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Historic Deerfield to Host New Insect Exhibition

*New Series Highlights Importance of Insects in early New England Life
Champney's to host Insect-Themed Dinner on July 8th*

(Deerfield, MA, June 30, 2022) – [Historic Deerfield](#) is kicking off a new exhibition at the museum titled “Six-Legged Legends” this **Friday, July 1, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.** Visitors are invited to learn about insects and how they’ve helped shape not only early New England life, but still help civilization today.

[Champney's Restaurant & Tavern](#) at the Deerfield Inn will be adding to the buzz with an **insect-themed dinner on July 8th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** Menu items include Crawling Crepes, Hopping Tacos, Spicy Mealworm Maki Rolls, and more. A full menu can be found [here](#). Reservations are suggested.

[Six-Legged Legends: The Hidden History of Insects](#) explores those insects who had a hand in Deerfield’s history and collections. Many different kinds of insects supplied early New Englanders with crucial ingredients for furniture, clothing, and food. The exhibition will include an examination of live silkworms and insect pollinators, as well as hands-on activities with cochineal scale dyeing, making a bee’s wax candle, or painting on silk, all to learn more about how insects are both providers and “pests.” The activities and specific insect highlights will change as the theme progresses, to provide exposure to as many topics as possible.

Six-Legged Legends runs from July 1st through August 28th, Wednesday-Sunday of each week from noon to 4:30 p.m. in Historic Deerfield’s History Workshop. **It is family friendly and suitable for all ages.** Admission to the exhibition and activities is included in general admission to the museum.

To learn more about Historic Deerfield, visit the website, <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/>. For more on Champney’s visit, <https://www.champneysrestaurant.com/>.

About Historic Deerfield. Historic Deerfield is a museum of early American life situated in an authentic 18th-century New England village in the Connecticut River Valley of Massachusetts. Its historic houses and world-famous collection of early American decorative arts open doors to new perspectives that inspire people to seek a deeper understanding of themselves, their communities, and the world.