



Official Visitor Center for the Greater Philadelphia Region

Real Philly Real Easy

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America Starts Here

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

Welcome America!!

Pops on Independence Bring a lawn chair or blanket, maybe both to see this live performance by Peter Nero and the Philly Pops on the lawn of Independence Hall. Free 7/2- 8:30-10pm

The Philadelphia Orchestra & Fireworks - Enjoy a concert by the world renowned Philadelphia Orchestra and stay for fireworks all along the Delaware Free 7/3- 7:30pm

Independence Day Ceremony and Parade- Philadelphia's largest 4th of July parade! Where else but on Independence Mall! Begins 11am—12pm.

Tapping of the Liberty Bell- Watch as the descendants of the signers of the Declaration ceremoniously tap the Liberty Bell , our

iconic symbol of freedom begins 1:30

Concert and Fireworks- The Roots and Goo Goo Dolls! - Join us for the largest free concert in America! Where else but at the steps of the Philadelphia Museum !

Public Reading of the Declaration of Independence - Reenact the first ever reading of our Declaration in the yard of Independence Hall— Join the fun and receive your own copy Free! 12 noon @ Independence Hall 7/8 nps.gov/inde

Q Festival- Outrageous Parties truly memorable films, this Gay and Lesbian Film festival is not to be missed. 7/8-7/19 Phillycinema.org

Bastille Day- I believe it was Marie Antoinette who said let them eat cake. How about 2,000 butter-scotch krimpets. Will that do? Storm

the castle on this annual street festival at Eastern State Penn.7/10 easternstate.org

Ultimate Ice Cream Festival Let's all scream for ice cream! Only at the Reading Terminal Market 7/17 readingterminalmarket.org

Comedy Sportz World Championships- From over 20 cities in the U.S and across the globe, this is improv comedy at its best because it's for the cup! At the World Café Live 7/15-7/17 comedysportz-philly.com

University Dining Days. 29 restaurants will offer three course meals for \$15, \$25, or \$30 dollars. Why miss out? New this year, 2 weeks to dine! 7/21-7/25 University-city.org/diningdays

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Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell will be open until 8pm! July 2nd –5th 5pm-8pm is the Open House. No tickets will be required at that time. Rest of July, the Bell and the Hall will be open until 7pm. Everyday!

Enjoy a slice of Liberty here at the Center as we declare our freedom with a reading of the Declaration and serve you a slice from our 8 foot birthday cake! Our sweet taste of Liberty 12noon—July 5th

Summers 5 after 5 The National Constitution Center is now open from 5pm– 8pm every Thursday. Only \$5 dollar admission to see Ancient Rome & America

We have an app for that! Be the first to download “Find your Philly” on SCVGNR– Designed for your smart phone, this free app will give you the clues and hidden secrets of our beloved City. From Historic Philadelphia to the Philadelphia Museum of Art. It’s a scavenger hunt you don’t want to miss. Findyourphilly.com

Museums / attractions

ART Museums

Philadelphia Museum of Art—Late Renoir— 9/6 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 “Creatures of the Abyss” -9/6 10-4:30 Weekdays 10-5 Weekends, 215-299-1000—

Franklin Institute —Cleopatra! “The Search for the Last Queen of Egypt” - 1/2011 Open 7 days 4/18 9:30-5pm 215-448-1200-open late for exhibits—

-SPECIAL INTEREST-

UPenn Museum —Double

Sports/ Recreation

Philadelphia Phillies@ the Bank!

- 7/5— Braves 7:05
- 7/6— Braves 7:05
- 7/7— Braves 7:05
- 7/8— Reds 7:05
- 7/9— Reds 7:05
- 7/10— Reds 7:05
- 7/11— Reds 1:35
- 7/23— Rockies 7:05
- 7/24— Rockies 4:10
- 7/25— Rockies TBD
- 7/26— Rockies 1:05
- 7/27— D Backs 7:05
- 7/28— D Backs 7:05
- 7/29— D Backs 7:05

Ticket promotion with the Franklin to see Cleopatra! Tue-Sat 10-4:30pm Sun 1-5pm- 215-898-4000

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 Spring 2011for 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!**

Eastern State Penitentiary — “Bastille Day!” Saturday July 10 215-236-3300

Independence Seaport Museum— It Sprang from the River— ends 1/3/11 Open 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- Ancient Rome & America— ends 8/1 M-F 9:30-5pm Sat 9:30-6pm Sun 12-5pm, 215-409-6700

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

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

Rosenbach Museum— Friend or Faux Imitation and Invention, from Innocent to Fraudulent ends 7/11 Tues & Fri 12-5pm Wed— Thurs 12-8pm Sat & Sun 12-6pm 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**

MLK Drive open for recreational activities

Need a bicycle or rollerblades. Stop by Lloyd Hall 215-685-3936

Regattas on the Schuylkill-

- 7/2— 7/4 Independence Day Regatta
- 7/17- Philadelphia Youth Regatta

Schuylkill Banks Events

- 7/8— Secrets of the Schuylkill
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- 7/10— Secrets of the Schuylkill
- 7/11— Advanced Paddle to the Schuylkill
- 7/15— Urban Escape Kayak Tour
- 7/17— Kayak Tour
- 7/18— Boat to Bartram Gardens
- 7/22— Secrets of the Schuylkill
- 7/24— Secrets of the Schuylkill
- 7/31— Kayak Tour

Fiddler on the Roof– the one and only. -7/18 Walnut Street Theater 9th Walnut walnutstreettheatre.org
The Second City 50th Anniversary Tour - Comedy skits from some of the greats including Stephen Colbert, Mike Myers– many more (not they are not here but it’s their work!) 7/13-7/25 Suzanne Roberts Theatre 480 S Broad St philadelphiaatrecompany.org
Sunday in the Park with George– Stephen Sondheim’s Pulitzer prize winning musical-7/4 Arden 40 N 2nd ardentheater.org

Movie Theaters

Independent Films

Ritz Five 214 Walnut 215-925-7900
 Ritz East 125 South 2nd 215-925-7900
 Ritz at the Bourse 400 Ranstead Street 215-925-7900

Blockbuster Theaters

Riverview Movie Theater– 1400 S Columbus Blvd 214 1800-326-3264
 Roxy Movie Theater– 2023 Sansom St 215-923-6699
 The Bridge Movie Theater—230 S 40th Street 215-386-7971

Music in Philadelphia!

BALLET X– 5th Anniversary
Time to rethink ballet because
this is not SWAN LAKE. It’s
better 7/21-7/25 balletx.org/

Electric Factory Concert 7th
Willow 215-627-1332

7/9 One Republic
 7/21 Soja
 7/22 Cool Tour 2010
 7/24 Deadmau 5

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

7/15 Sarazino
 7/20 Natalie Merchant
 7/22 Bomba Estereo
 7/29 Antibalas

Mann Center for Performing
Arts– 5201 Parkside Ave 215-
893-1999

7/3 Faith No More
 7/10-7/11 Furthur
 7/15 Julio Iglesias
 7/16 Cheap Trick
 7/26 Tchaikovsky Spectacular
 7/27 Aretha Franklin & Condo-
 leeza Rice
 7/29 Planet Earth Live
 7/31 Celtic Woman

Susquehanna Bank Center

7/1 Dave Matthews
 7/9 Tim McGraw
 7/10 Sting
 7/11 Jack Johnson
 7/16 Vans Warped Tour
 7/23 Rockstar Mayhem Festival
 7/27 Limp Bizkit
 7/28 Lilith
 7/30 John Mayer

TLA-4th South 215-922-1011

7/10 Femi Kuti
 7/15 Kidz in the hall
 7/16 Dive & Automatic Fire
 7/18 Jordin Sparks
 7/25 Hanson
 7/29 Summer Slaughter Tour

Trocadero-10th Arch 215-922-Live

7/1 Conditions
 7/8 US, from Outside
 7/9 Red Letter Life
 7/10 Antiseen
 7/11 Gloominus Doom
 7/17 Travia
 7/23 Every Avenue
 7/24 \$10,000 Philly Showdown
 - the Finals
 7/25 Midsummer Mayhem
 7/27 Chromeo

7/28 Seu Jorge
 7/29 La Roux
 7/30 Projectfest
 7/31 Blackened Blue

Tower Theatre –69th Ludlow
610-352-2887

7/8 Aziz Ansari
 7/20 Widespread Panic

Wachovia Center

7/11 American Idol
 7/31 Tom Petty

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 Samsom
Street 215-568-3131

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

Family fun

Want to see the city on a bicycle? How about a segway or just some good old fashioned running? Check out www.detourstouring.com

Walking with Dinosaurs– Wow 15 full size dinosaurs come to life. Only at the Wachovia Center 7/14-7/18

Have you seen our Liberty Bellie statue? I'm of course talking about the Phanatic, the Philly Phanatic! There are 20 statues all around town and we have our very own. To see all of the statues, pick up a special map here at the center and we'll show you how to visit all of them!!

Movies @ Franklin Square. On the First Friday of every month– Monsters Vs. Aliens 8:30pm historicphiladelphia.org

Franklin Square- 7/31 Birthday Party for the Square! Celebrate Franklin Square with cake!

Tour the Academy of Music for free! Enjoy an insider's look at the oldest surviving European Opera house in the country. Begins at 11:30am, 1 hour tour 215-790-5886
7/5 -7/12 -7/19 / -7/26

The U.S. Mint is now open Mon-Saturday from 9am to 4:30pm Last entry is 4pm. You can bring cameras but no photography.

Visiting and you get sick? Someone need to see a doctor?
No appointments necessary. Walk-ins welcome. 7am-7pm \$65 for a visit. Drexel Convenient Care Center @ The Shops at Liberty Place– 215-399-5890 [16th Chestnutdrexelmed.edu/cc](http://16thChestnutdrexelmed.edu/cc)

The Organ at Macys– Take a listen to the World's largest pipe organ M-Sat plays at 12 noon and @ 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

Not sure how to entertain a 10 year old? Perfect website for you!!! Kidsincentercity.com

PA CONVENTION CENTER

Meeting

7/1-7/4 Barbershop Harmony Society

7/14—It Roadmap Conference: Networkworld

7/15-7/21 Elekta

7/18-7/21 American Assoc of Physicists in Medicine

7/23 CIS: 12th Annual Medicine Elect/ CIC Teen Summit

Happenings at Penns Landing
Thurs– Sun in July take a kayak or a swan ride on the Delaware
7/1– Screening of Avatar
7/3-7/5 Super Scooper Ice cream Festival
7/8– The Blind Side
7/10-7/11 Hispanic Fiesta
7/15 The Secret Life of Bees
7/17 Global Fusion Festival
7/22– Star Trek

\$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..

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

The Megabus now goes to D.C. as well!!