


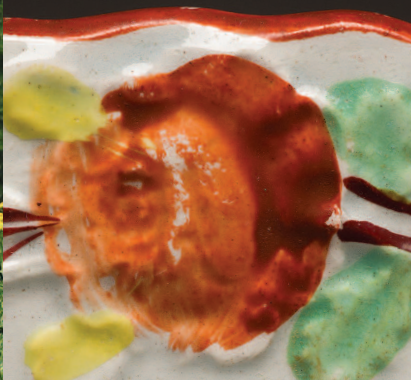


# Calendar

Museum Events, Programs and Exhibitions · Spring/Summer 2021



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for the most up-to-date  
information and to register  
for virtual programs.



Stebbins House  
Archaeology Project

Broom-Making  
Demonstrations

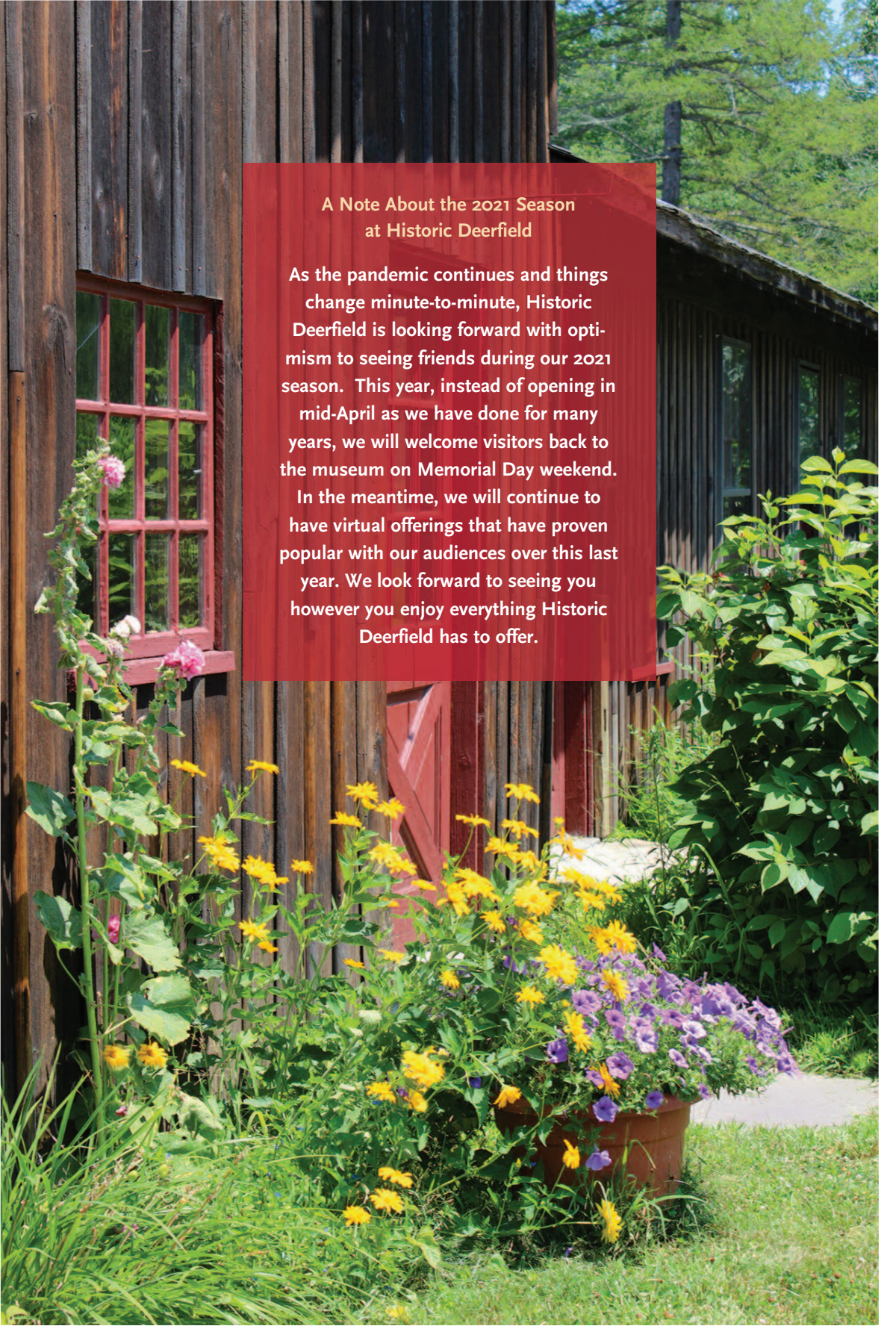
Summer Evening Strolls

TEXTiles and Technology

Historic Deerfield





A photograph of a rustic wooden building with a window and a large planter box filled with yellow and purple flowers. The building has dark, weathered wood siding and a red-painted window frame. A large planter box in the foreground is overflowing with yellow daisies and purple flowers. The background shows green trees and a clear sky.

### A Note About the 2021 Season at Historic Deerfield

As the pandemic continues and things change minute-to-minute, Historic Deerfield is looking forward with optimism to seeing friends during our 2021 season. This year, instead of opening in mid-April as we have done for many years, we will welcome visitors back to the museum on Memorial Day weekend. In the meantime, we will continue to have virtual offerings that have proven popular with our audiences over this last year. We look forward to seeing you however you enjoy everything Historic Deerfield has to offer.



# April 2021 *events at a glance*

**10 Invisible Makers: Textiles, Dress, and Marginalized People in 18th- and 19th-Century America · An Historic Deerfield Virtual Forum** · Registration and fee required. 9 a.m.–4:45 p.m. EDT. See *Highlights* section for more information. **VIRTUAL**

**18 Borderland: The Life and Times of Blanche Ames Ames · Documentary Film Presentation and Discussion (Virtual Program)** · Registration required. 2 p.m. EDT. See *Highlights* section for more information. **VIRTUAL**

**23–24 From Suffrage to Stonewall: The Visual and Material Culture of Social Justice · Deerfield-Wellesley Symposium** · A virtual symposium sponsored by the Grace Slack McNeil Program for Studies in American Art at Wellesley College and Historic Deerfield, Inc. · 4/23, 4–5:30 p.m. EDT; 4/24, 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m. EDT. Free, registration required. See *Highlights* section for more information. **VIRTUAL**

# May 2021 *events at a glance*

**29 Opening Day, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.**  
*Digging Deeper: Stebbins House Archaeology Project* · Stebbins House, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., weather permitting. See *Highlights* section for more information.

*Broom-Making Demonstrations at the History Workshop* · 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

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Unless otherwise noted, all programs are included with general admission to the museum.



# June 2021 *events at a glance*

**5, 12, 19, 26 Broom-Making Demonstrations at the History Workshop** · 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**6, 20 Summer Evening Strolls: The Arts and Crafts Movement in Deerfield** · \$10 per person. Tours depart every 15 minutes starting at 4 p.m. Guided evening walking tours exploring the Arts and Crafts movement. Includes discount on dinner and history trivia at Champney's Restaurant & Tavern at the Deerfield Inn. See *Highlights* section for more information.

**11–13, 25–27 Digging Deeper: Stebbins House Archaeology Project** · Stebbins House, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., weather permitting. See *Highlights* section for more information.

**25–26 Dublin Seminar for New England Folklife, "Living with Disabilities in New England, 1630–1930"** · Live-captioned Zoom webinar. Program schedule and registration information will be available in mid-April at historic-deerfield.org. **VIRTUAL**



events at a glance

## July 2021

**3, 10, 17, 24, 31** Broom-Making Demonstrations at the History Workshop · 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

**4, 18** Summer Evening Strolls: Deerfield During the American Revolution · \$10 per person. Tours depart every 15 minutes starting at 4 p.m. Guided evening walking tours exploring Deerfield during the American Revolution. Includes discount on dinner and history trivia at Champney's Restaurant & Tavern at the Deerfield Inn. See *Highlights* section for more information.



**8** Summer Lecture Series: Celebrating 50 Years of Scholarship, Research, and Discovery at the Memorial Libraries · “Re-examining *In Small Things Forgotten*: Deerfield in the Early Modern World,” Presented by J. Ritchie Garrison, Program Director, Winterthur Program in American Material Culture. Free, registration required. 7 p.m. EDT. Register online at [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org) **VIRTUAL**

**10** Family Fun Day at Historic Deerfield · 12:30–4:30 p.m. Celebrate Summer with Songs and Stories at Historic Deerfield's Family Fun Days. Enjoy special outdoor activities for families on the museum grounds, including a Storywalk™, a Take and Make craft activity, a self-guided family-friendly Scavenger Hunt, Storytelling and Musical Performances. Check our website closer to the event for more fun details!

**10** Building in the Picturesque: Domestic Architecture in the Age of Industry, 1840–1870 · 9 a.m.–3 p.m. EDT, Registration and fee required. See *Highlights* section for more information. **VIRTUAL**



**15 Summer Lecture Series: Celebrating 50 Years of Scholarship, Research, and Discovery at the Memorial Libraries** · “Global Commerce and the Local Environment of the 18th-Century Connecticut Valley,” Presented by Strother Roberts, Bowdoin College. Free, registration required. 7 p.m. EDT. Register at [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org) **VIRTUAL**

**22 Summer Lecture Series: Celebrating 50 Years of Scholarship, Research, and Discovery at the Memorial Libraries** · “Painted Blackboards in America: A History of Education and Paint,” Presented by Judith Jacob, Senior Conservator, National Park Service, Northeast Regional Office. Free, registration required. 7 p.m. EDT. Register online at [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org) **VIRTUAL**

*events at a glance*

## August 2021

**1, 22 Summer Evening Strolls: Listen to the Land in Deerfield** · \$10 per person. Tours depart every 15 minutes starting at 4 p.m. Guided evening walking tours exploring Deerfield’s natural history, landscape, agriculture and more. Includes discount on dinner and history trivia at Champney’s Restaurant



& Tavern at the Deerfield Inn. See *Highlights* section for more information.

**7, 14, 21, 28 Broom-Making Demonstrations at the History Workshop** · 10 a.m.–4 p.m

**14 Family Fun Day at Historic Deerfield** · 12:30–4:30 p.m. Celebrate Summer with Songs and Stories at Historic Deerfield’s Family Fun Days. Enjoy special outdoor activities for families on the museum grounds, including a Storywalk™, a Take and Make craft activity, a self-guided family-friendly Scavenger Hunt, Storytelling and Musical Performances. Check our website closer to the event for more fun details.







# Highlights of the Season

## **Invisible Makers: Textiles, Dress, and Marginalized People in 18th- and 19th-Century America**

An Historic Deerfield Virtual Forum

April 10, 9:15 a.m.–4:45 p.m. EDT

Join us for a virtual forum of lectures from a dynamic roster of academic and museum professionals discussing examples of the important roles and contributions of BIPOC textile and clothing producers and consumers in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Presented as case studies, the research includes textiles and clothing produced by forced labor within plantations; people of

color working as tailors and dressmakers in Massachusetts; and marginalized people who fashioned their dressed bodies using Anglo-European garments in ways that both subverted normative styles while expressing “other” cultural identities. This program will be presented live via Zoom webinar. The link to the webinar will be sent to registrants prior to the event. Recordings will be available to registrants for a period of two weeks after each session. The cost for the webinar is \$60 (\$50 for members), \$85 for new members and \$45 for students. Register online at [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org)

## ***Borderland: The Life and Times of Blanche Ames Ames***

Documentary Screening, Discussion and Q&A (Virtual Program) · April 18, 2 p.m. EDT.

Borderland chronicles the life of visionary Blanche Ames Ames and the 20th-century uprising surrounding the pro-suffrage/anti-suffrage debate. The film, which was released in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment, is a deep dive into the fascinating life of Ames and her quest for voter rights and women’s equality. It ties the struggles of her era to today’s political climate. Participants will receive a link to view the film then join the live online discussion and Q&A with the filmmakers. Visit [www.historic-deerfield.org](http://www.historic-deerfield.org) to register.



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## Deerfield-Wellesley Symposium

### From Suffrage to Stonewall: The Visual and Material Culture of Social Justice

A virtual symposium sponsored by the Grace Slack McNeil Program for Studies in American Art at Wellesley College and Historic Deerfield, Inc.

Friday, April 23, 4–5:30 p.m. EDT, and

Saturday, April 24, 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m. EDT.

This webinar is free and open to the public.

Registration required:

<https://www.wellesley.edu/art/wd2020>

2019 and 2020 marked significant anniversaries for the history of social justice movements in the United States, commemorating the many reform campaigns that have taken place from the 19th century to the present. These campaigns sought political, social, economic, and cultural change and deployed visual and material culture to advance their goals. The 2021 Deerfield-Wellesley Symposium will focus on research related to the wide range of artistic expression generated by social justice movements, from painting, sculpture, public performance and installation to ephemera, costume, and craft. The symposium is made possible by the generous support of the Barra Foundation.

## Summer Evening Strolls

Enjoy a special guided evening walking tour along Old Main Street, followed by a discount on dinner and history trivia at Champney's Restaurant & Tavern at the Deerfield Inn. Each tour incorporates extra artistic entertainment, such as music or poetry readings. Use your new knowledge to win the tour-based trivia quiz at the Inn for a \$20 gift card! Guided walking tours begin at 4 p.m. departing every 15 minutes from Historic Deerfield's Visitor Center at Hall Tavern, and end across the street at the Deerfield Inn. Timed tickets must be purchased in advance. Tours on their own are \$10 per person. Dinner from the full summer dinner menu; 20% discount on entrees with purchase of the Sunday Summer Stroll ticket. Dinner is not required for participating in the tour.

### Tour Schedule:

June 6, 20:

The Arts and Crafts Movement in Deerfield

July 4, 18:

Deerfield During the American Revolution

August 1, 22:

Listen to the Land in Deerfield

## Digging Deeper: Stebbins House Archaeology Project

May 29, June 11–13, 25–27

Historic Deerfield continues its archaeological investigation of the Stebbins House site. Museum visitors are invited to visit the excavation and talk to archaeologists at work as the follow up on clues from a ground-penetrating radar survey.

Artifacts unearthed at the Stebbins House site will be processed at a field lab table for visitors to see. Visitors can view artifacts and ask questions about what they might reveal about daily life at the site more than 175 years ago.





**Summer Lecture Series:  
Celebrating 50 Years of  
Scholarship, Research, and  
Discovery at the Memorial Libraries**

July 8, 15, 22, 7 p.m. EDT, Free, registration required. Virtual Program.

The 2021 summer lecture series celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Memorial Libraries by Historic Deerfield and the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association. The depth and breadth of the joint Library's remarkable holdings attract scholars and researchers from the region and around the world. Come and learn what three scholars found at the Memorial Libraries as they explore daily life in the colonial period, colonial ecology in an Atlantic economy, and the material culture of early American education.

**Building in the Picturesque:  
Domestic Architecture in the Age  
of Industry, 1840–1870**

July 10, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. EDT, Registration and fee required. Virtual Program.

Shifting tastes in design and emerging architectural styles brought on by the Romantic

Movement had a profound impact on American domestic architecture in the mid-nineteenth century. Changes in aesthetic ideas, coupled with the fruits of the Industrial Revolution, radically transformed the design and construction of dwellings, allowing picturesque architecture to express people's individuality and domestic lifestyle. Historic Deerfield's seventh annual symposium on early New England architecture will focus on cottage and villa architecture, exploring design theory of the time, advances in building technology, developments in domestic conveniences and related topics that initiated and fueled this phase of American architecture.

**Broom-Making Demonstrations at  
the History Workshop**

Saturdays, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.  
History Workshop Building

Brooms were so important to the economy of 19th-century Deerfield that at one time there were eight broom-making shops along the Street! Join us in the History Workshop to watch a broom being made by hand, learn about growing and processing broomcorn, and see broom making tools and equipment.

Learn the story of Caleb Salisbury, an African-American man who lived in Deerfield and made brooms, and learn about the role of broom-making and craft industry in the 19th century.



# Things to Do *When You're in Deerfield*

**Gardens and Grounds** · Open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

## Three Sisters Garden

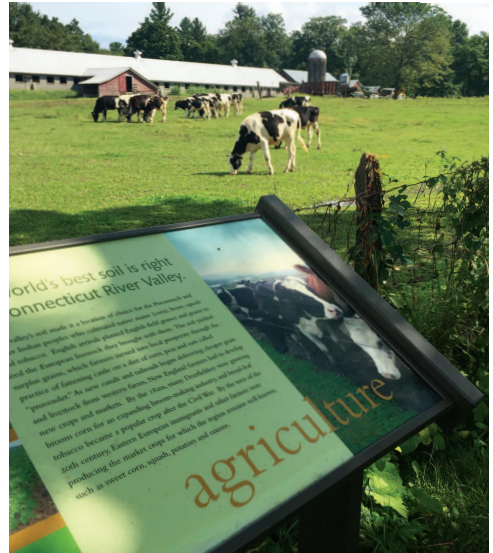
Visit this interpreted garden where we are growing corn, beans, and squash inspired by the traditional ways of Indigenous peoples of the Northeast. Step into the garden and learn about the deep history of these vegetables, and how we are planting, tending, and harvesting them in today's world.

## The Cooks' Garden

This kitchen garden serves as a source of fresh ingredients for the museum's open hearth cooking demonstrations and classes. The garden contains an assortment of useful plants commonly found in New England during the 18th and early 19th centuries.

## Channing Blake Footpath

The Channing Blake Footpath takes visitors past a working farm and through meadows to the Deerfield River. Interpretive panels along the one-third mile walk describe local geology, natural history, and Native and European presence.



**At The History Workshop** · This season, learn about broom-making and explore the Three Sisters Garden.

**Outdoor-Only Tours** · Due to COVID-19, Historic Deerfield is expanding its outdoor-only tours. Each day, weather permitting, we will offer outdoor tours, such as Deerfield Architecture Tour, Burying Ground Tours, and Deerfield History Tours. On the day of your visit, inquire at the Visitor Center to find out which tours are happening for the day.

**What's New at the Library** · Researchers are welcome to visit the library by appointment, Tuesday–Friday, from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. and 1 p.m.–5 p.m. Call (413) 775-7125 to make an appointment.





## The Deerfield Inn and Champney's Restaurant

See the complete list of events  
at [champneysrestaurant.com](http://champneysrestaurant.com)

Join us for our weekly specials:  
\$15 pizza night Mondays,  
burger night Tuesdays, and  
Oyster Wednesdays.

Fancy Nancy Luncheons: May  
22, June 19, July 17, August 28,  
11:30 a.m. Come dressed fancy  
and enjoy a special lunch  
while we read Jane O'Connor's  
modern kids classic, "Fancy Nancy." Full  
children's menu and lunch menu available.  
Limited seating, reservations suggested, (413)  
774-5587.

Summer Concert Series on the Terrace · Every  
Thursday, rain or shine, June 3 –September 2,



6 p.m.–9 p.m. Live music featuring a differ-  
ent local musician each week.

Wine & Jazz Fridays: June 25, July 16, August  
27, 6 p.m.–8 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and wine  
samples from a variety of vineyards. \$75 per  
person plus tax and gratuity. Reservations,  
(413) 774-5587.

## Join the Friends of Historic Deerfield!

### Friends of Historic Deerfield,

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operations with their unrestricted gifts,  
are recognized with a number of  
attractive member benefits, including:

- ★ Free admission to museum houses,  
the Flynt Center of Early New England  
Life, and exhibitions for one full year
- ★ A subscription to our magazine,  
*Historic Deerfield*
- ★ A subscription to our member  
newsletter
- ★ Discounted admission to all programs

- ★ Advance notice and discounts for  
trips, classes, and workshops
- ★ A 10% discount at the Museum Gift  
Shop and Bookstore
- ★ A 10% discount at the Deerfield Inn
- ★ Invitations to special Friends events  
and exhibition openings
- ★ Guest Pass(es)

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(413) 775-7176.

# What's On View?

## **TEXTiles and Technology**

Featured in the Helen Geier Flynt Textile Gallery in 2021 is an insightful display featuring a group of objects that used both the printed word and/or new innovations to decorate and improve life for people in the 19th and 20th centuries. The theme is explored through a selection of objects that include an engaging pair of printed cotton handkerchiefs, a rare pair of early 20th-century water wings, and a 19th-century hoop skirt patent—as well as an actual hoop skirt made to its specifications!

TEXTiles and Technology is but one of the themes explored in the gallery, named for founder Helen Geier Flynt (1895-1986), whose interest and collecting focus helped found the core of the museum's important fashion and textile collection, which today numbers some 8,000 pieces.



## **Boston Furniture Masterworks at Historic Deerfield**

Come visit the “Into the Woods” gallery at the Flynt Center of Early New England Life to view an impressive array of furniture produced in Boston in the 18th and 19th centuries. Rare and exceptional forms include an 18th-century japanned high chest, an 18th-century turret-top tea table, and a 19th-century sideboard attributed to cabinetmakers John and Thomas Seymour.



## **Anti-Slavery Ceramics at Historic Deerfield**

In 18th and 19th-century Britain and America, ceramics became an important medium for denouncing the horrors of slavery and promoting social change. Come visit the “Museum’s Attic” at the Flynt Center of Early New England Life to view and learn more about examples of anti-slavery ceramics, and the meaning behind their design and decoration.



# Visitor Information

For now, Historic Deerfield is open to the public Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Monday holidays, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., May 29–November 28, 2021. Check our website for updates to our schedule.

**Admission:** \$15 for adults (18+) and FREE for children (under 18), members, and residents of Deerfield/South Deerfield. Admission includes walking tours, first floor tours of at least one historic house, the History Workshop, and the Flynt Center of Early New England Life. For specific event information see [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org). Tickets may be purchased online in advance at [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org).

**COVID-19 Safety Information:** In accordance with CDC guidelines, the museum's public spaces are thoroughly cleaned and disinfected frequently. By order of the Governor of Massachusetts, visitors are required to social distance and wear a mask or face covering. Access to historic houses may be limited due to COVID-19. Visit [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org) for the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 protocols.

**Accessibility:** Wheelchairs (26") and assistive listening devices are available at the Visitor Center at Hall Tavern. The first floors of several Historic Deerfield museum houses, the Memorial Libraries, the Flynt Center of Early New England Life, the Deerfield Community Center, the Deerfield Inn and the Museum Gift Shop and Bookstore are accessible to those using standard-size 26-inch wheelchairs.

**Food:** Champney's Restaurant & Tavern at the Deerfield Inn is open daily for lunch and dinner. The Museum Gift Shop & Bookstore features snacks and beverages.

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