



APRIL 2026 PROGRAMS

Programs are free and open to the public. Regular parking fees apply. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No dogs/pets allowed on premises year-round. Park closes when visitor capacity is reached. DCR Closure Alerts: <https://www.mass.gov/parkalerts>. Call (978) 405-2082 or email walden.programs@mass.gov.

 ADA/Reasonable Accommodation
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Coming events

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



Visitor Center Exhibits, *Walden* Film, & Gallery

Investigate the life & legacy of Thoreau through exhibits, art, and film. *Walden* shows every ½-hour, last show at 3:30pm. Gallery exhibition, *A Journey to the Pond*, by local painter Amy Roberts, Feb 2025 -Apr 2026.

Daily


Self-Guided StoryWalk® *If You Spent a Day with Thoreau at Walden Pond*, by Robert Burleigh and paintings by Wendell Minor.

Come read and discover what it would be like to spend the day with Henry David Thoreau at Walden. The Story pages start on the “Woods Path,” along the Accessible trail and continue along the easy 1/2-mile, crushed stone surface to Thoreau’s house site. *Boots encouraged. All ages.*

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

**Wednesdays,
Fridays &
Saturdays
11:00 am-
12:00 pm
April 1, 8, 15, 17
& 18**

Thoreau House Talks

Swing by the **Thoreau House Replica** to hear about writer and naturalist Henry David Thoreau during these ongoing 10-minute talks with a Park Interpreter. **All ages.**

Talk subjects include: Henry’s Conservation Legacy, Henry’s Experiment in Simple Living, and Thoreau’s Night in Jail.

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Coming events

**Tuesdays &
Saturdays**

2:00–3:30 pm

April 7, 14, 18 &
21

The Beavers are Back!

Meets at **Visitor Center**. Join a Park Interpreter for this guided 1-mile roundtrip walk to Heywood’s Meadow to see signs of our resident beavers. Learn how these rodents improve the local ecology. *Binoculars & boots encouraged!* **Ages 10 and up.**

**Sundays &
Wednesdays**

1:00–2:30 pm

April 1, 8, 15 &
19

Spring Stroll

Meets at **Visitor Center**. Join a Park Interpreter for a ½-mile walk to Thoreau’s original house site, where you will look, listen, and make note of your observations in the natural world like Henry did. Come learn about Thoreau’s thoughts and feelings about the spring season. Wear good, solid shoes. **Ages 10 and up.**

Thursday

1:00–2:30 pm

April 30

Spring Tree Identification

Meets at **Visitor Center**. Join a Park Interpreter for this ½-mile guided walk, where you will see how to identify local trees in the spring. *Comfortable walking shoes encouraged.* **Ages 10 and up.**