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Have some fun this month at the OCHM

A tour of UMass Dartmouth's Portuguese archives, baking favorites from the Taunton Inn, hands-on fun, and more!

TAUNTON, MA—

All are invited to join the Old Colony History Museum for family-friendly events, both in person and virtually this month. To see everything we have to offer and register for those that take place on Zoom, visit our Event Calendar at www.oldcolonyhistorymuseum.org/events/.

February Events at the OCHM:

Virtual Visit to the Ferreira-Mendes Portuguese American Archives at UMD

Friday, February 4, 2 p.m.

Join us as we virtually “visit” sites to learn about the history of the Old Colony region and beyond! On the first Friday of each month, we share a video tour of one historic site or museum from around the Old Colony region and host a speaker from the site for a live Q&A with the audience on Zoom! Afterwards the video tour will be uploaded to our YouTube channel to revisit any time.

In February we'll visit the Archives and Special Collections Department at UMass Dartmouth to see the interesting collections and fascinating resources they offer!

This program is free and open to all. You just need to register on our Eventbrite page at <http://oldcolonyhistorymuseum.eventbrite.com> to get the Zoom link.

Photo Scanning Day

Saturday, February, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Bring in your photos taken in the Taunton area (people, events, landmarks, holidays, and more) and let us scan them for our digital collection. We'll give you back the originals and your images will become a part of OCHM's photographic record of our community.

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Saturday, February, 19

Presidents' Day

Hands on History Week

Tuesday, February 22 through Saturday, February 26, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Hands on History day is now Hands on History WEEK! You can find all our in-person, fun, family-friendly programming within one awesome week every month. Each one is themed to inspire an appreciation of history, art, and culture in visitors of all ages with daily story times, crafts, and objects to learn from, hands on!

February is Black History Month! We'll read a book about Althea Gibson and make paper wreaths to celebrate diversity.

A Taste of Old Colony History

Thursday, February 24, 6:30 p.m.

This month, we're taking inspiration from menus from the Taunton Inn's Herring Run restaurant and trying our hand at some of their dishes!

Once you register, you'll have access to the recipe of the month and ingredient list so you can try the recipe for yourself. Then, join us on Zoom to watch the OCHM staff recreate the recipes from their home kitchens followed by a live Conversation from the Kitchen for recipe reactions and more about all the delicious history!

To register, visit <http://oldcolonyhistorymuseum.eventbrite.com> or call us with any questions at 506-822-1622.

Beer with Bronson

Friday, February 25, 5:15-6 p.m.

Grab a pour and take a tour with Curator of Collections, Bronson Michaud. Hear about the untold stories from our collection and take a peek at objects on display just for you. Plus, you'll receive a Beer with Bronson koozie to keep your beer (or root beer) cold and hands warm! This tour is free with regular Museum admission (OCHM Members receive free admission). And we provide the drink!

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About the Old Colony History Museum:

The Old Colony History Museum houses significant collections which chronicle lives lived, wars waged, fortunes won and ingenuity rewarded. We encourage visitors to walk among our exhibits and discover regional history. The Museum's parent organization is the Old Colony Historical Society, one of the oldest organizations of its kind in New England. Founded in 1853, it serves the region of southeastern Massachusetts that was once part of the Plymouth Colony.

The Old Colony History Museum is located on historic Church Green in Taunton. The Museum has its headquarters in the former Bristol Academy, designed in 1852 by the New York architect Richard Upjohn. Regular Museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the Museum is \$5 and free for Museum members.