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**“Movies on the Mall” Outdoor Series Returns to Independence National
Historical Park for the 2025 Season**

The Philadelphia Visitor Center and Independence Historical Trust partner with the National Park Service to bring this family-friendly series back to Philadelphia’s Historic District

May 7, 2025 (PHILADELPHIA) — The Philadelphia Visitor Center Corporation (“Visitor Center”), Independence Historical Trust (“the Trust”), the National Park Service, and Liberty Garden today announced the return of their “Movies on the Mall” series for a second season in 2025. Also supported by the Historic District Partners, this free outdoor movie series invites families, friends, and history lovers alike to experience films under the stars on Philadelphia’s iconic Independence Mall.

Following a successful debut season in 2024 that drew more than 2,000 guests, the 2025 Movies on the Mall series expands to four nights celebrating the themes and history connected to Independence National Historical Park. All movie nights will begin at dusk, with pre-show activities starting at 5:30 p.m., including 18th-century games, arts and crafts, and more. Liberty Garden will offer refreshments and beverages onsite.

2025 Movies on the Mall Schedule

June: Harriet (2019)

- Friday, June 20, 2025

- Activities begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Showtime: Dusk

July: Independence Day (1996)

- Tuesday, July 1, 2025
- Activities begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Showtime: 7:30 p.m.
- Presented in partnership with Wawa Welcome America

August: National Treasure (2004)

- Friday, August 22
- Activities begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Showtime: Dusk

September: National Treasure 2: Book of Secrets (2007)

- Friday, September 19
- Activities begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Showtime: Dusk

“Movies on the Mall is a celebration of Philadelphia’s history, culture, and community spirit. There’s nothing quite like watching a story unfold beneath the stars, with Independence Hall as your backdrop,” said **Kathryn Ott Lovell, President and CEO, Philadelphia Visitor Center Corporation**. “We are thrilled to once again partner with Independence National Historical Park, the Independence Historical Trust, and Liberty Garden to bring people together in the heart of America’s most historic square mile.”

"Independence National Historical Park is where history comes to life, and Movies on the Mall lets us experience that history in a whole new way," said **Thomas A. Caramanico, Executive Director, Independence Historical Trust**. “There’s something magical about watching a film like Independence Day or National Treasure with Independence Hall just steps away, and we’re proud to grow this series into a summertime tradition.”

Screens will be set up outside the Independence Visitor Center (599 Market Street, Philadelphia), facing 5th Street between Market and Arch Streets. Guests are encouraged to bring their own blankets, lawn chairs, and snacks. The event is FREE and open to the public, but advance registration is encouraged. Walk-ups are also welcome. Register [here](#).

About the Philadelphia Visitor Center Corporation:

The Philadelphia Visitor Center Corporation connects visitors to memorable, authentic, and fun Philly experiences at our four visitor center locations: 6th and Market, City Hall, Love Park, and the Parkway. It facilitates the operation of the Independence Visitor Center, the primary point of orientation for Independence National Historical Park and the official visitor center of the Philadelphia region, including

Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties. PVCC also operates the Philly PHLASH seasonal public transit service, and The Liberty View, a private event space at The Independence Visitor Center overlooking the Liberty Bell and Independence Mall. For more information, please visit www.phlvisitorcenter.com.

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