

Hometown Tourist Week

Activities for all ages during April Vacation!

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park is offering a week of activities during April vacation from **Monday, April 18 through Saturday, April 23**. All activities are **free** and take place at the Visitor Center, 33 William Street unless otherwise noted. **Rediscover your hometown.**



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS APRIL 18-23

**Monday, April 18 -
Thursday, April 21**

ArtWorks!
384 Acushnet Avenue
508-984-1588
www.artworksforyou.org
9AM-3:30PM

Spring Creative!

A variety of workshops for ages 6 through 18, including weaving, clay, mask making, Mehndi tattoos and more! **Fees apply**. Contact Artworks for details.

**Tuesday, April 19 -
Friday, April 22**

New Bedford Whaling Museum
18 Johnny Cake Hill
508-997-0046
www.whalingmuseum.org
11AM-2PM

Kids' Film Festival

Films will include a variety of maritime themes. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Monday, April 18

10AM-12 noon

What is it?

Have you ever held baleen or wampum? Young visitors will have the opportunity to explore objects relating to New Bedford history.

2-4PM and 6-8PM

Mini Film Festival

To celebrate National Park Week, we will be showing films about National Parks outside of New Bedford.

New Bedford Whaling Museum

10AM-2PM

Right Whale Celebration Day!

Hands-on activities, whale identification, obstacle courses, and craft activities. Sign the pledge to help right whales by keeping trash out of our oceans. Enjoy whale cake and punch at 1:30PM!

Tuesday, April 19

11AM

Try out the park's new board game!

Follow the trail of Moby-Dick and learn about ports from around the globe that were visited by New Bedford whalers in this fun and addicting board game. It's like Monopoly on the sea!

1PM-3PM

Ranger Stations

Young visitors will create their very own log book, and then visit various stations within the visitor center to complete activities relating to whaling history.



Stroll with the 1850s ladies! NPS Photo

7PM

Ladies' Lantern Walk

Experience downtown New Bedford as it was in the 19th century. Join Ruth and Abby, the 1850s ladies, in an evening stroll. Stroll leaves from Visitor Center.

Wednesday, April 20

10AM-12 noon

Moby Dick Pop-Up Book

This classic comes to life with a reading of this children's book. Children will be able to take home their own pop-up book!

6:30PM

Having Our Say: Stories from the Cape Verdean Community

Ann Marie Lopes, oral history consultant, interviewed twenty Cape Verdean Americans ranging from age 60 to 92 throughout greater New Bedford. She will give a multimedia presentation highlighting the stories gathered through the interview, including segments of the actual interviews.

Thursday, April 21

Junior Ranger Day!

1PM-3PM

Henry "Box" Brown Activity

Hear the amazing story of Henry Brown, who escaped slavery by shipping himself in a box to a "free state" and make a box of your own.



Come learn about Henry Brown! NPS Photo

2PM

Meet Salt and Crystal!

Join marine biologist Krill Carson, for an exciting family presentation on the life of Salt, the most famous humpback whale in the world! Make an origami whale and a model of Salt's tail. Then join Krill as she inflates a 25 foot fabric whale representing Crystal, Salt's first calf.

3PM

**The Hunt for Knowledge
WebRanger Program**

Play *The Hunt for Knowledge*, an online program where participants sign on to a virtual research vessel to research, tag, and learn how whales survive. The activity includes a game where participants identify whales based on their spouts and flukes, then place tagging devices on them to follow them underwater, see what they eat, and hear them sing.

Friday, April 22



10AM-11AM

Whales, Tales and Sails

Come kick off our weekly story hour! This hour-long group, geared for 3-5 year olds, features songs, stories, crafts and free play. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

11:30AM-1:30PM

Earth Day Celebration

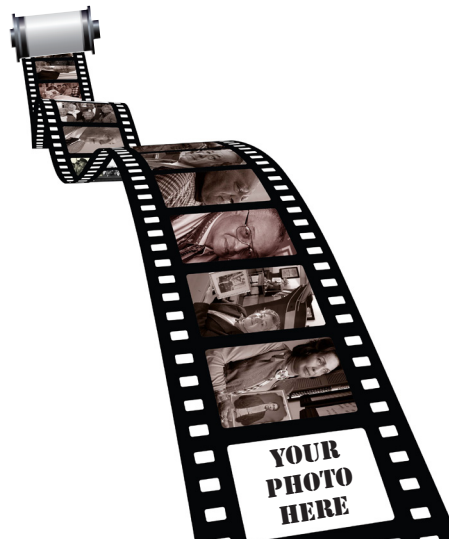
Use recycled materials provided by the park to make window hangings and artwork honoring our planet earth.

Saturday, April 23

9AM-4PM

Mass. Memories Road Show

Join your neighbors and friends as we create a snapshot of our favorite people, places and memories of New Bedford for a digital archive and website. Bring 3 or 4 photos to be scanned and immediately returned to you. You will be invited to share a 3-4 minute story about your photos and take home a "keepsake photo."



12:30PM

Guided Tour: Risks and Rewards of Whaling

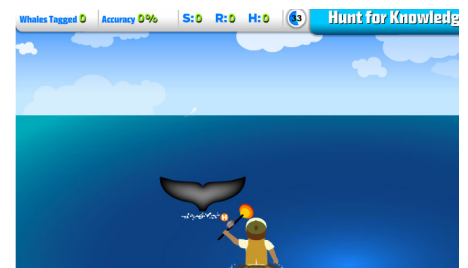
Take a 45 minute guided walking tour and find out about the enormous risks and rewards of New Bedford's 19th century whaling industry.

2:30PM

Guided Tour: Fugitive Slaves in a Whaling Port. Take a 45 minute guided walking tour and explore New Bedford's Underground Railroad history, its people and its stories.



On April 23, the park is offering walking tours at 12:30 and 2:30 PM.



On April 21, be the first to try the park's new online game, *The Hunt for Knowledge*.



**New Bedford Whaling
National Historical Park
33 William Street
Downtown New Bedford, Massachusetts**

National Park Service

**www.nps.gov/nebe
508-996-4095**