



Building Hours and Program Times

July 2016

Independence Visitor Center	8:30am-7:00pm
Twilight Walking Tour - Daily at 6:00pm - Enjoy an introduction to Independence National Historical Park so you are ready to explore it the next day (1 hour). <i>Presented by the Friends of Independence.</i>	
Liberty Bell Center	9:00am-7:00pm
Please note - Security screening closes 5 minutes before the Liberty Bell Center closes for the evening.	
Family Fun - National Park Fun Zone - Daily, 10:00am -2:00pm - Discover some family fun with the help of puzzles, games, and the park's mobile app. Try on a ranger hat for size, and share your knowledge of America's national parks.	

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

Please note - Security screening closes 15 minutes before the buildings on the Square close for the evening.

Independence Hall.....9:00am-7:00pm

Tours are offered every 15 minutes, tickets are required. Free tickets are available the morning of your visit at the Independence Visitor Center. Tickets are not required after 5pm.

Congress Hall.....tours every 20 minutes.....9:00am-5:00pm

Old City Hall.....9:00am-5:00pm

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

Carpenters' Court

Carpenters' Hall.....open Tuesday-Sunday.....10:00am-4:00pm

New Hall Military Museum.....12:00pm-5:00pm

Family Program - Barnacles and Bullets - Daily at 1:00 & 4:00pm - Find out what it would have been like to serve in the military during the American Revolution in this hands-on program (15 minutes).

Franklin Court

Courtyard.....9:00am-dusk

Walking Tour - Dr. Franklin's Philadelphia - Saturdays & Sundays at 10:00am - Explore the life and legacy of one of Philadelphia's most famous sons. Learn about Franklin's life-long interests in science, business, and politics as you follow in his footsteps through the city streets (1 hour).

Benjamin Franklin Museum.....(fee charged).....9:00am-7:00pm

Please note - Last entrance is 15 minutes before the building closes for the evening.

Printing Office.....10:00am-5:00pm

Fragments of Franklin Court.....12:00pm-5:00pm

B. Free Franklin Post Office.....open Monday-Saturday.....9:00am-5:00pm

Other Park Sites

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

Declaration House.....12:00pm-5:00pm

Second Bank Portrait Gallery.....11:00am-5:00pm

Gallery Tour - 2nd Bank Orientation Tour - Daily, every hour on the half-hour from 11:30am-4:30pm - Meet a ranger at the Washington Statue and get to know some of the notable people featured in the portrait gallery (15 minutes).

National Constitution Center...(fee charged)...open Monday-Saturday.....9:30am-5:00pm

open Sunday.....Noon-5:00pm

The President's House Site Memorial.....7:00am-10:00pm

The Signer's Garden.....7:00am-8:00pm

Walking Tour - Paths of the Founders - Daily at 2:30pm - Join a park ranger for this orientation walking tour of Independence National Historical Park and discover the world-changing events that happened here (1 hour), *no tour 7/24 - 7/30.*

Free Quaker Meeting House.....open daily.....11:00am-4:00pm

Todd and Bishop White Houses.....ask at the Visitor Center for times

Other NPS Sites

Edgar Allan Poe NHS.....open Friday-Sunday.....9:00am-Noon and 1:00pm-5:00pm

Thaddeus Kosciuszko NM.....open Saturday-Sunday.....12N-4:00pm

Germantown White House.....open Saturdays.....10:00am-5:00pm

Special Events and Program Descriptions

Exhibit: "Philadelphia - A City of Conventions"

Learn about Philadelphia's history as a convention city in this temporary exhibit.

-Liberty Bell Center, daily, June 15 thru August 4, 2016, 9:00am - 7:00pm

Living History: "Re-enactment of the First Public Reading of the Declaration of Independence"

Cheer or jeer as costumed park rangers re-enact the July 8, 1776 reading of the Declaration of Independence.

-Independence Square, July 8, 11:45am to 12:45pm

Walking Tour: "The Election of 1796"

Join a park ranger for a look at the election where John Adams bested Thomas Jefferson by 3 electoral votes.

-Begins at Signers Garden, daily, July 24-30, 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Ask a ranger at the Visitor Center for more information about special events, or visit www.nps.gov/inde