Visit five Native American tribes in New England today. Beautiful landscapes provide a sense of place and dramatic backdrop for fun interactive learning as visitors explore four New England seasons. Stunning objects from the Museum’s collection as well as historic and contemporary photos all tell the story of resilient cultures carefully balanced between traditional practice and the contemporary world. Meet members of the Passamaquoddy and Penobscot of Maine, the Narragansett of Rhode Island, and the Aquinnah Wampanoag and Mashpee Wampanoag of Massachusetts as you visit a native school, museum, Pow Wow, artist’s workshop, and grandma’s kitchen.

SPRING
Visitors will meet Narragansett teens as they explore the Nuweetooun tribal school, search for animal species in a vernal pool, try basket weaving and stamping activities, and learn about daily life at the school.

SUMMER
Visitors will explore jewelry making in the jewelry studio of a Mashpee Wampanoag wampum artist, where they can design beautiful jewelry, assemble a clambake and plant corn, beans, and squash in the Three Sister’s Garden.

FALL
Visitors will explore pinch pots from the Gayhead cliffs of Martha’s vineyard, walk on a ‘bog’ and investigate a living bog plant, and hear about Aquinnah teens’ favorite aspects of Cranberry Day, a traditional Aquinnah holiday.

WINTER
Visitors can toboggan down a wintery hill with Kaia a young Penobscot girl, try their hand at animal tracking, cook a native dish in ‘Grandma’s Kitchen’, or compete at snowsnake, a traditional native game.
POW WOW
Experience the sights and sounds of Pow Wow through a large scale media presentation of traditional music and dance. Visitors can explore an RV belonging to the Barnaby Family, investigate the materials and styles of four Native American artists in the vendor tent, and trace Michael's Pow Wow journey from start to finish.

With more than 100 objects on display in the exhibit, Native Voices provides families with many access points for viewing and interacting with artifacts. Taking us far beyond traditional tales of the “people who met the Pilgrims,” this hands-on exploration introduces five thriving New England communities as they work to balance cultural traditions with life in a modern world.

HOSTING NATIVE VOICES
• 1,500 – 1,800 square feet of space required
• Slots on tour are available in three month increments
• Complete online marketing manual including sample press release, ideas for informing your community, and style guide
• Complete online educational manual included with visitor and school group programming curricula
• Designed for children ages 4-12 and their adult caregivers

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