

Independence

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

Independence National Historical Park
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



October 1 - 31, 2015

Independence Visitor Center.....	8:30 a.m.–6:00 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.....	tickets required.....	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
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.
New Hall Military Museum.....		Noon-5:00 p.m.

Franklin Court

Courtyard.....		9:00 a.m. – dusk
Benjamin Franklin Museum.....	(fee charged).....	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
B. Free Franklin Post Office.....	open Monday-Saturday.....	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Fragments of Franklin Court.....		1:00 p.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
Declaration House.....		tours at 1:30 and 4:00
Free Quaker Meeting House.....	open Saturday-Sunday.....	11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
National Constitution Center (fee charged).....	open Monday-Friday.....	9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
	open Saturday.....	9:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
	open Sunday.....	Noon-5:00 p.m.
The President’s House Site Memorial.....		7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Other NPS Sites

Edgar Allan Poe NHS.....	open Friday-Sunday.....	9:00 a.m.– Noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Thaddeus Kosciuszko NM.....	open Saturday-Sunday.....	Noon-4:00 p.m.

Special Events

October 3-4 at 2:00 - Meet at the arbor in the Franklin Court courtyard

The British Occupation of Philadelphia - On the morning of September 26th, 1777, Philadelphians awoke to the sound of fifes and drums playing the familiar tune "God Save the King," the British army had arrived. Join a Park Ranger for this one- hour walking tour and hear the stories of the officers, the soldiers, and the civilians as the British army occupied the former United States capital from September 1777 to June 1778. (1 hour)

October 3, 10 and 17 at 1:00 - Meet at the arbor in the Franklin Court courtyard

Ciao 18th Century Philadelphia - Join a park ranger for a walking tour discussing the Italian influences on the city of Philadelphia and many of its famous residents. Glimpse 18th century Italy and 18th century Philadelphia, and learn about how Italian culture has become embedded in American society through trade, art, architecture, science, and politics. (1 hour)

October 10-11, 17-18 and 24-25 at 2:00 - Meet in the Signer’s Garden (SE corner of 5th and Chestnut Streets)

American Revolutions: How Spain and Her Colonies Saved the United States - Philadelphia’s historic Society Hill borders Independence National Historical Park. This special ranger led guided walking tour through a beautiful, quaint neighborhood explores the vital contributions to the American Revolution of the Hispanic diplomats who lived there. Discover an 18th century world of heroes and scoundrels, diplomacy and intrigue, romance and bitter disappointment! (1 hour)

October 31 and November 1 at 3:00 - Independence Visitor Center

Meet Edgar Allan Poe – Meet Mr. Poe in the Visitor Center Fun Zone, play games, collect a trading card and stickers! Later, read your favorite Poe poem or story. Poe will emcee and read an audience choice.