



Fall River Heritage State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

MAY 2024

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.

**OPEN DAILY
MAY 6-31**

VISITOR CENTER, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM **Exhibits, Films, and Community Gallery**

Explore our permanent exhibit celebrating the cultural, ethnic, and industrial history of Fall River. Learn about the waterfalls that shaped the city, enabled its industries, and even gave it its name. Films and temporary exhibitions highlight stories of the city and community.

PROGRAMS

9:00AM-3:30PM

DAILY

SCAVENGER HUNTS & WORD GAMES **Visitor Center Lobby**

Fall River is rich with history. These scavenger hunts and word games put you on the path to discovering the people and stories that are the fabric of our community. Choose from:

- ♦ Find that Flag Scavenger Hunt
- ♦ Textile Capital of America Scavenger Hunt
- ♦ Follow the Taunton River Word Puzzle
- ♦ Coded Secret Messages & Word Mazes

Free. All materials are provided.

**FRIDAYS,
SATURDAYS &
SUNDAYS**

11:00AM-11:30AM

GUIDED TOUR: WATER + GRANITE + GRAVITY = FALL RIVER

Meet at the Visitor Center Desk

Take advantage of a beautiful spring day and walk through the park in this popular journey through history, guided by a Park Interpreter. This 30-minute walk connects the Park's way finders. Information is available at the Front Desk.

FILMS

DAILY

**AVAILABLE
ON-DEMAND**

ASK STAFF

FILM: THE FABRIC OF FALL RIVER

Explore Fall River's rich past, from the First People through the cotton mill era, to the needle trades of the 1980s. For ages 8+ years. Run-time approx. 30 minutes.

FILM: THE FALL RIVER LINE

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.

FILM: SAFE HOUSES: FALL RIVER AND THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

Discover the hidden history of Fall River and its role in the Underground Railroad. Learn about the abolitionists of Fall River, especially the women, who opened the gates of freedom and their homes. Shown in our comfortable theater. Run-time: 20 minutes.

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PROGRAMS CONTINUED

EXHIBITS

DAILY, THROUGH MAY 31ST	ROAD TO REVOLUTION: THE STAMP TAX CRISIS OF 1765 Visitor Center Exhibit Hall In debt after the French and Indian War, King George III of England proposed measures to raise revenue. One such measure, the Stamp Act, was destined to create a firestorm of protest and debate about the principles of government, individual rights, and the identity of the colonists as "Americans." On loan from the Commonwealth Museum & Secretary of State.
DAILY	FACES OF FALL RIVER Visitor Center Lobby Who are the people who call this place home? Explore a selection of historic Fall River photographs. This exhibit features the work of Lewis Hine whose photographs of children in Fall River cotton mills helped galvanize the nation against child labor.
DAILY	SELF-GUIDED TOUR: PEOPLE, AMBITION, HARD WORK Visitor Center Lobby for Information 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. Who were these people? How did they inspire others through their vision, ambition, and hard work? This is a short self-guided walking tour of the landmarks named for these pioneers. Information is available at the front desk.
DAILY	CREATION STATION ACTIVITIES Visitor Center Lobby Get creative! Stop by the Visitor Center and grab one of our unique coloring sheets of moments in Fall River History. Learn about textiles and calico and help us complete our calico stamp wall or even weave a row on our community loom. If you complete an entire row, you too can add your name to the tapestry! This is a drop-in program. Stay for the duration or drop in for a few moments. For all ages.

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