

Merrimack Valley Happenings...

News of current economic developments and cultural events
from the Merrimack Valley Economic Development Council.

July 28, 2010

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BUSINESS AND ECONOMY NEWS



Deposits at Lowell-based [Enterprise Bank](#)

are up 17 percent in the past year, with loan volume up 6 percent.

- ❖ *The Lowell Sun:* [Enterprise Bank reports strong second-quarter profits](#)



[Groundwork Lawrence](#) continues to make progress in transforming the city's neglected natural resources, helping to secure a \$2.6m state grant to clean the Spicket River, create a riverside path and chain of city parks;

- ❖ *The Boston Globe:* [The greening of Lawrence](#)
- ❖ *The Boston Globe:* [Flowers now bloom where trash piles lay](#)



The town of **Andover** is applying for state "economic target area" designation, which would enable the town to offer tax incentives to companies.

- ❖ *Andover Townsman:* [Town eyes business growth plan: Tax breaks for creating jobs](#)



nexAMP

General Mills Inc. unveiled a solar power array at its

Yoplait Yogurt facility in Methuen, the company's first solar-powered facility in the United States. The array was designed and installed by North Andover-based [Nexamp Inc.](#)

- ❖ *Mass High Tech:* [General Mills opens solar-powered Methuen facility](#)
- ❖ [NECN video](#)



BillERICA-based [American Science and Engineering Inc.](#) won landed a \$23 million order from an unnamed government agency to supply several of its SmartCheck Personnel Screening Systems, used to screen people for explosives and contraband.

- ❖ *The Lowell Sun:* [AS&E awarded \\$23M pact to supply SmartCheck systems](#)

HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS



[Click here for UMass Lowell news & events](#)

- ❖ *The Boston Globe:* [UMass professor set to lead oil-spill probe](#)
- ❖ WUML 91.5 FM: community radio programming - [The Long View](#)
- ❖ [Merrimack Valley Housing Report](#)



[NECC news & events:](#)

- ❖ Weds, July 28, 8:00-9:30 a.m.: **Sen. Steven A. Baddour** and MA Division of Health Care Finance and Policy Commissioner David Morales - roundtable discussion - "Massachusetts Health Care Costs and the Economy;" NECC Tech Center, Haverhill; info/RSVP - Jeevan Ramapriya, 617-722-1604 or Brittny DeMatteo, 978-373-5663, brittny@haverhillchamber.com
- ❖ *The Boston Globe:* [Northern Essex president to retire](#)
- ❖ info sessions - careers in human services; Thurs., Aug. 5, 6:00-8:00 p.m.; Rm. L244, Dimitry Building, Lawrence Campus, 45 Franklin St.; Weds., July 28, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Weds., Aug. 18, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon., Rm. A124, Library, Haverhill Campus; free, open to the public
- ❖ NECC's Music Program will partner with the [Merrimack Valley Concert Band](#) to bring new classes and performances to the college this fall.
- ❖ [Dancing With The Stars Raffle](#) - airfare for two to Los Angeles, two tickets to see Dancing with the Stars and \$500 cash; only 400 tickets will be sold at \$100; proceeds benefit NECC Annual Fund Campaign.
- ❖ Wednesdays, August 4, 11, 18, 25: prep course for the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL ;) \$195 (includes materials ;) NECC Corporate & Community Education Center, North Andover; info/register: Erin O'Brien, NECC Center for Careers in Teaching, 978-738-7436.
- ❖ September - ['StreetWise MBA'™](#) - six-month program begins at NECC's Haverhill campus, classes every other Tuesday, 6:00-9:00 p.m.; designed specifically for existing urban small businesses; info: Beecher Grogan, Merrimack Valley Program Manager for Interise, (978) 204-8734, bgrogan@interise.org.
- ❖ [Register for Non-credit Courses](#) and programs
- ❖ [College for Kids and Arts Alive](#), - children's summer camps, four, one-week sessions starting July 6; NECC Haverhill campus; \$180/camper; info: Deirdre Budzyna, 978 -556-3456, dbudzyna@necc.mass.edu
- ❖ [Workforce Development Services](#) offers customized training and consulting services
- ❖ Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.: weekly info session for prospective students, Behrakis Center, Haverhill Campus
- ❖ Thursdays, 5:30 p.m.: weekly info session for prospective students, Lawrence Campus
- ❖ Sat., Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m.: [Glenn Miller Orchestra](#); Collins Center for the Performing Arts, Andover; tickets \$35; students \$20



[Middlesex Community College news and events:](#)

- ❖ Middlesex Community College has named **Philip J. Sisson** Provost and Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs. Sisson has more than 20 years of college administration service within the New England community-college system. Most recently, he served as Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Cape Cod Community College; press release: [Middlesex Appoints New Provost](#)
- ❖ *The Valley Dispatch:* [MCC's creative writing summer camp explores 'Twilight' zone](#)
- ❖ *The Valley Dispatch:* [MCC Offers Degree Program in Environmental Health](#)

- ❖ MCC [Business and Industry Programs](#) assist employers with writing work-force training grants and offers credit and non-credit courses
- ❖ [ESOL \(English for Speakers of Other Languages\)for Manufacturing courses](#)
- ❖ [Online Career Training Certificates - Virtual Information Session.](#)



[Enterprise Center at Salem State College news and events](#)

- ❖ [Small Business Growth Initiative](#) will help growing companies learn how to plan and manage their growth for maximum success, and will present a combination of seminars, workshops, mentoring, CEO groups, and more in the fall. Info: Christine Sullivan, 978-542-7039; csullivan@enterprisectr.org
- ❖ Small business [Workshops](#) (registration required)



[Merrimack College news & events](#)

- ❖ **Dr. Christopher Hohey** is the new president of Merrimack College; [press release](#)

BUSINESS GROUP NEWS



[Merrimack Valley Venture Forum:](#)

- ❖ Thurs., Aug. 19, 6:00-8:30 p.m.: MVVF Summer Networking & Resource Fair Salvatore's Restaurant, 354 Merrimack St., Lawrence



Greater Merrimack Valley
Convention & Visitors Bureau

adventures await

[Greater Merrimack Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau:](#)



[North of Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau:](#)

- ❖ The North of Boston CVB has moved to 10 State Street, Suite 309, Newburyport, MA 01950; new telephone number: 978-225-1559; staff e-mail addresses are unchanged.
- ❖ [North of Boston 2009-2010 online Visitor Guide.](#)



[Valley Works Career Center:](#)

- ❖ Networking for Professionals: pre-Register at Membership Desk or call 978.722.7000
- ❖ Mon., Aug. 9, 1:00 p.m.: "How to Access State Government Jobs" – Juanita Allen, Massachusetts HR Division, Office of Diversity & Equal Opportunity
- ❖ [Adult & Youth Group Training Brochure](#)
- ❖ [Youth Training Brochure](#)

Business Hiring Incentives: Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) & Hiring Incentive Training Grants (HITG); contact a Business Service Representative, 978.722.7000



Greater Lowell Workforce Investment Board:

- ❖ *The Lowell Sun:* [Lowell in line for \\$336G to give city youths summer jobs](#)
- ❖ The Greater Lowell WIB, in partnership with the Merrimack Valley Workforce Investment Board and the New Hampshire Office of Workforce Opportunity, has launched the Regional Innovation Grant (RIG) project website: www.mvrig.org and released the [MVRIG Strategic Plan](#), outlining a regional identity and vision for the manufacturing sector, goals and strategies, implementation and sustainability plans.



Merrimack Valley Workforce Investment Board



Career Center of Lowell:



Greater Haverhill Chamber of Commerce:

- ❖ Weds, July 28, 8:00-9:30 a.m.: **Sen. Steven A. Baddour** and MA Division of Health Care Finance and Policy Commissioner David Morales - roundtable discussion - "Massachusetts Health Care Costs and the Economy;" NECC Tech Center, Haverhill; info/RSVP - Jeevan Ramapriya, 617-722-1604 or Brittny DeMatteo, 978-373-5663, brittny@haverhillchamber.com
- ❖ Mon., Sept. 13: 19th Annual Scramble [Golf Tournament](#); Renaissance Golf Club, Haverhill
- ❖ Thurs., Oct. 21, 3:00-7:00p.m.: Cross Border Xpo; Rockingham Park, Salem, NH



Greater Lowell Chamber of Commerce:

- ❖ Thurs., Aug. 5, 5:30–7:30 p.m.: Networking after Hours, Metro Credit Union, 1527 Main St., Tewksbury; \$10 members, \$20 non-members
- ❖ Tues., Aug. 17, 12:00-1:30 p.m.: Networking At Noon, Riverside Diner, 197 Merrimack Ave., Dracut



Amesbury Chamber of Commerce and Industrial Foundation:



Greater Newburyport Chamber of Commerce and Industry:

- ❖ Find out about Newburyport happenings in the latest issue of [STAY in the LOOP!](#)
- ❖ *The Daily News of Newburyport:* [Chamber sets films for Waterfront Movie Series](#)



Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce:

- ❖ *The Eagle-Tribune:* [Merrimack Valley Chamber recognizes jobs well done](#)



Salisbury Chamber of Commerce:



Billerica Community Alliance:

- ❖ Billerica Minuteman: [Billerica Community Alliance – restaurant weeks, “buy it in Billerica”](#)



Young Professionals of Greater Lowell



Merrimack Valley Transportation Management Association (TMA) - employers and property owners working to address employee transportation issues in the Greater Andover area and I-93 and I-495 corridors of the Merrimack Valley; MVTMA is now live on both [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

ARTS, CULTURE, NATURE, RECREATION



Merrimack Valley radio 980WCAP – Thursdays, 9:10 a.m.: MVEDC's **Dave Tibbetts** offers highlights of this week's "Merrimack Valley happenings"; [Listen online..](#)"



The July / august issue of **Merrimack Valley Magazine** is now available: **Merrimack Valley Magazine: the tastes of summer**



August 1 -15, **Greater Merrimack Valley Restaurant Showcase Week** - two-course lunch or three-course diner with fixed prices starting at \$9.10.

- ❖ Thurs., July 29, - Summer Sam Fest celebration, LeLacheur Park, Lowell; samplings from participating restaurants, beer tasting, music by Jen Kearney and the Lost Onion; proceeds benefit the Merrimack Valley Food Bank.



Forty-five locations in the Merrimack Valley have been named to the Mass. Office of Travel and Tourism's list of **"1,000 Great Places" in Massachusetts:**

- ❖ **Amesbury:** John Greenleaf Whittier House; Lowell's Boat Shop; Powwow River; Rocky Hill Meetinghouse
- ❖ **Andover:** Addison Gallery of American Art (Phillips Academy); Andover Historical Society; **Chelmsford:** Chelmsford Center Historic District
- ❖ **Dracut:** Farmer Dave's
- ❖ **Georgetown:** Georgetown-Rowley State Forest; Jay Shay Art Studio and Gallery
- ❖ **Groveland:** Elm Park
- ❖ **Haverhill:** Bradford Common Historic District; Downtown Historic District; Lake Kenoza Walkways and Park; Winnekenni Castle and Parks/Trails
- ❖ **Lawrence:** Great Stone Dam, Merrimack River; Lawrence History Center
- ❖ **Lowell:** Brush Art Gallery and Artists Studios; Lowell Heritage State Park; Lowell National Historical Park; Lowell Riverwalk - Sampas Pavilion; Memorial Hall; American Textile History Museum; Jack Kerouac Commemorative; Revolving Museum; Tsongas Industrial History Center; Western Avenue Studios
- ❖ **Merrimac:** Lake Attitash/Merrimacport Village Center
- ❖ **Methuen:** Methuen Memorial Music Hall
- ❖ **Newbury:** Spencer-Pierce Little Farm
- ❖ **Newburyport:** Audubon Joppa Flats Nature Center; Firehouse Center for the Arts; Maritime Museum; Maudslay State Park; Newburyport Boardwalk; Plum Island and the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
- ❖ **North Andover:** Old Center Historic District
- ❖ **Rowley:** Agawam Diner
- ❖ **Salisbury:** Salisbury Beach State Reservation
- ❖ **Tewksbury:** Public Health Museum at Tewksbury State Hospital
- ❖ **Tyngsborough:** Parlee Farms
- ❖ **West Newbury:** Crane Pond Wildlife Center
- ❖ **Westford:** The Butterfly Place
- ❖ **Wilmington:** Butters House; Middlesex Canal Walk

Editor's note: Click on the "[Quality of Life](#)" tab on MVEDC's website www.merrimackvalley.info for dozens of additional Merrimack Valley locations that could have been included – art galleries, museums, farms, natural resource attractions, etc.

- ❖ *Boston Globe:* [Bay State's greats](#)
- ❖ *The Lowell Sun:* [Great places never far from home](#)
- ❖ *Daily News of Newburyport:* [Greater Newburyport sites make their mark among state's 1,000 Great Places](#)



[The Center for Community Health and Wellness](#) at Lowell General Hospital:

- ❖ All programs - [register online](#) or call 1-877-LGH-WELL.

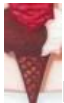


The harvest is early this year – check out the [farms of the Merrimack Valley](#).

[Farmer's Markets:](#)

- ❖ Andover Sat., 6/26-10/9 - 12:30-3:30p.m., 97 Main St., Andover Historical Society
- ❖ Chelmsford 7/8-10/14 – 2:00-6:00 p.m., Town Common & North Rd.
- ❖ Georgetown – Sat., 7/10-mid 10; 9:30a-1p.m., Georgetown Crossing Parking Lot
- ❖ Haverhill – Sat., 7/17-10/30 – 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - GAR Park, Main St., Rte 125
- ❖ Lawrence - Wed., 7/7-10/27 – 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; between Essex & Common St, City Hall
- ❖ Lowell Fri, 3:00-7:00 p.m. - Lowell City Hall Plaza, Arcand Drive
- ❖ Newburyport – Sun., 5/2-12/20 - Sun. 9a.m.-1p.m. - The Tannery Marketplace, 50 Water St.
- ❖ Pepperell - Sat., 7/10-10/21 – 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.-Town Field/Community Ctr., Rt. 111 & 113
- ❖ Rowley – Sun. 7/11-9/19 – 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p. m. - Rowley Town Common, Rte 1A

[Smolak Farms](#), North Andover: [Summer Chef Series](#), fresh local fare and summer wine pairings; June 30 - Antonio Bettencourt; July 28 - J Jason Bond; Aug. 25 - Samuel Hunt.



If you have a craving for **locally-made ice cream:**

- ❖ [Kimball Farm](#), Westford: [On tap: Berry-spangled \(yummy\) cheesecake](#)
- ❖ [Shaw Farm](#), Dracut
- ❖ [Benson's](#), Boxford (try the special fresh native fruit flavors!)
- ❖ [Hodgie's](#), Amesbury

[Restaurants](#) in the Merrimack Valley



[Click here for](#) dozens of fine restaurants in the Merrimack Valley.

- ❖ **Phat Cat's Bistro** in Amesbury, **Keon's Bistro** and **George's** in Haverhill are rated in the top five area restaurants by "[Bill and Dave's Excellent Restaurant Adventure](#)" www.BillandDavesReviews.com – a blog that rates restaurants in the North Shore, Merrimack Valley and Seacoast New Hampshire.
- ❖ *The Daily News of Newburyport:* [Sydney & Hampton to reopen as Bradford Tavern](#)



[Athenian Corner Restaurant](#), Lowell:

- ❖ Tues., Aug, 10, 7:30-10:00 p.m. (2nd and 4th Tuesday every month) - Jazz Night with Casual Saxtet; (8-piece jazz band; free admission; dinner and beverages available)
- ❖ Thursday night "Concerts on the Corner", outdoor music series featuring local musicians; free and open to the public



Blue Ocean Music Hall on the ocean at Salisbury Beach:

- ❖ Weds, July 28: Buffett Beach Blast with **Changes in Latitude**; (4:00-8:00 p.m. Tailgate Party)
 - ❖ Thurs., July 29: **The Gin Blossoms**
 - ❖ Friday, July 30: **Sonny Landreth and Los Straitjackets**
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What's Up Haverhill

- ❖ **Downtown Haverhill Summer Movie Series**; Columbus Park, adjacent to **England's MicroCreamery**; free: Aug. 3 - "Tale of Despereaux;" and Aug. 10- "Bee Movie." *The Eagle-Tribune*: **Downtown summer movie series returns**
 - ❖ Sat., Aug. 14: Team Haverhill's **River Ruckus Festival, downtown Haverhill**
 - 7:30 p.m.: United States Air Force Band of Liberty Concert Band, followed by laser light show on the Merrimack River from 9:00 to 9:30 p.m.
 - ❖ Haverhill Gazette: **Air Force band to perform at river's edge**
 - ❖ Haverhill Gazette: **Classic car show to line Washington Street during River Ruckus**
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Haverhill Historical Society/Buttonwoods Museum:

Past Finders summer program, for children in grades 1-7, has openings for its August 10-13 session; info: 978-374-4626, sfraser@haverhillhistory.org; Aug. 10-13, "Young Americans" - campers will learn firsthand how both Native Americans and early settlers in this area lived.; cooking, working in the garden, telling stories, playing games, creating homemade crafts, and a farm field trip



Winnekenni Castle, Kenoza Ave. (Rte 110), Haverhill:

- ❖ Tots-n-Tykes Tuesdays - every Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., through Sept 15: educational and creative workshops designed to stimulate little minds; \$5 per child; **register online**
 - ❖ Sun, Aug. 8, 12:00-5:00p.m.: Chowderfest - chowder, music, entertainment, and more
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Thurs., August 26, 4:00 - 8:30 p.m.: **Local Authors Book Sale and Signing**; 35 local authors; Haverhill Public Library; organized by Coralie Hughes Jensen and Christopher Obert, owner of **Pear Tree Publishing**



Lowell Memorial Auditorium:

- ❖ Aug. 3 & 4: Menopause The Musical
 - ❖ Sept.11: Captain Sig and the Hillstrand Brothers from Deadliest Catch
 - ❖ Sept. 25: NBC's Last Comic Standing Live
 - ❖ Oct. 1: Dark Star Orchestra
 - ❖ Oct. 2: Real Oldies Live
 - ❖ Oct. 3: U.S. Air force Band of Liberty (free)
 - ❖ Oct. 15: Dog Trainer Victoria Stilwell Host of It's Me or the Dog
 - ❖ Oct. 16: the Cast of A&E's Paranormal State featuring Ryan Buell and Sergey Poberezhny
 - ❖ Nov. 5: Buddy Valastro: TLC's Cake Boss
 - ❖ Nov. 20 An Evening with Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson
 - ❖ **Subscription packages** now on sale for the six shows in the **Lowell Five** Performing Arts Series; Performances include: Vienna Boys Choir Holiday Celebration; Legally Blonde The Musical; Fiddler on the Roof; Grease; A Chorus Line; Monty Python's Spamalot
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athm American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton Street, Lowell:

- ❖ Through August 1: Inspired Design: Lasell College at ATHM - contemporary hat designs American Textile History Museum,
- ❖ Aug. 14 – Jan. 2: “High Style: Betsy Bloomingdale and the Haute Couture”

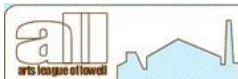


Western Avenue Studios, 122 Western Avenue, Lowell:

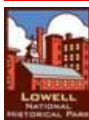
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 5, 12:00-5:00 p.m.: Monthly Open Studios

Loading Dock Gallery:

- ❖ July 28 - August 29: “Metaphorically Speaking” by Laura Gawlinski and Laurie Simko; reception Fri., Aug. 6, 6:00-9:00 p.m.



Arts League of Lowell (ALL) Gallery, 246 Market Street, Lowell:



Lowell National Historical Park, 246 Market Street, Lowell:

- ❖ **Tsongas Industrial History Center Summer Day Camp** – week-long sessions Monday through Friday, starting July 6; \$175 per week; pre-registration required; 978 970-5080

Through August 23: **canal boat tours** daily:

- ❖ “Working the Water Boat Tour” - 90-minute tour on the Pawtucket Canal; daily at 11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., Thurs. & Fri. at 1:00; adults, \$8, seniors/students, \$7; 6-16, \$6, 5 and under, free.
- ❖ “Engineering Innovation Tour” - two hour tour; daily at 12:00, Thurs. & Fri. at 3:30pm.; adults, \$8, seniors/students, \$7; 6-16, \$6. 5 and under, free.
- ❖ The “Full Works” Tour - by boat, trolley and foot, starting at Lower Locks, through Swamp Locks and Guard Locks on the Pawtucket Canal, to the Merrimack River, Francis Gatehouse, Pawtucket Gatehouse and “River Transformed” exhibit at the Wannalancit Mills; three hour tour Sat., July 31, 2:30 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 8 & 22, 2:30 p.m.; adults: \$10, ages 62+:\$9; ages 6 -16: \$8;(Ages 5 and under: free.
- ❖ “Evening Cruise” - pack a brown bag supper for a cruise on the Merrimack River, Pawtucket Canal, the mill pond and the upstream section of the river; two hour tour, Thurs. and Fri., 6:00pm.; adults \$8, seniors/students, \$7; ages 6 -16, \$6; age 5 and under, free.



The Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market Street, Lowell

- ❖ Through August 6: FLUIDITY: Exhibition of Artists at the Brush.



Revolving Museum, 122 Western Avenue, #217, Lowell:



Whistler House Museum of Art, Lowell:

Through July 29:

- ❖ “ En Plein Air: Paintings Here and Abroad;” Lynne Friedman;
- ❖ Lowell-Rooftops to Widow’s Walks;” Don Sullivan
- ❖ Aug 4-Sept 4: “From Fine Art to Fiber: Reinterpreting the Masters – 2010” - quilts inspired by famous works of art.
- ❖ Fri., Aug. 13, 12:00-2:00 p.m.: High Tea in the Parker Gallery; \$7
- ❖ Friday & Saturday, Aug. 13 & 14: Art Quilts in Bloom (In conjunction with From Fine Art to Fiber)
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 14, 2:00-4:00 p.m.: Artist Reception
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 21, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: Whistler’s Mother on Safari (Quilting Class, \$65 per person; info/register: Jim Dymont, 978-452-7641 x 12.

Aug. 4-Sept 4 - Linda Maletz: French Landscapes; reception: Sat., Aug. 14, 2:00-4:00 p.m.



[119 Gallery](#), 119 Chelmsford St, Lowell:



[New England Quilt Museum](#), 18 Shattuck Street, Lowell:

- ❖ [Lowell Quilt Festival](#) – Aug. 12-14 – a citywide celebration of quilts - *“Images – the Best of Today’s Traditional and Contemporary Quilts.”*
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[Methuen Memorial Music Hall](#) 192 Broadway (Route 28), Methuen:

[Organ Recital Series](#) – Wednesdays, 8:00 p.m.; adults: \$10, children \$5;

- ❖ July 28: **Joyce Painter Rice**
 - ❖ August 4 - **Adrienne M. Pavur**
 - ❖ August 11 - **Scott Dettra**
 - ❖ August 18 - **Michael Wayne Smith**
 - ❖ August 25 - **Stephen Roberts**
 - ❖ September 1 - **Angela Kraft Cross**
 - ❖ Weds, Sept. 15, 8:00 p.m.: "**Scholarship Fund Organ Recital;**" Douglas Major, organist; adults \$10, students \$5
 - ❖ Fri., Oct. 22, 8:00 p.m.: "**Berj Zamkochian Memorial Organ Recital;**" Paul Jacobs, organist; adults \$20, children \$5
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[Essex Art Center](#), 56 Island Street, Lawrence:

Through August 12:

- ❖ *Chester Sidell Gallery* - Weaving Baskets & Wheat;
 - ❖ *Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery* - "Pin the tail on the donkey – a satire of contemporary species class-ism," including work by Paul Roux.
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[Lawrence Heritage State Park](#), One Jackson Street, Lawrence:

- ❖ **Gallery** - [“A New Deal for Lawrence: Federal Works Project, Then and Now”](#)
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Find out about “all things Newburyport” in [STAY in the LOOP!](#)

- ❖ The Greater Newburyport Area Cultural Heritage Assessment project has changed its name to **“Around Newburyport,”** and developed a marketing piece to attract cultural, heritage and eco-tourists to the area; *Daily News of Newburyport*. [Tourism group finds 25 reasons to stay in Port](#)
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July 24 – August 1 - Newburyport’s [Yankee Homecoming](#)

- ❖ Sat., July 31 – fireworks; Sun. Aug. 1 – Parade
 - ❖ Waterfront concerts, craft festivals, heritage tours, and more; [schedule](#)
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[Firehouse Center for the Arts](#), Newburyport:

- ❖ July 23-30: The Laramie Project; [buy tickets online – MVArts.info](#)
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BRIDGE GALLERY [Bridge Gallery](#), 1R Water Street, Newburyport:

- ❖ Through August 2: **"You Are Here, Local Images"** - scenes of Newburyport and its surrounding marshes and waterfront; introducing new members, Andrea Alukonis, sculpture and Fran Butsavich, pastel and oil.
- ❖ Aug. 4-30 -"Summer Visions" - paintings by Danielle Gauthier-McCarthy and Barbara Burns; reception Sat., Aug. 14, 5:00-8:00 p.m.



Newburyport summer movie series - Thursday nights at 8:30; July 29, "The Polar Express;" Aug. 5, "Tale of Despereaux;" Aug. 12, "Bee Movie"

- ❖ *Daily News of Newburyport*: [Downtown movies planned for summer](#)



Theater in the Open, Maudslay State Park, *Newburyport*:

- ❖ Saturdays and Sundays through Aug. 8, 4:00 p.m.: **"The Bald Soprano"**; \$8 adults, \$5 students and seniors (plus \$2 parking fee)
- ❖ *Daily News of Newburyport*: [Theater in the Open peeling back layers on humanity in new Maudslay show](#)



Newburyport Art Association, 65 Water Street, Newburyport:

- ❖ July 29 – Aug. 11: NAA Printmakers Group Show - "Making an Impression;" reception: Sat., July 31, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- ❖ July 29 – Aug. 4: Featured Artist Show - Tony Cerra, Michael Doran & Anne Recchia; reception: Fri., July 30, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- ❖ Aug. 5 –11: Featured Artist Show - Linda Jo Nielson, Ann Goldberg & Mike Stroella; reception Fri., Aug. 6, 7:00–9:00 p.m.
- ❖ Aug. 12– 25: Newburyport Ten Plein Air Group Show; reception Sat., Aug. 14, 7:00–9:00 p.m.



August 6-14: [Newburyport Chamber Music Festival](#)

- ❖ Fri., Aug. 6, 6:30 p.m. Trio Cavatina
- ❖ Tues. Aug. 10, 7:00 p.m.: free concert, downtown Newburyport
- ❖ Thurs., Aug. 12, 7:30 p.m.: Festival String Quartet
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 14, 7:30 p.m.: Festival String Quartet with Jon Deak



YWCA Greater Newburyport: [Summer programs](#)

Discover Amesbury!

Free Community Music Series, Upper Mill Yard Amphitheatre, Amesbury:

- ❖ Thurs., July 29, 6:00-8:00 p.m.:
- ❖ *The Daily News of Newburyport*: [Bank brings 4th music fest to the Millyard](#)



John Greenleaf Whittier Home Association, Amesbury:

- ❖ Saturdays., July & August, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.: guided tours of Whittier' Home
- ❖ Sun., Aug. 8, 2:00-5:00 p.m.: [Garden Party](#); poetry readings, buffet; \$25



Merrimack Repertory Theatre:



PCA [Westford's Parish Center for the Arts:](#)



[Joppa Flats Education Center and Wildlife Sanctuary](#), Newburyport "

- ❖ Aug. 1 - Sept. 12: nature photographer **Phil Ellin** - "Avians on Parade;" opening reception Sun., Aug. 1, 2:30 p.m.
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[Act Andover](#) – Community Theater:

- ❖ Aug. 13 & 14, 7:30 p.m.: "HEY MR PRODUCER" – dinner theater and silent auction; \$45; Indian Ridge Country Club, Andover
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[Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College](#), North Andover:

Free outdoor music and movies; Andover Townsman: **[Rogers Center outdoor entertainment starts July 14.](#)**

- ❖ Weds., July 28: "film - My Darling Clementine." commentary at 6:30
 - ❖ Weds., Aug. 4, 7:00 p.m.: film - "San Francisco."
 - ❖ Thurs., Aug. 18, 7:00 p.m.: singer-songwriter Jon Shain
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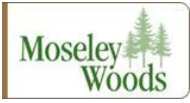
[Lowell Summer Music Series](#) Boarding House Park in historic downtown Lowell:

- ❖ **Fri., July 30: Indigo Girls**
- ❖ **Sat., July 31: Marc Cohn**
- ❖ **Fri., Aug. 6: Suzanne Vega & Patty Larkin**
- ❖ **Fri., Aug. 13: Lyle Lovett & His Large Band**
- ❖ **Fri., Aug 20: The B-52s**
- ❖ **Fri., Aug 27: Marcia Ball**
- ❖ **Sat., Aug. 28: Natalie MacMaster**
- ❖ **Sun., Aug. 29: Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," free**
- ❖ **Sat., Sept. 4: Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes;**
- ❖ **Fri., Sept. 10: Robert Randolph & the Family Band**
- ❖ **Sat., Sept. 11: 31st annual Banjo & Fiddle Contest (free);**
- ❖ **[buy tickets online – MVArts.info](#)**

[Lowell Summer Music Series Children's Programs](#) Boarding House Park, Lowell:

10:00 a.m. Make-and-take art; natural and organic snacks; 11:00 a.m. Performance; •Noon Trolley rides; free

- ❖ **Weds., July 28, 11:00 a.m.: [Wayne Martin Puppets](#)**
 - ❖ **Thurs., July 29, 11:00 a.m.: [The Jim Show](#)**
 - ❖ **Weds., Aug. 4, 11:00 a.m.: [Ben Rudnick and Friends](#)**
 - ❖ **Thurs., Aug. 5, 11:00 a.m.: [Bari Koral](#)**
 - ❖ **Weds., Aug. 11, 11:00 a.m.: [The Nields](#)**
 - ❖ **Thurs., Aug. 12, 11:00 a.m.: [Bonaparte](#)**
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Moseley Woods summer concert series; Moseley Woods Park, Newburyport: free, family-friendly events, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00.

- ❖ Aug. 4: **Chris Richard** (charity fundraising event)
- ❖ Aug. 11: **Overboard Vocals**



Maudslay Arts Center Summer Concert Series; Maudslay State Park, Curzon Mill Road, Newburyport; Saturdays 7:00 p.m., Sundays 2:00 p.m.:


- ❖ Sat., Aug. 7 - Paul Broadnax Quintet
- ❖ Sun., Aug. 8 - Occidental Gypsy Jazz Quartet
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 14 - Rebecca Parris
- ❖ Sun., Aug. 15 - An Afternoon of Celtic Music and Dance
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 21 - Grace Kelly Jazz
- ❖ Sun., Aug. 22 - American Century Music Classical Quintet
- ❖ Sat., Aug. 28 - Shirim Klezmer Orchestra

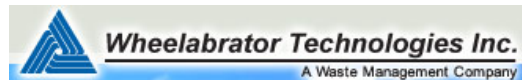


Salisbury Beach fireworks and concert series Saturdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m.; free

- ❖ *The Daily News of Newburyport*: **Shows, fireworks at Salisbury Beach on summer Saturdays**
- ❖ July 31 — The Brew (indie rock)
- ❖ Aug. 7 — Evan Goodrow Band (soul and blues)
- ❖ Aug. 14 — Entrain
- ❖ Aug. 21 — Adam Ezra Group (pop and acoustic rock)
- ❖ Aug. 28 — Bonerama (vintage funk, classic rock and improvisation)
- ❖ Sept. 4 — Beatlejuice (Beatles tribute band)

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