



## 2020 PILGRIMS LANDING COMMEMORATION EVENTS

### Join the Celebration in Provincetown and Plymouth

#### **PLYMOUTH 400 COMMEMORATION OPENING CEREMONY: FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2020 (ALL DAY)**

**Location: Memorial Hall, Plymouth - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

The Opening Ceremony of the Plymouth 400 Commemoration will be a two-hour event of historical content, musical headliners, interpretive readings, choreographed movement, original productions, and visual narratives to create a once-in-a-lifetime spectacle for attendees and viewers across the globe.

#### **MAYFLOWER: THE VOYAGE THAT MADE A NATION**

**Springtime, 2020 - [plimoth.org](http://plimoth.org)**

Plimoth Plantation welcomes home the newly restored Mayflower II! This national treasure will proudly sail into the spotlight for the 400th commemoration of America's founding story.

#### **PILGRIM HALL MUSEUM - PLYMOUTH TAPESTRY 2020**

**Springtime, 2020 - [pilgrimhall.org](http://pilgrimhall.org)**

The Plymouth Tapestry will tell the story of early Plymouth in a heroically-scaled needlework piece, to be stitched on by hand by participating volunteers from across the region, the country, and the world.

#### **OFFICIAL MARITIME SALUTE TO THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY**

**June 27-28, 2020, Plymouth Waterfront - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

This very special nautical event will honor the Pilgrim's journey with a parade of sail in and around Plymouth Harbor and Cape Cod Bay. A regatta of wooden ships, yachts, work boats and official vessels will be joined by pleasure craft behind the fleet. The event will culminate with a ticketed traditional New England lobster dinner at the waterfront.

#### **WAMPANOAG ANCESTORS WALK**

**August 1, 2020, Plymouth - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

The Wampanoag Ancestors Walk will be led by the Wampanoag tribes of Massachusetts. Placards will be carried with the names of the original 69 villages of the Wampanoag Nation. Participants will pay homage to Massasoit and King Phillip and will stop at designated sites to bless the spots where Wampanoag ancestors walked. The walk will conclude with a drum ceremony and homage to Native souls, followed by a reception.

#### **MAYFLOWER II VISITS PROVINCETOWN**

**September 7 -14, 2020, Provincetown - [provincetown400.com/2020-events](http://provincetown400.com/2020-events)**

The Provincetown Port visit by Mayflower II is tentatively set to include arrival on or about Monday, September 7, 2020 and depart on or about Monday, September 14, 2020. During the visit, Mayflower II, will be part of the daily historical reenactments of the Signing of the Mayflower Compact in Provincetown Harbor in 1620. These historical reenactments will enable the public to witness the history that happened in Provincetown waters in 1620.

#### **PROVINCETOWN AND THE GENERAL SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS COMMEMORATION EVENTS**

**September 7-14, 2020, Provincetown - [provincetown400.com/2020-events](http://provincetown400.com/2020-events)**

A Gala Evening is scheduled for September 12 at the Pilgrim Monument & Provincetown Museum. On September 13, a Memorial Service and Wreath Laying will be held at Provincetown Harbor, followed by a ticketed luncheon and

program at the base of the Pilgrim Monument. The Commemoration will culminate with a Sunrise Toast and Bon Voyage to Mayflower II on September 14 as she journeys to her home port in Plymouth,

### **OFFICIAL STATE HOUSE SALUTE TO 400<sup>TH</sup> COMMEMORATION**

**September 14, 2020, Boston - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

The Embarkation Ceremony at the State House will honor the Pilgrim forefathers and Wampanoags who are immortalized in the historic founding of Plymouth Colony. The General Society of Mayflower Descendants Conference will be held the same week in Boston, bringing thousands of descendants' families to the Commonwealth. The rarely seen journal of Governor William Bradford, "Of Plymouth Plantation", will be on display inside the State House.

### **EMBARKATION FESTIVAL**

**September 19-20, 2020 (All day). Plymouth - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

A grand cultural and arts festival led by the English and Wampanoag cultures and honoring the diverse immigrants who that have become the fabric of American life. Upon entrance, visitors will experience a Native cultural area and English colonial area focused on the history, customs, and legacies of America's first people, and the first sustaining English colonists. From culinary and music to artisans and exhibitions, this event will be designed to honor the past and celebrate the future. Headliner concerts, celebrity involvement, continuous tours of iconic venues and living history presentations will make this festival a "must attend" public event.

### **INDIGENOUS HISTORY CONFERENCE & POWWOW**

**October 29-November 1, 2020, Bridgewater State University - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

A cultural event, focusing on the history, customs, and legacies of America's First People

### **ILLUMINATE THANKSGIVING**

**November 20-25, 2020, Plymouth - [plymouth400inc.org](http://plymouth400inc.org)**

Series of events to commemorate the anniversary of the first Harvest Feast, at which the Wampanoag and the Pilgrims together enjoyed their first bountiful harvest in the New World. This event is often acknowledged as the origin of the modern American holiday, Thanksgiving.

#### **2020 Schedule:**

- Americas' Hometown Thanksgiving Concerts: November 20, 2020
- America's Hometown Thanksgiving Parade: November 21, 2020
- Illuminate Thanksgiving Festival "One Small Candle Ceremony": November 22, 2020
- Thanksgiving Festival Events: November 23-24, 2020
- Illuminate Thanksgiving: November 25, 2020

### **HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OLD YARMOUTH PROGRAMS IN 2020**

**[hsoy.org](http://hsoy.org)**

#### **The Women of The Mayflower**

A dramatization of the Mayflower women discussing the hardships of their two-month voyage from England, while doing their first wash in Provincetown harbor.

#### **A Visit with Our Pilgrim Descendants in Ancient Cemetery**

Visit the gravesides of descendants of the Pilgrim Colony buried in Ancient Cemetery. Hear stories of their ancestors in the New World, led by Pilgrim Stephen Hopkins who built the first dwelling in Yarmouth. All enactors are costumed to the period.

#### **Visit the Captain Bangs Hallet House Museum**

The only furnished sea captain's house on Cape Cod open to the public. This 19th century captain's home is furnished in period décor and features a maritime room.