

# Fado singer Ana Vinagre to be featured at national park concert



*The free concert takes place as from 6:30-7:30 in the garden at New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, (33 William Street), downtown New Bedford.*

The 2015 Thursdays in the Park Concert Series continues on Thursday, July 30, with Ana Vinagre singing Portuguese fado music. In the event of inclement weather, the performance will be moved indoors to the National Park Theater.

Ana Vinagre is one of the area's best known, and most respected fadistas. Born in Portugal, she immigrated to New Bedford as a young woman with her husband Jose. Both had been members of folkloric dance and music ensembles and they have continued to perform at area Portuguese restaurants, community events, and in festivals and concerts around the nation. They

take great pride in their culture and enjoy teaching American audiences about the tradition of Fado music, a genre that developed in the port city of Lisbon and was performed at waterfront clubs and bars frequented by sailors and seamen.

This year's Thursday in the Park Concert Series is co-sponsored by the New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, a new non-profit organization dedicated to telling the story of the City's commercial fishing industry.

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