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Blackstone Valley

Still Weaving America's Spirit

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Arts, Antiques, and Culture

Pawtucket's 307-acre Arts and Entertainment District is born of the millwright's tradition – from the clacking looms of *Slater Mill,* where the American Industrial Revolution began, to the 20,000 square foot *Rhode Island Antiques Mall* where expert dealers display their collections and curios. Not to be missed are the artists' working studios and the annual citywide showcase of visual arts, dance, film, music, ethnic food and culture during the Pawtucket Arts Festival each September. Easy access off I-95 and abundant free parking



Photo: Ray Larson

Members of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Pops Orchestra conducted by Francisco Noya

Pawtucket: Rhode Island's Creative Community

www.PawtucketArtsFestival.org, www.riantiquesmall.com
www.pawtucketopenstudios.com

Visit the Place Where Innovation Starts

A National Historic Landmark, Slater Mill brings the Industrial Revolution to life.



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Experience water-powered mills, vintage textile machinery, an early colonial home and garden and more. With commentary from costumed interpreters, learn about the entrepreneurs, child workers, immigrants and artisans who helped America succeed after declaring its independence. Try weaving, spinning and other fine crafts at a workshop in the Community Guild Studios and discover the work of local artisans in our shops.

www.slatermill.org

Labor & Ethnic Heritage Festival – Sept. 7
Spin, Weave, Knit & Quilt Celebration – Oct. 5

Wright's Dairy Farm & Bakery

Come treat yourself while supporting Sustainable Agriculture and local products at Wright's Dairy, Bakery and Retail Store. This 100 year old real working dairy farm supports 130 Holstein cows. Visitors can view a daily milking. Fresh-as-it-gets milk is processed on site and sold in Wright's on-site retail store, along with a mouth-watering array of scrumptious baked goods. Enjoy muffins, cookies and rich homemade fudge. Wright's specializes in real whipped cream pastries and cakes year round. Come taste the difference!



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Rollin' On A River

The Blackstone River has been called "America's Hardest Working River." Today you can learn about its industrialized past and explore revitalized ecosystems while enjoying a 45-minute narrated tour aboard the Blackstone Valley Explorer. This 49-passenger Coast Guard certified riverboat - the only one of its kind on the river - is a destination for people from all over the country and around the world. A great family outing. Sundays, June through October; Hourly 1:00 - 4:00 pm.



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