



2024 Events!

Were you able to join us?

Sowing of New England Pollinator Plants

18th C. A Bittersweet History: Chocolate in 18th C New England

West Coast Swing Dancing

Steampunk / Dr. Z's World of Watches

Major Taylor / Orient Bikes

Rolling into Waltham with Joe Maffie - Wal-Lex Remembered

"Watch City: Waltham Watch"—meet the author with Jessica Lucci

Waltham in the Time of Slavery /A visit with Frederick Douglass

Gearheads Metz Day 2024 / Watch out for Waltham youth!

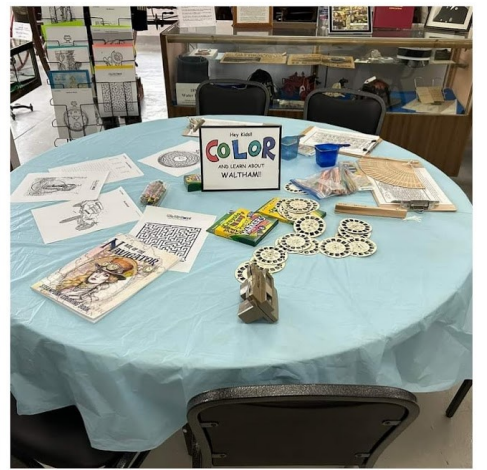
Farm Families in Waltham / Waltham Ukes! / Riverfest

Here is a brief look at some of the exciting events we held at the museum in 2024. We are also building an exciting calendar full of events for 2025! We hope to see you there! (See some of what we have planned down below)

Remember, The Waltham Museum is here to build community, and honor our history. Please consider yourself an important part of all our activities!

- WMUS, Board of Directors







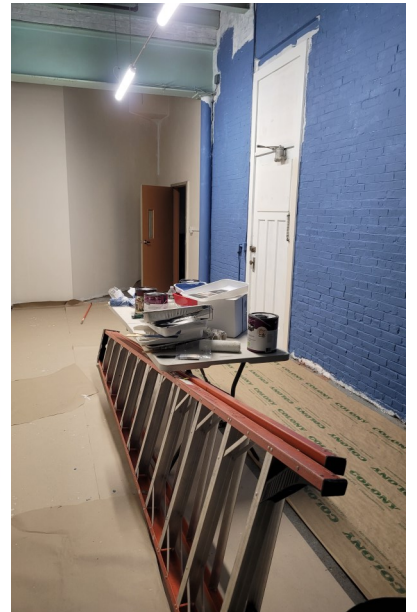
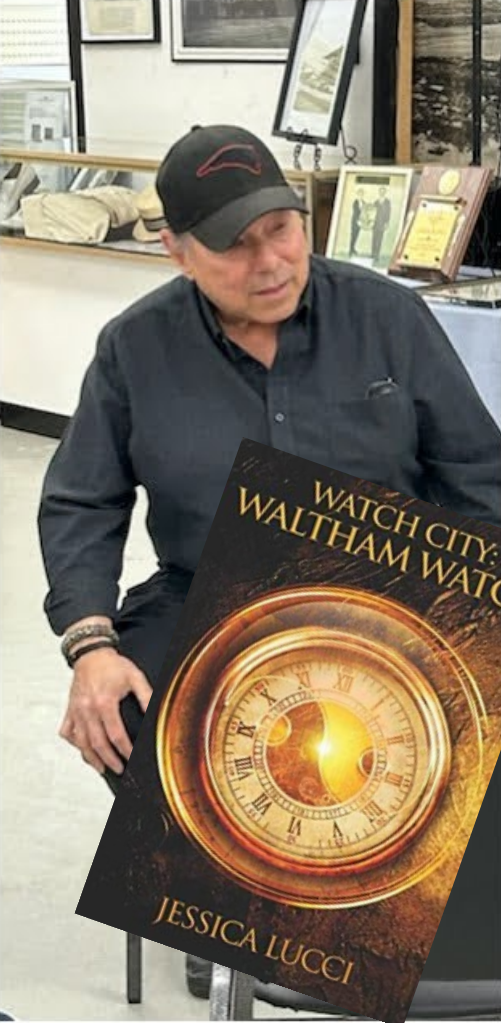
Will Benjamin interned this past summer at **Ressence Watches** in Antwerp, Belgium building watches, assembling movements, prepping watches for distribution to market, and helping to prototype new projects.



Time has always been a defining



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WALTHAM

& Reading Frederick Douglass

November 16th, 1pm & 4pm (RSVP strongly recommended)
 The Waltham Museum presents a special event pairing the story of **Waltham Slave Felix Cuff's** fight for freedom (1780), with Statesman, Author, Abolitionist, **Frederick Douglass' impassioned 1872** speech to America.



FREE ADMISSION

Frederick Douglass was an escaped slave who became a prominent activist, author and public speaker, and abolitionist leader. He gave a keynote address at an Independence Day celebration, leading to a nationwide speaking tour (including Waltham) delivering a powerful address: "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July" to the nation. The Waltham Museum is privileged to present a professional recreator portraying Douglass giving his speech to the good citizens of Waltham.

Felix Cuff was a slave in 1780's Waltham who joined the Continental Army as a path to freedom against the will of his owner which led to kidnapping, lawsuits, chases, a mob brawl, and refuge in "The Devil's Den". Felix pled a foundational case for his freedom, and right to self-determination.

Character portrayals performed by King Serpent Variety Troupe.

THE WALTHAM MUSEUM
 26 Lexington St. Waltham
 RSVP to 781-893-9020 or info@walthammuseum.org
 Municipal Parking across from entrance
 Handicapped Accessible.



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Exciting 2025 Events!

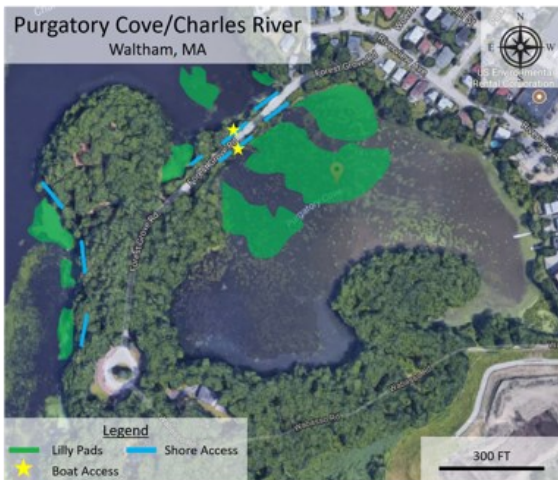
We Hope you will join us



Dressing for the 12th Night Ball—Michele Gabrielson



Waltham Fire Department History—Steve Lydon



Waltham fishing Spots—Jack Cox



Waltham's Jazz Age—Gerry Beaudoin



Official Air Mail Pilot #1. – David S. Ball, President of the American Air Mail Society



Steampunk Culture: Panel Interviews and Fashion Show—Jessica Lucci, moderator