



# Fall River Heritage State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

## JUNE 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, 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

**May 31 & June 1 Revolutionary War Weekend—Experience It!**

**10:00am-4:00pm**



Witness Fall River’s role in the Revolutionary War in this reenactment of the Battle of Fall River. Experience an immersive journey with a battle, historical lectures, crafts, artisans, a fashion show, and much more!

This is one of the many MA250 events. Visit DCR’s MA250 website for more information: [tinyurl.com/DCRMA250](https://tinyurl.com/DCRMA250)

**June 14**

**1:00pm-3:30pm**

**Artist Talk: Orange Billows II, an Original Sculpture Celebrating the Textile Traditions of Fall River**

“Orange Billows II” is a celebration of the rich history of the textile industry of Fall River. Artist Brooke Mullins Doherty will present an artist talk on the creation and meaning of “Orange Billows II.” Free and suitable for all ages. Supported in part by a grant from the Fall River Cultural Council.

**June 28**

**10:00am –  
11:00am**

**Southeastern MA Adult Walking Club**

Enjoy views of the Taunton River and learn about Fall River’s history and culture on this easy 2-mile walk on paved surfaces and wood boardwalk. Suitable for visitors 16 years of age and older. New walkers are welcome. Bring drinking water, a snack, and dress for the weather.

Meet at the Visitor Center Lobby. Free.

**June 28**

**12:30pm –  
3:00pm**

**Reading For Change: Frederick Douglass**

Join us for a public reading of Frederick Douglass’s powerful address “What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?” followed by an interactive drum circle led by percussionist Cornell Coley. Drums will be provided. Presented by the Bristol Black Collective. For further info: [info@bristolblackcollective.org](mailto:info@bristolblackcollective.org)

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EXHIBITS	
June 1st- August 17th 	<b>Echoes of the Pocasset &amp; the Falling River</b>  Celebrate the rich history of the First People of Fall River and the Quequechan by exploring wayfinders 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	<b>StoryWalk®: Quequechan—the Forgotten River</b>  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.
Through July 1  Boardwalk	<b>StoryWalk®: Sing!</b>  Walk the Boardwalk and sing along to the book “Sing!” by Joe Raposo; illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld. This is the official song of the City of Fall River!  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 Interpretive Services.
June 1st- August 17th	<b>Dioramas created by the Lafayette – Durfee House Foundation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ The Battle of Fall River May 25, 1778: Watch the reenactment. Study the battle diorama.</li><li>♦ An 18th Century Pocasset Wampanoag Village along the Quequechan River</li></ul>
Through June 16th	<b>Road to Revolution - The Boston Tea Party</b>  The Boston Tea Party was a pivotal moment in the American Revolution. It has inspired protests in societies around the world. This exhibit tells the backstory of one of the most iconic events in the nation’s history. On loan from the Commonwealth Museum. This exhibit is an MA250 event. For ages 8+.
June 17th- September 5th	<b>Road to Revolution - Boston Occupied</b>  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+.



FILMS & SELF-GUIDED ADVENTURES

Daily Theater	<p><b>Films: Fall River Film Festival</b></p> <p>We're playing some of our favorite films celebrating Fall River. Films will play continuously throughout the day, so drop in anytime.</p> <p>Each film highlights a specific theme. Appropriate for viewers age 8+. All films are also available by request.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monday: Industry - <i>Fabric of Fall River</i> (30 mins)</li><li>Tuesday: Maritime - <i>The Fall River Line</i> (57 mins)</li><li>Wednesday: Heroes - <i>Thomas Hudner Video</i> (30 mins)</li><li>Thursday: Abolitionists - <i>Safe Houses: the Underground Railroad</i> (20 min)</li><li>Friday: Fun - <i>Lincoln Park Remembered</i> (45 min)</li><li>Saturday &amp; Sunday: all films are available on demand.</li></ul>
Daily Visitor Center	<p><b>Water + Granite + Gravity = Fall River</b></p> <p>Fall River was once the third largest city in Massachusetts, with thriving factories and bustling piers on its waterfront.</p> <p>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.</p>
Daily, Visitor Center	<p><b>People, Ambition and Hard Work</b></p> <p>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?</p> <p>This is a 20-minute self-guided walk through Fall River history. Information is available at the Front Desk. Best for ages 8+.</p>
Daily	<p><b>Creation Station</b></p> <p>Explore a variety of Revolution themed activities. Have fun and discover history you never knew. Experience all things Fall River with coloring, stamps, puzzles, scavenger hunts, and activity sheets. Weave a row on our community loom! For all ages.</p>