment. Study the battle diorama.
- An 18th Century Pocasset Wampanoag Village along the Quequechan River

June 17th-September 5th Visitor Center

Road to Revolution - Boston Occupied

On September 28, 1768 British warships anchored in Boston Harbor and began the occupation of an American city in rebellion. They taunted the citizens by playing "Yankee Doodle Dandy."

This special exhibit tells the backstory of one of the most iconic events in the nation's history. On loan from the Commonwealth Museum. For ages 8+.



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FILMS & SELF-GUIDED ADVENTURES

Daily

Theater

Films: Fall River Film Festival

We're playing some of our favorite films celebrating Fall River. Films will play continuously throughout the day, so drop in anytime.

Each film highlights a specific theme. Appropriate for viewers age 8+. All films are also available by request.

- Monday: Industry Fabric of Fall River (30 mins)
- Tuesday: Maritime The Fall River Line (57 mins)
- Wednesday: Heroes *Thomas Hudner Video* (30 mins)
- Thursday: Abolitionists *Safe Houses: the Underground Railroad* (20 min)
- Friday: Fun Lincoln Park Remembered (45 min)
- Saturday & Sunday: all films are available on demand.

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Water + Granite + Gravity = Fall River

Fall River was once the third largest city in Massachusetts, with thriving factories and bustling piers on its waterfront.

Fall River Heritage State park highlights this legacy with seven granite way finders that commemorate industry through time. This is a 30-minute self-guided walk through waterfront history connecting the way finders. Information is available at the front desk.

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People, Ambition and Hard Work

A Portuguese-American poet, a beloved local entrepreneur, a decorated military hero, and a visionary state legislator all have their names enshrined in Fall River Heritage Park. How did they inspire others through their vision, ambition, and hard work?

This is a 20-minute self-guided walk through Fall River history. Information is available at the Front Desk. Best for ages 8+.

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Creation Station

Explore a variety of Revolution themed activities. Have fun and discover the historical transformation from the cottage industry to the factory system. Experience all things Fall River with coloring, stamps, puzzles, scavenger hunts, and activity sheets. Weave a row on our community loom! For all ages.