

# The Great Pumpkin Parade hosted by two New Bedford Museums

Two New Bedford Museums, the New Bedford Art Museum/Artworks! (NBAM/AW) and the Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum (RJD) team up again this fall for the Great Pumpkin Parade.

NBAM/AW kicks off the fun on October 20th at 1:30pm with a pumpkin-carving workshop. Those who need inspiration may look to the artists on-hand that day to help. Pumpkins carved at this workshop can be submitted to the Pumpkin Parade at the RJD. Registration is requested for the NBAM/AW workshop: visit <https://bit.ly/2MD0knW>. There is a fee of \$3 per pumpkin.

Just days later, on October 22, 23, and 24, from 5pm to 8pm, the public is invited to visit the grounds of the RJD to see a display of Jack-O-Lanterns submitted from the art museum's workshop as well as from community members. Inside the historic mansion, children can participate in a scavenger hunt with prizes. A suggested donation is accepted at the door of the RJD: \$5 per person or \$10 per family.





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**NBAM/Artworks is located at 608 Pleasant Street, New Bedford.**

*New Bedford Art Museum/ArtWorks! (NBAM/AW) is located in the heart of New Bedford's Seaport Cultural District at 608 Pleasant Street. The Museum offers engaging exhibitions and outstanding educational programs for members and visitors of all ages. Gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday, 12pm to 5pm and Thursdays, 12pm to 9pm. Admission is \$3 for seniors and students, \$5 for adults, free for children 16 and under, and free for individuals and families with an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card. Free admission is given every Thursday from 5pm to 9pm care of New Bedford Free Public Library and the last Sunday of every month is free admission.*

#### **About Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum**

*The historic house now occupied by the Rotch-Jones-Duff House & Garden Museum was built in 1834 for whaling merchant William Rotch Jr. This Greek Revival mansion, located on a full city block of formal gardens, is a National Historic Landmark, one of only 2,500 currently so named in the Nation. The period rooms of the house chronicle 150 years of economic and social evolution of the city, as reflected in the residencies of the Rotch, Jones, and Duff families. The Museum is located at 396 County Street. It is open Monday through Saturday 10pm to 4pm and Sunday from noon to 4pm. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for AAA members, seniors and students, and \$3 for children (age 7 – 17). The museum is free for RJD members, and EBT card-holders.*

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