



Hercules: *Culinary Artisan & Escaped Slave*

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Join National Park Service Rangers at Federal Hall National Memorial at noon on Feb. 22 for a special program exploring the life of Hercules, the extraordinary escaped slave and gourmet expert of the colonial period.

Hercules was the infamous chief chef of George Washington during his time at Mt. Vernon. Although ostentatious when it came to his show of sophistication and class, he was even more impressive when it came to his culinary abilities.

Hercules was renowned for preparing culinary masterpieces. As a result, he was able to live a rather opulent life in spite of being confined in the bonds of slavery.

In March of 1797, Hercules escaped to freedom shortly after the end of Washington's last term as president.

Come and discover what made Hercules one of the most fascinating members of Washington's household.

For more information, please call 917-686-3764.



Plan Your Visit

Federal Hall National Memorial is open 9 a.m. to 5 pm Monday through Friday.

Ranger-guided tours are offered at 10 and 11 am and 1, 2 and 3 pm daily.

Ask about the self-guided Junior Ranger program for younger visitors.

There are numerous ways to get to Federal Hall using public transportation. Please visit www.mta.info for more information and maps.

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