

Independence

June 25 - August 28, 2011

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
Independence NHP
143 S. Third Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106



During "Freedom Weekend" (July 1 - 4, 2011), Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell and the Independence Visitor Center will remain open until 8:00 p.m.

Building Hours and Programs

Independence Visitor Center.....8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Program:

"Junior Ranger Induction Ceremony" daily at 4:00 p.m.

Independence Hall (tour tickets required).....9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Free Tickets are available the morning of your visit at the Independence Visitor Center*

***No tickets are needed from 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

Access to the building is through security located at 5th and Chestnut Streets

Please note - security screening closes 15 minutes before Independence Hall closes for the evening

Liberty Bell Center.....9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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

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America's National Park Museum Shop.....9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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

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

Congress Hall.....9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Declaration House.....10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Program:

"Jefferson in Philadelphia" daily at 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 (15 min)

Edgar Allan Poe NHS.....open Wednesday-Sunday.....9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Franklin Court

Programs:

"Franklin's Philadelphia" walking tour; daily at 2:30 p.m. (meet in the courtyard, by the arbor) 1 hour

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

Fragments of Franklin Court.....Noon - 4:00 p.m.

Museum Shop..... open Wednesday-Saturday.....10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Printing Office.....9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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

Germantown White House..... open Friday-Sunday.....10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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

New Hall Military Museum.....10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Program:

"Barnacles and Bullets" children's program; daily at 2:00 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.(20 min)

Old City Hall.....9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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

Programs:

"Bank Orientation Tour" daily at 11:30, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:30 (20 min)

"Moses Williams: Cutter of Profiles Demonstration" daily at 12:00 and 2:00 p.m. (20 min)

"George Washington's Band of Brothers" daily at 1:00 (20 min)

"Stories of Struggle" slide program; daily at 4:00 p.m. (30 min)

Special Programs for July:

"What Does it Mean? (The Declaration of Independence as Political Rhetoric)" – Join a park ranger for a slide program that discusses the historical background of the Declaration of Independence from the execution of Charles the First through the Enlightenment. Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. (30 min)

"How We Celebrate" - Join a park ranger for an slide program that shows the 4th of July through the years from John Adam's letter about how it would be celebrated to Susan B. Anthony's speech on July 4, 1876, to "Yankee Doodle Dandy" and beyond. Sundays at 3:00 p.m. (30 min)

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

Programs:

"George Washington and Slavery; the Private Thoughts of a Public Man"

daily at 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 (10 min)

"History Beneath Our Feet" walking tour daily at 4:00 (1 hour)

The Signer's Garden.....8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Programs:

"Stories From the Past" walking tour* daily at 10:30

*on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the tour will focus on George Washington (1 hour)

"Twilight Walking Tour" daily at 6:00 (1 hour) please note, there will be no tour on 7/3 & 7/4

Thaddeus Kosciuszko NM..... (open Wednesday-Sunday)..... Noon - 4:00 p.m.

Todd and Bishop White Houses.....tour size is limited, please pick up free tickets at the Visitor Center desk