

# 15 Things to do this Weekend (April 15 – April 17)

Can you say “FINALLY!”? No rain, no snow. Just sunshine and mild temperatures. The worst that can be said about this weekend’s weather is that it may be breezy at times. We’ll have a chilly overnight that will dip as low as 38 degrees – which is great for snuggling. The days will be between 51 and 57 degrees. Absolutely perfect weather for this time of year and conducive to getting out of the house and enjoying the many things to do.



As always, click on the title for more or detailed information on the event. Most of the events were pulled from our [event calendar](#) where you can find hundreds of local area events each month. The event calendar is FREE, so if you are a local business, and not taking advantage of FREE publicity, shame on you! Are you a local business and want to sponsor this high traffic, weekend guide? Contact [info@newbedfordguide.com](mailto:info@newbedfordguide.com) for more details. Have an event to add? Add it [here](#). Know of another event this weekend? Post a reply!

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## Friday, April 15th

**Opening Reception: Exhibition by Nick Mello “Nothing Special.”**

**(6:00pm-8:00pm)**

“Nothing Special.” exhibition by local artist Nick Mello will be on view at the Groundwork Gallery from March 28th- May 4th; The ideas for this series of sunflower paintings began last summer. Initially, flowers were a reoccurring motif to the drawings of cars, trucks and trains I was making with my two year old son. I soon realized how attracted to drawing these forms I had become so I continued to pursue them as an intuitive exercise. They soon started to reflect familiar compositions of artist like Van Gogh or Matisse. I then began distorting them and they took on an expressive attitude and I felt compelled to incorporate them into paintings. Groundwork, 1213 Purchase St., New Bedford.



*Enjoy an evening of live music with three, talented acts.*

**Movie Night: “A League Of their Own” (6:00pm-8:00pm)**

The Church of the Good Shepherd movie nights are held the third Friday of each month. April 15 we will be showing “A League of Their Own” in honor of the start of baseball season. Popcorn and a juice box will be available for \$1. As a small church, we are always looking for ways to connect with our lovely community. Who doesn’t love popcorn and a good movie? Add that to wonderful people and how can you go wrong? We are planning to continue these movie nights and we aim to attract others into our home to join with us in friendship. Church of the Good Shepherd, 357 Main Street, Fairhaven.

**Dock-U-Mentaries Film Series: Fisherpoets. (7:00pm)**

An independent film written and directed by Jennifer Brett-Winston. New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park. This film is the story of a unique breed of fishermen who spin tall tales and weave true stories of life at sea through vivid and powerful poetry. New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, 33 William Street, New Bedford.

**18Strings Presents: J Kelley and Grace Morrison  
(8:30pm-10:30pm)**

The 18 Strings singer songwriter series is proud to bring J Kelley and Grace Morrison to the Dedham Square Coffeehouse. \*NO COVER (we will pass a hat). \*ALL AGES SHOW. J Kelley: <http://www.jkelleymusic.com>. Grace Morrison: <http://www.gracemorrison.com/>. Carlin Tripp (Host) <http://www.carlintrippmusic.com>. Dedham Square Coffeehouse, 565 High St., Dedham.

## **Saturday, April 16th**

**Celebrate Earth Day with Operation Clean Sweep  
(8:30am-12:00pm)**

Grab your friends, co-workers, classmates and family to participate in our Annual Earth Day Cleanup! Form a team and make a difference in the community and for the planet. Meet at OCS Headquarters located in the parking lot between Sawyer and Beetle Streets, one block east of Acushnet Avenue. Enjoy breakfast foods provided by our Host, Doctors Express. Pre-Register before the cleanup (pre-registration is not required but helps with planning). Call: 508.979.1493 or visit: <http://www.operationcleansweep.net> and Sign up Now! All volunteers receive a free t-shirt. Lunch is provided by Domino's immediately following the cleanup. Restroom facilities are available. Gloves and Tools provided. Wear closed-toe shoes.



*Help make your community more beautiful by joining everyone for the Mill Pond Conservation Area Planting on Saturday morning.*

### **Mill Pond Conservation Area Planting (10:00am)**

Take part in year two of transforming open space in Westport. Last year, with the help of the community, the Westport Land Conservation Trust (WLCT) established a small grove of heirloom variety fruit trees on the one acre field that abuts Reed Road. The Mill Pond Grove is an experimental, non-commercial community fruit tree grove that is holistically managed without the use of chemical sprays and fertilizers. The goal is to bring the community together around a shared love for locally grown food and Westport's agricultural heritage.

Bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows and gloves if you have them! We will be planting new heirloom variety fruit trees, and prepping for another spectacular growing season at the Mill Pond Grove. Mill Pond Conservation Area, 21 Reed Road.

### **Seal Pup Shower (10:00am-2:00pm)**

We're expecting! Seal pups, that is. Join us to celebrate upcoming seal pup season at our April Open House! Explore the Discovery Center, make a marine animal craft, enjoy shower games and refreshments, tour our marine animal hospital and view our sea turtle patients, participate in educational

activities. Cost: Non-Members \$5/person; Members FREE OR/AND bring an item to help care for seal pups (see below)!

SEAL PUP WISHLIST: Dawn® dish soap, Glucose tabs, Pedialyte (unflavored), Laundry detergent, Bleach, Exam gloves, Syringes, 60cc, 20cc, Cleaning supplies, Vitamins: C, NaCl, B1, Bcomplex. National Marine Life Center 120 Main Street, Buzzards Bay.

### **Patriots' Day at the Lafayette-Durfee House (11:00am)**

Join us for our annual Patriots' Day celebration at the historic Lafayette-Durfee house located at 94 Cherry Street. Built in the 1750's, the house is one of the oldest homes in Fall River. The morning will include a storytime, raffle, and a tour of this fully restored colonial home. To reserve your spot, call the Fall River Public Library at 508-324-2700, ext. 4. Lafayette-Durfee House, 94 Cherry St., Fall River.

### **Fall River Seal Tours (11:00am-1:30pm)**

Enjoy a 75-minute scenic boat ride down the Taunton River into beautiful Mt. Hope Bay on the lookout for visiting winter harbor seals and early spring wildlife. Expert guides will help you spot our winter visitors and discuss the rich history and environmental issues of the region. Borden Light Marina, 1 Ferry Street, Fall River.



*Yum – Beer and Sausages!*

### **Sausage & Beer at Long Live Beerworks (1:00pm-5:00pm)**

Back by popular demand, our friends at Gastros will be joining us on Saturday 16th from 1-5pm! Buy what you want, taste what you want – no ticket needed. The Beer : by Long Live

Beerworks. There will be sampling of the recently-updated lineup – Shop Truck DIPA, Bricks and Mortar American Brown, plus a new IPA. For current tap list: <https://www.beermenues.com/long-live-beerworks>. The Food : by Gastros. Specialty, handcrafted hot dogs and sausages by Providence food cart Gastros! These guys make everything from scratch, using only fresh meat, local spices and natural casings. Check them out: <https://www.facebook.com/Gastros401-786372798145251/> Long Live Beerworks. Coming: 425 West Fountain St #104, Providence.

### **South Coast Chamber Music Series (5:00pm)**

Program, titled “Golden Tones,” includes works of Saglietti, Brahms, Bartok and Dohnanyi. With Piotr Buczek, violin; EmmaLee Holmes-Hicks, violin; Don Krishnaswami, viola; Timothy Roberts, cello; Janice Weber, piano; Lee Wadepful, horn. Phone: (508) 999-6276. St. Gabriel’s Church, 124 Front Street, Marion.

### **Country Hoedown Charity Night (6:00pm)**

The Wareham-New Bedford Elks Lodge and Social Harmony Masonic Lodge present a night of food, dancing, music, silent auctions, live auctions, line dancing, DJ and more. This is to benefit the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Wareham-NB Elks Lodge, 2855 Cranberry Highway, East Wareham, MA. Donation \$20. Tickets available at the Wareham-NB Elks Lodge Bar or call Donna Allen at 774.271.0951 or Bob Buchanan at 508.364.3989.

### **Doo Wop 12 at the Zeiterion (7:30pm-2:00pm)**

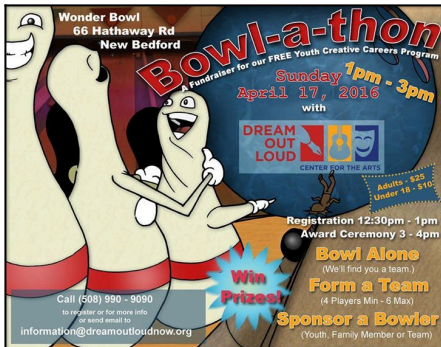
The latest offering from Todd Baptista’s Doo Wop series brings together two of the most prolific acts of the early ‘60s for a one-night-only performance. Featuring Jay Siegel’s Tokens (“The Lion Sleeps Tonight”) and the Chiffons (“One Fine Day,” “He’s So Fine”) with original lead singer Judy Craig Mann. Also making a triumphant return after his stellar debut in Doo Wop 11, 21-year-old Kid Kyle. Special guest star Bobby Hendricks will perform some of the hits made famous during his time with The Drifters (“Drip Drop”) as well as solo hits

("Itchy Twitchy Feeling").

## Sunday, April 17th

### UMass MFA 2016 Exhibition (9:00am-6:00pm)

UMass Dartmouth 2016 MFA Thesis Exhibition is a celebrated annual event showcasing the artwork of 18 graduating students from the College of Visual and Performing Arts.



*Have fun and help a great local cause!*

It consists of a wide variety of media including painting, drawing, sculpture, digital and moving images, software application design, as well as intricately made jewelry that utilizes both text and unusual contemporary materials. The range of themes is equally diverse: explorations of personal and cultural identity, feelings of loss, intimacy, memories and dreams as well as examinations of formal and conceptual space. The exhibition is curated by Viera Levitt.

### Dream Out Loud's 4th Annual Bowl-a-Thon (12:30pm-4:00pm)

Join us and DJ Danny Levin for some Bowling \* Fun \* Awards \* and more. Help support our programs for the youth of New Bedford. \$25 for adults. \$10 for people under 18. Pay at the door on the day of the event or in advance. Registration from 12:30 to 1pm. Sign up your six person team today. Call 508.990.9090 for more information and registration forms. Wonder Bowl, 66 Hathaway Rd., New Bedford.

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