



## Welcome to Independence National Historical Park

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July across the land means fireworks, barbecues, keeping cool in hot humid weather. For us in Philadelphia, it's a time to celebrate the birth of our great nation - one of the most important events in the United States of America! This Independence Day marks the 242nd birthday of the United States and there's no more patriotic place to do so than at Independence National Historical Park. We are excited to share the story of American Independence and the struggle for freedom and equality for all. Independence Hall is the place where both the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution were debated, adopted and signed and is recognized around the world as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

I invite you to join us and our many partners in celebrating Independence Day by participating in our Freedom Week (June 28-July 4) activities, including a special opportunity to tour through Alexander Hamilton's First Bank of the United States on Saturday June 30. Music will abound at Independence Hall. There will be three nights of

concerts this year! Bring your blankets and a picnic to the Mall. On July 1, there will be a Gospel performance, followed on July 2 by excerpts from some favorite Broadway shows. As usual on July 3, we will host a spectacular performance by the Philly POPs. Of course, don't miss the Independence Day activities on Independence Mall: the annual Independence Day Parade, Celebration of Freedom Ceremony, and the Let Freedom Ring Ceremony at the Liberty Bell. See details inside these pages.

Throughout July, we offer for your enjoyment multiple exciting programs. I encourage you to participate in these unique family friendly activities to learn about early United States history.

Please stop by our Independence Visitor Center to learn more about our events, programs and tours. You can also visit us online at [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde) and on social media or download our mobile app. We hope you discover the Best Park in History!

Cynthia MacLeod  
Superintendent

### Historic Highlights

Independence Hall, Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross House



Liberty Bell

### Attraction Highlights

Independence Visitor Center, Franklin Square



Franklin Square

### Museum Highlights

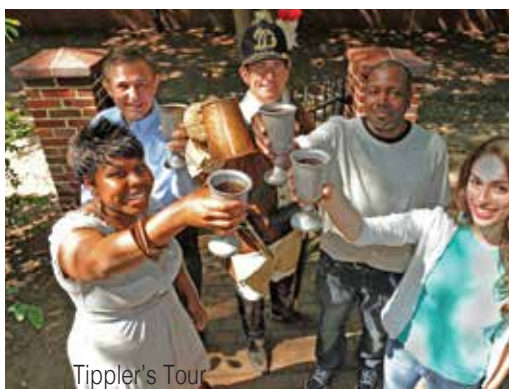
Museum of the American Revolution, National Constitution Center



Museum of the American Revolution

### Tours Highlights

Independence After Hours, Tippler's Tour



Tippler's Tour

## Welcome to Historic Philadelphia!

Can't you just *feel* the history in the heart of America's Most Historic Square Mile during the month we celebrate Independence? There's no better time to experience all there is to see and do here. You'll meet **History Makers**, hear from **storytellers**, join the **Continental Army** and more. Whether you have a couple of hours or a couple of days to spend, the information in the Gazette will help you make the most of your visit. Start your day at the **Independence Visitor Center**, to pick up your free, timed Independence Hall tickets. Seeing the room where our Declaration of Independence was debated and adopted is a must! Discover how the American Colonists became revolutionaries at the **Museum of the American Revolution**, which tells the story of American fight for independence in an interactive and dynamic way. Learn more about a favorite revolutionary in the **National Constitution Center's Hamilton** exhibit and in related programming around Historic Philadelphia. See pages 2 & 5 for all the details.

Wawa Welcome America, the country's biggest Independence Day celebration, has a full schedule of events to celebrate the nation's birthday right here in its birthplace (see p. 2). **Check out a Revolutionary War encampment with interactive pop up programming** on the lawn of Independence Visitor Center on July 3 & 4... including two performances of **Colonial Kids Quest** at 11:15 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. on July 3. Visit [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org) or see inside and plan to party like it's 1776!

Inside, find everything else you need to know to have a great trip. There's information about **Once Upon A Nation's amazing tours** that immerse you in history (and sneak you into Independence Hall at night!) and fun, FREE programs for the whole family (pages 4 & 5), a map (on the back) and lots more valuable information to help make your visit a great one.

Some of the most rewarding experiences you'll have in Historic Philadelphia will be meeting **Once Upon A Nation's History Makers** - people from the past who will share their unique stories - and at the **Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches**, where you'll hear little known tales from our nation's early years. See the map for locations, and plan to visit some or all of the 13 benches during the day to hear stories that history class missed. From meeting Betsy Ross in her upholstery shop, to marching in a military muster, to hearing the stirring words of the Declaration read in the shadow of Independence Hall, you're sure to make memories that last a lifetime!

# INDEPENDENCE WEEK EVENTS

## Independence National Historical Park Celebrates Freedom Week July 1-4

Independence National Historical Park Celebrates Freedom Week

### Walking Tours:

- **Signers' Garden, 10-11 a.m. July 2 & 4: Thomas Jefferson Walking Tour** – Follow the main author of the Declaration of Independence through the places where he worked on the creation of the new nation.
- **Signers' Garden, 10-11 a.m. July 1 & 3: John Adams Walking Tour** – Follow one of the key figures in the Continental Congress through the early war up to the writing of the Declaration of Independence.
- **Franklin Court, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.: Benjamin Franklin Walking Tour** – Follow one of the members of the Committee of Five through the Streets of Philadelphia and learn his role in the writing of the Declaration of Independence.

### Ranger led programs July 1-4:

- **Second Bank of the U.S., 11:30-11:50 a.m.: The Committee of Five** – See portraits of the committee members nominated to write the Declaration.
- **Franklin Court Courtyard, 12-12:30 p.m. & 4-4:30 p.m.: This day in history** – Learn more about what happened “This Day in 1776.”
- **Independence Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. & New Hall Military Museum 1 p.m. & 4 p.m. – Officer's Candidate School for Kids** – Stop at the Visitor Center to receive an assignment. Finish the steps and report to the New Hall Military Museum to train as a soldier. Those passing muster receive a commission from the Continental Congress.
- **Second Bank of the U.S., 1:30-1:50 p.m.: Wives of the Generals** Discover the personal sacrifices women like Martha Washington, Catharine Green, and Lucy Knox made to help win the War for Independence.
- **Benjamin Franklin Museum, 2-2:30 p.m.: Quizzo** - Test your knowledge of American history with this family-friendly trivia game.
- **Second Bank of the U.S., 3-3:30 p.m.: Slide programs** – Each day of Freedom Week, explore a different topic, including the history of July 4th celebrations, the roles of lesser known Founders and more.
- **Second Bank of the U.S., 3:30-3:50 p.m.: Young Patriots of the American Revolution** – Meet some of the “twenty somethings” who sought glory: Hamilton, Laurens, Lafayette, Henry Lee, Nicolas Biddle, some of whom gave their lives for the cause.

For more information and details about Independence National Historical Park's Freedom Week programming, visit the Independence Visitor Center, 6th & Market streets, call (800) 537-7676 or go to [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde).

## Celebrate America's Birthday with Free Events in Historic Philadelphia

Celebrate independence in Philadelphia with **Wawa Welcome America!**

- Enjoy **free concerts** in the shadow of Independence Hall at 7 p.m. July 1 & 2 and the crowd favorite, **POPS on Independence**, returns at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3.
- Visit Historic Philadelphia's favorite museums at no charge during **Free Museum Days** at the African American Museum in Philadelphia, the National Liberty Museum and others.
- The **Historic Philadelphia Block Party** rocks 5th & 6th streets between Market & Chestnut 12-7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3 with food, music and more.
- Independence Day, Tuesday, July 4 kicks off with the **Celebration of Freedom** ceremony on Independence Hall at 10 a.m., followed by the **Independence Day Parade** at 11 a.m.
- Also on July 4, **inside Independence Visitor Center**, join Betsy Ross and Termini Brothers Bakery as they host a birthday celebration for America! Join Betsy in singing “Happy Birthday” to America at 1 p.m. over 2,500 cupcakes displayed in the shape of an American flag. Termini Bros. Bakery will then give away the cake and cupcakes to the public for FREE.
- The **Betsy Ross House** hosts **Betsy's Independence Day Bash** starting at 10 a.m. and featuring a children's naturalization ceremony at 1:30 p.m. and **Franklin Square** puts on a celebration for families from 12-3 p.m.

This is just a sampling of the great, free events Wawa Welcome America is bringing to the Historic District and throughout the city during Independence Week. For a complete list of programs and events, visit [welcomeamerica.com](http://welcomeamerica.com).

### CITY TAVERN RESTAURANT



Savor specialties including peppercorn soup, Martha Washington's chocolate mousse cake, General Washington & Thomas Jefferson's recipes for ale. Open seven days a week. Daily from 11:30am.

Located at the corner of 2nd & Walnut Streets. (215) 413-1443

### IT TAKES TWO

Two entrées for the price of one!\* Valid Sunday - Friday with the use of a major credit card. \*Discount will be determined as the least expensive entrée. Children's entrées will be considered entrées at the time of discount. Not valid Saturdays or holiday weekends and July 1-8, August 31-September 3, 2018.

Offer expires September 30, 2018. Coupon must be presented at time of order.

## Independence National Historical Park



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Courtesy National Constitution Center

## HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA GAZETTE

The Historic Philadelphia Gazette, is a joint venture of Historic Philadelphia, Inc., the National Park Service, the Independence Visitor Center Corporation and the National Constitution Center.

If you have questions, comments or need more information about National Park Service sites or other historical sites in Philadelphia and its countryside, call (800) 537-7676 or visit [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde).

Historic Philadelphia, Inc. is dedicated to making our nation's history relevant and real through interpretation, interaction and education, strengthening Greater Philadelphia's role as the destination to experience American history. Historic Philadelphia, Inc. oversees the Once Upon A Nation initiative, Betsy Ross House, and Franklin Square.

For more information about HPI, or to make a tax-deductible donation, call (215) 629-4026 or visit [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org).

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER



### SPECIAL EVENTS & EXHIBITS

#### 2018 All-American Celebration

July 1-4 - Patriotic festivities surrounding Independence Day include family-friendly activities, colonial arts and crafts, the interactive Independence Day show, and more. Visitors will also have an opportunity to explore the museum's Revolutionary War encampment on the front lawn. Enjoy extended hours until 8 p.m. July 2 & 3. Free with admission.

**Hamilton: The Constitutional Clashes That Shaped a Nation Now Open!** - Explore this compelling new exhibit which highlights the competing ideas of Alexander Hamilton and his legendary rivals. *Included with museum admission.*

**525 Arch Street** (One block past the Independence Visitor Center and one block before Franklin Square)  
See p. 3 for hours of operation. For more information, please visit [constitutioncenter.org](http://constitutioncenter.org)

**American Treasures: Documenting the Nation's Founding**  
Explore the founding era through the rarest handwritten drafts of the U.S. Constitution. *Included with museum admission.*

Show your Historic Philadelphia Gazette at the National Constitution Center Box Office to receive \$2 OFF admission

# Historic Philly Scavenger Hunt

Celebrate America's birthday by exploring where it all began with a scavenger hunt through Philadelphia's Historic District!

Visitors and locals alike can enjoy a fun, interactive experience while learning about America's most historic area with the **Historic Philly Scavenger Hunt**, which is free to play by downloading the *Scavify* app on your smartphone or mobile device. **Available July 1-7**, the **Historic Philly Scavenger Hunt** guides users through Philadelphia's Historic District with tasks and questions. Players can answer trivia, share a photo, or check in at attractions to earn points toward prizes, redeemable at the Independence Visitor Center.

**Hunt Hint:** All attractions and historic sites referenced in the **Historic Philly Scavenger Hunt** are included on the Historic Gazette map on the back, so use it as your guide to complete tasks!

More information about the *Historic Philly Scavenger Hunt*, and a direct link to download the hunt, are available at [PHLvisitorcenter.com/July4](http://PHLvisitorcenter.com/July4).

## Ride the Philly PHLASH®

The Philly PHLASH® Downtown Loop is a visitor-friendly public transit that provides access to stops located near must-see attractions, museums, and historic sites throughout Philadelphia. PHLASH runs daily through September 3, with service to each stop every 15 minutes from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. On July 4, the PHLASH will operate a detour schedule from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

At just \$2 per ride or \$5 per day, PHLASH is the most affordable way to get around. Children 4 and under, senior citizens, and SEPTA Pass holders always ride free. Passes are available for purchase onboard with exact cash only; online, or at any Visitor Center location. (800) 537-7676, [PhillyPHLASH.com](http://PhillyPHLASH.com)



## Two Ways to Explore Philadelphia's Historic District

Philadelphia's Historic District is the Birthplace of the Nation and America's First World Heritage City. This summer, visitors can choose from two great package deals to explore the area's iconic attractions and sites.

The **Historic District Pass** provides: one-time admission to the National Constitution Center, Betsy Ross House, and Christ Church Burial Ground; and a One-Day Pass on Philly PHLASH. [www.HistoricPhillyPass.com](http://www.HistoricPhillyPass.com)

The **Historic Philly Summer Combo** includes: one-time admission to the National Constitution Center, Museum of the American Revolution, a One-Day Pass on Philly PHLASH; and the evening dinner tour experience, Independence After Hours. [www.HistoricPhillySummer.com](http://www.HistoricPhillySummer.com)

Learn more and purchase both at the Independence Visitor Center. (800) 537-7676

## HISTORIC DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

### JULY

#### JULY 1

**Hill-Physick House, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.: 3rd Annual PhilaLandmarks Open House** – Experience old Philadelphia during an historic afternoon at the Hill-Physick House! Enjoy self-guided tours, refreshments in the city garden and learn about 200+ years of revolutionary history.

\$1. (215) 925-2251, [philalandmarks.org](http://philalandmarks.org)

#### JULY 1-4

**Museum of the American Revolution, 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m.: Independence Day Celebration** – Meet Declaration of Independence author, Thomas Jefferson, and enjoy special programs and interactive events for all ages. Plus, take home a pocket-sized Declaration.

Free with admission. For a complete schedule of events, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

#### JULY 4

**Independence Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.: Independence Day at the Birthplace of Independence** – Enjoy a day of celebrations featuring: fife & drum; readings of the Declaration of Independence; **America's Birthday Party** with **Betsy Ross** and **Termini Brothers Bakery**; History Maker Meet-and-Greets; and more.

Free. (800) 537-7676, [PHLvisitorcenter.com/July4](http://PHLvisitorcenter.com/July4)

**Independence Visitor Center, 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.: Declaration Readings** – A fife & drum procession leads Thomas Jefferson, himself, to proclaim his newly penned Declaration of Independence from Great Britain.

Free. (800) 537-7676, [PHLvisitorcenter.com/July4](http://PHLvisitorcenter.com/July4)

**National Museum of American Jewish History, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: Independence Day at NMAJH** Learn how Jewish leaders impacted American history. See an original letter written by George Washington to the Jewish community of Newport, Rhode Island, plus interactive gallery talks, story time, and Independence Day arts and crafts projects.

Free. (215) 923-3811, [nmajh.org](http://nmajh.org)

**Betsy Ross House, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.: Betsy's Independence Day Bash** – Family fun all day, plus at 1:30 p.m. a children's naturalization ceremony presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution Flag House Chapter, followed by a ceremonial bell ringing.

Free. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

**Franklin Square, 12-4 p.m.: Independence Day Family Fun** – Celebrate America's birthday with family fun featuring rides on the Lightning Bolt Express Train.

Free; attractions ticketed. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

#### JULY 6

**Betsy Ross House, 6-10 p.m.: First Friday Movie Night Under the Stars & Stripes** – BYOB and snacks and enjoy after-hours tours of the House and an al fresco showing of the camp classic, *The Giant Claw*.

\$5 in advance or at the door. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

#### JULY 7-9

**Second Bank of the U.S., 3-4 p.m.: The Articles of Confederation: America's Forgotten Constitution** Join a Park Ranger on the 240th Anniversary of the

signing of the Articles of Confederation to learn the story of this important step in our history. Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

#### JULY 11

**Second Bank of the U.S., 3-3:30 p.m. (also 7/14 & 7/15): Hamilton/Burr Duel** – Join a park ranger for a program that examines what led to the duel on July 11, 1804 between Alexander Hamilton and Vice-President Aaron Burr. Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

#### JULY 14

**American Philosophical Society Museum, 12-3 p.m.: Second Saturday** – Visit the APS Museum on the second Saturday of each month this summer for free, hands-on activities geared towards families!

Free. (215) 440-3432, [amphilsoc.org/events](http://amphilsoc.org/events)

#### JULY 15

**Franklin Square, 12-3 p.m.: Dog Days of Summer** Free pet portraits, sprinklers and shallow pools for cooling off, and puppy play dates with fetching balls and toys, as well as pet-friendly organizations to learn about and support.

Free. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

#### JULY 17

**Museum of the American Revolution, 5-8 p.m.: History After Hours: Trash Talk Archaeology** – Hear from conservation experts about the site's 18th-century origins and what was found buried during 21st-century archaeological excavations, enjoy extended evening hours, special themed programs, happy hour food and drink specials, and full access to exhibits.

\$10. (215) 253-6731, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

#### JULY 19

**American Philosophical Society Museum, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: Nature Explorers** – Discover the wonders of nature and take home your own prehistoric creature in this fun family afternoon program. Free. (215) 440-3432, [amphilsoc.org/events](http://amphilsoc.org/events)

#### JULY 21

**Museum of the American Revolution, 1-4 p.m.: Artisan Workshop Series - Historic Sewing 101: Make a Pocket** – Learn how women made and wore pockets tied beneath their gowns. Complete a hand-sewn pocket using 18th-century materials and techniques. No prior sewing experience is required. \$39 adult; \$32 youth; (215) 253-6731, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

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#### JULY 23

**Franklin Square, 12-4 p.m.: Family Sports Day** Celebrate Philadelphia's City of Champions and challenge physical skills on a variety of inflatable sports-themed attractions. Some attractions ticketed. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

#### JULY 27

**Franklin Square, 8:30 pm: Friday Night at The Movies** Bring a blanket and watch *The Lion King* on the Great Lawn. Free. (215) 629-4026

#### JULY 28

**American Philosophical Society Museum, 4-6 p.m.: Shoot for the Stars** – Create a take-home comet and participate in pressure explosions as we investigate the mystery of space and how we get there. Free. (215) 440-3432, [amphilsoc.org/event](http://amphilsoc.org/event)

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# HISTORIC DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

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## ONGOING

**Benjamin Franklin Museum, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. daily:**  
**Dr. Franklin's Philadelphia** – Printer, politician, diplomat, inventor – get to know the real Ben Franklin as you explore the streets and sites of his beloved city.  
*Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde*

**Independence Visitor Center, 6 - 7:15 p.m. daily: Twilight Tour**  
 Enjoy an introduction to Independence National Historical Park so you are ready to explore it the next day. Walking tour meets at the information desk. Presented by the Friends of Independence Volunteer Guides. [friendsofindependence.org](http://friendsofindependence.org).  
*Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde*

**Museum of the American Revolution, 9-10 a.m. Fridays:**  
**"Continental" Breakfast** – Start your visit to Historic Philadelphia with a revolutionary breakfast experience! Enjoy early access to the Museum's Revolutionary Philadelphia playscape while enjoying a continental breakfast with costumed interpreter. \$45 adults; \$35 youth; \$15 children 6 & under; includes museum admission

**Independence Visitor Center, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., daily:**  
**Meet the History Makers** – Don't forget your camera and questions for Philadelphia's colonial townsfolk! The History Makers inside the Visitor Center offer tales about living in 18th century Philadelphia.  
*Free. (800) 537-7676, PHLVisitorCenter.com*

**Second Bank of the U.S., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun.: Bank Orientation Tour** – Learn about the notable people in the gallery in this short orientation.  
*Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde*

**Second Bank of the U.S., 12:30-1 p.m. daily: Thomas Jefferson Gallery Tour** – To commemorate the 275th anniversary of the April 13, 1743 birth of Thomas Jefferson, join a park ranger for a tour of the portrait gallery and view portraits of Jefferson, his friends and some of his foes.  
*Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde*

**Second Bank of the U.S., 2:30-3 p.m.: Alexander Hamilton Gallery Tour** – Learn about the notable people in the gallery in this short orientation. *Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde*

**Signers' Garden, 10-11 a.m. daily: In the Paths of the Founders** – While not from Philadelphia, Alexander Hamilton spent time here, and made his mark in American history here. Learn more during this gallery tour.  
*Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde*

## Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival in Franklin Square EXTENDED TO JULY 8!

Franklin Square, 6th & Race Streets, extends this popular nightly festival through **Sunday, July 8**, so more visitors can experience the one-of-a-kind celebration of light and culture! More than 25 larger-than-life illuminated displays light up the Square, along with traditional Chinese performances, handicrafts, food and more.  
*Tickets are \$18 for adults; \$12 for children 17 and under; \$15 seniors & military. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org/chineselanternfestival](http://historicphiladelphia.org/chineselanternfestival)*

# PROGRAMS & TOURS • JULY 2018



Historic Philadelphia is proud to bring visitors FREE, interactive programming all summer long. Check out the following pages for daily programming and make sure your itinerary includes time to experience Once Upon A Nation.

Location	9 a.m.	10 a.m.	11 a.m.	Noon	1 p.m.	2 p.m.	3 p.m.	4 p.m.	5 p.m.
Betsy Ross House 239 Arch Street					Meet Betsy Ross Mon.-Wed. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.			Meet Betsy Ross Thur.-Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.	
		← Flag Raising Daily							
					Meet Phillis the Laundress Thurs.-Sun.				
Independence Hall (behind the Hall) 500 Chestnut Street				Reading of the Declaration of Independence Tues.-Sat. →					
Independence Visitor Center 6th & Market Streets					Meet the History Makers Daily				
					Junior Ranger Induction Ceremony Daily →			Twilight Tour Daily 6-7 p.m. →	
13 Locations in the Historic District				Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches Tues.-Sat.					
Signers' Garden 5th Street				Military Muster Tues. - Sat. →					
Valley Forge National Historical Park				Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches Daily					
			Secrets & Spies Sat. →						

Program     
 Meet a History Maker     
 Tour     
 Performance     
 National Park Service Program

# Live history on one-of-a-kind tours

You'll be a part of the past when you take one of Historic Philadelphia's unique living history tours! Step into the action on these exciting journeys.



## Independence After Hours

A one-of-a-kind chance to "sneak" into Independence Hall after hours! Join your colonial guide for a delicious, three-course meal at historic City Tavern before heading out on an evening of adventure where you'll eavesdrop on the conversations of the Founding Fathers as they debate the Declaration of Independence in the summer of 1776.

*Independence After Hours is presented in cooperation with Independence National Historical Park. Tour departs from the Museum of the American Revolution. Tues.-Sat.; (no tour July 3) \$85 Ad.; \$80 Sn./Stud./Mil.; \$55 Ch. 12 & under.*



## Tippler's Tour: Ben's Kites & Flights

Party like it's 1776 on this fun Colonial pub crawl, where Benjamin Franklin, himself, is one of the revelers! Dr. Franklin joins the tour to share stories and answer questions as you enjoy drinks, snacks and a little sip of history at four Colonial and modern-day watering holes.

**Tour departs from the Betsy Ross House.**

*Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.; \$45 Ad.; \$40 Sn./Stud./Mil.. Must be 21 or older with a valid ID.*

*For tickets, call (215) 629-4026 or visit [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)*

## Hamilton! A Favorite Founder takes Philadelphia

Though he's famous as a New Yorker and is currently the toast of Broadway, Alexander Hamilton spent years in Philadelphia helping to create a new nation. This summer, sites all around Historic Philadelphia are celebrating this favorite Founding Father.

Walk in his footsteps and visit places he knew well— Independence Hall, Carpenters' Hall, and the First Bank of the United States. Gain in-depth knowledge at an exciting new exhibit, *Hamilton: The Constitutional Clashes That Shaped a Nation*, at the National Constitution Center.



*Alexander Hamilton*

Celebrate the "Ten Dollar Founding Father" throughout the entire Center with interactive shows, trivia games, story spots, and more. Plus, Once Upon A Nation Storytellers will share how Hamilton persuaded Washington to be America's first President and then later, helps him establish the world's first peaceful transition of power. Get the inside scoop on Hamilton's famous feud with Aaron Burr at the Once Upon A Nation storytelling bench at the Museum of the American Revolution and at the Second Bank of the United States, take a Hamilton-centric gallery tour (see p. 4).

The map on page 8 and its key will guide you on this unforgettable journey!

## Once Upon A Nation programming brings history to life this summer

Experience history in a whole new way with unique, FREE programming presented in Historic Philadelphia and at Valley Forge National Historical Park by Once Upon A Nation.

**Flag-Raising at the Betsy Ross House:** Start your day in the charming Betsy Ross House courtyard with Betsy Ross and one of her Colonial friends, raising the 13-star flag with pomp and circumstance.

**Storytelling Benches:** Visit 13 spots in Historic Philadelphia (see map on back), plus three more in Valley Forge, where specially-trained storytellers

entertain with short stories sharing the secrets of Philadelphia's and America's history in the places they happened. Children can pick up a Story Flag at any bench, then collect a star from every bench. Flags with all the stars can be redeemed for a History Hero Certificate and a free carousel ride on the Parx Liberty Carousel in Franklin Square.

**Meet History Makers:** Meet people from the past and learn about their lives and times in Colonial Philadelphia.

**Military Muster:** The Continental Army is looking for a few good kids! Drill in the art of marching

and musket etiquette.

**Declaration Reading:** Greet the History Makers, favorite characters from the Once Upon A Nation stories come to life, and hear moving readings from the Declaration of Independence.

**Valley Forge Secrets & Spies:** George Washington needs help! There's rumor of a plot to have him kidnapped at Valley Forge. Learn 18th-century spy techniques as young guests work with operatives to foil the plot.

*See the programming schedule on page 4 for times and locations. Visit [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org) for more details.*



*Betsy Ross*



*Storytelling Benches*



*Phillis the Washerwoman*



# National Park Service

ALL PROGRAMS AND TOURS ARE FREE

## JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAMS



**Independence National Historical Park** - Junior Ranger programs offer a fun way for kids to learn about American History. Through Junior Ranger activities, games and puzzles, participants from 6-14 years of age learn all about the park and can earn Junior Ranger

badges. Pick up a **Junior Ranger Activity Booklet** and then return it to the **Independence Visitor Center** to receive your award when you've completed the activities. *The Independence Visitor Center, 6th & Market Streets, opens daily at 8:30 a.m.*



### Independence National Historical Park

6th and Market Streets; Daily, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

### Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site

532 North 7th Street;

Fri. through Sun., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Closed 12-1 p.m.

### Thaddeus Kosciuszko National Memorial

301 Pine Street; Sat. and Sun., 12 to 4 p.m.

### Germantown White House (Deshler-Morris House)

5442 Germantown Avenue;

Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



**Trading Cards: Come Face to Face with History!** - Ask a Park Ranger how you can earn free trading cards during your visit. Collecting trading cards is a fun way to learn more about the people, places and things that tell the story of Philadelphia and the early years of our nation.



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### Independence Mobile App

Explore Independence National Historical Park - home of Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, and the Benjamin Franklin Museum - with this official National Park Service app. Use it to discover the sites and people of the American Revolution, and the founding of the nation. Tap the **Sites** button to learn more about points of interest with professional photographs and engaging text. Discover the **Road to Revolution** or follow in **Benjamin Franklin's footsteps** on guided audio tours throughout the park. The **Postcard** feature allows you to share a digital postcard with friends and family from Independence National Historical Park. The app is available for iOS and Android devices. Search for "NPS Independence" in your app store. *The app is FREE.*



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## INDEPENDENCE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK BOOKSTORES AND MUSEUM SHOPS



The **Old City Hall** shop has books, toys, puzzles, souvenirs and postcards. Get a key to Independence Hall, miniature Liberty Bells and more. Located on the SW corner of Fifth and Chestnut Streets. The **Franklin Court** shop features all things Benjamin Franklin. Browse through dozens of biographies and other writings about Philadelphia's favorite founding father, or pick up one of the many items featuring an image of Franklin. Located between Third and Fourth Streets and Market and Chestnut Streets.

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## HISTORIC SITES

- ARCH STREET FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE** E3  
320 Arch Street - (215) 627-2667  
Tues.-Sat. 1-4 p.m.; Sugg. Don. \$2 &
- THE ATHENAEUM OF PHILADELPHIA** C7  
219 South 6th Street - (215) 925-2688  
Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE
- BETSY ROSS HOUSE** F3  
239 Arch Street - (215) 629-4026  
10 a.m.-6 p.m.;  
Museum Store daily 10 a.m.-7 p.m.;  
Ad. \$5; Ch./Sr./Stud./Mil.\$4; Audio Guide  
(incl. admission): Ad. \$7; Ch./Sr./Stud./Mil. \$6
- CARPENTERS' HALL** E5  
320 Chestnut Street - (215) 925-0167  
Tue.-Sun. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE
- CHRIST CHURCH PHILADELPHIA** F4  
2nd Street above Market Street  
(215) 922-1695  
Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m.;  
Info available in 20 languages.  
Sugg. Don.: Ad. \$3; Stud. \$2 &
- CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND** D3  
5th & Arch Streets - (215) 922-1695  
Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sun. 12-4 p.m.
- CITY TAVERN** F6  
138 South 2nd Street - (215) 413-1443  
Lunch from 11:30 a.m. daily; Dinner from  
4 p.m. Tues.-Sat. & 3 p.m. Sun. ☒
- CONGREGATION MIKVEH ISRAEL** D4  
44 North 4th Street - (215) 922-5446  
mikvehisrael.org for worship schedule  
FREE &
- CONGRESS HALL** C5  
6th & Chestnut Streets - (800) 537-7676  
Daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Entrance at 5th and  
Chestnut, through security FREE &
- DECLARATION HOUSE** B4  
599 S 7th Street - (215) 965-7676  
Daily 12-5 p.m.
- DESHLER-MORRIS HOUSE  
(GERMANTOWN WHITE HOUSE) (OFF MAP)**  
5442 Germantown Avenue - (215) 965-2305  
Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- EDGAR ALLAN POE  
NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE** C4  
532 North 7th Street - (215) 597-8780  
Fri.-Sun. 9 a.m.-Noon & 1-5 p.m.
- ELFRETH'S ALLEY** F2  
124-126 Elfreth's Alley - (215) 574-0560  
Fri.-Sun. 12-5 p.m.
- FRANKLIN COURT** E4  
314-322 Market Street - (800) 537-7676  
Courtyard 9 a.m.-Dusk; &  
Fragments of Franklin Court  
(318 Market Street):  
Daily 12-5 p.m.  
U.S. Post Office: Mon. Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Benjamin Franklin Museum:  
(fee); 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; last entrance is at 4:45 p.m.



Elfreth's Alley

- FRANKLIN SQUARE** C1  
6th & Race Streets  
Daily 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; until 5 p.m. on Fri. &  
Sat. thru 7/8; Daily 10 a.m.-9 p.m.;  
Fri.-Sat. 10 a.m.-10 p.m. from 7/9  
Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival  
Sun.-Thurs. 7-11 p.m.; 6-11 p.m. Fri. & Sat.  
thru 7/8 & ☒
- FREE QUAKER MEETING HOUSE** C3  
5th & Arch Streets - (215) 629-4026  
Daily 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
- GLORIA DEI "OLD SWEDES" CHURCH**  
916 South Swanson Street (215) 389-1513  
Tues.-Sun. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; FREE &
- GREAT ESSENTIALS EXHIBIT** C5  
West Wing of Independence Hall  
(800) 537-7676  
Daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Entrance at 5th and  
Chestnut, through security FREE &
- INDEPENDENCE HALL** C5  
Chestnut Street between 5th & 6th Streets  
(800) 537-7676  
Daily 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Tours offered every 20  
minutes, tickets are required 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
pick up free tickets at the Independence Visitor  
Center. **Please note:** security screening closes  
15 minutes before the building closes for the  
evening. FREE &
- MIKVEH ISRAEL CEMETERY** A7  
823 Spruce Street - (215) 922-5446  
By appt. only
- MOTHER BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH** C9  
419 South 6th Street - (215) 925-0616  
Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sun. open for services.  
Donation suggested. Tours by appt.
- OLD CITY HALL** D5  
5th & Chestnut Streets - (800) 537-7676  
Daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE
- OLD FIRST REFORMED CHURCH** E1  
4th & Race Streets - (215) 922-4566  
Tours by appt. FREE &
- OLD PINE STREET CHURCH &  
HISTORIC GRAVEYARD** D8  
412 Pine Street - (215) 925-8051  
Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sun. open for  
Services; Closed daily 12:30-1:30 p.m.  
Tours by reservation; Open to walk through  
FREE &
- OLD ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH** D1  
4th Street at the Ben Franklin Bridge  
(215) 627-1838  
Tours by appt. FREE &
- OLD ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH &  
NATIONAL SHRINE** E6  
321 Willings Alley - (215) 923-1733  
Call for hours & tours. FREE
- OLD ST. MARY'S CHURCH** D7  
252 South 4th Street - (215) 923-7930  
Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Open for Services or  
by appt. FREE
- PHYSICK HOUSE** E8  
321 South 4th Street - (215) 925-7866  
Tours on the hour 11 a.m.-3 p.m.;  
Ad. \$8; Stud/Sr. \$6; Family \$20
- PORTRAIT GALLERY AT THE SECOND BANK** D5  
420 Chestnut Street - (800) 537-7676  
Daily 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
- POWEL HOUSE** E7  
244 South 3rd Street - (215) 627-0364  
Tours on the hour 11 a.m.-3 p.m.;  
Ad. \$8; Stud/Sr. \$6; Family \$20 &

- ST. GEORGE'S UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH** E1  
235 North 4th Street - (215) 925-7788  
Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.;  
Groups by appt. only FREE
- ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH** E8  
3rd & Pine Streets - (215) 925-5968  
Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.;  
Sat. 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sun. open until 3 p.m.  
after services FREE &
- THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE SITE** E8  
555 Market Street  
Daily 7 a.m.-10 p.m. FREE
- MUSEUMS**
- AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL  
SOCIETY (APS) MUSEUM** D6  
104 South 5th Street - (215)-440-3442  
Thurs.-Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
- AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM  
IN PHILADELPHIA** B3  
7th & Arch Streets - (215) 574-0380  
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thur.-Sat.; 12-5 p.m. Sun.;  
Ad. \$14; Ch. 4-12 \$10; Stud. (w/I.D.) \$10;  
Sr. \$10; Members FREE &
- CHEMICAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION** E5  
315 Chestnut Street - (215) 925-2222  
Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. FREE
- FEDERAL RESERVE BANK  
OF PHILADELPHIA** C2  
6th & Arch Streets - (866) 574-3727  
Mon.-Fri. 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. FREE &
- FIREMAN'S HALL MUSEUM** F2  
147 North 2nd Street - (215) 923-1438  
Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. FREE &
- INDEPENDENCE SEAPORT MUSEUM** H6  
211 Columbus Blvd. - (215) 413-8655  
Daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Olympia & Becuna open  
10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Ad. \$16; Ch./Sr./Stud. \$12;  
Child. 2 and under & members FREE &
- LIBERTY BELL CENTER** C4  
526 Market Street - (800) 537-7676  
Daily 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; **Please note:** security  
screening closes 5 minutes before the building  
closes for the evening. FREE &
- MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION** E5  
101 S. 3rd Street - (215) 253-6731  
Daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. from  
6/16. Ad. \$19; Stud. \$17; Ch. 6-18 \$12;  
under 6 FREE &
- NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER** D3  
525 Arch Street - (215) 409-6700  
Mon. through Sat. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.;  
9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. 6/28; Sun. 12-5 p.m.;  
Ad. \$14.50; Sr. (65+)/Col. Stud. (w/ID) \$13;  
Youth (6-18) \$11; Child. (under 6) FREE  
& ☒
- NATIONAL LIBERTY MUSEUM** E5  
321 Chestnut Street - (215) 925-2800  
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Sat.; 12-6 p.m. Sun.  
Ad. \$14.50; Sr. (65+) & Coll. Stud. (w/I.D.)  
\$13; Youth (6-18) \$11; Ch. (under 6)  
FREE & ☒
- NATIONAL MUSEUM OF  
AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY** D4  
101 South Independence Mall East  
(215) 923-3811  
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tues.-Fri.; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Sat. & Sun.; Wed. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.;  
Closed Memorial Day. Ad. \$12; Sr./Stud. \$11;  
Active Mil. with ID/Ch. under 12 FREE

- NEW HALL MILITARY MUSEUM** E5  
320 Chestnut Street - (215) 965-2305  
Daily 12-5 p.m.
- PHILADELPHIA HISTORY MUSEUM** B5  
15 S. 7th Street - (215) 685-4830  
Tues.-Sat. 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Ad. \$10;  
Sr. \$8; Stud. & 13-18 \$6; Ch. 12 & under &  
active military FREE; Family Pack \$20
- POLISH AMERICAN  
CULTURAL CENTER MUSEUM** E6  
308 Walnut Street - (215) 922-1700  
Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE
- THADDEUS KOSCIUSZKO  
NATIONAL MEMORIAL** E8  
305 Pine St, Philadelphia - (800) 537-7676  
Sat. & Sun. 12-4 p.m.
- OTHER SITES**
- INDEPENDENCE MALL CAFÉ** D4  
50 N. Independence Mall East  
Daily, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.  
IndeMallCafe.com
- INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER** C4  
Corner of 6th and Market Streets across  
from the Liberty Bell - (800) 537-7676  
Daily 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.;  
July 1-4 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m. FREE & ☒
- SQUAREBURGER** C1  
6th & Race Streets  
Daily 11:30 a.m.
- U.S. MINT** D2  
151 N. Independence Mall East  
(215) 408-0114,  
Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

## SERVICES


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Accessibility For the hearing impaired, a portable loop system is available inside the Visitor Center, compatible with all telecoil equipped hearing aids, cochlear implants, and induction loop receivers. A receiver with headphones is also available if a hearing aid is not compatible. Curb cuts are at corners on perimeter sidewalks. All major sites have ramps. Photo albums with pictures of 2nd floor exhibits are available. Audio description of exhibits & AV are at Poe and Kosciuszko Houses, NPS Rangers describe exhibits elsewhere. All films are open captioned, with audio description and assisted listening. To arrange for American Sign Language services, please contact us at least two weeks in advance. Use the relay service (800-654-5984-TTY) to call (215-597-7130).



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