

DELVING INTO THE PAST



MASSACHUSETTS ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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From the State Archaeologist

Delving into the Past is this year's theme for Massachusetts Archaeology Month.

The dictionary has two interesting definitions for the word “delve.” The more common definition is to make a careful or detailed search for information, while the other definition is to excavate or dig with a spade – how appropriate are both meanings for Archaeology Month.

The cover of this calendar features a number of chipped stone tools that were crafted by Native Americans about 3,500 to 3,800 years ago. Archaeologists have named this style of tool Atlantic bifaces. A biface is a stone tool that is chipped (or worked) on both sides (faces) of the stone. Some bifaces are called projectile points, meaning they were attached to the tips of wooden spears or arrows and used by throwing or shooting them through the air in hunting. Other bifaces, more commonly called blades, were hafted to a small handle and used as a cutting or butchering tool. The Atlantic phase is within the so-called Susquehanna Tradition of the Late Archaic Period.

Initially archaeologists thought that Atlantic phase sites were only on the coast, where the seasonally mobile Native Americans would go to fish, dig for clams, hunt seals, and gather wild plant foods. However, more recent archaeological excavations have discovered Atlantic blades in the interior, particularly at riverine sites where fish weirs had been built as a means of trapping fish and along lakes.

Look again at the cover page. Do you see how the Atlantic stems are short and wide? Imagine that the stem would easily slide into a thick wooden handle, like a knife blade. Do you also notice how small the one at the far left is, compared to the other three? It had originally been the same size, but was used and resharpened over and over again. The tips of the two blades on the right had probably accidentally been broken off. These two blades were not discarded, but were probably just set aside to be resharpened when needed.

Archaeologists must delve harder to solve the mysteries of the Atlantic phase. So many questions are still unanswered. Why were Atlantic blades used for such a short time (only 300 years when other types were used for thousands of years)? What is their origin? Who could make them – a specialized craftsman? What were they used for? How did they become obsolete? What changed – society, climate, environment or some combination of factors?

If you want to learn more about stone tool making or Native American life in ancient times, please peruse the events in this calendar and attend one of museum activities or flint-knapping demonstrations. I hope that you enjoy Archaeology Month this year.

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Dear Reader:

It is my pleasure to introduce the calendar of events for this year's annual celebration of Archaeology Month. This year there are over 60 events that promote awareness of the Commonwealth's rich archaeological past through fun and engaging programs.

Massachusetts Archaeology Month is about archaeology in your community and the world. It is an opportunity to learn about the people who have lived in the area over the last several thousand years. Many events highlight local Native American, Colonial, and Industrial history, while others explore the archaeological past in other countries. We have numerous events focusing on what can be learned from archaeology and how that knowledge can be applied. From ancient Egyptian mummies to "forgotten" Massachusetts towns, at many of this year's events you can experience first-hand how archaeologists unlock the mysteries of the past.

Museums, local historical societies, libraries, avocational archaeologists, universities, local historical commissions, professional archaeologists, and other organizations have planned a variety of exciting events for you and your family to enjoy. Learn about recent archaeological investigations in your town, visit an archaeological lab, meet an archaeologist and listen as they discuss their latest projects, explore the inner workings of a museum, or take part in a walk or hike. Teachers can schedule special field trips for their classes to take part in hands-on archaeological activities, or visit one of the numerous lectures presented throughout the state. There are many events geared toward children that are enjoyable for the whole family. There is something for everyone who has a curiosity about the past.

Remember to keep your calendar to use as a reference throughout the year. Many of the organizations hosting events in October have programs all year. I encourage you to support archaeological research and site preservation in the Commonwealth.

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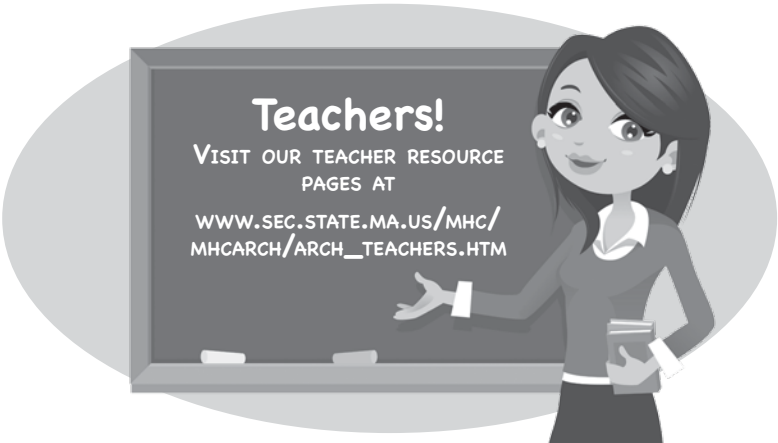
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PRE-ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH EVENTS

Boston

PRIVIES AND PEACH PITS: PUBLIC HEALTH IN PURITAN BOSTON

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 27, 6-8 pm

Location: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 99-101
Newbury Street

Information: www.historic.bostons.org

Sponsor: Partnerships of Historic Bostons

Admission: Free

From 17th century peach pits to DNA, the past reveals its stories in new ways. Hear the story of disease and public health, through artifacts and the first health legislation.

VIOLENCE, DISEASE, AND PUBLIC MEDICINE IN THE PEQUOT AND THE KING PHILIP'S WARS

Date & Time: Saturday, September 30, 6-8 pm

Location: Massachusetts Historical Society, 1154 Boylston Street

Information: www.historic.bostons.org

Sponsor: Partnerships of Historic Bostons

Admission: Free

How did Natives and Colonists live with conflict and disease, and how did surgeons respond to the challenges on the battlefield? Two experts reveal the reality of some of New England's bloodiest wars through tangible objects.

ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH EVENTS

Listed alphabetically by town

We plan the calendar well in advance and some details were not available at press time. Please check the on-line calendar for last minute updates and additions. http://www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc/mhcarch/arch_month/archidx.htm

Acton

FROM HILLS TO ISLANDS: ANCIENT ADAPTATIONS BY NATIVE AMERICANS IN BOSTON HARBOR

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 17, 7pm

Location: Acton Memorial Library, 486 Main Street

Information: 978-929-6655

Sponsor: Friends of Pine Hawk, Acton Memorial Library

Admission: Free

Archaeologist Mary Dudek describes how researchers reconstruct activities and diet of past peoples using the example of the Spectacle Island site, excavated during the Big Dig. Some 6,000 years ago, Boston was well inland from the ocean, but sea levels rose, inundating the coastal plain around the hills east of Boston. Ancient Native Americans lost no time adapting to the change. Spectacle Island preserved a wonderful record of several thousand years of clam bakes, fishing, and other activities. Please confirm the event date in the library's online calendar, and check for additional archaeology events planned for November.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM: "A LOOK INTO A NATIVE AMERICAN TOOLBOX"

Date & Time: Thursday, October 19, 3pm

Location: Acton Memorial Library, 486 Main Street

Information: 978-929-6655

Sponsor: Friends of Pine Hawk, Acton Memorial Library

Admission: Free

Archaeologist Craig Chartier introduces children to the technology of flint knapping (stone tool production) as represented at Acton's own Pine Hawk archaeological site. Participants will get the chance to see a demonstration in flint-knapping by Craig, and to participate in hands-on activities related to geology, stone tool making and use. Please confirm the event date in the library's online calendar, and check for additional archaeology events planned for November.

EDWARD LODI ON HIS NEW BOOK: "THE PEQUOT WAR"

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 2pm

Location: Acton Memorial Library, 486 Main Street

Information: 978-929-6655

Sponsor: Friends of Pine Hawk, Acton Memorial Library

Admission: Free

In 1637, the Puritans of Massachusetts and the colony of Connecticut declared war on the powerful Pequots. What had the Pequots done? Why did the Narragansetts and Mohegans side with the colonists? What role did the Dutch play? And why did Plymouth Colony refuse Massachusetts' request for assistance? Author Edward Lodi will answer these and other questions. Please confirm the event date in the library's

online calendar, and check for additional archaeology events planned for November.

HIDDEN HISTORY HIKE: ARCHAEOLOGICAL REMAINS IN OUR LOCAL WOODS

Date & Time: Sunday, October 22, 1pm

Location: The Discovery Museums/Great Hill Conservation Land, 177 Main Street, Acton

Information: www.discoverymuseums.org,
fun@discoverymuseums.org, 978-264-4200

Sponsor: The Discovery Museums

Admission: Free with regular admission (\$12.50)

Join local archaeologist Kimberley Connors to discover the hidden history of Acton's Great Hill Conservation Land. Our two-mile hike will highlight the archaeological remains of our recent farming past, as well as the longer Native American occupation, which lasted thousands of years. We will discuss how humans were able to survive and thrive in this rich environment. The trails are not ADA or stroller accessible. Please wear the proper footwear. This two-mile guided hike is free with museum admission. Please note that while the Children's Discovery Museum and Discovery Woods will be open to visitors; the Science Discovery Museum will be closed for renovation.

Amherst

DIGGING AT THE DICKINSON

Date & Time: Sunday, October 21, 10:00 am

Location: Emily Dickinson Museum, 280 Main Street

Information: www.emilydickinsonmuseum.org

Sponsor: Emily Dickinson Museum

Admission: Free to members, \$5 for non-members

View Emily Dickinson's world through the eyes of an archaeologist during this presentation and walking tour at the Museum. Faculty and members of the University of Massachusetts Amherst archaeological field school will present findings from their work on the grounds of the Emily Dickinson Museum in the summer of 2017. Their work sheds new light on the location of a former Dickinson family barn and well, and on the recently reconstructed Dickinson conservatory site. In 2017, archeobotany was a feature of the field school for the first time. This special branch of archeology studies plant remains in the soil and will help to illuminate Dickinson's 19th century environment. See firsthand how archaeology informs the Museum's preservation and restoration projects!

UMASS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SERVICES OPEN LAB

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 24, 2:30-4:30pm

Location: E-15 Machmer Hall, 240 Hicks Way

Information: ericjohnson@anthro.umass.edu

Sponsor: UMass Archaeological Services

Admission: Free

UMass Archaeological Services will open its archaeology lab for an afternoon of activities and presentations. Visitors are welcome to view artifacts from some of our many projects and learn the stories the artifacts can tell. Members of our staff will be on hand to identify artifacts visitors may bring in. Students will present on projects they have done or are doing through our Independent Study course and our Summer Field School.

Andover

MASSACHUSETTS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY NORTHEAST CHAPTER MEETING

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 17, 7pm

Location: Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, 180 Main Street

Information: info.nechapter@massarchaeology.org

Sponsor: Massachusetts Archaeological Society,

www.massarchaeology.org

Admission: Free

Join the MAS Northeast Chapter for its monthly free lectures by experts in archaeology and history. We meet at the historic R.S. Peabody Museum on the campus of Phillips Academy in Andover on the third Tuesday of the month from September to May. Lectures are free and open to the public. Find us on Facebook or see www.massarchaeology.org for more information.

Barnstable

COTUIT ARCHAEOLOGY WITH CRAIG CHARTIER

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 2pm

Location: Cotuit Library, 871 Main Street

Information: www.cotuitlibrary.org

Sponsor: Cotuit Library

Admission: Free, reservations requested

Come listen to Craig Chartier, the Director of the Plymouth Archaeological Rediscovery Project, as he discusses the archaeological history of the seaside village of Cotuit. This event is free, but registration is requested. Please call 508-428-8141 or visit cotuitlibrary.org/events/#register

Berkley

“A PLACE OF STONE” BY DOUGLAS HUNTER

Date & Time: Sunday, October 8, 1pm **CANCELLED**

Location: Dighton Rock Museum, Dighton Rock State Park, Bayview Avenue

Information: 508-822-7537

Sponsor: Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Friends of Dighton Rock

Admission: Free, donations welcome

Douglas Hunter, PhD, will present on his newly published book entitled “A Place of Stone.” Dighton Rock is a forty-ton boulder covered in petroglyphs located in southern Massachusetts, and is claimed by many to be the most frequently documented artifact in American archaeology. First noted by colonists in 1680, the rock’s markings have been debated by scholars and everyday people alike on both sides of the Atlantic. The glyphs have been erroneously assigned to an array of non-indigenous cultures. Historian Douglas Hunter uses Dighton Rock to reveal the long, complex history of colonization, American archaeology, and the conceptualization of indigenous people. Reception and book-signing will follow the talk.

Beverly

WHAT’S UNDER OUR FEET?

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 11am-1pm

Location: Cabot House, 117 Cabot Street, Beverly

Information: www.beverlyhistory.org, info@beverlyhistory.org

Sponsor: Historic Beverly

Admission: Adults: \$15, Children: \$10, Free for family memberships.

Come learn about the archaeology of Beverly with an arts and crafts archaeology puzzle! Design your own paper pot, tear it up, and let a friend try to piece it back together. Afterwards, come enjoy some of the unique archaeological finds from around Beverly and learn about how we use archaeology to understand the past. All are welcome!

Billerica

MIDDLESEX CANAL BIKE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 1, 9am

Location: Sullivan Square MBTA Station, Charlestown to Lowell

Information: www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association, www.middlesexcanal.org

Admission: Free (Return MBTA Commuter Rail fare is participants' responsibility)

Bike tour of historic Middlesex Canal Route (38 miles). Depart 9am from Charlestown (Sullivan T Station) to Lowell (MBTA Train Station). Return to Boston via commuter rail on 5pm train. Fare is your responsibility. Join or leave at several intermediate stopping points including Sandy Beach, Winchester; Kiwanis Park, Woburn; Wilmington MBTA Station; Middlesex Canal Museum near North Billerica MBTA Station. Google "Canal Ride Cue Sheet" for route description/details.

WALK ALONG MIDDLESEX CANAL

Date & Time: Sunday, October 15, 1:30pm

Location: Middlesex Canal Museum, 71 Faulkner Street

Information: Robert Winters (robert@middlesexcanal.org),
www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association

Admission: Free

Joint MCA-AMC Middlesex Canal Fall Walk. Meet at 1:30 at the Middlesex Canal Museum in North Billerica. The walk will follow the route of the canal southward and return, for a trip of approximately 3 miles. Wayside sites include the guard locks, the site of the floating towpath bridge at the Concord River "summit," the 1825 pond level marker, and the nearby smallpox memorial marker.

FALL MEETING AND LECTURE

Date & Time: Sunday, October 22, 1pm

Location: Middlesex Canal Museum, 71 Faulkner Street

Information: 978-670-2740, www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association

Admission: Free

Middlesex Canal Fall Meeting and Lecture on a subject related to the canal era. Speaker and topic to be determined. Please check with event organizer for additional information

Boston

11TH ANNUAL AIA-MOS ARCHAEOLOGY FAIR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 10am-4pm

Location: Museum of Science, 1 Science Park, Boston

Information: www.archaeological.org/education/aiaamosfair

Sponsor: Archaeological Institute of America; Museum of Science

Admission: Free with museum admission (Adults: \$25, Seniors: \$21, Children: \$20)

Join the Archaeological Institute of America and the Museum of Science, Boston, for a day of archaeological discovery! Learn about the humans of the past through hands-on activities, live demonstrations, and by speaking with our presenters. Join us for International Archaeology Day!

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"A PLACE OF STONE" BY DOUGLAS HUNTER

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 10, 11:30am

Location: The Atrium, basement of 251 Causeway Street

Information: ellen.berkland@state.ma.us

Sponsor: Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Diversity and Inclusion Council

Admission: Free

Douglas Hunter, PhD, will present on his newly published book entitled "A Place of Stone." Dighton Rock is a forty-ton boulder covered in petroglyphs located in southern Massachusetts, and is claimed by many to be the most frequently documented artifact in American archaeology. First noted by colonists in 1680, the rock's markings have been debated by scholars and everyday people alike on both sides of the Atlantic. The glyphs have been erroneously assigned to an array of non-indigenous cultures. Historian Douglas Hunter uses Dighton Rock to reveal the long, complex history of colonization, American archaeology, and the conceptualization of indigenous people. Reception and book-signing will follow the talk.

STORIES IN STONE: AMERICA THROUGH ITS EARLY BURIAL GROUNDS

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 11, 6-7:30pm

Location: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 99-101
Newbury Street

Information: 617-226-1226, education@nehgs.org,
AmericanAncestors.org

Sponsor: New England Historic Genealogical Society,
AmericanAncestors.org

Admission: Free

Burial grounds are outdoor museums: accessible and are open to all. The stones reveal the history of the town and its people. Join Ta Mara Conde, a monument conservator with Historic Gravestone Services, for a visual tour of America through its early burial grounds. Discover the meaning behind symbols adorning historic gravestones, understand society's changing attitudes towards death, and learn about the geology found in your local burial ground. Unearth the stories hidden in the stones.

“I FOUND JESUS IN THE PRIVY:” IRISH TENEMENT LIFE IN 19TH CENTURY ROXBURY

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 11, 7-9pm

Location: Haley House Café, 12 Dade Street

Information: ellen.berkland@state.ma.us

Sponsor: Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation,
Roxbury Historical Society

Admission: Free

DCR Archaeologist Ellen Berkland will show the results of recent excavations that have revealed exciting new data on 19th century tenement life in the city of Boston. The artifact collection represents a short period of site use and includes items related to personal grooming, cooking, children's play, schooling, religion, construction, and international politics. The collection provides important insights into immigrant lives and Roxbury history. Come early and enjoy a delicious dinner or dessert at the Haley House Cafe.

ARCHAEOLOGY DAY AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Date & Time: Sunday, October 22, 12-3pm

Location: 675 Commonwealth Avenue, STO 253 (Gabel Museum)

Information: Kathleen Forste (kmforste@bu.edu)

Sponsor: Boston University, Department of Archaeology

Admission: Free

At Boston University's Archaeology Day, we open up the department collections to the public and host hands-on activities and demonstrations with real BU archaeologists! Come talk to the experts and learn how past people made and used technology, how we discover them, and how we learn from them. Demonstrations include: stone tool making, cross-

mending ceramics, and identifying ancient plants, bones, and other materials.

GALLERY TALKS: ANCIENT EGYPT AND NUBIA, ARCHAEOLOGY AND CONSERVATION AT THE MFA

Date & Time: Sunday, October 22, 2-3pm

Location: Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, 465 Huntington Avenue

Information: www.mfa.org

Sponsor: Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

Admission: Free with regular admission (Members: Free, Adults: \$25, Seniors: \$23, Students: \$23, Children under 6: Free)

Join art conservators for a gallery talk in the Egyptian and Nubian galleries. While viewing select archaeological objects, hear about how museum staff, including curators, conservators, and scientists, worked together to study ancient Egyptian and Nubian artworks. Every object had a unique history that can be explored through its materials, techniques, and display. Learn about different conservations approaches used in the field and at the museum.

Brewster

TAYLOR BRAY FARM UPDATE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 1 pm

Location: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History, 869 Main Street/
Route 6A

Information: www.ccmnh.org

Sponsor: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History

Admission: Free with admission (Adults: \$15, Seniors: \$10, Children ages 3-12: \$6, Children under 3: Free)

The 2016 excavation at the Taylor Bray Farm investigated the area around the ca.1640 Richard Taylor house that was discovered back in 2012. Archaeologists identified colonial trash deposits, two 17th-century farm buildings (the only ones yet discovered on Cape Cod), and a 6000-8000 year old Native American projectile point. The 2016 dig represented the last year that work would be conducted on this important site. This talk will present a summary of all that the Taylor Bray Farm community archaeology program has found over the years at this very important archaeological site.

WING ISLAND GUIDED WALK

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 10 am

Location: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History, 869 Main Street/
Route 6A

Information: www.ccmnh.org

Sponsor: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History

Admission: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History Members: \$3,
Non-Members: \$5

Join archaeologist Dan Zoto for a guided walk of Wing Island, the location of the Wing Island Archaeology Project. Learn the history of the island and its varied uses throughout thousands of years.

CAPE COD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY ARTIFACT IDENTIFICATION DAY

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 12-3:00pm

Location: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History, 869 Main Street/
Route 6A

Information: www.ccmnh.org

Sponsor: Cape Cod Museum of Natural History

Admission: Free with admission (Adults: \$15, Seniors: \$10, Children ages 3-12: \$6, Children under 3: Free)

Join archaeologist Dan Zoto and the rest of the CCMNH Archaeology team. View artifacts from local excavations including from the Wing Island Archaeology Project, and learn about the archaeology of the area. Visitors are encouraged to bring artifacts for identification.

Cambridge

ZOOARCHAEOLOGY LABORATORY OPEN HOUSE

Date & Time: Monday, October 9, 12:00-4:00pm

Location: Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University, 11 Divinity Avenue

Information: 617-495-8317, www.peabody.harvard.edu

Sponsor: Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology, Harvard University

Admission: Free with regular museum admission (Adults: \$12, Seniors: \$10, Youth: \$8)

Visit behind the scenes of a museum laboratory that helps archaeologists identify the animal bones found on their excavations. Researchers who study animal remains from ancient human-occupation sites (zooarchaeologists) demonstrate how this is done by using skeletons of modern animals. If you have found a bone in your backyard, bring it in with you and get it identified! A favorite archaeology event for children and for home-schoolers!

DIVINE CREATURES: ANIMAL MUMMIES IN ANCIENT EGYPT

Date & Time: Thursday, October 12, 6pm

Location: Harvard Museums of Science & Culture, please check the website for location

Information: <https://hmsc.harvard.edu/calendar/upcoming>

Sponsor: Harvard Semitic Museum

Admission: Free

Enjoy this slideshow and talk from Dr. Salima Ikram, an Egyptologist and Professor of Egyptology at the American University in Cairo. Professor Salima Ikram is the world's leading expert of animal mummies, and is the founder of the Animal Mummy project at the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. She is the author of several books and articles on Egyptian archaeology, a contributor to both academic and popular journals, and she has conducted extensive archaeological research throughout Egypt.

Concord

PARKER'S REVENGE: THE NEW EVIDENCE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 1pm

Location: Minute Man Visitor Center, along 2A in Lexington near the I-95 interchange

Information: leslie_obleschuk@nps.gov, www.nps.gov/mima

Sponsor: Minute Man National Historical Park

Admission: Free

Archaeologist Meg Watters will share details about the Parker's Revenge Archaeology Project, which was successful in locating a key Revolutionary War battle site from April 19, 1775. Following the presentation, Park Ranger Jim Hollister, joined by His Majesty's 10th Regiment of Foot, will lead a walk out to the scene of action. The re-enactors will demonstrate how we believe the battle was fought, based on the results from the excavations. This program will feature musket firing.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS AT MINUTE MAN NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 1pm

Location: Major John Buttrick House (across from North Bridge Visitors Center, 174 Liberty Street)

Information: leslie_obleschuk@nps.gov, www.nps.gov/mima

Sponsor: Minute Man National Historical Park

Admission: Free

Join Nikki Walsh of the Museum Services Center Northeast Region of the National Park Service for a presentation of various artifacts found

throughout the Park. See the artifacts and learn the stories behind where the items were found and how they were used in the historical context.

HANDS-ON HISTORY: DIGGING INTO THE PAST

Date & Time: Sunday, October 8, 1-4pm

Location: Concord Museum, 53 Cambridge Turnpike

Information: 978-369-9763, www.concordmuseum.org

Sponsor: Concord Museum

Admission: Adults: \$10, Seniors (62 and over): \$8, Students (18 and over with valid ID): \$8, Children: \$5, Children 5 and under: Free, Members: Free

Bring your family and get hands-on with history in this program focusing on Native American artifacts. Dig into Concord's past with an archaeological test pit. Event included with museum admission, members free.

COLLECTIONS SPOTLIGHT: NATIVE AMERICAN STONE TOOLS

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 1-3pm

Location: Concord Museum, 53 Cambridge Turnpike

Information: www.concordmuseum.org

Sponsor: Concord Museum

Admission: Adults: \$10, Seniors (62 and over): \$8, Students (18 and over with valid ID): \$8, Children: \$5, Children 5 and under: Free, Members: Free

Collection Spotlight shares the histories and stories of the objects at the Concord Museum. On October 21st, drop in to learn more about the museum's collection of over 17,000 stone tools, which were used by Native Americans in the region thousands of years ago. Observe, touch, and sketch real stone tools. Event included with museum admission, members free.

Deerfield

GUIDED TOUR OF THE OLD BURYING GROUND

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 11am

Location: Meet at the Old Burying Ground on Albany Road

Information: ccarlson@historic-deerfield.org

Sponsor: Historic Deerfield

Admission: Free

Come join a guided tour of the Old Burying Ground on Albany Road with Historic Deerfield's Program Coordinator, Claire Carlson. Please meet at the site. Free and open to the public.

THE GROUND AROUND US: THE IMPORTANCE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Date & Time: Sunday, October 15, 2pm

Location: Visitor Center at Hall Tavern, Historic Deerfield, 80 A Old Main Street

Information: ccarlson@historic-deerfield.org

Sponsor: Historic Deerfield

Admission: Free

Come listen to a lecture titled “The Ground around Us: The Importance of Archaeology and Historic Preservation,” given by Nick Bellantoni, Emeritus Connecticut State Archaeologist.

Duxbury

PLYMOUTH COLONY DURING KING PHILIP’S WAR

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 10, 7-9pm

Location: Duxbury Free Library, Merry Room, 77 Alden Street

Information: David Burbine: 781-264-8430, d.p.burbine@gmail.com

Sponsor: Duxbury Free Library

Admission: Free

Revisit the brutal war of 1675-1676 between the local natives and the settlers of Plymouth Colony. Independent researcher Gregory M. Lott will discuss the early friendship that existed between Massasoit, Chief Sachem of the Wampanoag Nation, and Plymouth Colony leaders William Bradford and Edward Winslow. Follow the precursors that would lead to a battle by the sons of these men.

Hamilton

STONE WALL TRADITIONS AND TECHNIQUES

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 18, 7-8:30pm

Location: Hamilton-Wenham Public Library, 14 Union Street

Information: 978-468-5577, hwlibrary.org

Sponsor: Hamilton-Wenham Public Library

Admission: Free

Kevin Gardner, author of “The Granite Kiss,” covers the history, technique, stylistic development, and aesthetics of New England stone walls. He will explain how and why New England acquired its thousands of miles of stone walls, the ways they were built, how their styles emerged, changed, and how they influenced the landscape.

Ipswich

BROWN BAG LUNCH: THE BULL BROOK STORY

Date & Time: Monday, October 2, 12:00 pm

Location: Ipswich Museum, 54 South Main Street

Information: www.ipswichmuseum.org/calendar

Sponsor: Ipswich Museum

Admission: Free to members and Ipswich seniors, \$5 for non-members

Speaker Chris Wright, former librarian of the Ipswich Middle School, will discuss her research on the Bull Brook archaeological site. Brown Bag Lunches are at noon on the first Monday of each month at the Ipswich Museum's Head House.

Lakeville

ARCHAEOLOGY DAY IN LAKEVILLE: WHAT'S IN YOUR BACKYARD?

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 1-4pm

Location: Lakeville Library, Gallery Room, 4 Precinct Street

Information: www.lakevillelibrary.org

Sponsor: Massachusetts Archaeological Society, Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, and the Lakeville Historical Commission

Admission: Free

Come celebrate International Archaeology Day! Come learn about the First People who lived in this place we now call Lakeville, how they lived, what they made, what they ate, what they believed, and where they are today. Introductory power point presentation at 1pm, followed by activities for all ages.

Lexington

PARKER'S REVENGE: THE NEW EVIDENCE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 1pm

Location: Minute Man Visitor Center, along 2A in Lexington near the I-95 interchange

Information: leslie_obleschuk@nps.gov, www.nps.gov/mima

Sponsor: Minute Man National Historical Park

Admission: Free

Archaeologist Meg Watters will share details about the Parker's Revenge Archaeology Project, which was successful in locating a key Revolutionary War battle site from April 19, 1775. Following the presentation, Park Ranger Jim Hollister, joined by His Majesty's 10th

Regiment of Foot, will lead a walk out to the scene of action. The re-enactors will demonstrate how we believe the battle was fought, based on the results from the excavations. This program will feature musket firing.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS AT MINUTE MAN NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 1pm

Location: Major John Buttrick House (across from North Bridge Visitors Center, 174 Liberty Street), Concord

Information: leslie_obleschuk@nps.gov, www.nps.gov/mima

Sponsor: Minute Man National Historical Park

Admission: Free

Join Nikki Walsh of the Museum Services Center Northeast Region of the National Park Service for a presentation of various artifacts found throughout the Park. See the artifacts and learn the stories behind where the items were found and how they were used in the historical context.

Lincoln

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Lowell

MIDDLESEX CANAL BIKE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 1, 9am

Location: Sullivan Square MBTA Station, Charlestown to Lowell

Information: www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association, www.middlesexcanal.org

Admission: Free (Return MBTA Commuter Rail fare is participants' responsibility)

Bike tour of historic Middlesex Canal Route (38 miles). Depart 9am from Charlestown (Sullivan T Station) to Lowell (MBTA Train

Station). Return to Boston via commuter rail on 5pm train. Fare is your responsibility. Join or leave at several intermediate stopping points including Sandy Beach, Winchester; Kiwanis Park, Woburn; Wilmington MBTA Station; Middlesex Canal Museum near North Billerica MBTA Station. Google “Canal Ride Cue Sheet” for route description/details.

ARCHAEOLOGY-THEMED BOAT TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 12-1:30pm (arrive at 11:30 am)

Location: Lowell National Historical Park Visitors Center,
246 Market Street. Parking available at 304 Dutton Street

Information: Reservations 978-970-5000, Information at
www.nps.gov/lowe

Sponsor: Lowell National Historical Park

Admission: Adults: \$12, Seniors: \$10, Students and Youth (6-16): \$8,
Children under 5: Free

Lowell National Historical Park staff will infuse this special “Working the Water” boat tour with an archaeological theme. Who dug the canals? Who laid the stone walls? Who operated the locks and gates? Discover the human stories of the workers who built and operated Lowell’s remarkable waterpower system. Find out who is still “working the water” today. Reservations required, please call 978-970-5000.

LOWELL WATERPOWER SITES AND SYSTEMS

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 11:30-1 pm

Location: Lowell National Historical Park Visitors Center,
246 Market Street. Parking available at 304 Dutton Street

Information: Reservations 978-970-5000, Information at
www.nps.gov/lowe

Sponsor: Lowell National Historical Park

Admission: Free

Visit the historic remains of the Tremont and Suffolk Mills, examples of 19th century waterpower systems. The Tremont Mills and the Suffolk Manufacturing Company were each incorporated in 1831 and were later merged into one company in 1871. The technology which powered the Tremont Mills remains visible in the basement of an office building, while the Tremont mill yard retains remnants of mill features and waterpower systems. The tour concludes at the Suffolk Mill, where turbines from 1896 are still in place.

Marshfield

ANCIENT VISITORS TO NORTH AMERICA? ARCHAEOLOGICAL FACTS AND FANTASIES.

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 11, 7-8:30pm

Location: Ventress Memorial Library, 15 Library Plaza, 1837 Ocean Street

Information: 781-834-5535, cwoods@ocln.org,
www.ventresslibrary.org

Sponsor: Ventress Memorial Library

Admission: Free

Some have claimed that Vikings, Welsh, Chinese, Africans, Polynesians, and others visited or settled North and Central America (otherwise occupied by Native Americans) before Columbus' so-called "discovery" in 1492. Are some of all of these claims based on fact, or are they mere fantasies? How does one evaluate the evidence, especially when encountering it on TV or the web? This talk explores these questions using real archaeological data and careful archaeological thinking. Presented by Dr. Stephen Silliman, Department of Anthropology at the University of Massachusetts, Boston.

Medford

MIDDLESEX CANAL BIKE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 1, 9am

Location: Sullivan Square MBTA Station, Charlestown to Lowell

Information: www.middlesexcanal.org

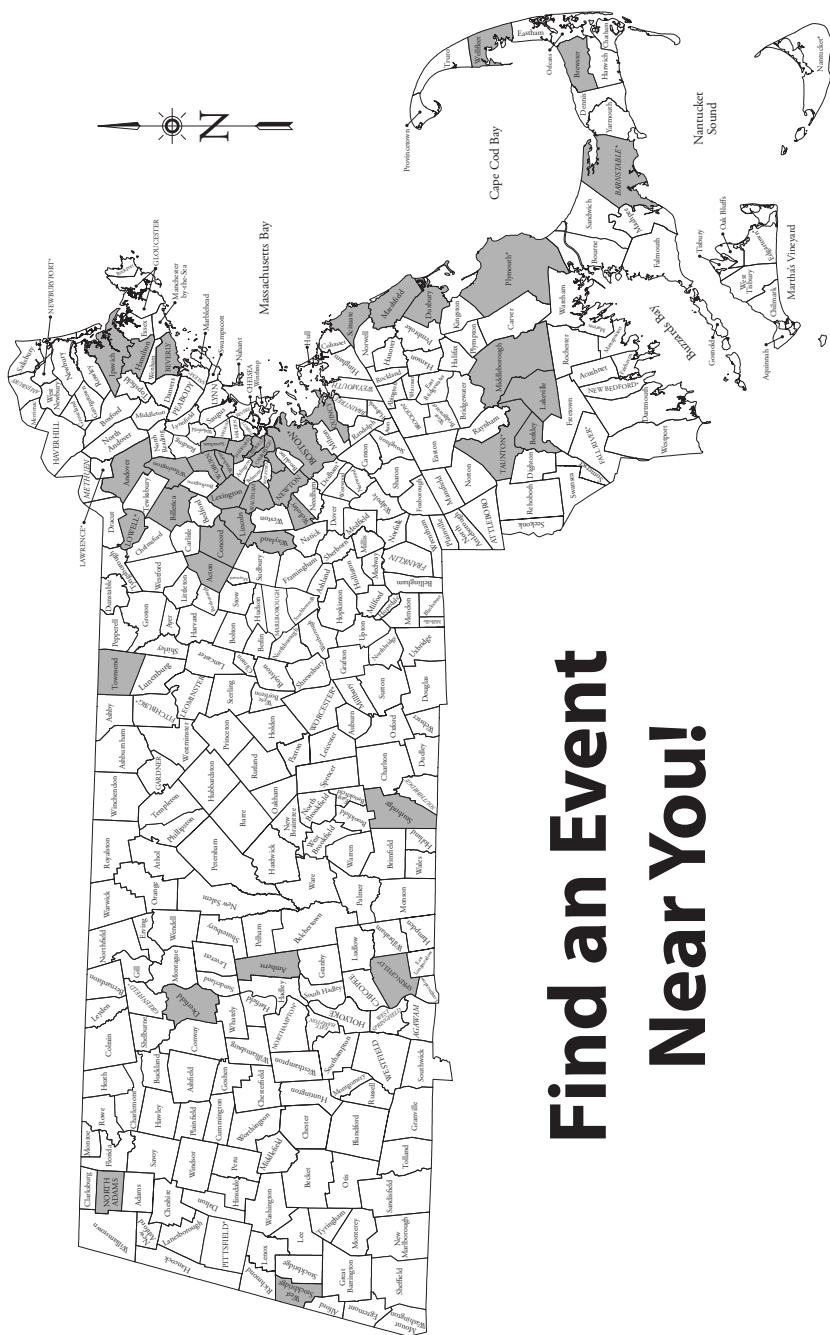
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2017 Calendar of Events At-A-Glance

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Billerica, Boston, Lowell, Medford, Somerville, Wilmington, Winchester, Woburn	2 Ipswich, Newton, Waltham	3 Newton, Taunton, Waltham	4 Newton, Middleborough, Taunton, Waltham	5 Newton, Taunton, Waltham	6 Newton, Plymouth, Taunton, Waltham	7 Brewster, Concord, Lexington, Lowell, Middleborough, North Adams, Stoneham, Taunton, Waltham, West Stockbridge
8 Berkley, Concord, West Stockbridge	9 Cambridge, Newton, Waltham	10 Boston, Duxbury, Newton, Taunton, Waltham	11 Boston, Marshfield, Newton, Taunton, Waltham	12 Cambridge, Newton, Springfield, Taunton, Waltham	13 Newton, Plymouth, Taunton, Waltham	14 Beverly, Lowell, Middleborough, North Adams, Scituate, Sturbridge, Taunton, Waltham
15 Billerica, Deerfield, Newton	16 Newton, Waltham	17 Acton, Andover, Newton, Taunton, Waltham	18 Hamilton, Middleborough, Newton, Taunton, Waltham	19 Acton, Newton, Taunton, Waltham	20 Newton, Plymouth, Taunton, Waltham	21 International Archaeology Day Acton, Barnstable, Boston, Brewster, Concord, Lakeville, Lexington, Lincoln, Middleborough, North Adams, Plymouth, Taunton, Townsend, Waltham, Wayland, Wellesley
22 Acton, Billerica, Boston	23 Newton, Waltham	24 Amherst, Newton, Taunton, Waltham	25 Middleborough, Waltham, Welfleet	26 Newton, Springfield, Taunton, Waltham	27 Newton, Plymouth, Taunton, Waltham	28 Middleborough, Quincy, Taunton, Waltham
29	30 Newton, Waltham	31 Newton, Taunton, Waltham				



Middleborough

“A PLACE OF STONE” BY DOUGLAS HUNTER

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 1pm **CANCELLED**

Location: Massachusetts Archaeological Society's Robbins Museum,
17 Jackson Street

Information: massarchaeology.org

Sponsor: Massachusetts Archaeological Society

Admission: Free

Douglas Hunter, PhD, will present on his newly published book entitled “A Place of Stone.” Dighton Rock is a forty-ton boulder covered in petroglyphs located in southern Massachusetts, and is claimed by many to be the most frequently documented artifact in American archaeology. First noted by colonists in 1680, the rock's markings have been debated by scholars and everyday people alike on both sides of the Atlantic. The glyphs have been erroneously assigned to an array of non-indigenous cultures. Historian Douglas Hunter uses Dighton Rock to reveal the long, complex history of colonization, American archaeology, and the conceptualization of indigenous people. Reception and book-signing will follow the talk.

THE NORSE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 11, 7pm

Location: Massachusetts Archaeological Society's Robbins Museum,
17 Jackson Street

Information: David Burbine: 781-264-8430, d.p.burbine@gmail.com

Sponsor: Massachusetts Archaeological Society- Southeast Chapter

Admission: Free

Icelandic sagas describe the colonization of Greenland by Erik the Red and the subsequent discovery of land further west by his son Leif Erickson. Leif would name this land “Vinland the Good.” Join independent researcher Gregory M. Lott as he revisits the work done by Norwegian explorer and author Helge Ingstad and his archaeologist wife, Anne Stine Ingstad. Their extensive efforts would demonstrate how Europeans visited North America nearly 500 years prior to Columbus.

ROBBINS MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY OPEN HOUSE

Date & Time: Wednesdays, 10am-4pm, and Saturdays, 10am-2pm,
throughout October

Location: Robbins Museum of Archaeology, 17 Jackson Street

Information: info@massarchaeology.org

Sponsor: Robbins Museum of Archaeology, www.massarchaeology.org/museum

Admission: Adults: \$5 donation, Children: \$2, MAS Members: Free

Come visit over 10,000 years of local archaeology! The museum displays thousands of artifacts including a handcrafted mishoon (dugout canoe), the Doyle collection of Native American dolls, and a diorama of Native American New England life. We accept bookings for groups and offer special tours of our collection at a group admission rate.

Newton

DIGGING FOR EVIDENCE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Date & Time: Call 617-796-1463 to schedule!

Location: Jackson Homestead & Museum, 527 Washington Street

Information: 617-796-1463, historicnewton.org

Sponsor: Historic Newton

Admission: \$3/student, chaperones free & \$30 materials fee

Get your hands dirty! Students dig for artifacts in a mock archaeological dig to learn first-hand how archaeologists do the detective work of history. By practicing critical thinking and directed looking, students discover how we learn about people from the past from the objects they left behind. The program wraps up with students creating their own clay pot to take home. Recommended for grades 2-8; runs for 1 1/2 hours.

DIGGING FOR EVIDENCE FAMILY PROGRAM

Date & Time: Sunday, October 15, 1pm

Location: Jackson Homestead & Museum, 527 Washington Street

Information: 617-796-1463, historicnewton.org

Sponsor: Historic Newton

Admission: \$5/person pre-register, \$10/person day of (includes museum admission and materials)

Bring the whole family to dig for artifacts in a mock archaeological dig to learn first-hand how archaeologists do the detective work of history. See what archaeology can teach us about the Native American people who flourished in this area before European settlement by handling real projective points and stone tools. The program is appropriate for families with children ages 7 and up.

North Adams

STAIRWAYS TO HEAVEN: TEMPLES

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 3pm

Location: Western Gateway Heritage State Park, Visitors Museum,
Building 4, 115 State Street

Information: 413-663-6312

Sponsor: Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

Admission: Free

The concept of a “dwelling place for the gods” is both universal and central to most religions around the world. This illustrated program will explore the globe for the diversity of archaeological finds that depict these symbolic meeting places of gods and humans.

ARCHAEOLOGY ABDUCTED BY ALIENS!

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 3pm

Location: Western Gateway Heritage State Park, Visitors Museum,
Building 4, 115 State Street

Information: 413-663-6312

Sponsor: Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

Admission: Free

2017 will mark the 70th anniversary of the heavily debated Roswell event. An unfortunate offspring of serious UFO studies is the branch called Ancient Astronaut Theory. One of the consequences of this theory is the literal abduction of the field of archaeology. This illustrated lecture will explore how ancient astronaut theorists have used legitimate archaeological finds to support their beliefs without the benefit of the scientific method.

JOHN HENRY HAYNES, ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPLORER

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 2 pm

Location: North Adams Public Library, 74 Church Street

Information: www.naplibrary.com

Sponsor: North Adams Historical Society

Admission: Free

John Henry Hayes was a pioneer of American archaeological photography. In the late 19th-century, he discovered and documented some of the most important cultural artifacts and sites of the ancient world. Hayes was born in Rowe, graduated from Williams College, and is buried in North Adams' Hillside Cemetery. This event will combine an illustrated presentation from Professor Robert Ousterhout of the University of Pennsylvania, and a display of items donated by Hayes.

Plymouth

DIG INTO ARCHAEOLOGY

Date & Time: Fridays in October, 12-1pm

Location: Plimoth Plantation, 137 Warren Avenue

Information: ccoleman@plimoth.org

Sponsor: Plimoth Plantation

Admission: Members: \$5, Non-members: \$8

Dig into archaeology with Plimoth Plantation with our month-long series. Join us on Friday afternoons during Archaeology Month as we welcome a lineup of lively and unique guest speakers from the field of archaeology.

Ovens on the Edge, 1590-1640: An Experimental Archaeology of Baking

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 4, 7pm

Location: Pilgrim Hall Museum, 75 Court Street

Information: www.pilgrimhallmuseum.org/museum_events.htm

Sponsor: Pilgrim Hall Museum

Admission: Suggested donation: \$5

Paula Marcoux, food historian and cookbook author, pieces together the history of early colonial bake ovens with in-depth research and innovative experiments in oven-building and baking methods

“THE SWORD OF JUSTICE HAS NO SCABBARD”: TRACING COLONEL ROBERT GOULD SHAW’S CIVIL WAR SWORD

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 11, 3pm

Location: Pilgrim Hall Museum, 75 Court Street

Information: www.pilgrimhallmuseum.org/museum_events.htm

Sponsor: Pilgrim Hall Museum

Admission: Suggested donation: \$5

Anne Bentley, Curator of Art & Artifacts at the Massachusetts Historical Society, tracks the remarkable story of the “Glory” sword used with the famed African-American 54th Infantry.

A Cloth Seal and a Muck Pit: Archaeological Discoveries on Burial Hill

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 18, 7pm

Location: Pilgrim Hall Museum, 75 Court Street

Information: www.pilgrimhallmuseum.org/museum_events.htm

Sponsor: Pilgrim Hall Museum

Admission: Suggested donation: \$5

David B. Landon, of the Fiske Center for Archaeological Research, UMass Boston, reveals discoveries of the latest excavations on historic Burial Hill. The last artifact found on the last day of excavations this summer was a Dutch bale seal: a lead disk attached to a bolt of trade cloth. This unusual object is just one part of a large collection of early 17th century artifacts and features that were recovered this season. Landon will discuss what the findings from the 2017 season reveals about the original Plymouth Colony settlement.

PLIMOUTH AFTER DARK: “COLONIAL SIX”

Date & Time: Friday, October 20, 7-9pm

Location: Plimoth Plantation, 137 Warren Avenue

Information: ccoleman@plimoth.org

Sponsor: Plimoth Plantation

Admission: Members: \$5, Non-members: \$8

Join us for an exclusive viewing of the archaeology film “Colonial Six.” Experience actual footage of the Plimoth Plantation 1966 archaeological dig conducted by Dr. James Deetz. Following the brief film, our curator, Dr. Kathryn Ness, will present artifacts from the Plimoth Plantation collection and discuss how they influence the Museum’s educational mission.

INTERNATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY DAY

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 10am-4pm

Location: Plimoth Plantation, 137 Warren Avenue

Information: ccoleman@plimoth.org

Sponsor: Plimoth Plantation

Admission: Adults: \$28, Seniors (62+): \$26, Children: \$16

Celebrate International Archaeology Day with Plimoth Plantation. Purchase a reproduction artifact to paint and take home. Listen to curator Dr. Kathryn Ness discuss the artifacts in the collection during “Pieces of the Past,” and see some of them close-up. Throughout the day there will be a variety of archaeology-related children’s activities including stories, coloring, and crafts.

Quincy

LYONS TURNING MILL SITE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 28, 10am-3pm (Rain date is Saturday, October 29, 10am-3pm)

Location: Quarry Hills Drive off Ricciuti Drive

Information: 617-472-1322, quincyquarrymuseum@verizon.net

Sponsor: Quincy Quarry and Granite Workers Museum, www.quincyquarrymuseum.org

Admission: Free

This event consists of guided tours of the remains of the historic Lyons Turning Mill site and the surrounding Lyons Quarry area where artifacts of Quincy’s granite industry can be seen. Interpretive information explaining the artifacts will be displayed. Informational tables will be set up with historical photos of Quincy’s granite history. Also on display will be information on the proposed Quincy Quarry and Granite Workers Museum to be built on a portion of the mill site grounds.

Scituate

A CHILD'S SANCTUARY: DISCOVERING OUR MARITIME HERITAGE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 1-4pm

Location: Scituate Town Library, 85 Branch Street

Information: <http://stellwagen.noaa.gov>,
www.ScituateTownLibrary.org

Sponsor: Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary

Admission: Free

Learn about maritime heritage with Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary! Map a shipwreck, try on scuba diving gear, explore the undersea world, and meet an underwater archaeologist! Ideals for elementary school aged children.

Somerville

MIDDLESEX CANAL BIKE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 1, 9am

Location: Sullivan Square MBTA Station, Charlestown to Lowell

Information: www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association, www.middlesexcanal.org

Admission: Free (Return MBTA Commuter Rail fare is participants' responsibility)

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Springfield

CYPRUS & MALTA: COVETED ISLANDS, COMPLICATED HISTORIES

Date & Time: Thursday, October 12, 12:15-1:15pm

Location: Springfield Museums, 21 Edwards Street

Information: kguerin@springfieldmuseums.org,
springfieldmuseums.org

Sponsor: Springfield Museums

Admission: \$4 (does not include museum admission: Adults: \$25, Seniors: \$16.50, Ages 3-17: \$13, free for children under 3)

Mediterranean islands, big and small, have been inhabited, attacked, and occupied over centuries. Trade, resources, strategic positions, war, and religion have shaped what they were and who they are today. Come listen to lecturer Amy S. Dane and visit ancient tombs and temples, Byzantine and Baroque churches, today's streets, scenic views, and natural wonders. Draw your own conclusions as to what the future may bring to these islands.

MIRROR AT THE GATE: GREEK BUDDHIST AND CHRISTIAN ART AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Date & Time: Thursday, October 26, 12:15-1:15pm

Location: Springfield Museums, 21 Edwards Street

Information: kguerin@springfieldmuseums.org,
springfieldmuseums.org

Sponsor: Springfield Museums

Admission: \$4 (does not include museum admission: Adults: \$25,
Seniors: \$16.50, Ages 3-17: \$13, free for children under 3)

Early Greek-Buddhist art and artifacts of Central Asia appear remarkably similar to early Christian art and artifacts of the Middle East. In this lecture, Joseph A.P. Wilson of Fairfield University will present material connections between these neighboring regions during the Late Antiquity period. Political turmoil of the late Roman Empire spurred migration between these ancient cultures, deeply influencing their artistic traditions.

Stoneham

WHEN THE STONES SPEAK: A GLIMPSE OF THE WYOMING COMMUNITY THROUGH HAYWARDVILLE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7th, 10 am (rain date Sunday, October 8th, 10am)

Location: Meet at 2 Woodland Road in the Middlesex Fells
Reservation, at the interpretive sign

Information: www.preservation-collaborative.com

Admission: Free

Wyoming is a former community that has been forgotten. With origins in the 18th-century as the Lap Parish, this community reached its peak as a wealthy residential enclave. In the middle of the 19th century, architect William Bailey Lang purchased a tract of former farmland to be divided into house lots. Situated on the shores of a clean lake just an hour from Boston, development was a success, attracting white collar individuals who played an important role in Stoneham's growth. These were the people who helped Haywardville flourish, and then flounder. Join architectural historian Ryan D. Hayward for an informative look at

Wyoming from the Haywardville perspective. Visitors are in for a treat as they will be shown historic images, recreations of the former buildings, and meet our civic ancestors. This walking tour will be conducted on site and will last approximately 120 minutes over a 1.5 mile loop.

Sturbridge

OF ICE AND MEN: THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE VILLAGE'S MILL SITE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 11am

Location: Meet at the Sawmill, Old Sturbridge Village, 1 Old Sturbridge Village Rd

Information: 1-800-733-1830, www.osv.org/events

Sponsor: Old Sturbridge Village

Admission: Adults: \$24, Seniors: \$22, Youths: \$8, Children under 3: Free

Nature and the hand of man altered the flow of the Quinebaug River to operate mills of this site since the late 1700s. In celebration of Archaeology Month, learn how the land, water, and their use have changed over time.

Taunton

LECTURE: MUSKETBALL AND SMALL SHOT IDENTIFICATION, PRESENTED BY DAN SIVILICH

Date & Time: Thursday, October 19, 7pm

Location: Old Colony History Museum, 66 Church Green

Information: oldcolonyhistorymuseum.org, 508-822-1622

Sponsor: Old Colony History Museum

Admission: Free

Archaeologist and author Dan Sivilich traces the history of musketballs and small shot. Sivilich will explain how a musketball found in a military context can help to interpret the site, answering questions such as "was it fired," "what did it hit," "what type of gun was fired," and more. Dan will be available to sign copies of his guidebook following the presentation and guests are free to explore the museum.

OLD COLONY UNEARTHED

Date & Time: Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10am-4pm

Location: Old Colony History Museum, 66 Church Green

Information: oldcolonyhistorymuseum.org, 508-822-1622

Sponsor: Old Colony History Museum

Admission: Adults: \$4, Seniors and young adults (12-18): \$2, children under the age of 12 and members: Free

During the month of October, the Old Colony Museum will celebrate Massachusetts Archaeology Month with a special display of archaeological artifacts from our collection. Come see what we have dug up for you!

Townsend

ROGERSVILLE: INDUSTRY AND INNOVATION ON PEARL HILL BROOK

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 7pm

Location: Townsend Harbor Church, 80 Main Street

Information: www.preservation-collaborative.com

Sponsor: Townsend Historical Society

Admission: Free

Rogersville was a 19th century mill village that has disappeared from our modern landscape. For half a century, the mills provided various staple products, such as barrel staves, to the bigger businesses in town. The hard working men and women who built this hamlet were entrepreneurs and inventors. They used their time, energy and money to build a better Townsend. A series of devastating fires and a national depression brought an end to this village. This program seeks to shine a new light on this historic location, which is now a part of the Department of Conservation and Recreation's Pearl Hill Brook.

Waltham

FIFTY ACRES AND THREE CENTURIES: ARCHAEOLOGY AT GORE PLACE

Date & Time: Mondays – Fridays, 10am-3pm and Saturdays 12-3pm

Location: The Carriage House/Welcome Center at Gore Place, 52 Gore Street

Information: www.goreplace.org

Sponsor: Gore Place

Admission: Free

During the month of October, a photographic exhibit will be on display in the Gore Place Carriage House. Scenes of excavation at Gore Place during the last ten years and images of found artifacts will explore the research and process involved in preserving the 50-acre estate that is in its third century.

Wayland

WHAT DO CERAMICS TELL US ABOUT WAYLAND'S ANCIENT INHABITANTS?

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 2-4pm

Location: Wayland Town Building, 41 Cochituate Rd

Information: Tonya.Largy@verizon.net

Sponsor: Wayland Historical Commission, Wayland Historical Society

Admission: Free

Speaker John P. Petrola will discuss how ceramic sherds provide the archaeologist with important clues into how ancient Native Americans manufactured their pottery, how pots functioned in making a living, and how social beliefs and status were symbolized through decorative motifs.

Wellfleet

THE ECHOES OF FRESH BROOK VILLAGE

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 25, 10am-12pm

Location: Meet at Marconi Beach Parking Lot

Information: 508-255-3421, extension 0301

Sponsor: Cape Cod National Seashore

Admission: Free

Join Park Historian Bill Burke for an exploration of the Fresh Brook Village site. The site contains the remnants of an abandoned village that once featured the voices of a lively settlement of fishing families. Gone are the sturdy houses, post office, tavern, and school. Occupied for over a century, and dependent of its tenuous connection to the sea, Fresh Brook Village faded out of existence by the 1920s and was replaced by an Army installation and later incorporated into the wilds of the national seashore. Be prepared for a vigorous walk, rain or shine, to reach the site, and wear a bright colored vest (hunting season).

Wellesley

FAMILY DAY: READY, SET, EXCAVATE!

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21, 11am-3pm

Location: Davis Museum, 106 Central Street

Information: www.thedavis.org

Sponsor: Davis Museum at Wellesley College

Admission: Free

Celebrate Massachusetts Archaeology Month and International Archaeology Day at the Davis! Travel back in time and explore the wonders of the past. Visitors of all ages are invited to this free, family-

friendly event that offers the chance to explore ancient artifacts, enjoy storytelling, take part in art making, a museum tour, or treasure hunts in the galleries, and more. This event is generously supported by the Palley Endowment Fund for the Davis Museum Outreach Program.

FROM THE NILE TO THE CHARLES: ARCHAEOLOGY AT WELLESLEY COLLEGE

Date & Time: Saturday, October 21

Location: Science Center Atrium, Wellesley College, 106 Central St

Information: eminor@wellesley.edu

Sponsor: Wellesley College

Admission: Free

Come learn about many different types of Archaeology from students at Wellesley College! How do you interact with the past every day? And how can we use new technology to understand ancient people better? Hands-on activities will include exploring ancient Egypt in augmented reality, local gravestone traditions in Massachusetts, and a 3D printed artifact petting zoo.

West Stockbridge

“OUTSIDE THE BOX”

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7, 12pm

Location: 0 Great Barrington Road, Off Route 41 South (Across from #87 going North)

Information: 413-528-6333, astorequarry@gmail.com

Sponsor: The Darrow School

Admission: Adult: \$10, Children: \$5

The Darrow School’s Helping Hands Program, led by conservation teacher Joel Priest, has been working on the riparian areas along the beautiful Williams River. Joel discusses conservation programs focusing on riparian area repair and the constant need for invasive plant removal and control. “Outside the Box” is our conservation program, designed to benefit all schools, focusing on the study of earth sciences in a natural classroom.

AN EDIBLE WALKING TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 7 (directly after the “Outside the Box” program)

Location: 0 Great Barrington Road, Off Route 41 South (Across from #87 going North)

Information: 413-528-6333, astorequarry@gmail.com

Sponsor: The Darrow School

Admission: Adult: \$10, Children: \$5

A walking tour is given by Jeremia and Erin Pollard, both avid foragers. Medicines and edibles are all around us, probably even in your own back yard. Come learn about tree identification, rare plants, wild edibles, and the invasive plants that are choking riparian areas.

FREEDLEY MARBLE QUARRY - PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Date & Time: Sunday, October 8, 12pm

Location: 0 Great Barrington Road, Off Route 41 South (Across from #87 going North)

Information: 413-528-6333, astorequarry@gmail.com

Sponsor: The Darrow School

Admission: Adult: \$10, Children: \$5

Come listen to local historian Vern Tower for a unique historical presentation of the Freedley Marble Quarry, located in West Stockbridge. Come see hands-on exhibits of quarrying techniques and the labor it took to extract the highly valued, building quality, white-gray marble blocks. The marble quarried was used in the town halls of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and the Senate Floor in the Capitol Building in Washington. D.C.

Wilmington

MIDDLESEX CANAL BIKE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 1, 9am

Location: Sullivan Square MBTA Station, Charlestown to Lowell

Information: www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association, www.middlesexcanal.org

Admission: Free (Return MBTA Commuter Rail fare is participants' responsibility)

Bike tour of historic Middlesex Canal Route (38 miles). Depart 9am from Charlestown (Sullivan T Station) to Lowell (MBTA Train Station). Return to Boston via commuter rail on 5pm train. Fare is your responsibility. Join or leave at several intermediate stopping points including Sandy Beach, Winchester; Kiwanis Park, Woburn; Wilmington MBTA Station; Middlesex Canal Museum near North Billerica MBTA Station. Google "Canal Ride Cue Sheet" for route description/details.

Winchester

MIDDLESEX CANAL BIKE TOUR

Date & Time: Saturday, October 1, 9am

Location: Sullivan Square MBTA Station, Charlestown to Lowell

Information: www.middlesexcanal.org

Sponsor: Middlesex Canal Association, www.middlesexcanal.org

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Woburn

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Archaeology Year Round Reference Guide

ARCHAEOLOGY WEB SITES

About.com's Archaeology site

Archaeology.about.com

Archaeological Institute of America

www.archaeological.org

Archaeology for the Public (Society for American Archaeology)

www.saa.org/publicftp/public/home/home.html

Archaeology Fieldwork.com

www.archaeologyfieldwork.com

Archaeology Magazine

www.archaeology.org

Archaeology's DIG Magazine

shop.cricketmedia.com/Dig-Magazine-for-Kids.html

ArchNet-World Wide Web Virtual Library for Archaeology

archnet.asu.edu

Archaeology on the BBC

www.bbc.co.uk/history/ancient/archaeology/

Earthwatch Institute

www.earthwatch.org

Massachusetts Archaeological Society

www.massarchaeology.org

Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archaeological Resources

www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/czm/buar/

Massachusetts Historical Commission

www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc

click "Massachusetts Archaeology Month" for calendar updates

click "Archaeology" to see Massachusetts Historical Commission Archaeological Exhibits online, popular archaeology booklets and other resources

National Park Service "Links to the Past"

www.nps.gov/history/

National Park Service Archaeology Program

<https://www.nps.gov/archeology/public/archvol.htm>

Passport in Time (USDA Forest Service)

www.passportintime.com

Society for American Archaeology

www.saa.org

Society for Historical Archaeology

www.sha.org

The Archaeology Channel

www.archaeologychannel.org

Time Team America

www.pbs.org/opb/timeteam

MUSEUMS

The following is a partial list of museums that often have archaeology-related exhibits. Many local historical societies and museums also can provide you with historical documentation derived from archaeology and have artifacts on display.

Please contact museums to confirm hours of operation and admission fees.

ARCHAEOLOGY MUSEUMS

Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology

Harvard University

11 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge

617-496-1027 • www.peabody.harvard.edu

Robbins Museum of Archaeology

17 Jackson Street, Middleboro

508-947-9005 • massarchaeology.org/robbins-museum/about/

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology

175 Main Street, on the campus of Phillips Academy, Andover

978-749-4490 • www.andover.edu/rspeabody

Semitic Museum

Harvard University, 6 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge

617-495-4631 • www.semiticmuseum.fas.harvard.edu

ART MUSEUMS

D'Amour Museum of Fine Arts

21 Edwards Street, Springfield

413-263-6800 • <https://springfieldmuseums.org/>

Davis Museum at Wellesley College

106 Central Street, Wellesley

781-283-2051 • <https://www.wellesley.edu/davismuseum>

Fitchburg Art Museum

185 Elm Street, Fitchburg

978-345-4207 • www.fitchburgartmuseum.org

George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum

21 Edwards Street, Springfield

413-263-6800 • <https://springfieldmuseums.org/>

Harvard University Art Museums

Harvard University Campus, Corner of Quincy and Broadway,
Cambridge

617-495-9400 • www.harvardartmuseums.org

Mount Holyoke College Art Museum

Lower Lake Road, South Hadley

413-538-2245 • www.mtholyoke.edu/artmuseum/

Museum of Fine Arts

465 Huntington Avenue, Boston

617-267-9300 • www.mfa.org

Peabody Essex Museum

161 Essex Street, Salem

978-745-9500 • www.pem.org

Worcester Art Museum

55 Salisbury Street, Worcester

508-799-4406 • www.worcesterart.org

CHILDREN'S MUSEUMS**Children's Discovery Museum**

177 Main Street, Acton

978-264-4200 • www.discoverymuseums.org

The Children's Museum

300 Congress Street, Boston

617-426-6500 • www.bostonchildrensmuseum.org

The Children's Museum in Easton

9 Sullivan Avenue, North Easton

508-230-3789 • www.childrensmuseumineaston.org

HISTORY MUSEUMS**Alden House Museum**

105 Alden Street, Duxbury

781-934-9092 • www.alden.org

Aptuxet Trading Post Museum

24 Aptuxet Road, Bourne

508-759-8167 • [www.bournehistoricalsociety.org/](http://www.bournehistoricalsociety.org/aptuxettradingpost.html)

aptuxettradingpost.html

The Berkshire Museum

39 South Street (Route 7), Pittsfield

413-443-7171 • www.berkshitemuseum.org

The Bidwell House Museum

100 Art School Road, Monterey

413-528-6888 • www.bidwellhousemuseum.org

Buttonwoods Museum

240 Water Street, Haverhill

978-374-4626 • www.haverhillhistory.org

The Charles River Museum of Industry

154 Moody Street, Waltham

781-893-5410 • www.charlesrivermuseum.org

Commonwealth Museum

220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston

617-727-9268 • www.commonwealthmuseum.org

Concord Museum

200 Lexington Street, Concord

978-369-9763 • www.concordmuseum.org

Custom House Maritime Museum

25 Water Street, Newburyport

978-462-8681 • www.customhousemaritimemuseum.org

Emily Dickinson Museum

280 Main Street, Amherst

413-542-8161 • <https://www.emilydickinsonmuseum.org/>

Fruitlands Museum

102 Prospect Hill Road, Harvard

978-456-3924 • www.fruitlands.org

The Golden Ball Tavern Museum

662 Boston Post Road, Weston

781-894-1751 • www.goldenballtavern.org

Heritage Plantation

Located at the intersection of Pine and Grove Streets, Sandwich

508-888-3300 • www.heritagemuseumsandgardens.org

Historic Deerfield

79 Old Main Street, Deerfield

413-774-5581 • www.historic-deerfield.org

The House of Seven Gables

115 Derby Street, Salem

978-744-0991 • www.7gables.org

Isaac Winslow House

Corner of Webster and Careswell Streets, Marshfield

781-837-5753 • www.marshfield.net/winslow

Lowell National Historic Park

67 Kirk Street, Lowell

978-970-5000 • www.nps.gov/lowe/

Martha's Vineyard Historical Society

59 School Street, Edgartown

508-627-4441 • www.mvmuseum.org

Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Museum

Route 130, Mashpee

508-477-1536 • www.mashpeewampanoagtribe.com/museum.html

Middlesex Canal Museum

71 Faulkner Street, North Billerica

978-670-2740 • www.middlesexcanal.org/museum

Museum of African American History

46 Joy Street, Boston
617-725-0022 • maah.org/

Museum of Our Industrial Heritage

2 Mead Street, Greenfield
413-336-8275 • www.industrialhistory.org

Scottish Right Masonic Museum and Library

33 Marrett Road, Lexington
781-861-6559 • www.srmml.org

Newton History Museum

527 Washington Street, Newton
617-552-7228 • www.historicnewton.org

Old Colony History Museum

66 Church Green, Taunton
508-822-1622 • www.oldcolonyhistorymuseum.org/

Orchard House

399 Lexington Road, Concord
978-369-4118 • www.louisamayalcott.org

The Paul Revere House

19 North Square, Boston
617-523-2338 • www.paulreverehouse.org

Pilgrim Hall Museum

75 Court Street, Plymouth
508-746-1620 • www.pilgrimhall.org

Rebecca Nurse Homestead

149 Pine Street, Danvers
978-774-8799 • www.rebeccanurse.org

Royall House and Slave Quarters

15 George Street, Medford
781-396-9032 • www.royallhouse.org

The Stone House Museum

20 Maple Street, Belchertown
413-323-6573 • www.stonehousemuseum.org

Townsend Historical Society

72 Main Street, Townsend

978-597-2106 • www.townsendhistoricalsociety.org

Truro Historical Society Museum

27 Highland Road, North Truro

508-487-3397 • www.trurohistorical.org

Waterworks Museum

2450 Beacon Street, Chestnut Hill

617-277-0065 • www.waterworksmuseum.org

Williamstown House of Local History

1095 Main Street, Williamstown

413-458-2160 • www.williamstownhistoricalmuseum.org

Wood Museum of Springfield History

21 Edwards St., Springfield

413-263-6800 • www.springfieldmuseums.org/

LIVING HISTORY MUSEUMS**Hancock Shaker Village**

Located at the junction of Routes 20 and 41, Pittsfield

413-443-0188 • www.hancockshakervillage.org

Minute Man National Historical Park

174 Liberty Street, Concord

978-369-6993 • <https://www.nps.gov/mima/index.htm>

Old Greenfield Village

386 Mohawk Trail, Greenfield

413-774-7138 • mtdata.com/~mmwm33/

Old Sturbridge Village

1 Old Sturbridge Village Road, Sturbridge

508-347-3362 • www.osv.org

Plimoth Plantation

Located off Route 3 South, exit 4 (137 Warren Avenue), Plymouth

508-746-1622 • www.plimoth.org

Saugus Iron Works National Historic Site

244 Central Street, Saugus

781-233-0050 • www.nps.gov/sair

NATURE/SCIENCE MUSEUMS

Cape Cod Museum of Natural History

869 Route 6A, Brewster
508-896-3867 • www.ccmnh.org

The Ecotarium

222 Harrington Way, Worcester
508-929-2700 • www.ecotarium.org

Harvard Museum of Natural History

Harvard University, 26 Oxford Street, Cambridge
617-495-3045 • www.hmnh.harvard.edu

MIT Museum

265 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge
617-253-4444 • mitmuseum.mit.edu/

Museum of Science

Science Park, Boston
617-723-2500 • www.mos.org

Science Discovery Museum

177 Main Street, Acton
978-264-4200 • www.discoverymuseums.org/

South Shore Natural Science Center

Jacobs Lane, off Route 123, Norwell
781-659-2559 • southshorenaturalsciencecenter.org/

Springfield Science Museum

21 Edwards Street, Springfield
413-263-6800 • www.springfieldmuseums.org/

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