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# HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA GAZETTE

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## NPS NEWS

# Welcome to Independence National Historical Park

Memorial Day weekend and the month of June are always exciting as we get closer to celebrating America's Independence Day. We are thrilled to share the story of American Independence and the struggle for freedom and equal rights for all. **Independence Hall** is the place where the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were debated, adopted and signed. Join us in this historic place, a place recognized around the world as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Take a tour with a National Park Service Ranger. Explore **Independence Square**; the **Liberty Bell Center**, home to the world-famous Liberty Bell; the **Second Bank of the United States** – People of Independence Portrait Gallery; or the **Benjamin Franklin Museum** in **Franklin Court**.

During Memorial Day weekend, we will be remembering those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. We will have several special programs including ranger-led **From Remembrance to Recreation**, which explores the history of Memorial Day itself.

The program will take place on May 26 & 27 at the Second Bank of the United States (420 Chestnut Street).

On June 14, celebrate **Flag Day** and the **United States Army's birthday** with pomp and parade! Join the flag raising at the National Constitution Center at 10:30 am, followed by a patriotic parade of troops past and present. The U.S. Army will have military vehicles on display throughout the day. At noon, sky divers from Fastrax Parachute Team will land on Independence Mall.

Please stop by the **Independence Visitor Center** to learn more about our events, tours and special programs. National Park Service Rangers can assist you in planning your visit to the park.

I encourage you to participate in the many unique family friendly programs and activities and learn about United States history in America's most historic square mile!

Cynthia MacLeod  
*Superintendent*

## Historic Highlights

Independence Hall, Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross House



Liberty Bell

## Museum Highlights

Museum of the American Revolution, National Constitution Center



Museum of the American Revolution

## Attraction Highlights

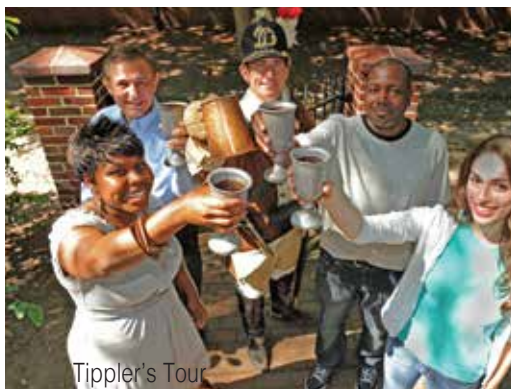
Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches, History Maker Meet & Greets



Independence Visitor Center

## Tours Highlights

Independence After Hours, Tippler's Tour



Tippler's Tour

# Welcome to Historic Philadelphia!

You are in the heart of America's Most Historic Square Mile and there's so much to see, do and experience while you are here. You'll meet **History Makers** in person, hear from storytellers at **Once Upon A Nation** Storytelling Benches, drill with the **Continental Army** and more.

Whether you have a couple of hours or a couple of days to spend, check out the helpful information in the Gazette to help you make the most of your visit. Begin your day at the **Independence Visitor Center**, where you can pick up your free, timed Independence Hall tickets. Seeing the room where our Declaration of Independence was debated and adopted is a must!

You won't want to miss the **National Constitution Center's** exhibit on Alexander Hamilton. See page 2 for the Center's special events planned for Memorial Day weekend and Flag Day, plus FREE admission on **Wawa Hoagie Day** (June 28). Check out the neighborhood's newest attraction, **Museum of the American Revolution**, which tells the story of America's fight for independence in an interactive and dynamic way.

This month also features the 11th annual **Flag Fest**, a weeklong celebration of our **Stars & Stripes** at **Betsy Ross House** that kicks off **Sunday, June 10** and continues all week with daytime and NEW evening events, and culminates with a full day of FREE family fun on **Stars & Stripes Saturday, June 16**. On Flag Day, June 14 the National Constitution Center celebrates Flag Day and the U.S. Army's birthday with special events and the Betsy Ross House hosts the City of Philadelphia's official Flag Day commemoration and offers free admission. See page 2 for details.

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 free programs that bring history to life 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 unique and 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 uniquely interesting 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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Flag Festival 2018  
Celebrates Old Glory  
with a Full Week of Fun!

Celebrate the Stars & Stripes with a week of special events at the Betsy Ross House, Sunday, June 10 through Saturday, June 16.

- Free, interactive, family fun on June 10-13 & 15, including historic chocolate making demonstrations, a flag history program, the chance to meet George Washington and more.
- The House's famous Flag Day celebration kicks off at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 14 with a flag raising ceremony. Enjoy free admission all day long courtesy of Dr. Jeffrey Kenneth Kohn, see the Flag Ladies embroider presidential flags and witness a moving naturalization ceremony.
- On the evenings of June 13-15, stick around after dark to enjoy musical performances, the Little Rebel Beer Garden presented by Devil's Den and a screening of the 2017 blockbuster Wonder Woman.
- The week culminates with Stars & Stripes Saturday on June 16. This all-day family event features favorites like The Give & Take Jugglers and the amazing Funicular Aerial Circus. Admission is FREE and tours of the House are just \$5 for adults and \$4 for children.

For more information, and a complete schedule of events, visit [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

The Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival Lights Up Franklin Square Through June 30



Historic Philadelphia is just heating up as the sun goes down evenings through June 30, when the **Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival** lights up Franklin Square starting at 7 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 6 p.m. on week-ends. Back by popular demand, the Festival features **28 larger-than-life, handmade illuminated sculptures**, including the 200-foot giant fan favorite Chinese Dragon!

In addition to the lanterns, enjoy traditional entertainment from Chinese acrobats and folk dancers, raise a toast in the **Dragon Beer Garden** and dine on delicious Asian cuisine.

The Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival runs 7-11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 6-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$18 for adults; \$12 for youth; and \$15 for seniors and military. Timed tickets are required on Friday and Saturday nights and advance purchase is always recommended. Visit [phillychineselanternfestival.org](http://phillychineselanternfestival.org) for tickets. For more information, call (215) 629-4026 or visit [phillychineselanternfestival.org](http://phillychineselanternfestival.org).

Independence National  
Historical Park



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Courtesy National Constitution Center

HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA GAZETTE

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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



FEATURED  
EXHIBIT

*Hamilton: The Constitutional  
Clashes That Shaped a Nation*

Explore this compelling new exhibit which highlights the competing ideas of Alexander Hamilton and his legendary rivals.

*Included with museum admission.*

Show Your Historic Philadelphia Gazette  
at the National Constitution Center  
Box Office to Receive \$2 OFF Admission

FEATURED EVENTS

*Memorial Day Weekend*

*May 26-28* - This Memorial Day Weekend, pay tribute to America's fallen military heroes and enjoy a variety of patriotic programs, including flag ceremonies and etiquette workshops, 18th-century games, arts and craft activities, and interactive shows. *Included with museum admission.*

*2018 Stripes and Stars Festival*

*June 14* - From star-spangled banners to five-star generals, Philadelphia celebrates the shared birth-

day of two of our country's greatest institutions – the American flag and the U.S. Army. Events include a flag raising ceremony, patriotic parade, and giant flag folding demonstrations. *Included with museum admission.*

*Wawa Hoagie Day* - June 28

Celebrate the 26th annual Wawa Hoagie Day with free Wawa hoagies, free admission to the National Constitution Center, plus lots of great programs and activities. *Free admission courtesy of Wawa.*

**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)



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\*Discount will be determined as the least expensive entrée.

Not valid Saturdays or holiday weekends. Children's entrées will be considered entrées at the time of discount.

Not valid June 14-18, 2018.

Offer expires July 31, 2018.

Coupon must be presented at time of order.

## 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.

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)



## Start Exploring with Philadelphia's Historic District Pass

Philadelphia's Historic District is the Birthplace of the Nation, America's First World Heritage City, and home to iconic landmarks, cultural institutions, diverse museums, outdoor attractions, and restaurants. The 2018 Historic District Pass provides an affordable way to visit must-see sites for one low price.

It includes one-time admission



to the National Constitution Center, Betsy Ross House, and Christ Church Burial Ground; and a One-Day Pass on Philly PHLASH. Learn more and purchase your 2018 Historic District Pass, available for pick up exclusively at the Independence Visitor Center. (800) 537-7676, [HistoricPhillyPass.com](http://HistoricPhillyPass.com)

# HISTORIC DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

## MAY

### MAY 26-28

**Historic Philadelphia, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.: Once Upon A Nation Season Kick-Off** – The award-winning Storytelling Benches return to 13 locations throughout the Historic District. Hear short stories about our nation's history plus participate in interactive programs including the twice-daily Military Muster and the stirring Declaration reading at the end of each day. See pages 4 & 5 for the complete schedule. Free. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

**Independence National Historical Park, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.: Memorial Day Commemorations** – The following special events are planned for Memorial Day Weekend:

**New Hall Military Museum, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.: Heroism and Sacrifice during Wartime** – Learn about life in the Military and meet soldiers during 3 different time periods in American History:

Civil War (May 26); American Revolution (May 27) and WWI (May 28).

**Second Bank of the U.S., 1-1:30 p.m., May 27 & 28: George Washington's Band of Brothers** – Portrait gallery tour introduces George Washington and his Generals who led the soldiers of the Continental Army to victory over the armies of Great Britain and won American Independence.

**Second Bank of the U.S. 3-3:30 p.m. May 26 & 27: From Remembrance to Recreation** – Join a park ranger for a program about Memorial Day commemorations from the 19th century until today.

**Second Bank of the U.S. 3-3:30 p.m. May 28 : At Rest** After viewing their portraits in the gallery, discover the final, local resting place of these military heroes.

All Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

### Museum of the American Revolution, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: Memorial Day Weekend & Revolutionary Sailors

Pay tribute to those who lost their lives in service during the American Revolution. To coincide with Sail Philadelphia, learn about the lives of Revolutionary sailors. Board the Museum's replica ship and witness an auction of a deceased sailor's personal effects and meet interpreters portraying the men and women who crewed ships and worked on the city's docks. Free with admission. (215) 253-6731, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

## JUNE

### JUNE 1

**Betsy Ross House, 5-9 p.m.: Movie Night Under the Stars & Stripes** – Celebrate First Friday with after-hours tours of the House followed by an alfresco showing of *Attack of the Giant Leeches*. Guests are invited to BYOB and snacks and make an evening of it. \$5. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

### JUNE 2

**Elfreth's Alley, 1-5 p.m.: Fete Day** – Get a rare glimpse into a dozen 18th-century private homes of residents on the nation's oldest residential street. Enjoy music, re-enactors and more. \$25 per person; \$10 children; Family and group rates available. (215) 627-8680, [elfrethsalley.org](http://elfrethsalley.org)

### JUNE 6

**National Museum of American Jewish History, 6-8 p.m.: Remembering the St. Louis: The Consequences of Turning Away Refugees** – A survivor and historian discuss the M.S. St. Louis, a ship of German Jews turned back from the U.S. during the Holocaust.

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

### JUNE 9

**Second Bank of the U.S., 3-4 p.m.: Independence Hall and History of Gay Rights in Philadelphia** – On July 4, 1965 demonstrators marched across the street from Independence Hall calling attention to the discrimination facing the gay and lesbian community. Join a Park Ranger for a slide program about the LGBTQ movement's roots at Independence Hall. Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

### JUNE 9 & 10

**Museum of the American Revolution, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: Liberation 1778** – Living history event celebrates the new discovery center, Revolution Place, exploring the confused days of 1778. The Continental Army and its supporters have reclaimed Philadelphia from the British, but many questions about loyalty and the Revolution remain. Meet townspeople restarting their lives or looking for justice and learn military drills from Revolutionary soldiers.

Free with admission. (215) 253-6731, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

### JUNE 10-16

#### Betsy Ross House, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: Flag Festival 2018

The 11th annual weeklong celebration of all things Old Glory features free, interactive family fun each day of the week, plus special evening events June 13-15. The city of Philadelphia's official Flag Day celebration is June 14, with free tours of the House courtesy of Dr. Jeffrey Kenneth Kohn. The week finishes with the all-day festival, Stars & Stripes Saturday on June 16. See page 2 or visit [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org) for the complete schedule and details. (215) 629-4026, [historicphiladelphia.org](http://historicphiladelphia.org)

### JUNE 14-17

#### Museum of the American Revolution, regular site hours:

**Flag Day and Father's Day Weekend** – See George Washington's Commander-in-Chief's Standard, the flag that marked his presence on the battlefield. Add a stitch to a reproduction of a Revolutionary flag, design your own flag, and try cutting a six-pointed star like the one on the Washington Standard and more interactive activities.

Free with admission. (215) 253-6731, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

### JUNE 15-16

**Second Bank of the U.S., 3-4 p.m.: Independence Hall and History of Gay Rights in Philadelphia** – See June 9 for details.

### JUNE 16

**Museum of the American Revolution, 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. Breakfast with General George Washington** – Enjoy breakfast with the nation's Founding Father! Tickets include buffet breakfast, admission and interactive activities. Ad. \$50; Youth \$25; Ch.6 and under \$10 (215) 253-6731, [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)



Museum of the American Revolution

### JUNE 30

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

#### Second Bank of the U.S., 2:30-3 p.m.:

**Alexander Hamilton Gallery Tour** – While not from Philadelphia, Alexander Hamilton spent time and made his mark in American history here. Learn more during this tour. Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

**New Hall Military Museum, 1-1:30 p.m. & 4-4:30 p.m.: Barnacles and Bullets** – George Washington wants you! Come learn about life as a soldier. Have some fun trying on kid-sized military uniforms and colonial dress.

Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

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HISTORIC DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

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ONGOING

**Franklin Square, 7-11 p.m. Sun.-Thurs. & 6-11 p.m. Fri. & Sat.: Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival** – Final days to visit this one-of-a-kind celebration of light and culture! More than 25 larger-than-life illuminated displays are on display. Plus, enjoy 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)

**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, anecdotes and good cheer about living in 18th-Century Philadelphia. Learn about and watch them in their crafts, including quill pen calligraphy, "sawdust dolls," watercolor art, and much more. Free. (800) 537-7676, [PHLVisitorCenter.com](http://PHLVisitorCenter.com)

**Independence Visitor Center, 4-4:10 p.m.: Junior Ranger Induction Ceremony** – After completing the Junior Ranger booklet, available at the Visitor Center, children

can meet a park ranger at the information desk to receive their badge and be "sworn in" as National Park Service Junior Rangers. Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

**Independence Visitor Center, 6-7:15 p.m.: 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](http://nps.gov/inde)

**Benjamin Franklin Museum, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Sat. & Sun.: 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](http://nps.gov/inde)

**Franklin Court Courtyard, 2-3 p.m. Sat. & Sun.: The British Occupation of Philadelphia** – Join a Park Ranger for a walking tour and hear the stories of the officers, the soldiers, and the civilians as the British army occupied the former United States capital from September 1777 to June 1778. Free. (215) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

**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](http://nps.gov/inde)

**Signers' Garden, 10-11 a.m., Sat. & Sun.: In the Paths of the Founders** – Join a park ranger for this orientation tour of Independence National Historical Park. Explore the world-changing events that happened right here, from the Declaration of Independence to the creation of a new government. Free. (800) 537-7676, [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)



Second Bank of the U.S.

PROGRAMS & TOURS • MAY 26 - JUNE 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. |  |
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| Betsy Ross House<br><i>239 Arch Street</i>                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Meet Betsy Ross  <br><i>10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Wed.</i> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        | <i>10 a.m.-5 p.m.<br/>Thur.-Sun</i>                                                                                                                                                                                  |        |  |
|                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ◀ Flag Raising  <br><i>Daily</i>                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
|                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Meet Phillis the Laundress  <br><i>Sat. &amp; Sun. thru June 10; Thurs.-Sun. from June 11</i> |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
| Independence Hall <i>(behind the Hall)</i><br><i>500 Chestnut Street</i> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | ◀   Reading of the Declaration of Independence<br><i>Daily May 26-28; Fri. &amp; Sat, June 1-9; Tues.-Sat. from June 12</i> ▶ |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
| Independence Visitor Center<br><i>6th &amp; Market Streets</i>           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Meet the History Makers <br><i>Daily 11 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
|                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  Junior Ranger Induction Ceremony<br><i>Daily</i> ▶ |        |        |   Twilight Tour<br><i>Daily 6-7 p.m.</i> ▶ |        |  |
| 13 Locations in the Historic District                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches<br><i>11 a.m.-4 p.m. May 26-28; Fri. &amp; Sat., June 1-9; Tues.-Sat. from June 12</i>                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
| Signers' Garden<br><i>5th Street</i>                                     | ◀   Military Muster<br><i>2-2:30 p.m.; 3-3:30 p.m. May 26-28; Fri. &amp; Sat. June 1-9; Tues. – Sat. from June 12</i> ▶▶ |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
| Valley Forge National Historical Park                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches<br><i>May 26-28, daily: 11 a.m. -4 pm; June 2-10, Sat. &amp; Sun.; Daily from June 11</i>                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                          |        |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |        |  |
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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. Friday & Saturday, through June 9; Tues.-Sat. from June 12 \$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.; \$50 Ad.; \$45 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. 3).

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

Beginning Memorial Day weekend, 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

specialty-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.



### Independence Junior Ranger App

Ring the Liberty Bell, Create Your Own Portrait, and earn a Junior Ranger badge or certificate. Download the FREE "Independence Junior Ranger" app. For iPhone or iPad.



### 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.

*These stores are operated by Eastern National, a not-for-profit partner of the National Park Service. Proceeds from your purchase help support Independence NHP.*



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HISTORIC SITES

**ARCH STREET FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE** E3  
320 Arch Street - (215) 627-2667  
Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. through 6/8;  
Tues.-Sat. 1-4 p.m. from 6/12; 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.-5 p.m. daily to 6/9; 10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
from 6/10; 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.

**FRANKLIN SQUARE** C1  
6th & Race Streets  
10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily; until 5 p.m. on Fri & Sat  
Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival  
7-11 p.m. Sun.-Thurs.; 6-11 p.m. Fri. & Sat.

**FREE QUAKER MEETING HOUSE** C3  
5th & Arch Streets - (215) 629-4026  
Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; daily from 6/18

**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. (under6)  
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.; FREE ♿ ☒

**SQUAREBURGER** C1  
6th & Race Streets  
Daily 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

**U.S. MINT** D2  
151 N. Independence Mall East  
(215) 408-0114,  
Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.



SERVICES

Language Services Park maps are available in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Russian and Spanish. The Visitor Center concierge staff is fluent in nine languages including Spanish, French, German and Italian. Information about the Liberty Bell and other park sites is available in multiple languages. See a NPS Ranger or the Visitor Center staff if you have a specific request.

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).

