

Independence Visitor center

What's Going On in Philadelphia

A L E E @ I N D E P E N D E N C E V I S I T O R C E N T E R . C O M

" Fall " into Philly

- Happenings in Philly during the month of Sept
- Museums
- Concerts & Performances
- Family & Sporting Events

The Philadelphia Fringe Festival– From avant garde to superheroes, live theater in its purest form– Learn all about the Fringe at livearts-fringe.org **9/4-9/19**

Restaurant Week– Get your Reservations In! 9/13-9/18 and 9/20-9/25 Added 3 course lunch for only \$20 3 Course Meal for only \$35– Over 100 Restaurants to choose from. Centercity-phila.org

Greenfest Philadelphia– Think Green and BUY LOCAL! Help make Philly go Green!!! 11am-6pm Headhouse Square 9/13 greenfestphilly.org

Eastern State– Terror Behind the Walls– AOL City Guide voted this as the best Haunted

House in the Nation last year. The fun begins Sept 18th! Easternstate.org

ING Philadelphia Distance Run– the nation's premier half distance marathon. Thousands from around the world are here to compete on one of the fastest courses in the world! 9/20 Philadelphia. phila.competitor.com

Campus Philly Presents College Day on the Parkway– Free admission, a huge concert, tons of activities all for our undergrads! 9/26 Campusphilly.org

14th Mid- Autumn Festival in Chinatown! Celebrate the signs of Fall and a full moon in Chinatown. Live Performances, a street fair and even a lion

dance! 9/ 26 1-10pm aaunited.org

Closing for the Season

Lights of Liberty 9/5

Once Upon A Nation storytellers-9/7

Waterfront Connection-9/7

Galileo @ the Franklin-9/7

Star Trek @ the Franklin-9/20

Geckos @ the Academy of Natural Science-9/7

Riverlink Ferry-9/30

-Just a reminder the Philadelphia Museum of Art is only by donation on the first Sunday of every month

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Constitution Day–Sept 17, 1787–39 Men ratified the Constitution– our governing doctrine inside Independence Hall– Celebrate this momentous occasion at the National Constitution Center where there will be free cake, a giant constitution that needs your signature and a naturalization ceremony that will welcome in new U.S citizens! For all the festivities– constitutioncenter.org

Don't forget– Breakfast with Ben every Saturday Morning! & the Battle of the Bands on the Mall 9/3 - the Visitor Center

Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell- There will only be extended hours for Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell on the weekends in Sept ! The last tour for the Hall is 4:20 and the last entry for the bell is 4:45pm M-F but on Sat and Sun 5-6pm– Express tours/ No Tickets needed!

If you would like to get tickets in advance for the Hall, please call 1-877-444-6777– Tickets cost 1.50 per ticket and can only be made in advance/ not day of. 40% of tickets are reserved over the phone while 60% are given out in person.

Independence Visitor Center Hours– Beginning Sept 8-8:30am-6pm Mon-Sun

Museums / Attractions

ART Museums

Philadelphia Museum of Art— open 10-5 Tuesday-Sun/Friday – 8:45pm 215-763-8100

PAFA— /Prices Vary Tues-Sat 10-5pm Sun 11-5pm 215-972-7600

Institute of Contemporary Art – Changing Exhibits W-F 12-8pm Sat-Sun 11-5pm Free! 215-898-7108

SCIENCE Museums

Academy of Natural Science— 10-4:30 Weekdays 10-5 Weekends, 215-299-1000 **Geckos:**

Tails to Toepads See Live geckos and much more! **To 9/7**

Franklin Institute— Galileo-World Premiere in Philly till **9/7 /Star Trek the Exhibition 5/16-9/20** Open 7 days 9:30-5pm 215-448-1200-open late for exhibits— **Bodyworlds** in Oct

UPenn Museum Archaeology

and Anthropology— Painted Metaphors— Pottery and Politics of the Ancient Maya Tue-Sat 10-4:30pm Sun 1-5pm- 215-898-4000

-SPECIAL INTEREST-

African American Museum – Audacious Freedom— the History of African Americans in Philadelphia from 1776-1876 Tues-Sat 10-5pm Sun 12-5pm 215-574-0380—

Atwater Kent Museum- Closes till 2010 for renovations

City Hall- Tour including Tower M-F @12:30pm Tour \$10 for just the tower-\$5 dollars (9:30-4:30pm) call to schedule appointment— 215-686-2840

Chemical Heritage Foundation located at 315 Chestnut –Making Modernity Open 10am-4pm M-F Learn how chemistry affects our everyday lives. **Free!**

Comcast Center-Stands at 975 feet tall with 57stories – view the Comcast Experience—the largest LED screen in the world!

Eastern State Penitentiary Tour the first penitentiary in the country 10am-5pm 215-236-3300

Independence Seaport Museum—Skin and Bones Tattoos in the Life of the American Sailor – till 2/10 -7 days 10am-5pm Free between 10-12noon on Sundays

Kimmel Center-Building and Theater Tour— Leaves at 1pm from Lobby— 1hr tour Tues-Sun **Free!**

Masonic Temple-Gaze at the beautiful architecture inside this hidden treasure 10am - 3pm- \$8.00 T-F/ Sat-10 to 12pm

Mutter Museum-M–F 10am-5pm Sat/Sun-10am-5pm 215 -563-3737— See oddities galore and explore the darker side of human nature

National Constitution Center- M-F 9:30-5pm Sat 9:30-6pm Sun 12-5pm, Napoleon— Learn about the this “short “ French emperor forever etched in history. Runs through Sept 7 215-409-6700

National Liberty Museum-Great Family Place Tuesday-Sunday 10-5pm Admission Sundays— donation 215-925-2800

Please Touch Museum! Now open at Memorial Hall— open M-Sat— 9 to 5pm Sun 11am-5pm Children and Adults 15 dollars 215-581-3181

Rosenbach Museum— Explore a vast collection of literary masterpieces including the original manuscript of James Joyce’s Ulysses! And be sure to check out Maurice Sendak’s collection of books— Where the Wild Things Are! 215-732-1600

Simeone Foundation-fancy sports cars? Or rather model sport cars?- Take a trip right off the airport to fuel your love of cars For more info **log on to simeonefoundation.org**

Sports/ Recreation

Philadelphia Phillies

9/1– Giants 7:05
9/2– Giants 7:05
9/3- Giants 7:05
9/11-Mets 7:05
9/12-Mets 4:05
9/13-Mets 7:05
9/15- Nationals 7:05
9/16- Nationals 7:05
9/17-Nationals 7:05
9/28-Astros 7:05
9/29-Astros 7:05
9/30-Astros 7:05

Philadelphia Eagles

9/20 Saints 1:00
9/27 Chiefs 1:00

Philadelphia Flyers (Preseason)

9/22 Detroit 7pm
9/24 New Jersey 7pm
9/29 Minnesota 7pm

Regattas on the Schuylkill

9/19– Turn and Burn Regatta
9/26 the Hutchison Cup

BIKE PHILLY– 9/13—Imagine a car free Philly! Nothing but two wheeler roaming the streets! How great is that!! For more info— bicyclecoalition.org

West River/Martin Luther King Drive— Every weekend, enjoy car free roads as you run, bike or rollerblade on the drive! Need blades or bike? Stop by Lloyd Hall @ Boathouse Row to get a pair! 215-568-6002

Schuylkill Banks— From a boat to Bartram’s Gardens to Kayak tours, there is always something happening at the Banks! For more info log on to schuylkillbanks.org

4 Play– 4 plays about foreplay, Leave your inhibitions at the door! @ Plays and Players Theater on 1714 Delancy Place 9/10-9/19 secretroomtheatre.com

Chicago– the Broadway Smash featuring Jerry Springer? Believe it! @ the Academy of Music on Broad and Locust 9/15-9/20 kimmelcenter.org

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels- the hilarious story of two con men trying to outwit one another- Throw in a rich American Soap Heiress and you've got laughs! @ the Walnut Street Theatre 9th Walnut Street 9/9– 10/25 walnutstreettheatre.org

Fatebook– Explore what happens when online relationships get mixed with physical ones. Learn how to friend these characters after the show to continue the story New Paradise Laboratories 9/4-9/18 livearts-fringe.org

History Boys– Follow 8 young Brits in their pursuit of sex, sports and admission into Oxford and Cambridge 9/24-11/1 @ the Arden Theatre 40 N 2nd Street ardentheatre.org

Humor Abuse– Go behind the makeup and red nose and see how it may not be the best idea to just run away to join the circus 9/25-10/25 @ the Suzanne Roberts Theater 480 S Broad Street. philadelphiaatrecompany.org

Menopause the Musical– the hilarious celebration of women and the change! 9/29-10/4 Perelman Theater @ Kimmel kimmelcenter.org

Missed Connection– A Craigslist Fantasia-Don't say you never looked! For more info please check out curiotheatre.org 9/3-9/19

Super Heroes who are Super! Superheroes are brought to life before your very eyes. From Batman to Wonder Woman @ Plays and Players 1714 Delancy Place playsandplayers.org 9/3-9/19

Zombie the Musical– Yep, it's a musical about Zombies– What else do you need?? Plays and Players Theater 1714 Delancy Place 9/3-9/11 playsandplayers.org

To see a whole spectrum of performing arts from dance to theater to a mix of both, check out the Philly Fringe Festival taking place 9/4-9/19 livearts-fringe.org

Music in Philadelphia!

Electric Factory Concert 7th Willow
215-627-1332

9/11 Clutch
9/12 Down
9/17 Mos Def
9/18 Rusted Root
9/25 Lebowski Fest
9/26 Porcupine Tree
9/28 Phoenix
9/30 Arctic Monkeys

Kimmel Center/Academy of Music– 215-893-1999

9/ 12 Cedric the Entertainer

9/14 Pa Ballet

9/20-9/21 Chamber Orchestra

9/24-9/25/-9/29 Orchestra conducts Saint-Saens

9/25 Sonny Rollins

9/26 Orchestra Opening Night

Mann Center for Performing Arts
215-893-1999

9/3 Abba the Music

Tower Theater 610-352-2887

9/13 Jamie Foxx

9/17 **It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia**– the Nightman Cometh

9/26 Snow Patrol

TLA-4th South 215-922-1011

9/5 Alice in Chains
9/12 Robin Trower
9/17 Ingrid Michaelson
9/19 the Sounds
9/20 Moby
9/23 the Walkmen

9/24 KMFDM

9/25 Mutemath

9/27 Charlatans

Trocadero-10th Arch 215-922-Live

9/12– Buju Banton

9/17 Streetlight Manifesto

9/18 Jedi Mind Tricks

9/19 Jim Jeffries

9/20 Face to Face

9/24 She wants Revenge

9/25 Harddrive Line

9/27 Zombie Prom 2009

9/29 Butthole Surfers

Susquehanna Bank Center 856-365-1300

9/11 Racial Flatts

9/19-9/20 Dave Matthews Band

World Café Live-@3025 Walnut Street 215-222-1400

The Khyber-Between Market and Chestnut on 2nd 215-238-5888

Tin Angel– above Serrano on 2nd Market 215-928-0978

Chris Jazz Café-1421 Sansom Street 215-568-3131

Ortlieb's Jazzhaus-847 N 3rd St 215-922-1035

Painted Bride 2nd Vine 215-925-9914
www.paintedbride.org

Family fun

Happenings at Penns Landing

9/4– Smooth Jazz

9/7-AFL-CIO Family Festival

9/13 Mexican Independence Day

9/20 Russian Mosaic Festival

Talk like a Pirate Day– Come seize the Booty! @ the Seaport Museum 9/19 phillyseaport.org

Tall Ship Kalmar Nyckel 9/11-9/13 Set sail on the Delaware on this remodeled 1638 vessel that sailed from Sweden and established the first European settlement in the Del Valley. For more info log on to www.phillyseaport.org

Steven Spielberg to get Liberty Medal of Honor in October!! Free tickets can be ordered via ticketmaster starting at 10am Sept 15! Consitutioncenter.org for more details.

Buttercream Cupcakes– Enjoy fresh cupcakes right off a delivery truck. Follow its journey throughout Philly! Who doesn't love a fresh cupcake made with love? Buttercreamphiladelphia.com

**Philly in the Movies Tour– Take a 2/12 hour of Philadelphia to see where all your favorite scenes were filmed! Includes running up the Rocky Steps!! Toursignup.com/movie_tour
PARADES DOWN THE PARKWAY**

- Festival of India– Hare Krishna Community Celebrates with a Traditional Parade and Festival on the Parkway 9/12– 11am-7pm more info– phillyrathayatra.com
- 47th Puerto Rican Day Parade– 9/28 Party begins at 12noon For more info call 215-627-3100

Hero Thrill Show– 9/12 @ the Wachovia Spectrum 1-5pm Come support those who serve us! Herotrillshow.org

The Organ at Macys– Take a listen to the World's largest pipe organ M-Sat plays at 12 noon and @ at 5:30 M, T, Th, Sat and @ 7:30 W and Fri—Guests are welcome to tour the console afterwards—Private tours of Macys are also available Stop by the Macy's visitor desk for more details

Celebrate the Murals

Take a free guided Mural Tour courtesy of Bank of America. To reserve a spot on Sat 9/26– call 215-685-0754 For weekly guided mural tours \$\$ (Every Wed, Sat and Sunday) Call 215-389-8687 for more details or muralarts.org

Ghost Tour- 90 minute Haunted Walking Tour of Philadelphia– 10 Years and still going! Fridays and Saturdays @ 7:30pm 5th Chestnut (Signers Garden) ghosttour.com (Rain or Shine)

Spirits of 76 Ghost Tour– 75 minute walking ghost tour with more than 20 sites including a free glowstick! Friday and Saturday @ 7:30pm @ Cosi 4th Chestnut spiritsof76.com (Rain or Shine!)

Franklin– free admission every third Wed from 5-8pm– One of the premier science museums in the country, it's home to Ben Franklin's inventions, an IMAX theatre, planetarium and Galileo! Fi.edu

\$28.50– FLAT RATE TO AIRPORT FROM CENTER CITY– ADD 1 dollar to each additional guest! \$3. 20 for one person the minute you get in. Add two people and the party of three has to pay 5.20 before you even leave the cab..

New Parking Rates inside the Visitor Center

—The height is “6’ 6”

- up to 1/2= \$4.25
- up to 1hr= \$8.00
- up to 1/12hr= \$11.00
- up to 2hrs= \$14.75
- up to 10hrs= \$16.25
- up to 24hrs= \$17.75

Megabus/ Boltbus- Dirt cheap transportation to NY. Can only be purchased online From \$1 to \$14. with >50 cent surcharge/ Make sure you go to 30th Street Megabus.com and boltbus.com

D.C- how does \$30 dollar roundtrip sound- Only one place to catch it– Chinatown!! 2000coach.com

Happenings at the PCC

PCC EVENTS – SEPT 2009

9/10-9/12 International Headache Congress

9/14-9/16 Regulatory Affairs Professional Society 2009

9/15-9/17 PA Governor Conference for Women

9/18-9/19 ING DISTANCE Run Expo

9/20-9/24 Cold Chain Distribution for Pharmaceuticals

9/22-9/25 National Association for Broadcasters

9/24-9/26 Whitman Coin and Collectibles

9/28-9/30 POA II B East

Visitor Center Events

Date	Event	Time	Location
Saturday, 9/5	Lavato/Swanson Wedding	5:30pm-11pm	Ballroom
Sunday, 9/6	Pendley/Cardellino Wedding	5pm-11pm	Ballroom
Thursday, 9/10	SMA Global	10am-2pm	Ballroom
Friday, 9/11	NPS/Ken Burns Screening – <i>Rain location only</i>	7pm-8:30pm	Ballroom
Tuesday, 9/15	HSMIAI monthly meeting	5pm-8pm	Ballroom
Thursday, 9/17	IVCC Board Meeting	8am-10:30am	Ballroom
Monday, 9/21	Life Company Mortgage and Real Estate Council	6pm-10pm	Ballroom
Tuesday, 9/22	Staff Meeting/Lunch/Staff Meeting	11am-2pm	Ballroom
Wednesday, 9/23	Mayor's Committee on Homelessness	10:30am-12pm	Ballroom
Thursday, 9/24	DoubleStar, Inc.	8am-6pm	Ballroom
Friday, 9/25	Philadelphia Corporation for Aging	8:30am-12:30pm	Ballroom
Monday, 9/28	PENN Program for Stress Management	6pm-8:30pm	Ballroom