

Historic Philadelphia *GAZETTE.*

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WELCOME TO AMERICA'S MOST HISTORIC SQUARE MILE

The holiday season is a wonderful time to visit Historic Philadelphia! You have a busy day ahead of you... there's so much to see and do here! The map inside will help you find the area's many museums and historic attractions. Before you get started, here are a few suggestions...

Begin your visit at the Independence Visitor Center, 6th & Market streets. Get acquainted with the area and plan your day with the help of the Visitor Center's experienced staff.

Walk in the hallowed footsteps of our Founding Fathers who gave

birth to a nation on these streets. Don't miss Carpenters' Hall, site of the First Continental Congress, Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were signed and, our most recognizable symbol of freedom, the Liberty Bell.

Step back in time and into the homes of some of the founders. Philadelphia has over 2,000 surviving colonial houses, many of which are open for tours. Visit the famous Betsy Ross House, Elfreth's Alley, Powel House and the Physick House.

Enter the places where America's founders worshipped, including

historic St. Joseph's Catholic Church, the Episcopal parishes of Christ Church and St. Peter's, Mother Bethel AME Church, the National Museum of American Jewish History, Old Pine Presbyterian Church and the Arch Street Quaker Meeting.

Explore the city streets. Information on a variety of walking tours is available at the Visitor Center. Or, simply pick up a map and guide book and wander at your leisure.

Plan to come back... it's impossible to discover all of Philadelphia's treasures in just one day. Our unique

museums, shops, restaurants and entertainment spots will make you want to visit William Penn's city again and again.

Enjoy your visit to Historic Philadelphia... the place that loves you back to 1776!



COME FACE TO FACE WITH HISTORY

A trip to America's Most Historic Square Mile wouldn't be complete without meeting some of our 18th century citizens. Historic Philadelphia, Inc. gives you plenty of chances to mix and mingle with people from the past during your visit.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, colonial characters will greet you at the Independence Visitor Center, 6th & Market streets. Make sure to check out the crafters demonstrating their skills.

On weekends, you'll have the opportunity to visit with some of the nation's leading citizens, including Thomas Jefferson,



Benjamin Franklin and others, from noon to 2 p.m. at Carpenters' Hall, 320 Chestnut Street. These great men and women from America's earliest days will answer all your questions and share experiences from their exciting lives.

From 2-3:30 p.m. on weekends, you'll be treated to a concert on the Glass Armonica at Carpenters' Hall. Don't miss the sweet sounds of this first authentically American instrument invented by none other than Ben Franklin. For more information, call the Independence Visitor Center at (800) 537-7676.

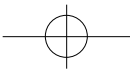
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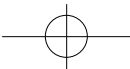
Make sure your visit to Philadelphia's Historic District includes stops at the neighborhood's exciting new additions for a modern look at some of the nation's most enduring symbols.



Visit the Liberty Bell Center! The dramatic symbol of freedom has a dramatic new home. Learn the Liberty Bell's history, trace its journeys and discover its importance to people around the world; 6th Street between Market & Chestnut streets. Call (800) 537-7676 for more information.

And, don't miss the National Constitution Center! America's most important export is its freedom. Exercise yours at the new National Constitution Center, 525 Arch Street, where you can don the robe of a Supreme Court justice, take the presidential oath of office or e-mail your congressman. Hands-on exhibits make the world's most important four little pages a powerful experience. For information, call (215) 409-6600.





Check This Out!

MONEY IN MOTION
This exciting new exhibit at the Federal Reserve Bank, 6th & Arch streets, gives visitors the chance to match wits with Ben Franklin, see original money from the 13 colonies and more. Sixteen displays featuring interactive games, rare artifacts, and historical narrative trace the history of money and central banking in the U.S. Visit for free, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

BLUE CROSS RIVER RINK
Strap on your skates for a visit to this outdoor winter wonderland where the centerpiece is an Olympic-size rink surrounded by a heated pavilion, the Benjamin Franklin Bridge, and the Delaware River. The River Rink, celebrating its 10th anniversary season, opens November 28th. It is located at Festival Pier, Columbus Blvd. at Spring Garden Street. For more information, visit www.riverrink.com or call (215) 925-RINK.

DECK THE ALLEY
A Philadelphia holiday favorite returns Friday, December 12th from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, December 13th from 2-4 p.m., when Elfrehth's Alley hosts its annual Deck the Alley event. Tour nearly 20 beautifully decorated residences along the nation's oldest residential street during this popular holiday celebration. Events feature musical holiday entertainment, warm cider, and demonstrations. Tickets are available by calling (215) 574-0560; for more information, visit www.elfrethsalley.org.

PHILADELPHIA HOLIDAY FESTIVAL
Philadelphia celebrates the holiday season in grand style with the 3rd annual Philadelphia Holiday Festival. This month-long celebration takes place throughout the city, and features tree lightings, retail promotions, holiday exhibits and other events designed to get residents and visitors in the holiday spirit. It all kicks off with Family Fun Day on November 28th, an all-day celebration that ends with a holiday bash at Penn's Landing. For more information, pick up a Philadelphia Holiday Festival brochure at the Independence Visitor Center.



CELEBRATE THE SEASON AT BETSY'S

The Betsy Ross House, 239 Arch Street, has two weekends full of family fun planned to celebrate the winter holidays. All the activities are free, so take a break from the malls and pay a visit to the home of America's most famous seamstress this holiday season.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. November 28-30th and December 26-28th, the Betsy Ross House will be alive with the sights and sounds of the holidays. Traditional holiday music will be performed and colonial crafters will demonstrate their skills. There will be make-and-take crafts for the kids and, of course, a visit from Betsy, herself!

While you're there, don't forget to take the self-guided tour of the house and be sure to visit the gift shop for a variety of unique holiday gift ideas, all 10% off. Call (215) 686-1254 for more information.

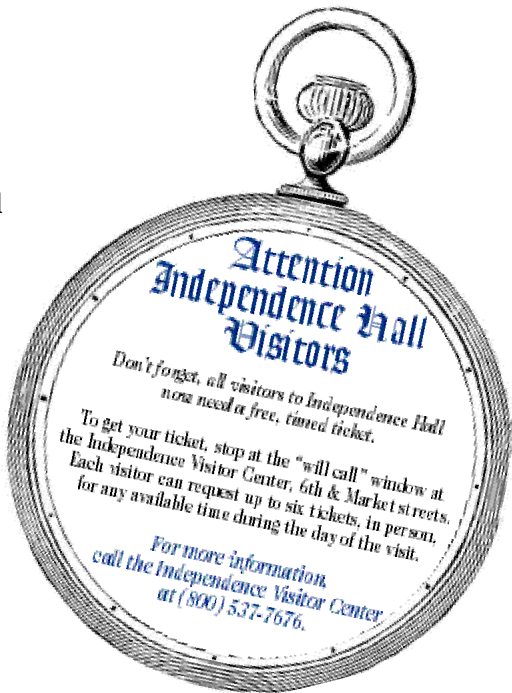


While you're in the neighborhood, stop in at Christ Church, 2nd & Market, and Elfrehth's Alley for more seasonal fun including music, craft demonstrations and hands-on activities for children... free admission!

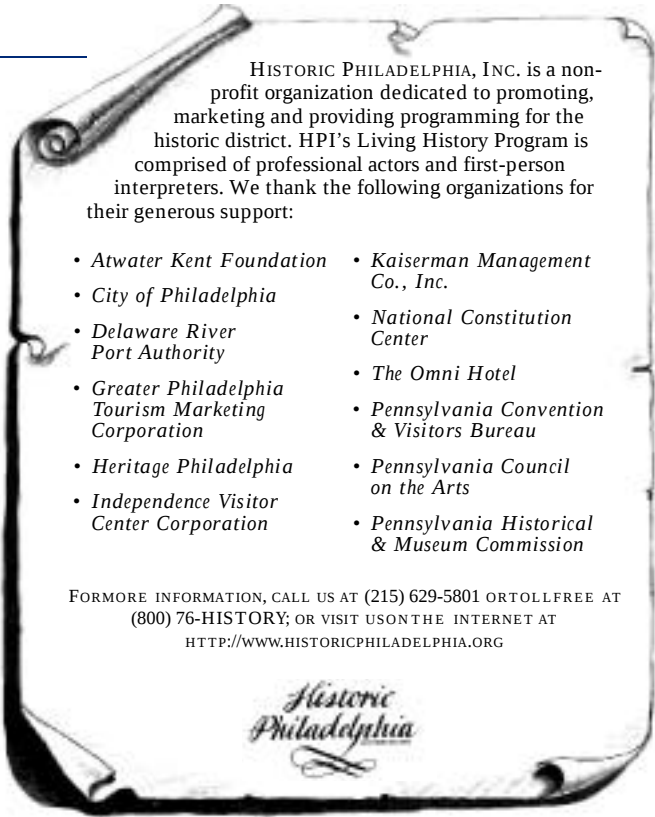
Now Available on the Web... Stars, Stripes & Savings 2003!

The place that loves you back pays you back in 2003! Stars, Stripes & Savings is now available on-line, making it convenient to download and print coupons for the attractions you plan to visit here in Historic Philadelphia. Look for Stars, Stripes & Savings at www.HistoricPhiladelphia.org and on the Virtual Brochure Rack at www.GoPhila.com. Participants for 2003 include:

- ★ National Museum of American Jewish History
- ★ African American Museum in Philadelphia
- ★ Atwater Kent Museum
- ★ Independence Seaport Museum
- ★ National Liberty Museum
- ★ Lights of Liberty
- ★ Powel House
- ★ Physick House
- ★ Philadelphia Trolley Works
- ★ Ghost Tour
- ★ Philadelphia Crime Tour
- ★ Carpenters' Hall
- ★ RiverLink Ferry
- ★ Making History at the Bourse
- ★ Betsy Ross House
- ★ Elfrehth's Alley

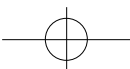


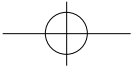
If you would like to book our colonial characters for your school or special event, or make a donation to our non-profit organization, call us at (215) 629-5801 or toll free at (800) 76-HISTORY.



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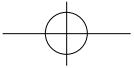
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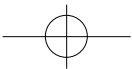
SOCIETY HILL is one of America's oldest neighborhoods, with outstanding colonial and early nineteenth-century buildings.

OLD CITY was home to many of the colonial city's artisans. Some of their homes are now preserved as museums in Philadelphia's premier cultural and restaurant area.

SOUTH STREET - HEADHOUSE, the one-time southern border of the city, is a brief walk to some of Philadelphia's liveliest restaurants, shops, and bars.

PENN'S LANDING: this riverside park is the site of many concerts, festivals, and historic ships.





<i>HISTORIC SITE (Map Location)</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>	<i>SUNDAY</i>
AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSEUM IN PHILADELPHIA 7th & Arch streets • (215) 574-0380 (B3)	CLOSED	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM
AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY 105 South 5th Street • (215) 440-3409	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	CLOSED	CLOSED
ARCH STREET FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE 4th & Arch streets • (215) 627-2631 (E3)	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	CLOSED
THE ATHENAEUM OF PHILADELPHIA 219 South 6th Street • (215) 925-2688	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	CLOSED	CLOSED
ATWATER KENT MUSEUM 15 South 7th Street • (215) 685-4830 (B5)	10 AM - 5 PM	CLOSED	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
BETSY ROSS HOUSE 239 Arch Street • (215) 686-1252 (F3)	CLOSED	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 AM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
BISHOP WHITE HOUSE 309 Walnut Street (E6)	OPEN DAILY FOR TOURS; TICKETS AT THE INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER						
CARPENTERS’ HALL 320 Chestnut Street • (215) 925-0167 (E5)	CLOSED	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM
CHRIST CHURCH PHILADELPHIA 2nd Street <i>above</i> Market Street • (215) 922-1695 (F4)	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
CONGREGATION MIKVEH ISRAEL 44 North 4th Street • (215) 922-5446 (D4)	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 3 PM	CLOSED	CLOSED
CONGRESS HALL 6th & Chestnut streets (C5)	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM
DECLARATION (GRAFF) HOUSE 7th & Market streets (B4)	12 PM - 2 PM	12 PM - 2 PM	12 PM - 2 PM	12 PM - 2 PM	12 PM - 2 PM	12 PM - 2 PM	12 PM - 2 PM
ELFRETH’S ALLEY 124-126 Elfreth’s Alley • (215) 574-0560 (F2)	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM
FIREMAN’S HALL MUSEUM 147 North 2nd Street • (215) 923-1438 (F2)	CLOSED	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	CLOSED
FIRST BANK OF THE UNITED STATES 3rd Street between Walnut & Chestnut streets (E6)	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM
FRANKLIN COURT 314-322 Market Street (E4)	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
INDEPENDENCE HALL Chestnut Street <i>between</i> 5th & 6th streets (C5 & D6)	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM
INDEPENDENCE SEAPORT MUSEUM 211 Columbus Boulevard • (215) 925-5439 (H6)	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER 6th & Market Street • (800) 537-7676	8:30 AM - 5 PM	8:30 AM - 5 PM	8:30 AM - 5 PM	8:30 AM - 5 PM	8:30 AM - 5 PM	8:30 AM - 5 PM	8:30 AM - 5 PM
KOSCIUSZKO HOUSE 3rd & Pine streets • (215) 597-9618 (E8)	CLOSED	CLOSED	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
LIBERTY BELL CENTER 6th Street <i>between</i> Market & Chestnut streets (C4)	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM
MIKVEH ISRAEL CEMETERY 8th & Spruce streets • (215) 922-5446 (A7)	TOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY						
MOTHER BETHEL AME CHURCH 419 South 6th Street • (215) 925-0616 (C9)	CLOSED	10 AM - 3 PM	10 AM - 3 PM	10 AM - 3 PM	10 AM - 3 PM	10 AM - 3 PM	OPEN FOR SERVICES
NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER 525 Arch Street • (215) 409-6600 (D3)	9:30 AM - 5 PM	9:30 AM - 5 PM	9:30 AM - 5 PM	9:30 AM - 5 PM	9:30 AM - 5 PM	9:30 AM - 5 PM	9:30 AM - 5 PM
NATIONAL LIBERTY MUSEUM 321 Chestnut Street • (215) 925-2800 (E5)	CLOSED	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY 55 North 5th Street • (215) 923-3812 (D4)	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 3 PM	CLOSED	12 PM - 5 PM
NEW HALL MILITARY MUSEUM Chestnut Street between 3rd & 4th streets (E5)	2 PM - 4 PM	2 PM - 4 PM	2 PM - 4 PM	2 PM - 4 PM	2 PM - 4 PM	2 PM - 4 PM	2 PM - 4 PM
OLD CITY HALL Fifth & Chestnut streets (D5)	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM	2 PM - 5 PM
OLD FIRST REFORMED CHURCH 4th & Race streets • (215) 922-4566 (E1)	TOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY						
OLD PINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 412 Pine Street • (215) 925-8051 (D8)	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	OPEN FOR SERVICES
OLD ST. AUGUSTINE’S CHURCH 4th Street <i>at the</i> Ben Franklin Bridge • (215) 627-1838 (D1)	TOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY						
OLD ST. JOSEPH’S CHURCH & NATIONAL SHRINE 321 Willings Alley • (215) 923-1733 (E6)	TOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY						
OLD ST. MARY’S CHURCH 248 South 4th Street • (215) 923-7930 (D7)	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM	9 AM - 4:30 PM
PEMBERTON HOUSE MUSEUM SHOP 325 Chestnut Street • (215) 597-8974 (E5)	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	9 AM - 5 PM
PHYSICK HOUSE 321 South 4th Street • (215) 925-7866 (E8)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	11 AM - 2 PM	11 AM - 2 PM	11 AM - 2 PM	CLOSED
POLISH AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER MUSEUM 308 WALNUT STREET • (215) 922-1700 (E6)	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	CLOSED
POWEL HOUSE 244 South 3rd Street • (215) 627-0364 (E7)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
RIVER RINK Penn’s Landing • (215) 925-RINK (H4)	6 PM - 9 PM	6 PM - 9 PM	6 PM - 9 PM	6 PM - 9 PM	12 PM - 1 AM	12 PM - 1 AM	12:30 PM - 9 PM
ST. PETER’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 3rd & Pine streets • (215) 925-5968 (E8)	8 AM - 4 PM	8 AM - 4 PM	8 AM - 4 PM	8 AM - 4 PM	8 AM - 4 PM	11 AM - 3 PM	1 PM - 3 PM
TODD HOUSE 4th & Walnut streets (E6)	OPEN DAILY FOR TOURS; TICKETS AT THE INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER						
UNITED STATES MINT 5th & Arch streets • (215) 408-0114 (D2-3)	LIMITED TOURS AVAILABLE; CALL FOR DETAILS						

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