

Independence

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

Independence National Historical Park
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



November - December, 2014

Building Hours and Program Times

Independence Visitor Center.....8:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Program: “Junior Ranger Induction Ceremony” daily at 4:00 p.m.

Liberty Bell Center..... 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Please note - security screening closes 5 minutes before the Liberty Bell Center closes for the evening

Independence Square (Access to the “Square” is through security located at 5th and Chestnut Streets)

Please note - security screening closes 15 minutes before the buildings on the block close for the evening

Independence Hall..... 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Tours are offered every 20 minutes, tickets are required. Free Tickets are available the morning of your visit at the Independence Visitor Center.

Congress Hall.....9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

The Great Essentials Exhibit in the West Wing of Independence Hall..... 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Old City Hall.....9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Carpenters’ Court

Carpenters’ Hall.....open Tuesday-Sunday..... 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Franklin Court

Benjamin Franklin Museum.....(fee charged)..... 9:00 a.m.-5:00p.m.

B. Free Franklin Post Office..... open Monday-Saturday.....9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Printing Office..... 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Other Park Sites

The City Tavern.....opens at 11:30

Edgar Allan Poe NHS..... open Friday-Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.– Noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Free Quaker Meeting House..... open Saturday-Sunday..... 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Portrait Gallery in the Second Bank.....open Saturday-Sunday..... 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Programs:

“Bank Orientation Tour” Sat-Sun at 11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:00

Meet at the Washington Statue for a tour of some of the notable people in the gallery. (15 min)

“Stories of Struggle” slide show; Sat-Sun at Noon (30 min)

Join a park ranger for a slide program highlighting the stories of the people, places and events surrounding the founding and early years of the United States of America.

The President’s House Site Memorial.....9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Special Events and Program Descriptions

Saturdays & Sundays in November*

3:00-3:30 at the Portrait Gallery in the Second Bank of the U.S. - **The First Americans** - Meet a park ranger for a program to commemorate Native American History Month. *no program November 8 & 9.

November 8 & 9

3:00-3:30 at the Portrait Gallery in the Second Bank of the U. S. - **Small but Feisty: The Birth of the United States Marine Corps** - Meet a park ranger for a program to learn more about the founding of the United States Marine Corps here in Philadelphia

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9:00-5:00 - New Hall Military Museum will be open in commemoration of Veteran’s Day

Saturdays and Sundays in December

3:00-3:30 at the Portrait Gallery in the Second Bank of the U. S. - **Washington Crossing the Delaware** - Join a park ranger for a program about Washington’s daring crossing of the Delaware River on Christmas night.

Holiday Hours

Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 2014 - Liberty Bell and Independence Hall 11:00-4:00.

Christmas Eve, December 24, 2014 - All park buildings close at 3:00.

Christmas Day, December 25, 2014 - All park buildings are closed.

New Year’s Day, January 1, 2015 - Independence Visitor Center 8:30-6:00, Liberty Bell and Independence Hall 11:00-4:00.