

## This Week's Virtual Tour

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A variety of displays showcase Newport's Irish heritage at the Museum of Newport Irish History, 648 Thames St. The Museum's Interpretive Center was scheduled to open for the 2020 season on May 22. Call or check the website for opening and other information, 401-848-0661, [newportirishhistory.org](http://newportirishhistory.org). (Photo by Allan Millora)

Local attractions have been busy recreating tour experiences, while remaining closed to maintain health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic.

While the Museum of Newport Irish History does not have a virtual tour online, it does offer a 15-minute video on the history of the Irish in Newport on its YouTube channel, which explains how the first Irish immigrants arrived on our shores in the mid-1600s, and the contributions the Irish made to our community throughout the centuries. More recently, NBC-10 visited the museum for a tour and featured

a segment on the news channel. You can find these, along with a trio of lectures from the Michael F. Crowley lecture series, on the Museum of Newport Irish History website.

While access to virtual experiences is free, the nonprofit organizations that make our community so extraordinary often provide a link to donate directly, while others can accept donations via their homepage or by contacting the organization.

*Look for more virtual tours and activities in weeks to come.*