

Alden House Historic Site 2018 Calendar of Events

Bringing History to Life



ALDEN HOUSE HISTORIC SITE

105 Alden Street
PO Box 2754
Duxbury, MA 02331

Phone: 781-934-9092
www.alden.org
Email: director@alden.org

Colonial Adventures for Kids, Tuesday, April 17, 10 am-2 pm. Boys and girls ages 8-13 experience life long ago through the games, chores, and fun of Colonial Days. Registration required. Fee.

"For Every House a Garden": Sunday, May 6, 2 pm. Join master gardener Jeannette Mackenzie for a look at New England colonial kitchen gardens and their importance in supplying essential plants and herbs for cooking and medicines in early America. Fee.

Speak For Thyself Awards Dinner, Thursday, June 7, 6-9 pm. 12th annual event recognizes women in the community for their leadership and civic mindedness, in the spirit of Mayflower Pilgrim Priscilla Mullins Alden. Duxbury Bay Maritime School. \$75. Reservations required.

Liberty Pole Day, Saturday, June 9, 11-4 pm. Experience the life of a soldier during the American Revolution during this day-long military encampment with living history demonstrations, fife & drum music, and more. Fee. *Supported by the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati.*

"Beere" Making 17th Century Style, Saturday, July 14, 12-4. Explore the history of "beere" making in early America in this hands-on program with Plimoth Plantation's manager of trades, crafts & domestic skills. *Supported by the Duxbury Cultural Council.*

118th Alden Reunion, Saturday, August 4, 10-4. Share history, fun and kinship at this memorable annual event. Registration required; Fee.

Sheep and Shawl: TBA. Celebrate all things woolly as you explore the process of turning wool into cloth with 18th century techniques. Includes hands-on activities in spinning, dyeing wool, weaving, and crafts for kids. Supported by the Duxbury Cultural Council.

Harvest Time at Alden House; Saturday, September 22, 12-4 pm. Explore, taste, and touch early New England foodways in this talk at the Alden hearth. Make a cornhusk doll. Part of the Duxbury Food and Wine Festival.

"In Small Things Remembered": Uncovering the Story of John and Priscilla Alden, October, TBD. *Archaeological exhibit based on recent scholarship reveals new insights about the lives of historical icons and Mayflower Pilgrims John and Priscilla Alden and 17th century Duxbury. Funded by the Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation and the Rockwell Family Foundation.*

Haunted House, Saturday, October 20, 5-8 pm. Enjoy a spooktacular night of family fun with haunted tours, trails, games and activities. Admission.

Holly Days, Sunday November 25, 12-4 pm. Features colonial crafts and tours of Alden House decorated for the holidays. Sponsored by the Duxbury Business Association.

Denizens: A Narrative of Captain George Denison and His New England Contemporaries., Sunday, December 2, 2 pm. Author and Pilgrim descendant Kate Dimancescu shares family tales of romance, sacrifice, bravery and life in early New England and talks about researching ancestors through primary source materials in this Sunday Salon Series program at Duxbury Free Library. Free.