



What's HOT from MOTT

June 2008

What's Hot from MOTT is a monthly media publication highlighting events happening throughout the state in the coming month. It is produced by the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism (MOTT), the state agency dedicated to promoting Massachusetts as a leisure destination.

A complete list of events, attractions, outdoor activities, and accommodations in the Bay State is available on our web site: massvacation.com. In addition, we are always available for media interviews regarding Massachusetts tourism. For more information contact [Amy Gallagher](mailto:Amy.Gallagher@mass.gov) 978-468-8752

A Festival of Fun

- **5th Annual Summer Revels**

This year the production, A Celebration of the Sea, inhabits the docks of a 19th century New England seacoast town, alive with hawkers selling their wares, children playing games and seamen packing their trunks in preparation for a voyage. After saying goodbye to friends and family, sailors haul anchor and hoist the sails, singing to lighten their work.

Boston

June 20-22

617-972-8300

www.revels.org

- **Day of Portugal Weekend Festival**

Artists, entertainment on three stages, food and the vibrant culture of Portugal.

New Bedford

June 6-8

508-990-3703

- **Dragon Boat Festival**

Spanning nearly 2300 years, the Dragon Boat Festival transforms old traditions into an exciting sporting and cultural event right on the Charles River.

Cambridge

June 8

617-426-6500

www.bostondragonboat.org

- **Taste of the Vineyard**

Sample extraordinary cuisine and beverages from the Vineyard's finest caterers and restaurants.

Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard

June 12

508-693-3392

www.mvpreservation.org

- **Nantucket Film Festival**

Join the film industry's young turks for five days of films, staged readings, awards, lectures and parties on the island. Film agents, actors and fans will celebrate the work of the screenwriter.

Nantucket

June 19-22

212-708-1278

www.nantucketfilmfestival.org

- **28th Annual Cambridge River Festival**

A one-day celebration of the arts along the banks of the Charles River. Hundreds of entertainers performing on multiple stages. Public art installations designed for the festival. Over 100 specialty food purveyors and craftspeople. Rain or shine.

Cambridge

June 14

617-349-4380

www.cambridgeartscouncil.org

- **Western Mass Highland Games & Celtic Festival**

A celebration of Scottish heritage; athletic, Highland dance and piping competitions, bagpipe bands, children's games, vendors of Celtic crafts, living history, and much more.

Franklin County Fairgrounds, Greenfield

June 28

413-584-9182

www.wmhg.org

- **Strawberry Thanksgiving**

Visitors will participate with staff as they reenact this celebration of thanks with 17th century football games, canoe races, feasting and eastern social songs and dances. Great family fun.

Plimoth Plantation, Plymouth

June 21

508-746-1622

www.plimoth.org

- **Art in the Park Festival**

Come to the annual family festival and art sale; children's performances, musical groups, art activities for children and adults; more than 100 New England artists.

Decordova Museum, Lincoln

June 8

781-259-8355

www.decordova.org

- **Provincetown Portuguese Festival**

Celebration of Portuguese heritage; Blessing of the Fleet; historic exhibits, games, crafts, parade, and food. (Fee for food events)

MacMillan Wharf, Provincetown

June 26-29

508-487-3424

www.provincetownportuguese festival.com

- **Semana Hispana Festival**

Parade and celebration of the diverse Hispanic cultures of Lawrence.

Campagnone Common, Lawrence

June 13-15

978-686-0900

June Openings

The following organizations open their 2008 seasons in June:

Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival	June 18	www.jacobspillow.org
Cape Playhouse	June 23	www.capeplayhouse.org
Barrington Stage Company	June 11	www.barringtonstageco.org
Tanglewood	June 23	www.bso.org
South Shore Music Circus	June 13	www.musiccircus.com

- **Bank of America Championship**

27th annual golf tournament featuring pros from the PGA Tours' Champions Tour. Kids 15 and under are free.

Nashawtuc Country Club, Concord

June 16-22

1-877-559-GOLF

www.bankofamericachampionship.com

- **Boston Pride Week**

A week long celebration culminating with the Gay Pride Parade. This year's theme is "Ask. Tell. Proud to Serve Our Community, Our Country, Our World".

Boston

June 6-15

617-262-9405

www.bostonpride.org

- **The Silver Kingdom Renaissance Festival**

Come help us celebrate the Spring Festival here in the Silver Kingdom. There will be Merchants peddling their wares, entertainers galore. Merry Mischief will be there to help us celebrate. There is a children's garden, boffer tournament and other surprises as well.

Ye Old Commons, Charlton

June 7, 8, 14 & 15

www.kingdomfestival.com

- **Water Garden and Ornamental Fish Show**

This exciting show will consist of many exhibits, demos, & seminars as well as official Judging for the koi, fancy goldfish and best water garden container.

Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield

June 14-15

413-534-1388

www.pioneervalleypondclub.com