The Concord Museum is a gateway to historic Concord, with galleries highlighting the town's revolutionary and literary past. The Museum is also home to the world's largest collection of objects related to Henry Thoreau, including the desk on which he wrote *Walden* and other personal belongings that tell the story of his extraordinary life.

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#1 Concord Museum • 53 Cambridge Turnpike

#2 Emerson House • 28 Cambridge Turnpike

#3 Concord Museum • 53 Cambridge Turnpike

#7 Walden Pond • 915 Walden Street

Wyeth painted two fishing scenes for *Men of Concord*, including this one of men ice fishing and another of Thoreau fishing. Thoreau lived at Walden Pond from July 1845 to September 1847. In his *Journal*, Thoreau recorded his observations, thoughts, and revelations about the natural world and his local community. His experience led to the book *Walden*, which is credited with helping to inspire awareness and respect for the natural environment.

Visitors to Walden enjoy activities such as hiking, swimming, snowshoeing, and fishing—just as Thoreau did.

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www.mass.gov, and search Walden Pond

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**N. C. WYETH TRAIL**


Visit the sites that inspired Wyeth and his son Andrew to share Thoreau's hometown through their art.

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## #6 Fairhaven Hill • Off Sudbury Road

Part of Fairhaven Hill, depicted in Wyeth’s winter landscape *Fox in the Snow*, is owned by the Concord Land Conservation Trust and is open to the public. For a one-hour walk through Wright Woods, use the parking area off Sudbury Road (driveway immediately to left of #657, a private home); follow the trail along the river and turn left onto the white trail at the old chimney; this will take you around the base of Fairhaven Hill. The trail crosses private property; please respect the owners’ privacy and stay on the trail.  

www.concordland.org

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## #5 Concord Free Public Library • 129 Main Street

*From Thoreau's Seasons to Men of Concord: N.C. Wyeth Inspired*  
on view through September 18

This complementary exhibition tells the story behind the book, the paintings, and their role in the Library's collection through documents, images, and artwork. Many examples of Wyeth's work are included, among them book illustrations and commercial work; also correspondence between Houghton Mifflin and Wyeth, selected editions of Thoreau's works, and the correspondence between N. C. Wyeth and Mrs. Ruth Wheeler.

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## #4 North Bridge • Monument Street

It seems likely that Wyeth used a photograph of the North Bridge, where the Concord Fight took place on April 19, 1775, as inspiration for his *Men of Concord* painting, *The Carpenters Repairing Hubbard’s Bridge*. Today, a pedestrian bridge in the same spot is part of the Minute Man National Historical Park.  

nps.gov/mima

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## #3 Louisa May Alcott’s Orchard House  
399 Lexington Road

Although Louisa is the most famous of her family, Wyeth chose to portray her father, Bronson Alcott. In *Men of Concord*, Alcott is shown studying his family history in a cemetery. Like Alcott, Wyeth placed great importance on family history. He felt his New England heritage was central to his illustrations for *Men of Concord*.

Open year round • www.louisamayalcott.org

Above: “Mr. Alcott in the Granary Burying Ground in Boston,” by N. C. Wyeth; Courtesy Boston Athenaeum

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