

JULY EVENTS 2026



Collect N' Tech

Bring your friends to play on our brand-new tabletop card/board game section!

Tables are free to play and no reservation is required!

PLEASE NOTE: As of now, if you want to play board games, you need to bring your own.

<https://www.collectntech.com>

Auburn Mall, 385 Southbridge St, Auburn, MA 01501

(508) 407-8107

HOURS: M,T,W,Th-10 AM - 8 PM; F & Sa-10 AM - 9 PM; Su-Noon - 6 PM

Free Bey Blade tournaments every Monday at 5:30pm

Free Pokémon tournaments every Wednesday at 5:30pm

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The Blackstone Poets Society

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 6:00—7:30 PM

Local History Room, Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, 01527

Come join our new, friendly poetry group where writers of all backgrounds and skill levels can come together to write short poems using simple prompts. There's no pressure or harsh critique here--just a focus on creativity, curiosity, and enjoying your own voice. Connect and share stories with fellow creators, whether you're new to poetry or a longtime writer!

This program is for adult patrons 18 and up.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: [Wednesday, July 1, 2026](#) | [The Blackstone Poets Society](#) | [Millbury Public Library](#)

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The Millbury Writers' Society

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 6:00—7:45 PM

Local History Room, Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, 01527

Meet with fellow adult writers of all levels to develop your skills, brainstorm writing ideas, share drafts, offer editing assistance, read work to the group, and assist each other in finding venues to get work published.

This program is for adult patrons ages 18 and up.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: [Wednesday, July 8, 2026 | The Millbury Writers' Society | Millbury Public Library](#)

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Patriotic Pops Concert with Fireworks

**Opening Concert of the 75th Season of Free Concerts at Worcester's Institute Park
82 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609**

July 3rd/Rain date July 5th

(508) 754-1234

Free

7:45 PM to 10:00 PM

The Massachusetts Symphony Orchestra will celebrate its 75th season of free summer concerts in Worcester's Institute Park this July, with the opening concert on Friday, July 3 at 7:45PM. The concert will conclude with fireworks accompanying Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture and patriotic marches by John Philip Sousa. Rain date (with fireworks) is Sunday, July 5.

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Click on the link below to find fireworks near you!

[MA Fireworks 2026: 4th of July Displays \(by Town\) \(Tips, Reviews, Local Guide\)](#)



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Summer Concert Series

May 22, 2026 – July 31, 2026

539 Prospect St., West Boylston, MA 01583

(508) 853-0717

Free

Recurring weekly on Sunday, Friday, Saturday

Pinecroft sponsors 'Music on the Lawn' every summer from May through September.

Weather permitting, local bands or solo artists perform on the Pinecroft Lawn every weekend!

Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights from 5-7pm or 6-8pm, depending on daylight.

Order take-out, grab an ice cream cone and enjoy the free music series!



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Little Free Art Gallery: Kit Pass Out

All Ages

Monday, July 06

All day

Frances Perkins Branch, Worcester, ma

FPB Welcome Area

Drop in to get your Little Art Kit for our Little Free Art Gallery

Artists of all ages, come get a kit from June 15 to July 13 to participate in our Little Free Art Gallery at the Frances Perkins Branch. You may use the craft supplies in the kit or any or your own to decorate the provided canvas. Then, return the kit to the branch by July 15 to have it displayed From July 23rd to August 31st.

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Game Night

Tuesday, July 07

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Worcester Main Library

Banx Room

Come hang out and play games! We have a variety of games, including an ongoing jigsaw puzzle, or bring your own game to play. Light refreshments provided.

Make sure to check out our collection of games you can borrow and take home!

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Mystery Making with Sisters in Crime

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 6:00—7:30 PM

Community Room, Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, 01527

Millbury Public Library is thrilled to welcome Sisters in Crime New England for this Mystery Making event! In this interactive workshop, four mystery authors representing different sub-genres, including cozy/traditional and thriller/suspense, will brainstorm on their feet to create a brand-new mystery using suggestions provided by the audience. Fun, fast-paced, and fascinating, this improv game offers important insights into mystery writers' minds and the conventions of the genre.

Registration required: [Wednesday, July 8, 2026 | Mystery Making with Sisters in Crime | Millbury Public Library](#)

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Cribbage Club

EVERY THURSDAY

THURSDAY, JULY 2, 6:00—7:30 PM

Community Room, Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, 01527

Whether you're a seasoned cribbage player or a complete beginner, this club is open to all ages and skill levels.

Come and enjoy an evening of friendly competition and camaraderie.

No Registration Required

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FIND A FARMERS' MARKET NEAR YOU!

[Find a Market Near You — Mass Farmers Markets](#)

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**Artwork by Blackstone Valley Art Association and ValleyCast
June 28, 2026 - July 26, 2026**

Worcester Center for Crafts
25 Sagamore Rd., Worcester, MA 01605
(508) 753-8183

Free

10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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FITNESS SERIES

**WORCESTER HAS AN ARRAY
OF FREE FITNESS ACTIVITIES
THROUGHOUT THE WEEK
ALL SUMMER LONG!**

Click on the link below to learn more:

[Summer Fitness Series | City of Worcester](#)

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Drop-In Hours with WPL's Social Services Specialist

Monday, July 13

1:00pm - 4:00pm

**Worcester Main Library
Community Resources Office
First come, first served.**

Or request an appointment here: <https://mywpl.libwizard.com/id/9e086f7e381d9f412eac96332e8c3380>

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Money Matters: How to Spot a Scam
Tuesday, July 14
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Worcester Main Library
Computer Lab

Learn tips on how to protect yourself from the latest scams from the experts at the Better Business Bureau.

Learn how to protect yourself against the most common scams and the red flags to be on alert for. Scammers are increasingly becoming more sophisticated with techniques that can even trick the most informed consumers. Presented by the Worcester branch of The Better Business Bureau and the Worcester Consumer Rights Program, City of Worcester.

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The Hidden Census: Using Data as Resistance

Dates:

6/24/2026, 6/25/2026, 6/26/2026, 6/27/2026, 7/1/2026, 7/2/2026, 7/3/2026, 7/4/2026, 7/8/2026,
7/9/2026, 7/10/2026, 7/11/2026, 7/15/2026, 7/16/2026, 7/17/2026, 7/18/2026, 7/22/2026,
7/23/2026, 7/24/2026, 7/25/2026, 7/29/2026, 7/30/2026, 7/31/2026, 8/1/2026, 8/2/2026

**Jean McDonough Arts Center
20 Franklin St., Worcester, MA 01608**

Panel Discussion with community members and historians: July 12 at 2:00 pm



**More information on:
The Hidden Census: Using Data as Resistance**

This pop-up exhibit brings forward the lives of Black and Nipmuc people in Central Massachusetts during the Revolutionary War. These individuals were often reduced, misnamed, or omitted from the historical record. Drawing from censuses, military lists, tax rolls, and other archival materials, the project reinterprets these documents not as neutral records, but as systems that both reveal and obscure. Through data visualizations, relationship maps, and interpretive storytelling, the exhibit traces names, labor, kinship, and presence across fragmented sources. It highlights women sustaining families, men serving on land and at sea, multi-generational kin networks, and individuals whose lives appear only briefly, if at all, in the archive. The installation features a traveling exhibit alongside original artwork and contributions from descendants of Revolutionary-era participants, grounding the work in both historical research and living memory. These pieces extend the archive, offering knowledge, interpretation, and connection that the written record alone cannot hold. An accompanying digital platform expands the exhibit beyond the gallery space, providing access to transcribed records, interactive visualizations, and educational materials for classrooms and the public. The website allows visitors to explore the data more deeply, trace connections across records, and engage with the project as an evolving, community-informed resource.

For more information contact | Cheryll Toney holley, cholley@nippi.org |

Trigger Warning/

Archival records often reflect the language and assumptions of those who produced them, including terms and classifications that diminish, distort, or overwrite Native identities. These documents also contain derogatory and dehumanizing language used to describe Black people, revealing how racial categories were constructed and enforced. Such labels were never neutral, they were fluid, inconsistent, and shaped to serve colonial interests. In some cases, Indigenous identity was deliberately minimized or obscured, while anti-Black language was used to justify enslavement, exploitation, and the rigid hierarchy imposed by colonial system

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**Worcester Public
Library**



Worcester Public Library
offers books and magazines
to take home for keeps!
They also have a bookstore
for the frugal shopper.
They are located near the entrance
when you go through the main doors.

**3 Salem Square,
Worcester, MA 01608,
Tel: 508-799-1655**

<https://www.mywpl.org/?q=locations-hours>

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REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

FARMERS MARKET AT BEAVER BROOK PARK



Fridays, 9am-12pm

Open from June 12 2026, to October 30, 2026



**306 Chandler Street
Worcester, MA 01602**

(across from Foley Stadium)

WE ACCEPT



Fresh, Correct, Dried, Frozen,
It's HIP to be healthy!



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Supplemental
Nutrition
Assistance
Program



www.recworchester.org/farmers-markets

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Samuel Slater Experience

31 Ray Street, Webster, MA

Dedicated to educating about Samuel Slater, "Father of the American Industrial Revolution," through an engaging and immersive experience.



☺ EBT Discount General admission ticket discounted to \$3 per person, up to 4 people ☺

Friday and Saturday open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Check Facebook for additional open days or holiday closures. Allow 1 to 1 1/2 hour for your visit.

508-461-2955

www.samuel Slater experience.org

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AMERICAN HERITAGE MUSEUM

568 Main St, Hudson, MA 01749

A military history museum with a collection consists of over 100 artifacts.

Over half of the items on display are from the World War II era, with World War I, the Korean War, Vietnam War, Gulf War, Iraq War, and the War on Terror also represented.



☺ EBT and WIC cardholders receive a discounted museum admission of \$3 ☺

Cardholders are able to purchase their museum admission in person.

Not valid for special event weekends as listed on the American Heritage Museum website.

Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00am to 5:00pm

978-562-9182

<https://www.americanheritagemuseum.org>

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WILLIAM LAKE BOARDWALK IN MARLBORO

20 minutes from Worcester, a sight to be seen.

A new 3,000-foot floating boardwalk allows visitors to "walk on water" in this Massachusetts city. The boardwalk is accessible to people of all ages and abilities, including those using mobility devices.

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CALLING ALL WRITERS!

Are you looking for a community to share your work?

WORCESTER WRITERS' COLLECTIVE



WHO WE ARE?

We are a group of creatives who host weekly meetings to share our passion for writing. Writers of all genres are welcome! Anyone who is interested in reading and discussing new work is also welcome to join.

WHERE?

JEAN McDONOUGH ARTS CENTER
20 Franklin St, Worcester, MA 01608

WHAT WE DO?

Each week, we read ongoing work, listen to the progress of others, and create community with one another!

WHEN?

Meetings begin weeknights in May, 2023.



INTERESTED? - EMAIL TO JOIN!



worcesterwriterscollective@gmail.com

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A Cemetery Safari with Jeff Belanger

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 6:00—7:30 PM

Community Room, Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, 01527

This program is a MUST SEE for anyone who ever plans to die! In a Cemetery Safari, Jeff takes you on a journey from the oldest burial rituals up through modern times. We explore funerary art throughout the ages, see funny and memorable epitaphs, funeral customs, cemetery oddities, and throw in the stories behind a few haunted boneyards for good measure.

The program is funny, entertaining, and uplifting.

For teens and adults ages 13 and up.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: [Wednesday, July 22, 2026 | A Cemetery Safari with Jeff Belanger | Millbury Public Library](#)



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Extended Summer Evenings at New England Botanic Garden

June 17, 2026 - July 30, 2026

Recurring weekly Price:

Included with the cost of General Admission(\$0-21)

5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

The New England Botanic Garden is open late this summer on Wednesdays and Thursdays!

Make the most of the summer season's long days and beautiful twilights with golden hour experiences at New England Botanic Garden. Extended Wednesdays and Thursday Summer Evenings offer more hours for flowers and plenty of opportunities to savor the summer. Wander the Garden's woodland trails, admire the vibrant summer blooms, savor delicious dinner specials, and catch colorful sunsets over the Wachusett Reservoir. Extended evenings are perfect for an after-work social, a fun night with friends, or a memorable evening with your family. Your new favorite tradition awaits! Included with general admission. Learn more at: <https://nebg.org/summer-evenings/>

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Lights
★★★
MULTITAINMENT

Skate Night Worcester

STARTING
JUNE 26TH

FRIDAY NIGHTS 6PM
— ALL SUMMER —

📍 **WORCESTER COMMON OVAL**
455 MAIN ST, WORCESTER, MA

\$5
ENTRY

FOLLOW US
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@LIGHTSVENU

\$10
RENTALS

SKATING ★ MUSIC ★ FOOD ★ COMMUNITY ★ GOOD VIBES

★ GET FEATURED! DM FOR MORE INFO ★

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Use this website to find a cruise night near you!

[Massachusetts Car Shows & Cruise Nights 2026 | CarCruiseFinder – CarCruiseFinder.com](https://www.CarCruiseFinder.com)



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FOOD PANTRIES

The link below gives the locations and times of the 30 food banks in Worcester.
This link also helps you find food banks in your town and has a zip code search for the one nearest you.

<https://www.foodpantries.org/ci/ma-worcester>

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The Mustard Seed

93 Piedmont St. Worcester MA 01609

(508) 754-7098

mustardseedcw.org

PANTRY HOURS:

Monday through Saturday
(Summer) 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Monday through Saturday
(Winter) 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM

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Mt. Carmel Outreach Ministry

24 Mulberry Street
Worcester, MA - 01605
Phone: (508) 791-0731

Food Pantry hours:
Tuesdays 9:30am-1:30pm

Friends of Millbury Seniors

1 River Street
Millbury, MA 01527
(508) 865-9154

PANTRY HOURS:
Monday through Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Quinsigamond Village Neighborhood Center

Worcester, MA - 01607
508-755-7481
Food Pantry Location: 2.88 miles from Millbury

PANTRY HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday: 9:30am - 2:00PM
Friday 9:30AM-12PM

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Beyond 40 Whacks: Exploring the Legacy of Lizzie Borden

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 6:00—7:30 PM

Community Room, Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm Street, Millbury, MA, 01527

Perhaps no crime has touched the imagination of America in the same way as the August 4, 1892 murders of Andrew and Abby Borden. Even to this day, many facts of the case are unknown to the public at large. In this talk, we'll learn the story leading up to the murders, explore the evidence, and peer into the darkest corners of this strange and unsolved crime and its aftermath.

Sarah Hodge-Wetherbe (AKA GeekGal) lectures on a variety of geek cultural topics. From panels for fans to professional panels on using geek culture in educational settings, she has something for every event. She has been touring and speaking for over 15 years.

This program is for adults ages 18 and up.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED: [Wednesday, July 29, 2026 | Beyond 40 Whacks: Exploring the Legacy of Lizzie Borden | Millbury Public Library](#)

Programs for Independent Living

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ValleyCAST presents the 2026 Free Summer Concert Series

Grab your most comfortable lawn chair, your favorite peeps, and your dancing shoes and join us out on the Dennis H. Rice Community Plaza for our 17th Annual Free Summer Concert Series every Thursday night from **June 25 through September 3, 2026 from 6–8 pm**. Food will be available for purchase from [Big Daddy's Bites Food Truck](#) again this year.

In the event of inclement weather the concerts move indoors to the Singh Performance Center at the same Mill Complex.

This year's incredible line-up includes a wide variety of music from bands we've enjoyed in the past and some new bands we have yet to enjoy!

Rock n' Roll, Big Band, Country, Folk, Bluegrass, Classic R&B, Funk, Reggae, Blues, Orlean's Jazz and even a Symphony Orchestra!



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Information about ValleyCAST presents the 2026 Free Summer Concert Series continued:

Check out the links below to see who's playing on which night.

July 2: [Chuck & Mud and the Hole in the Dam Band](#)

July 9: [Far From Eden](#)

July 16: [Super Chief Trio](#)

July 23: [Catnip Junkies](#)

July 30: [Claflin Hill Symphony Orchestra's Summer Wind](#)

August 6: [Blackstone Valley Bluegrass](#)

August 13: [Le'Mixx Band](#)

August 20: [Studio Two Beatles Tribute Band](#)

August 27: [The Reminisants](#)

September 3: [The Seven Wonders Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band](#)

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**Worcester Made will showcase Worcester residents and Local businesses
Calling all: Artists, Crafters, Bakers, Makers, Food Trucks and Farmers.**

If interested in being a vendor

Email: worcestermadefarmersmarket@gmail.com

All food must have a permit with the City of Worcester and fully insured



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LINKS OF INTEREST

Check it

FREE & DISCOUNTED ADMISSION WITH EBT CARD

- Card to Culture- <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/ebt-card-to-culture-organizations>

MASSACHUSETTS: NATURE, PARKS & FRESH WATER BEACHES

- Day Trips/Events/Places- <https://www.massdaytripping.com/hiking-state-parks>, <https://www.towerhillbg.org/planyourvisit/>
- Mass Audubon <https://www.massaudubon.org/> ; <https://www.massaudubon.org/get-outdoors/wildlife-sanctuaries/broad-meadow-brook>
- Massachusetts freshwater beaches- <https://www.visit-massachusetts.com/state/fresh-water-beaches/>
- Massachusetts park locations- https://www.mass.gov/visit-massachusetts-state-parks/locations?_page=1
- Rail trails: <https://www.trailink.com/trailsearch/?state=MA> , <http://masstrails.com/rail-trails-map.html>

WALKING FOR WHEN ITS COLD, RAINY OR JUST TOO HOT

- <https://local.aarp.org/auburn-ma/mall-walking/> , <https://www.outletstoresmalls.com/outlet-malls/auburn-mall>

MASSACHUSETTS: MUSEUMS, FESTIVALS & CULTURAL EVENTS

- Festivals- <https://www.findfestival.com/massachusetts/>
- Massachusetts (MA) Museums and Galleries in the Central Region- <https://www.visit-massachusetts.com/central/museums-and-galleries/>
- Multicultural Events in Massachusetts- <https://www.visitma.com/things-to-do/multicultural/>
- Women's Historical Landmarks- <https://worcestercentralkidscalendar.com/womens-history-landmarks-to-visit-in-massachusetts/>

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MASSACHUSETTS: FARMERS MARKETS, FAIRS & AGRICULTURAL EVENTS

Check it out

HIP FINDER

SNAP/HIP (Healthy Incentive Program)

Benefits explained- <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massachusetts-healthy-incentives-program-hip>

Find Farmers markets that accept HIP- <https://dtafinder.dtadash.ehs.mass.gov/> ,
<https://guide.farmfreshri.org/food/farm.php?farm=1141>

- Fairs and Agricultural Events- <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/calendar-of-culinary-and-agricultural-events>
- Find a Market Near You — <https://www.massfarmersmarkets.org/markets>, <https://www.recworchester.org/farmers-markets>
- Winter Farmer Markets- <https://massnrc.org/farmlocator/map.aspx?Type=Winter%20Markets>
- Pick Your Own- <https://www.mass.gov/guides/pick-your-own-farms>

DAY TRIPS/EVENTS

- Look for some fun daytrips here! <https://www.massdaytripping.com/fun-attractions>, <https://www.discovercentralma.org/see-do/events/>, <https://www.discovercentralma.org/see-do/events/>

TOWN EVENTS/CALENDARS

- Bellingham events- <https://www.townplanner.com/bellingham/ma/events/>
- Bellingham Library- <https://www.bellinghampubliclibrary.org/>
- Franklin, MA Events and Things to Do- <https://www.americantowns.com/franklin-ma/events/>
- Hopedale Events- <https://www.americantowns.com/hopedale-ma/events/>
- Milford Events- <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/ma--milford/free--events/>
- Millbury Senior Center Events- <https://www.millbury-ma.org/senior-center/pages/classes-clinics>

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- Millbury Library Events- <https://www.millburylibrary.org/events>

WORCESTER: EVENTS, LIBRARIES & MUSEUMS

- Worcester, MA Events and Things to Do- <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/ma--worchester/events/>
- Worcester Public Library Calendar- <https://mywpl.org/?q=online-calendar>
- Worcester Art Museum- <https://www.worcesterart.org/information/hours-and-admission/>
- Worcester Historical Museum- <https://www.worcesterhistory.org/visit/>
- Worcester Cultural Coalition- <https://worcesterculture.org/calendar-of-events/>
- Holy Cross free movies- <https://www.holycross.edu/arts-culture/seelos-film-series>
- American Antiquarian Society- <https://www.americanantiquarian.org/programs-events>

MISC. INTERESTS

- Car Shows- <https://carshownationals.com/massachusetts-car-shows/> , <https://www.hebertcandies.com/blogs/events/thursday-night-cruzzin-car-show> , <http://www.janinesfroste.com/events/>

PLEASE NOTE:

Some events require preregistration due to limited seating. Contacting ahead of time is suggested.

& AND REMEMBER, IT'S ALWAYS YOUR CHOICE!

Questions? Suggestions? Please contact Kat Hastings at 508-868-4331,
khastings@mychoiceprograms.com