



What's HOT from MOTT

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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 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 Nagy at lisa.simmons@state.ma.us or 617-973-8508.

A FESTIVAL OF FUN

- **Southeast Asian Water Festival**

Watch longboat races as well as music and dance from Cambodia and Laos. Also enjoy ethnic food and arts and crafts.

Lowell Heritage State Park, Lowell

August 21

978-453-0592

www.lowellwaterfestival.org

- **Antique & Classic Boat Festival**

Come see a huge display of antique and classic powerboats, sailboats, steam launches, sloops, sharpies, yawls, schooners, and hand-powered craft; meet skippers and crews; vote for your favorite boat; nautical market; music; Blessing of the Fleet.

Hawthorne Cove Marina, Salem

August 28-29

617-666-8530

www.by-the-sea.com/bacbfestival

- **Gloucester Waterfront Festival**

A popular arts and crafts show with entertainment, food and plenty of family fun.

Gloucester

August 14-15

978-283-1601

www.capeannvacations.com

- **Sorrento Cheese Fisherman's Feast**

Boston's oldest continuous Italian festival in its 96th year. This year's feast takes place on North, Lewis and Fleet Streets with captivating traditional processions, enticing food and great entertainment.

Boston

August 12-15

www.fishermansfeast.com

- **Pembroke Summer Arts Festival**

Summer Arts Festival includes arts, crafts, entertainment and a real hometown feel that leaves you with warm thoughts of the summer and the town of Pembroke

Pembroke Green, Pembroke

August 7-8

www.PembrokeArtsFestival.org

- **Lowell Quilt Festival**

This biennial quilting conference features: the juried images quilt show, a special festival exhibit at the New England Quilt Museum, quilt appraisals, and much more. Experience this outstanding celebration of quilts in a city rich in textile history.

Lowell

August 12-14

978-452-4207

www.lowellquiltfestival.org

- **Latin American Festival**

Family oriented celebration of diversity highlighting local Hispanic culture in central Massachusetts. Includes Latin foods, dancing, crafts, entertainment

Worcester City Hall Plaza

August 21

508-798-1800

www.centrolasamericas.com

OUT AND ABOUT

- **Feast of the Blessed Sacrament**

The Largest Portuguese feast in America; entertainment, giant midway, and parade.

Madeira Field, New Bedford

July 29- August 1

508-992-6911

www.portuguese Feast.com

- **Annual Sandcastle and Sculpture Day**

Watch islanders and visitors create masterpiece sandcastles and sand sculptures; ribbons awarded in various categories. Pre-registration required.

Nantucket

August 21

508-228-1700

www.nantucketchamber.org

- **Falmouth Road Race**

7.1 mile race from Falmouth to Woods Hole. Come cheer on the runners.

Falmouth

August 15

508-540-7000

www.falmouthroadrace.com

- **10th Annual Roxbury Film Festival**

Celebrating the vision and voice of New England filmmakers of color. This show features full length films, shorts, and documentaries with panel discussions.

Roxbury

July 29-August 1

617-541-3900

www.roxburyfilmfestival.org

- **Bridge of Flowers Road Race**

A 10K road race featuring a two-mile run and citizens walk in one of Massachusetts' most scenic areas.

Shelburne Falls

August 14

413-625-2548

www.shelburnefalls.com

- **Boston Restaurant Week**

Over 80 restaurants in Boston and Cambridge will be serving up 3-course lunches for a mere \$20.06 per person and 3-course dinners for \$30.06.

Throughout Boston & Cambridge

August 15-20 & 22-27

888-See-Boston

www.bostonusa.com/restaurantweek

- **5th Annual Martha's Vineyard African American Film Festival**

The Martha's Vineyard African-American Film Festival (MVA AFF) is a four day, fun filled retreat dedicated to showcasing and honoring the works of independent and established filmmakers.

Martha's Vineyard

August 11-14

www.mvaaff.com

- **Westfield International Air Show**

Free Air Show for families, our show host 25+ unique flying acts, featuring the Air Force Thunderbirds, Army Golden Knights, a jet powered school bus, Military aircraft and historic war-birds. (a \$10 donation is asked for parking)

Barnes Air National Guard Base, Westfield

August 21-22

800-241-3005

www.westfieldairshow.net

IT'S ALWAYS FAIR WEATHER

<u>Adams Fair</u>	August 6-8	www.adamsfair.com
<u>Cummington Fair</u>	August 26-29	www.cummingtonfair.com
<u>Hardwick Fair</u>	August 20-21	www.hardwickfair.com
<u>Heath Fair</u>	August 21-22	www.heathfair.org
<u>Littleville Fair</u>	August 6-8	www.hidden-hills.com/littlevillefair
<u>Marshfield Fair</u>	August 20-39	www.marshfieldfair.org
<u>Martha's Vineyard Fair</u>	August 20-23	http://mvas.vineyard.net
<u>Westfield Fair</u>	August 20-22	www.thewestfieldfair.com