

Not Stuck
in Rhode Island!



While Rhode Island may be the smallest state, you'll notice we have some of the biggest opportunities. From beaches and polo matches to skiing and orchards, there's always something going on in Rhody. With 15 colleges, universities and technical schools within 30 miles of Providence, the city is a cultural hub for the state as well as a great place to catch a live show, have a philosophical conversation or take in some of the hip, eclectic shopping areas.

Entertainment



AS220: A non-profit community arts space located in downtown Providence. Anyone who lives in state of R.I. has access to its offerings, from studio space to camera rentals and workshops. www.as220.org

Dave and Buster's: In the Providence Place Mall—Chuck E. Cheese for adults. www.daveandbusters.com

The Dunkin' Donuts Center: Catch a P. Bruins game or the next big ticket concert in town. www.dunkindonutscenter.com

Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel: Concert venue in downcity Providence. www.lupos.com

RISD Museum: Rhode Island's leading museum of fine and decorative art, located on Providence's East Side. www.risdmuseum.org

the Steel Yard: offers programs from urban art and welding to jewelry making and ceramics. www.thesteelyard.org

Waterfire: For two weeks each year, the Providence River is set ablaze. www.waterfire.org

Movie Theaters:

Jane Pickens Theater and Event Center: Located in Newport, plays select movies. www.janepickens.com

Opera House Cinema 3: In Newport, plays select movies.

Island Cinemas 10: Middletown, plays first-run movies. <http://www.yourneighborhoodtheatre.com/>

Cable Car Cinema: This small, eclectic cinema is home to Providence's French Film Festival, and also plays some second run films. www.cablecarcinema.com

Providence Place Cinemas 16 & IMAX: Located in the Providence Place Mall, 16 theaters and an IMAX screen playing all first-run movies. www.providenceplace.com/html/movielisting.asp

Patriot Cinemas: Located in East Providence, 10 screens featuring older movies for discounted prices. www.patriotcinemas.com/eastprov.html

Avon Cinema: On Thayer St. in Providence, playing older movies. www.avoncinema.com

Showcase Cinemas: Located in Seekonk, Mass. plays first-run movies. www.nationalamusements.com

Regal Cinemas 12: Located in Swansea, Mass. plays first-run movies. <http://www.regmovies.com>



Not stuck inside

Audubon Society: The Center is a state-of-the-art natural history museum and aquarium with walking trails with a ¼ mile boardwalk that winds through fresh and saltwater marshes to Narragansett Bay. www.asri.org

Blithewold Mansion: One of the finest garden estates in New England. www.blithewold.org

Coggeshall Farm Museum: Coggeshall Farm Museum is a living historical farm set on 48 acres. www.coggeshallfarm.org

Colt State Park: Located in Bristol, Colt State Park has 10 large playing fields, a public beach and picnic areas. www.riparks.com/colt.htm

Linden Place: The “crown jewel” of Bristol’s historic waterfront district. www.lindenplace.org

Mount Hope Farm: Quintessential saltwater farm consisting of more than 200 acres of fields, woods, streams and ponds with expansive water views. www.mounthopefarm.com

The nation’s oldest 4th of July Parade: Started in 1785, Bristol has the longest continuous Fourth of July celebrations in the country. The 224-year tradition has earned Bristol the title of America’s most patriotic town. www.july4thbristolri.com

East Bay Bike Path: Beginning in downtown Bristol, this path winds for 14.5 miles through salt marshes and harbors to East Providence.

Kayak Rentals: Ocean State Adventures in Bristol, RWU waterfront, Kayak Newport and Adventure Water Sports in Newport offer rentals through November in most cases. oceanstateadventures.com newportriwatersports.com



Bristol-area:

Cliff Walk: The Cliff Walk winds above Newport’s coastline for 3.5 miles. www.cliffwalk.com

Haunted Newport: Learn about Newport’s 365-year haunted history. www.ghostsofnewport.com

International Polo Matches: Don your whites, pack a picnic and head to the international polo matches in Middletown and Newport. www.glenfarm.com

International Tennis Hall of Fame: Virtually every historic champion has graced its beautiful grass courts, located in Newport. www.tennisfame.com

Mansion Tour: Explore 250 years of history at 11 historic properties located on 80 acres of gardens and parks. www.newportmansions.org

Music Festivals and Heritage Festivals: Newport hosts festivals spring through fall, including a chowder cook-off, sunset music series, arts festival, Irish Heritage festival, Oktoberfest, a comedy series, Taste of Rhode Island, folk festival and an internationally known jazz festival. www.newportfestivals.com



Newport-area:

Newport International Film Festival: The festival takes place each summer and attracts more than 10,000 filmmakers, celebrities, journalists and film enthusiasts of all kinds. www.newportfilmfestival.com

Newport Regatta: World-class sailing right in Newport. www.sailnewport.org

Newport Winter Festival: With more than one hundred and fifty individual events, this Festival has become “New England’s largest winter extravaganza.” www.newportevents.com/winterfest

Rocky Brook Orchard: Pick your own apples, peaches and pears right in Middletown.

Second Mondays: The Newport International Film Festival screens a new film — before its national release — on the second Monday of each month.

Scuba Diving: Narragansett Pier Dive Shop and Newport Diving Center. www.pierdive.com www.newportdivingcenter.com

St. Patrick’s Day Parade: Newport’s St. Patrick’s Day Parade has been running for more than 50 years, and each year is bigger and better. www.saintpatricksdaysparade.com

Beaches:

1st, 2nd, 3rd, Bailey’s and Gooseberry Beaches: Newport has a variety of beaches, each more unique than the last. destinationnewport.com/beach.asp

Narragansett Town, Salty Brine, Scarborough and Roger Wheeler: Narragansett state beaches; some of the most popular in the state. www.narragansetttri.com/chamber/beaches.htm

Charleston, Fred Benson, Mansion and North Light: All beaches located on R.I.’s premier vacation location, Block Island. www.visitrhodeisland.com/what-to-do/beaches/

Bristol, Union Street (Bristol), Barrington and Warren: Town beaches within biking distance of campus.

Providence-area:

The Bank of America Skating Rink: Outdoor ice skating rink is located right in downtown Providence. www.providenceskating.com

Rhode Island Rock Gym: Located just outside Providence in Lincoln, beginners and experts welcome. www.rhodeislandrockgym.com

Roger Williams Park Zoo: Stop by and see the new baby giraffe, born in December. www.rogerwilliamsarkzoo.org

Yawgoo Valley: Skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing right in Exeter. www.yawgoo.com



Shopping:

Hope Street: Hope Street is one of Bristol’s main streets, filled with antiques shops, restaurants, salons, spas and boutiques.

Bannister’s Wharf: Banister’s Wharf is in the center of Newport and offers shopping, dining and hotel accommodations. www.bannisterswharf.net

Thames Street: A main shopping area in Newport with antiques shops, clothing stores, restaurants and of course ice cream, fudge and taffy purveyors dotting this narrow street.

Benefit Street: Providence’s Mile of History – historic buildings from the 18th and 19th centuries overlooking the waterfront.

Thayer Street: On the East Side, home to eclectic stores, coffee shops and restaurants. riroads.com/archive/thayerstreet.htm

Wickenden Street: On the East Side, with colorful coffeehouses, ethnic restaurants, galleries and antiques shops – check out the Coffee Exchange for a cup o’ joe or Café Zog for breakfast. www.sustainablecoffee.com www.menupix.com/providence/restaurants.php?id=670098#

Providence Place Mall: Everything from movies and food court to Hollister, Forever 21 and beyond. www.providenceplace.com

Federal Hill: Providence’s version of Little Italy offers everything from slices and cappuccinos to fine dining and historic bakeries. www.providencefederalhill.com

Seekonk, Mass. Shopping Plaza: At Commerce Way, includes Kohl’s, Target, Bath & Body Works and HomeGoods, among others. www.theseekonkconnection.com/stores.htm

Swansea Mall, Mass.: Includes several athletic stores as well as PacSun, American Eagle and a Ruby Tuesday. www.goNewport.com www.visitswanseamall.com www.GoProvidence.com www.EastBayTourism.com

Bowling Alleys, Pool and Mini-Golf:

Bowling Academy: 16 lanes in East Providence.

Lang's Lanes: Located in Cranston.

Dudek Lanes: Duckpin bowling located in Warren.

Legion Bowl and Billiards: Located in Cranston.

Hi-Way Bowl and Mini-Golf:
Located in Middletown.

American Family Billiards: 16 top-of-the-line tables
located at 87 Gooding Ave., Bristol.
americanfamilybilliards.com

Snookers Pool Lounge: 2008 winner of best place
to play pool—145 Clifford St., Providence.
www.snookerspooillounge.com

Mulligan's Island: Mini-golf and driving range
in Cranston. www.mulligansisland.com

Swift Results Golf Center: Driving range on Market St.
in Warren.



food options

Whether you're looking for your favorite chain
or fine dining, you'll find it here:

Take a drive down Metacom Ave. (Rte. 136) and you'll find every fast food joint
from Taco Bell and McDonald's to KFC and Sip n' Dip Donuts.

Parents footing the bill? Check out some of the area's top restaurants:

Bristol:

local.yahoo.com/RI/Bristol/Food+Dining/Restaurants


Newport:

www.1obest.com/Newport,RI/Restaurants/Best_Restaurants/

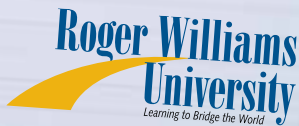
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