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NPS NEWS

Welcome to Independence National Historical Park

July is a busy but exciting month at Independence National Historical Park! This Independence Day we are celebrating the 240th birthday of the United States and we continue to celebrate the 100th birthday of the National Park Service.

2016
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National Park Service Ranger. Explore Independence Square, the Liberty Bell Center, home to the world famous Liberty Bell, the newly reopened Second Bank of the United States' People of Independence

Portrait Gallery or the Benjamin Franklin Museum in Franklin Court.

All month long, we have exciting programs and I encourage you to participate in these unique, family-friendly activities and learn about early United States history.

Please stop by the Independence Visitor Center to learn more about our events, programs and tours. You can also visit us online and on social media or download our mobile app. We hope you #FindYourPark here at Independence!

Cynthia MacLeod - Superintendent

Historic Highlights

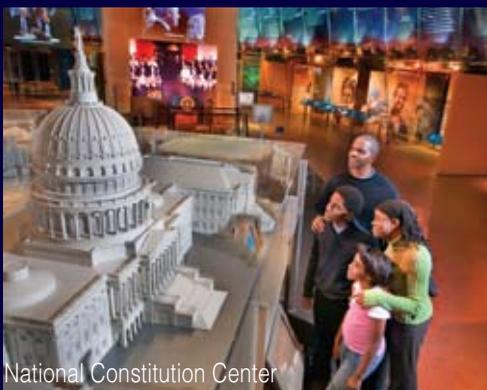
Independence Hall, Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross House, Elfreth's Alley



Liberty Bell

Museum Highlights

National Constitution Center, National Museum of American Jewish History, African American Museum in Philadelphia



National Constitution Center

Attraction Highlights

Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches, History Maker Meet & Greets, Colonial Kids' Quest



Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches

Tours Highlights

Independence After Hours, Tippler's Tour



Independence After Hours

Welcome to Historic Philadelphia!

You are in the heart of America's Most Historic Square Mile and there's more to see and experience here than ever before. You'll meet **History Makers** in person, hear from storytellers at **Once Upon A Nation** Storytelling Benches, join 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... especially this month as we celebrate our independence!

You won't want to miss the **National Constitution Center's Headed to the White House** an interactive, election year must-see exhibit. Visit for FREE on July 2 as part of the *Wawa Welcome America* celebration and on July 4, courtesy of the John Templeton Foundation.



Welcome America has a full schedule of events... from a Historic Philadelphia Block Party, to a concert outside **Independence Hall**, a parade and more ...to celebrate the nation's birthday right here in its birthplace. See page 2 for all the details and plan to party like it's 1776!

Inside you'll 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 more free programs than ever before (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.

From meeting Betsy Ross in her upholstery shop, to drilling with the Continental Army 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!

Celebrate America's Birthday with Free Events in Historic Philadelphia

Paint the town red, white & blue with fun, free events July 1-4

Celebrate independence in Philadelphia with the Wawa Welcome America! festival, which features a full schedule of FREE special events and activities that the whole family will love. Historic Philadelphia plays host to some of the festival's best events.

Some highlights...

- The Philadelphia Orchestra presents a free concert at 8 p.m. on Friday, July 1 at the Great Plaza at Penn's Landing followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m.
- The sky above Penn's Landing lights up again on Saturday, July 2 with another round of fireworks at 9:30 p.m.
- Independence Day family fun comes to Franklin Square July 2-4 from 12-3 p.m., with rides on the Lightning Bolt Express train and more.
- The Historic Philadelphia Block Party rocks 5th & 6th streets between Market & Chestnut 1-8 p.m. on Sunday, July 3 and, following, the festival favorite POPS! on Independence concert hits the steps of Independence Hall.

- Independence Day, Monday, 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.
- Enjoy the family favorite, Betsy's Independence Day Bash, July 4 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. with a naturalization ceremony for 13 children, a bell-tapping ceremony and crafts for kids.
- Also on the Fourth, Betsy Ross hosts America's Birthday Party inside Independence Visitor Center at 1 p.m. Sing "Happy Birthday" and enjoy one of 2,500 FREE red, white, and blue cupcakes from Termini Bros. Bakery.



For a complete list of programs and events taking place in and around Historic Philadelphia during Independence Week, visit welcomeamerica.com

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

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SPECIAL EVENTS

An All-American Celebration – July 1-5 Patriotic festivities celebrating Independence Day include family fun activities, colonial musical performances, and the chance to meet famous historical figures throughout the week. Plus FREE admission on July 2, courtesy of Wawa, and on July 4, courtesy of the John Templeton Foundation.

PoliticalFest – July 22-27 The National Constitution Center will serve as the hub for PoliticalFest. Explore the feature exhibit "Headed to the White House," as well as a mix of activities and Political Theater, including political feud, political trivia, interviews and panel discussions. The Center's permanent exhibits will also be incorporated into the event, and C-SPAN's educational bus will be featured outside the Center.

FEATURED EXHIBIT

Powers of the President – July 22 through Election Day Explore the nature of executive power under the Constitution, and how various presidents have exercised it over time. Discover both key actions by well-known presidents as well as the constitutional legacies of lesser known "forgotten presidents," and the impact that they all have had while holding our nation's highest office.

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 about the National Constitution Center or any of its programs, call (215) 409-6700 or visit constitutioncenter.org.

Show your Historic Philadelphia Gazette at the National Constitution Center Box Office to receive free admission to Headed to the White House with general admission purchase!

Independence National Historical Park



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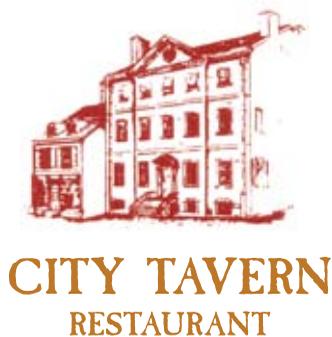


INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER



NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

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CITY TAVERN
RESTAURANT

Savor specialties including pepperpot soup, Martha Washington's chocolate mousse cake, General Washington & Thomas Jefferson's recipes for ale. Open seven days a week. Serving lunch & dinner daily from 11:30 a.m. Dinner from 4 p.m. (Sundays from 3 p.m.). Located at the corner of 2nd & Walnut Streets, (215) 413-1443.

IT TAKES TWO

Two entrées for the price of one!*

Valid Sunday through Friday for lunch & dinner!

Only valid with the use of a major credit card, not valid for special menus or restaurant holiday, beverage tax & gratuity are not included.

*Discount will be determined as the least expensive entrée, children's meals are considered entrées. Valid: Sunday through Friday only. Not valid July 1-7, 2016, September 2-5, 2016. Expires September 30, 2016. Coupon must be presented at time of order.

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.

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HISTORIC DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

See Philly in a PHLASH

Sightseeing in Philadelphia couldn't be easier than aboard the Philly PHLASH Downtown Bus Loop. The most convenient and affordable way for visitors to travel to 22 key destinations, including Independence National Historical Park, the PHLASH offers daily service every 15 minutes, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Passes are only \$2 per ride or \$5 per day. Kids four and under and seniors ride free! Please visit www.PhillyPHLASH.com for updated information about July 4th service route and schedule.



Get Your Historic Philadelphia Pass at the Independence Visitor Center

The **Historic Philadelphia Pass** is a great way to begin exploring the nation's birthplace.

For one low price, the Historic Philadelphia Pass includes two days of unlimited on-off access to ride the Philly PHLASH Downtown Loop, and admission to three key historic sites: the National Constitution Center, the Betsy Ross House, and Christ Church Burial Ground.

The Historic Philadelphia Pass is being offered for the low price of \$18 for adults, and \$13 for children 4 to 12. It is available exclusively at the Independence Visitor Center, but pre-purchase is available online at www.HistoricPhillyPass.com

JULY

See p. 2 for more information on Independence Day Celebrations

JULY 1

Carpenters' Hall, 3-4 p.m. (also 7/3): 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.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

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Betsy Ross House, 5:30-10 p.m.: First Friday Movie

Night Under the Stars & Stripes – BYOB and snacks and enjoy after hours tours of the House followed by a dusk showing of *The Hideous Sun Demons*.

\$5 at the door. (215) 629-4026, historicphiladelphia.org

Christ Church, 6-9 p.m.: First Friday History Chat:

Jacob Duche, Chaplain & Traitor? – Join a historian for a talk about Rev. Jacob Duche and the events that occurred in Christ Church in July of 1776. On display in the back of the church will be the original Book of Common Prayer where, in 1776, Rev. Duche crossed out the name of King George, at the time an act of treason.

Free. (215) 922-1695, christchurchphila.org

JULY 1-4

Independence Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.;

New Hall Military Museum 12:30 & 3:30: Officer's

Candidate School for Kids – Sign up to join the Continental Army at the Visitor Center to receive an assignment that will take you throughout the park and require you to solve problems to prove your worth to the Army. Finish all the steps in your assignment and report to New Hall Military Museum at 12:30 or 3:30. There you will learn to drill with your fellow recruits. Pass muster and receive a hand printed commission, issued

by the Continental Congress, showing your new rank.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

JULY 1-4

Signers' Garden, 7:15 p.m.: Today In History – Join an NPS Ranger for a discussion about the events of "This Day in 1776." To wrap up the activities of each day, discuss the aspects of creating the Declaration of Independence and fighting a war for the new nation.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

JULY 2

Carpenters' Hall, 3-4 p.m. (also 7/4): 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.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

Independence Visitor Center, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.: Patriotic

Stilt-Walking – Enjoy exciting performance art by circus performer, StiltGirl, who will roam the halls of the Visitor Center spreading patriotic excitement and cheer. Make sure to bring your selfie stick for a photo of epic proportions!

Free. (800) 537-7676, PHLvisitorcenter.com

JULY 2 & 3

Franklin Court, 10-11 a.m.: Benjamin Franklin

Walking Tour – Follow Franklin, one of the members of the Committee of Five, through the Streets of Philadelphia and learn of his role in the writing of the Declaration of Independence. Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

JULY 2-4

Franklin Square, 12-3 p.m.: Independence Day

Family Fun – Celebrate American's birthday with family fun, featuring the *Lightning Bolt Express Train*.

Free; attractions ticketed.

(215) 629-4026, historicphiladelphia.org

JULY 3

Christ Church Burial Ground, 12-4 p.m.: Signers' Day

Annual remembrance honoring the seven Signers of the Declaration of Independence buried here. A small wreath laying ceremony at Ben Franklin's grave begins at noon followed by games and events throughout the day including History Hunts. Ben Franklin will be in attendance to pose for pictures and tell stories.

\$2 adults; \$1 children. (215) 922-1695, christchurchphila.org

JULY 4

Independence Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.:

Independence Day at the Birthplace of

Independence Spend your July 4th where it all began! The Visitor Center has extended hours to welcome visitors with celebrations all day, including: fife and drum processions; readings of the Declaration of Independence; an operatic rendition of the National Anthem; America's Birthday Party hosted by Betsy Ross with 2,500 FREE cupcakes by Termini Bros. Bakery; free patriotic pinwheel giveaways; and the perfect view for the Celebration of Freedom Ceremony at Independence Hall and the Independence Day Parade through Historic Philadelphia. Free. (800) 537-7676, PHLvisitorcenter.com

JULY 8

Independence Square, 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.:

Re-enactment of the First Public Reading of the Declaration of Independence – On July 8, 1776 Colonel John Nixon strode to a platform in the State House yard, (now Independence Square) and shared the stunning news of the Declaration of Independence with the crowd.

Celebrate this historic occasion and join the crowd to hear a commemorative reading of the document by a park ranger portraying Colonel Nixon. Free copies will be given out so that you can follow along and cheer or jeer.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

JULY 9

Franklin Square, 7-11 p.m.: Saturday Night at the

Movies – Bring a blanket and watch *The Muppets* on the Great Lawn. Games and pre-show activities start at 7 p.m.; movie begins at 9 p.m.

Free. (215) 629-4026, historicphiladelphia.org

JULY 22

Christ Church Burial Ground, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on the

half hour thru 7:30: Founding Mothers – Hear the true stories of our often forgotten history of the women in Colonial Philadelphia and their roles in art, politics and social issues, including those of Sarah Franklin Bache, Abigail Adams, Deborah Sampson and more.

\$3 adults; \$2 children. (215) 922-1695, christchurchphila.org

JULY 23

Franklin Square, 7-11 p.m.: Saturday Night at the

Movies – Bring a blanket and watch *Mary Poppins* on the Great Lawn. Games and pre-show activities start at 7 p.m.; movie begins at 9 p.m.

Free. (215) 629-4026, historicphiladelphia.org

JULY 24-30

Signers' Garden, 2:30-3:30 p.m.: The Election of 1796

The election of 1796 was the first contested American presidential election and the only one in which a president and vice president were elected from opposing parties. Join a park ranger for a walking tour and learn more about this contentious time in American politics.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

JULY 31

Franklin Square, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.: Happy Birthday

Franklin Square – Franklin Square 10th Birthday Celebration Free. (215) 629-4026, historicphiladelphia.org

ONGOING

Entrance to the Benjamin Franklin Museum, 10-11 a.m.

Sat. & Sun.: Dr. Franklin's Philadelphia Printer, father, politician, diplomat, inventor – Benjamin Franklin achieved much in his long and prosperous life.

Join a Park Ranger for this walking tour to hear how his accomplishments shaped his city, his country and the world.

Free. (800) 537-7676, nps.gov/inde

Christ Church Burial Ground, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Fridays in

July: Our Founding Mothers Tour – Join a guide and a historical interpreter as they present the true stories of our often forgotten history of women in Colonial Philadelphia and their roles in art, politics and social issues.

\$10 at the gate. (215) 922-1695, christchurchphila.org

Independence Seaport Museum, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Thurs.-Sat.: Summer Hours Aboard the Olympia

and Becuna – Experience these National Historic Landmark ships, Cruiser *Olympia* and Submarine *Becuna* after hours throughout the summer.

Free with museum admission.

(215) 413-8655, phillyseaport.org

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! Learn about and watch these Colonial-era re-enactors as they practice their crafts, including quill pen calligraphy, "sawdust dolls," watercolor art and more.

Free. (800) 537-7676, PHLvisitorcenter.com

National Museum of American Jewish History, 5-8 p.m.

Wednesdays: Pay What You Wish Wednesdays Visitors can pay what the wish Wednesday evenings in the summer and enjoy film screenings, discussions, tours and more. (215) 923-3811, nmajh.org

PROGRAMS & TOURS • JULY 2016



Historic Philadelphia is bringing more FREE programming than ever to our visitors. Check out the following pages for daily programming, plus special opportunities to meet History Makers, participate in Colonial games and crafting, and much more. Visit historicphiladelphia.org for more information.

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 Daily 10 a.m.-4 p.m.							
		Flag Raising Daily 10-10:15 a.m.							
Carpenters' Hall 320 Chestnut Street		Colonial Kids' Quest Sat. 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. thru 7/23							
Independence Hall (behind the Hall) 500 Chestnut Street				Reading of the Declaration of Independence Tues.-Sat. 3:45-4 p.m.					
Independence Visitor Center 6th & Market Streets		Reading of the Dec. of Independence 7/23-7/30 12-12:15 p.m.			Junior Ranger Ceremony Daily 4-4:10 p.m.				
			Meet the History Makers Daily 11 a.m.-5 p.m.					Twilight Tour Daily 6-7:15 p.m.; no tour on 7/3	
13 Locations in the Historic District			Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches Tues.- Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m.						
Signers' Garden 5th Street			Military Muster Tues.- Sat. 2-2:30 p.m.; 3-3:30 p.m.						
Valley Forge National Historical Park		Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Benches Daily 11 a.m.-4 p.m.							
			Secrets & Spies Sat. 12:30 p.m.						

Program

Meet a History Maker

Tour

Performance

National Park Service Program

HISTORY MAKER MEET & GREET'S

Don't miss the chance to meet the Founding Mothers and Fathers. Meet and mingle with some of our young nation's most prominent leaders, and their behind-the-scenes counterparts. It will be a highlight of your visit!

Meet Ben Franklin

Sat. 11 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. at Franklin Court; Tues. 1:30-4 p.m. at the National Museum of American Jewish History

Meet Betsy Ross

Daily 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Betsy Ross House

Meet Phillis the Laundress

Fri.-Sun. and 7/4, 12-5 p.m. at Betsy Ross House

Meet Thomas Jefferson

Fri. 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m. at the American Philosophical Society

Meet Thomas Paine

Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Philadelphia History Museum

Meet Secretary of War, Henry Knox

Sat. 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Carpenters' Hall

Meet Richard Allen

Thur. & Fri. 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the African American Museum in Philadelphia

Meet Deborah Franklin

Wed. 1:30-4 p.m. at Franklin Court



Live history on one-of-a-kind tours

You'll be a part of the past when you take one of Once Upon A Nation'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. Tue.-Sat. at 5:30 p.m.; NOTE: Tour begins at 6:30 p.m. July 1, 2 & 4 - No tour July 3; \$85 Adults; \$80 Sn./Stud./Mil.; \$55 Kids 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.

Thur. 5:30 p.m.; \$45 for adults; \$40 Sr./Stud./Mil.

Must be 21 or older with a valid ID.

All these great adventures begin at the Independence Visitor Center. For tickets, call (215) 629-4026 or visit historicphiladelphia.org

POP UP HISTORY

Check out these fun, FREE pop-up programs that immerse you in our nation's past!

Songs of Liberty, Loyalty, Libations and Love

Hear spirited period music, sea chanteys and folk songs performed.

Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Independence Seaport Museum and Mon. July 4 at Carpenters' Hall

We Differ As Rational Friends: A Debate between John Adams & Thomas Jefferson



Adams and Jefferson debate the revolutionary storms they weathered throughout a relationship spanning 50 years. Recommended for ages 14 and up.

July 9, 1 p.m. at the National Constitution Center; July 23, 1 p.m. at Congress Hall

Colonial Stations

Learn 18th-Century crafts, including three-tone watercolor painting, play Colonial era games and meet the Founders.

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesdays at Christ Church; Wed. at Harmony Lane; Thur. behind Independence Hall; Fri. at National Constitution Center; and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. July 3 behind Independence Hall

Colonial Kids' Quest

Help find the missing Declaration of Independence! Along the way, meet a runaway dog, Freedom, and meet helpful two- and four-legged friends such as Francois the Frog, Graciela the Goose and others.

Sat. 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. thru July 23 behind Carpenters' Hall (rain location: National Constitution Center)



Meet Eva Baen



Hear the story of this remarkable woman who immigrated to America from Russia in 1913 at age 17.

July 4, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at National Museum of American Jewish History

Soldier's Life

Meet a soldier serving in Gen. Washington's Continental Army and find out what everyday life was like.

12 p.m. Saturday, July 9 at National Constitution Center

George and Martha Washington: In Perfect Felicity

America's First Couple shares stories from their 40-year marriage. Recommended for ages 12 and up.

July 14 & 15, 6 p.m. at Powel House



Plus, be sure to stop by the Independence Visitor Center to meet History Makers and learn Colonial crafts and games 11 a.m.-5 p.m. daily!



National Park Service

ALL PROGRAMS AND TOURS ARE FREE

Family-Friendly Activities

Junior Ranger Programs



Independence National Historical Park: Junior Ranger programs offer a fun way for kids to learn about American History! With activities, games and puzzles, participants ages 6-14 learn all about the park and can earn Junior Ranger badges.

Pick up your Junior Ranger Activity Booklet

at one of the following locations (see p. 7 for locations & hours):

- **Independence Visitor Center**
- **Edgar Allan Poe National Historic Site**
- **Thaddeus Kosciuszko National Memorial**
- **Germantown White House**
(*Deshler-Morris House*)

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 FREE app is now available for iOS and Android devices. Search for "NPS Independence" in your app store.



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.



National Park Fun Zone

Discover some family fun with the help of puzzles, games, and the Park's mobile app. Try on a ranger hat for size, and share your knowledge of America's national parks.

Daily 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Liberty Bell Center

Park Ranger Led Walking Tours

Dr. Franklin's Philadelphia - Printer, father, politician, diplomat, inventor – Benjamin Franklin achieved much in his long and prosperous life. Join a Park Ranger to hear about how his accomplishments shaped his city, his country and the world.

Sat. & Sun. 10 a.m.; meet at the entrance to the Benjamin Franklin Museum.

Bank Orientation Tour - Tour of some of the notable people in the Portrait Gallery in the Second Bank of the U.S. Ten minute tours, daily 11:30-4:30 p.m. on the half hour; meet at the Washington Statue.

Paths of the Founders - Follow in the footsteps of 18th century Americans who moved from being colonists to citizens of a new nation. Join a park ranger for this orientation walking tour of Independence National Historical Park and the world-changing events that happened here. Daily 2:30 -3:30 p.m.; meet in the Signers' Garden.

Twilight Tour – Enjoy an introduction to Independence National Historical Park so you are ready to explore it the next day.

Daily 6-7:15 p.m.; meet at the Independence Visitor Center. Presented by the Friends of Independence Volunteer Guides. friendsofindependence.org. No tour on July 3.

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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 your own copy of the film *Independence*, 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 3rd & 4th Streets and Market & 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
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Tue.-Sat. 10 a.m.-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
Daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m.;
Ad. \$5; Ch./Sr./Stud./Mil. \$4; Audio Guide (includes 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.
Ch. 6-16 \$1; Ad. \$2; \$15 groups up to 10;
Guided tour Ch. \$3; Ad. \$7; \$30 groups up to 10
- CITY TAVERN** F6
138 South 2nd Street - (215) 413-1443
Daily from 11:30 a.m. &
- 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. FREE &
- DECLARATION HOUSE** B4
701 Market Street - (800) 537-7676
Daily 12-5 p.m. FREE
- EDGAR ALLAN POE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE** C4
532 North 7th Street - (215) 597-8780
Fri.-Sun. 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- ELFRETH'S ALLEY** F2
124-126 Elfreth's Alley - (215) 574-0560 -
12-5 p.m. Fri.-Sun.; Open until 7 p.m. for
First Friday 7/1; Guided tours \$5
- FRANKLIN COURT** E4
314-322 Market Street - (800) 537-7676
Courtyard 9 a.m.-Dusk; &
Printing Office: Daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
U.S. Post Office: Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Benjamin Franklin Museum:
(fee); 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; last entrance is at 6:45 p.m.
Fragments of Franklin Court
(318 Market St.) Daily 12-5 p.m.
- FRANKLIN SQUARE** C1
6th & Race Streets
Sun.-Thurs. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.;
Fri. & Sat. 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
- FREE QUAKER MEETING HOUSE** C3
5th & Arch Streets - (215) 629-4026
Daily, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Meet a History Maker Sat. & Sun.
- 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.
FREE &
- INDEPENDENCE HALL** C5
Chestnut Street between 5th & 6th Streets
(800) 537-7676
Daily 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Tours offered every 15
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.;
\$8 Ad.; \$6 Stud/Sr.; \$20 Family
- PORTRAIT GALLERY AT THE SECOND BANK** D5
420 Chestnut Street - (800) 537-7676
Daily 11 am-5 pm;
Bank Orientation Tour: Every hour on the half
hour 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (15 min.)
- POWELL HOUSE** E7
244 South 3rd Street - (215) 627-0364
Tours on the hour 11 a.m.-3 p.m.;
\$8 Ad.; \$6 Stud/Sr.; \$20 Family &
- 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

- TODD & BISHOP WHITE HOUSES** E6
4th and Walnut Streets - (800) 537-7676
Daily tour; Sign up at the Independence Visitor
Center desk

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. \$10; Ch. 4-12 \$8; Stud. (w/I.D.) \$8;
Sr. \$8; Free to Members &
- CHEMICAL HERITAGE FOUND.** E5
315 Chestnut Street - (215) 925-2222
Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. from 7/9 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; FREE children
2 and under & members &
- LIBERTY BELL CENTER** C4
526 Market Street - (800) 537-7676
9 a.m.-7 p.m. Security screening closes
5 minutes before the building closes for the
evening FREE &
- NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER** D3
525 Arch Street - (215) 409-6700
9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon. through Sat.;
Sun. 12-5 p.m.; 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. 7/1 & 7/2
Ad. \$14.50; Sr. (65+)
Stud. w/ID & 13-18 \$13; Ch. 4-12 \$8;
Active Mil. & Ch. under 3 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. \$7; Sr. \$6; Stud. \$5; Ch. 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.
Ad. \$12; Sr./Stud. \$11; Active Mil. with
ID/Ch. under 12 FREE
- NEW HALL MILITARY MUSEUM** E5
320 Chestnut Street - (800) 537-7676
Daily 12 p.m.-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 - (215) 597-7130
Sat. & Sun. 12-4 p.m.

OTHER SITES

- INDEPENDENCE MALL CAFÉ** C3
50 N. Independence Mall East
(215) 965-2302
Daily, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thur. 11 a.m.-7 p.m.;
7/1-7/4, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
- 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.;
7/1-7/4, 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m. FREE & &



Independence Visitor Center

- SQUAREBURGER** C1
6th & Race Streets
Daily 10 am.-10 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).





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-  Independence National Historical Park (INHP)
-  Places to visit
-  Franklin Square Parking
-  Walkways
-  Parking
-  Restrooms
-  ATM
-  Currency exchange
-  Once Upon A Nation Storytelling Bench
-  PHLASH Stop