



Independence



Celebrating Independence

July 1 - 4

Officer's Candidate School (for Kids)

Enroll daily between 8:30am - 1:30pm in the Visitor Center

Kids, enroll and receive an assignment that will require you to solve problems and prove your worth to the army. Report to the New Hall Military Museum at 12:30pm or 3:30pm to drill with your fellow recruits and receive your commission.

Walking Tours

"John Adams"

3:00pm

Meet in front of Carpenters' Hall

Hear about one of the key figures in the Continental Congress from the early war up through the drafting of the Declaration of Independence.
7/1, 7/3

"Benjamin Franklin"

10:00am

Meet at the entrance to the Benjamin Franklin Museum

Explore Franklin's contributions to independence as you stroll the streets of his city.

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"Thomas Jefferson"

3:00pm

Meet in front of Carpenters' Hall

Learn more about the main author of the Declaration of Independence through the places where he worked on the creation of the new nation.

7/2, 7/4

Today in History

7:15pm daily

Meet at the Signers Garden, 5th and Chestnut Streets

Join a park ranger for a discussion about the events that happened on this same day in 1776.

July 4

A Celebration of Freedom

10:00am

In front of Independence Hall

Enjoy a free, patriotic, and inspiring morning full of music, speeches and readings from the Declaration of Independence, hosted with the City of Philadelphia and Wawa Welcome America.

Independence Day Parade

11:00am

Historic District

What's red, white and blue all over? The old-time Fourth of July parade!

Hosted by the City of Philadelphia and Wawa Welcome America, the parade features floats, marching bands from around the country, military groups, and much more winding through the streets of the historic district.

Let Freedom Ring

1:00pm

Independence Square

Join the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence and the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for a program of history, pomp and circumstance on Independence Square.

Extended Hours for July 1 - 4

Independence Visitor Center

8:30am - 8:00pm

Independence Hall

9:00am - 8:00pm

No tickets required on July 4 or after 5pm on July 1-3; security screening closes at 7:45pm

Liberty Bell Center

9:00am - 8:00pm

No tickets required; security screening closes at 7:55pm

July 3

Historic Philadelphia Block Party

1:00pm to 8:00pm

5th and 6th Streets between Market and Chestnut Streets

Enjoy music, food, and fun activities right near the Liberty Bell. At the *Go 4th & Learn Kid Zone*, families can participate in special Junior Ranger activities.

POPS on Independence

8:00pm

In front of Independence Hall

Independence National Historical Park welcomes the Philly POPS for their return engagement of another music-filled evening set against the backdrop of Independence Hall. A signature event of the Wawa Welcome America festival, the concert is free. Bring a picnic blanket, some good food and drink, and sit back and enjoy the show under the stars.

