

**What:** Gilding Demonstration. Watch a professional gilder practice the popular decorating technique of the colonial era!

**When:** Saturday, May 7, 2005

**Time:** 1:00 – 4:00 pm

**Where:** Paul Revere House, 19 North Square, Boston

**Cost:** \$1.00 for children (17 and under); \$3.00 for adults

**For more info:** 617-523-2338; [www.paulreverehouse.org](http://www.paulreverehouse.org)

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**What:** Model Boating Program. Volunteers and DCR Park Rangers teach kids how to sail model boats! A number of boats (approx. 12) are available, so kids might want to bring their own if they have one.

**When:** Every Sunday through June 12, 2005

**Time:** 2:00 – 4:00 pm

**Where:** Miriam and Sidney Stoneman Playground, Between Fairfield and Massachusetts Avenue, Boston

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-227-0365; [www.esplanadeassociation.org](http://www.esplanadeassociation.org)

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**What:** Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Neverland Theatre performs a non-musical version of this children's classic!

**When:** Sunday – Friday through May 10, 2005

**Time:** Monday – Thursday: 7:00 pm; Friday: 12:30 pm & 4:30 pm; Sunday: 5:00 pm

**Where:** Temple B'nai Abraham, 200 Lothrop Street, Beverly

**Cost:** \$10.00

**For more info:** 978-948-7925; [www.neverlandtheatre.com](http://www.neverlandtheatre.com)

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**What:** Butterfly Garden Exhibit. The fluttering flight of 400 colorful butterflies and the scent of flower blossoms welcome visitors into an unforgettable, multi-sensory experience! The exhibit focuses on the two largest groups of living organisms – insects and flowering plants. The Butterfly Garden offers a magical and relaxing respite – as the sound of trickling water and the warm, earthy scent of a greenhouse full of flowers and plants surrounds visitors. A skylight allows natural sunlight to enhance butterfly and plant growth for the Garden's inhabitants. Adults and children can enjoy walking through the gallery space with butterflies fluttering about, drinking nectar from feeding stations, and even landing on their shoulders.

**When:** Daily through May 27, 2005

**Time:** Saturday – Thursday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm; Friday: 9:00 am – 9:00 pm

**Where:** Museum of Science, Science Park, Boston

**Cost:** \$4.00

**For more info:** 617-723-2500; [www.mos.org](http://www.mos.org)

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**What:** Learning from the Past. In 1835, history was made when the Abiel Smith School opened on Beacon Hill as the first building erected in the United States for the sole purpose of educating African American children. Today the building that was at the center of the quest for access to equal public education still stands on the campus of the Museum of Afro-American History. The new exhibit chronicles a community's heroic effort to secure rights for equal education and marks the 150th occasion of the desegregation of Boston Public Schools in 1855 when the school closed. The exhibit showcases the accomplishments of students, teachers and devoted parents and documents the curriculum and teaching techniques.

**When:** Mondays – Saturdays through July 9, 2005

**Time:** Monday – Saturday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Where:** Abiel Smith School/Afro-American Museum, 46 Joy Street, Boston

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-720-2991; [www.afroammuseum.org](http://www.afroammuseum.org)

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**What:** Arnold Arboretum Walking Tours. Explore the collections on a guided tour led by Arboretum guides. Tours are geared toward the general visitor and include Arboretum history and topics of seasonal interest, flowers, fragrance to fruits and dynamic landscape. Tours last 60 - 90 minutes.

**When:** Every Sunday, Wednesday and Saturday through November 13, 2005

**Time:** Tour times vary; Call for specific times

**Where:** Arnold Arboretum, Hunnewell Building Visitor Center, Jamaica Plain

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-524-1718 x 100

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**What:** Spring Planting Festival and Perennial Divide. All Gardeners are invited to exchange, donate or simply take home perennial divisions and other plants. (Please pre-divide plants into smaller pieces and bring containers to take your plants home). Enjoy planting workshops including "Bee-Keeping in the Spring Garden and Setting Up the Hive," "Know Your Food," and "Getting a Good Start." Take advantage of the gardener's market of honey and bee products, handmade soaps, and other products produced by community gardeners to help support their gardens. A special children's activity will also be included. Enjoy the live music to welcome Spring!

**When:** Saturday, May 14, 2005

**Time:** 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Where:** BNAN City Natives Nursery, 30 Edgewater Drive, Mattapan Square, Mattapan

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-542-7696

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**What:** International Migratory Bird Day. Join the Franklin Park Zoo for a celebration of native migratory birds with crafts, games, birding tips, and more! Bring your binoculars or borrow the Zoo's to get an up-close view of migratory birds at one of the Zoo's best birding spots.

**When:** Saturday, May 14, 2005

**Time:** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Where:** Franklin Park Zoom, 1 Franklin Park Road, Boston

**Cost:** \$5.00 for children (15 and under); \$9.50 for adults

**For more info:** 617-989-2030; [www.zoonewengland.com](http://www.zoonewengland.com)

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**What:** Franklin Park Kite & Flight Festival. The 36th annual Kite & Flight Festival offers a fun afternoon of kite-making and flying, face painting, and live entertainment! Some refreshments are available for purchase, but bringing a picnic lunch is recommended.

**When:** Saturday, May 14, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Where:** Playsted Field, Franklin Park, Seaver and Walnut Street, Boston

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-635-4505; [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org)

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**What:** Culture in the Crossing - Art Festival. Come downtown and enjoy the 4th annual Downtown Crossing art festival! Enjoy live music as you check out the works of local artists!

**When:** Saturday, May 14, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Where:** Along Summer, Winter and Washington Streets in Downtown Crossing, Boston

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** [www.downtowncrossing.org](http://www.downtowncrossing.org)

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**What:** Blue Hills Mountain Bike Day. Explore the Blue Hills on two wheels! Special events for kids include their own guided rides, an obstacle course, a slow race, and a limbo contest. You'll find skills clinics, a large expo area with bike repair demonstrations and local bike shops, "Share the Trails" responsible riding information, and free raffle prizes too! Bring your own bike. Helmets are required for all rides, and eye protection and gloves recommended.

**When:** Sunday, May 15, 2005

**Time:** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Where:** Meet at Houghton's Pond Picnic Site 5 on Blue Hill River Road in Milton (Take exit 3 off route 93 and follow signs to Mountain Bike Day)

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-698-1802; [www.state.ma.us/mdc](http://www.state.ma.us/mdc)

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**What:** Lilac Sunday 2005. Stop and smell the lilacs! Join garden enthusiasts from all over New England and enjoy picnicking, English folk dancing, and tours of the lilac collection at the Arnold Arboretum.

**When:** Sunday, May 14, 2005

**Time:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Where:** Arnold Arboretum, 125 Arborway, Jamaica Plain

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-524-1718; [www.arboretum.harvard.edu](http://www.arboretum.harvard.edu)

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**What:** Swell Sculpture. Inside, under, through, and around! Join guest artist Nadya Volicer, as she takes us through her “wavy” installation, “Home Spun,” which is part of the 2005 DeCordova Annual Exhibition. After the tour, make a sculpture inspired by Nadya’s liquid-looking work.

**When:** Sunday, May 15, 2005

**Time:** 1:00 – 3:00 pm

**Where:** DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, 51 Sandy Pond Road, Lincoln

**Cost:** \$6.00 for children (ages 6-12); \$9.00 for adults

**For more info:** 781-259-8355

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**What:** First Annual Central Square Spruce Up. Roll up your sleeves for Central Square! Members of the community and visitors are encouraged to take part in a variety of activities to clean up Central Square. Picking up litter, documenting where graffiti is located, beautifying planted areas, and sweeping the sidewalks are just some ways you can get involved. Join the fun by contacting Rebecca Fuente at 617-349-6948 or [rfuentes@cambridgema.gov](mailto:rfuentes@cambridgema.gov), or Robin Franz at 617-864-3211 or [robin@centralsquarecambridge.com](mailto:robin@centralsquarecambridge.com) prior to the event. Or stop by the sign-in tables at Carl Barron Plaza (at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Magazine Street) on the day of the event.

**When:** Saturday, May 21, 2005

**Time:** 9:00 – 11:00 am

**Where:** Central Square, Cambridge

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** Contact Rebecca Fuente at 617-349-6948 or [rfuentes@cambridgema.gov](mailto:rfuentes@cambridgema.gov); or Robin Franz at 617-864-3211 or [robin@centralsquarecambridge.com](mailto:robin@centralsquarecambridge.com)

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**What:** Lilja Elementary School Spring Fair. This fair features fun for all ages including Moonwalks, games, balloons, face-painting, food, prizes and more!

**When:** Saturday, May 21, 2005

**Time:** 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**Where:** 41 Bacon Street, Natick  
**Cost:** Free  
**For more info:** 508-655-1212

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**What:** Learn about Sophie Tucker. Meet Jewish immigrant Sophie Tucker (actress/historian Linda Myer) and listen to her compelling true stories of growing up in Boston's "Jewish Triangle" when the Paul Revere house was a boarding house, Yiddish was the language of the streets, and Kosher butcher shops and synagogues anchored a generation of immigrants in their homeland.

**When:** Saturday, May 21, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Where:** Paul Revere House, 19 North Square, Boston

**Cost:** \$1.00 for children (5-17); \$3.00 for adults

**For more info:** 617-523-2338; [www.paulreverehouse.org](http://www.paulreverehouse.org)

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**What:** Hadley Spring Arts Fair. Share in a celebration of arts, music, and fun at the Hadley Spring Arts Festival! Musical performances are open to the public, as well as performances of dance, drama, and art. Participate in Art Stations and Musical Instrument Playground, a pottery-making demonstration, and a special cartooning workshop. Area artisans will demonstrate their craft and sell their work. Best for ages 15 and under.

**When:** Saturday, May 21, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Where:** Hadley School, 24 Redington Street and Linscott Park, Swampscott

**Cost:** \$1.00 - \$2.00 per activity

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**What:** Waban Village Festival. Enjoy a SteveSongs concert, with Steve Roslonek's terrific blend of participatory songs, clever stories, and great melodies, as well as lots of fun, kid-friendly activities at the Waban Village Festival.

**When:** Sunday, May 22, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am

**Where:** Beacon Street in Waban Square, Waban (Newton)

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-558-9393

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**What:** Special Family Concert: Chameleon Arts Ensemble. Come enjoy an afternoon of chamber music especially for children (age 6 and up), featuring Bruce Adolphe's wonderful "Red Dogs & Pink Skies," based on the paintings of Paul Gauguin. Reservations are recommended.

**When:** Sunday, May 22, 2005

**Time:** 4:00 – 6:00 pm

**Where:** Forsyth Chapel at Forest Hills Cemetery, 95 Forest Hills Avenue, Jamaica Plain  
**Cost:** Free  
**For more info and reservations:** 617-524-3354; [tickets@foresthillstrust.org](mailto:tickets@foresthillstrust.org)

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**What:** Evening Hayrides. Celebrate the vibrancy of the pink, strawberry and flower moons with moonlit hayrides through the Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuaries in Marshfield! Goodies and beverages provided. Best for ages 4-16. Pre-registration required.

**When:** Sunday, May 22, 2005

**Time:** 6:30 – 8:00 pm

**Where:** Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuaries, Marshfield

**Cost:** \$8.00 per person

**For more info and to register:** 781-837-9400

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**What:** Free Sailing Open House. Free sailboat rides along Boston's historic waterfront will highlight a special open house reception for the public! 'Round-the-harbor sailboat trips will be conducted by experienced skippers aboard boats ranging in length from 23 to 40 feet. Refreshments will be served.

**When:** Saturday, May 28, 2005

**Time:** 1:00 – 6:00 pm

**Where:** Lewis Wharf (off Atlantic Avenue), Boston

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** 617-227-4198; [www.bostonsailingcenter.com](http://www.bostonsailingcenter.com)

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**What:** Memorial Day Walking Tour: In Their Own Words. What was it like to serve in the Civil War, the American Revolution, and more recent battles? Al Maze's tour is interwoven with readings by Charles Coe from personal accounts of the battle field drawn from diaries and war letters.

**When:** Saturday, May 28, 2005

**Time:** 2:00 pm

**Where:** Meet at Main Gate of Forest Hills Cemetery, 95 Forest Hills Avenue, Jamaica Plain

**Cost:** \$8.00

**For more info:** 617-524-0128 x22; [www.foresthillstrust.org](http://www.foresthillstrust.org)

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**What:** Street Performers Festival. Jugglers, mimes, magicians, puppeteers and musicians are just a few of over 50 entertainers presenting three days of entertainment and interactive activities!

**When:** Saturday, May 28 – Monday, May 30, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

**Where:** Faneuil Hall Marketplace, Boston

**Cost:** Free

**For more info:** [www.faneuilhallmarketplace.com](http://www.faneuilhallmarketplace.com)

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**What:** Speed, Style, and Beauty. In the MFA's first exhibition devoted to car design, "Speed, Style, and Beauty: Cars from the Ralph Lauren Collection," the museum displays sixteen magnificent automobiles from the collection of world-renowned designer and car enthusiast Ralph Lauren, featuring some of history's most memorable cars.

**When:** Daily through Sunday, July 3, 2005

**Time:** Monday – Tuesday: 10:00 am - 4:45 pm; Wednesday – Friday: 10:00 am - 9:45 pm; Saturday – Sunday: 10:00 am - 4:45 pm

**Where:** Museum of Fine Arts (MFA), 465 Huntington Avenue, Avenue of the Arts, Boston

**Cost:** Free for children (ages 7-17); \$15.00 for adults

**For more info:** 617-267-9300; [www.mfa.org](http://www.mfa.org)

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**What:** Lord of the Wings: Birds of Prey. Swooping into the Stone Zoo is one of the most memorable and educational experiences witnessed. Birds from around the world demonstrate natural behaviors including unique survival techniques and food foraging, as well as specialized physical adaptations that make them some of the most formidable avians on the planet.

**When:** Daily from Saturday, May 28 – Sunday, September 4, 2005

**Time:** 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm

**Where:** The Stone Zoo, 149 Pond Street, Stoneham

**Cost:** \$6.50 for children (15 and under); \$9.50 for adults

**For more info:** 781-438-5100; [www.zoonewengland.com](http://www.zoonewengland.com)