



Places of Interest in Old City, Philadelphia (in walking distance of Old First)

The Liberty Bell –

Held as a symbol of freedom both in Philadelphia and across America, the ubiquitous cracked bell is on display along with information about the bell's history and its significance to America. **Free.**

526 Market St.
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Presbyterian Historical Society –

The national archives and historical research center of the Presbyterian Church (USA) collects, preserves, and shares the history of the American Presbyterian and reformed tradition. The Society holds 18th to 21st-century denominational records, personal papers and materials documenting the American Presbyterian tradition. **Exhibit is Free.**

425 Lombard Street
Philadelphia, PA 19147

United States Mint –

Touring the United States Mint is a fascinating experience for those of all ages and one that will be remembered for a lifetime. Tours cover both the present state of coin manufacturing as well as the history of the Mint. **Free.**

151 North Independence Mall East (5th & Arch St)
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

Money in Motion (Federal Reserve) –

This permanent exhibit at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia employs advanced presentation technology and interactive displays. The exhibit is a wonderful place to learn the story of central banking in the United States. You can trace the changes in our national currency from the early 1600s to today. You will view money from the original 13 colonies and examine a rare \$100,000 bill.

Philadelphia is the home of the first Bank of the United States, and that's why the Philadelphia Fed is eager to tell you about the nation's financial history. *Open to nonscheduled visits for groups of fewer than 10 people. Groups of no more than 10 people from an individual school will be admitted to the exhibit for an unscheduled tour. Prescheduled visits can be made by contacting Patricia Lenar-Burns 866-574-3727* **Free**

10 Independence Mall (6th & Arch Street)
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

Independence Hall –

Historical re-enactors lead you on a guided tour of the building where the Declaration of Independence was signed. Entrance is free, but between March and December, tickets are required. **Free.**



520 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Gloria Dei (Old Swedes Church) –

Before William Penn, the Swedes were here, building log homes and a brick church, GLORIA DEI. Imagine the transformation - town becomes city - 13 colonies become a nation – Swedish Lutheran church becomes Episcopalian. Re-discover Patriots and ordinary citizens buried in the cemetery. Enter Pennsylvania's oldest church and feel 300 years of history welcoming you. **Free.**

143 S. Third Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Polish American Cultural Center –

The Polish American Cultural Center and Museum Exhibit Hall are a focal point for many Polish American affairs in the greater Philadelphia area. Every year thousands of tourists experience Polish history, culture and pride at the PACC. **Free**

308 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Franklin Court –

Benjamin Franklin's house was, unfortunately, torn down in the early 1800s. Today the site the house once stood on is known as Franklin Court, and it features a steel-framed outline of Franklin's home, a museum with a print shop, a working post office where you can send letters hand-stamped with Franklin's original postmark and more.

314-321 Market St.
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Betsy Ross House –

Let's start with the bad news: Nobody is sure whether Betsy Ross lived here or at a house next door that has long-since been demolished. But the over-250-year-old Betsy Ross House has been furnished as it was during Betsy's time, and it features a Betsy Ross re-enactor and artifacts to teach about the famous (if history-shrouded) flag maker.

Suggested Admission \$3 adults/seniors, \$2 children 12 and under/students
239 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

Elfreth's Alley –

Elfreth's Alley is a block-long street that opened in 1702 connecting two blacksmiths' shops near Philadelphia's busy waterfront with Second Street, one of the growing colony's busiest thoroughfares. The thirty-two buildings along Elfreth's Alley were built between the 1720s and 1830s, and today they reveal the fascinating stories of everyday life, the spaces that America's founders knew.

Museum Tours – Guided Tours: Adults \$5; family \$12.00; children 6-12 years \$2.00; children under 6 Free Self-Guided House Tours: Adults \$3.00; children 6-12 years \$1.00; children under 6 Free



Christ Church and Burial Ground –

Founded in 1695, Christ Church is both where many of America's leaders worshiped and where many of them are buried. The burial ground is the final resting place of Benjamin Franklin and 4 other signers of the Declaration of Independence. Tours of the graveyard and talks on the church's history are available most days – see their website for exact hours/days.

There is not an admission fee to the church but the church accepts donations. Admission Fees for Burial Ground: \$1 for students, \$2 for adults, \$15 per group up to 25 people. Groups of more than 10 people are required to make reservations by calling Anne McLaughlin at 215-922-1695 x32. Guided tours are available for an additional fee of \$3 for adults and \$1 for students.

is located at 5th and Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106

National Constitution Center -

The National Constitution Center features a variety of permanent and changing exhibits and shows about the U.S. Constitution and American history

Admission: \$12.00, Seniors (age 65 and older) \$11.00, Children ages 4-12 \$8.00, Active Military with ID Free, Children under 4 Free

525 Arch St.

Philadelphia, PA 19106

The African American Museum in Philadelphia –

The African American Museum in Philadelphia is the first institution built by a major United States city to house and interpret the life and work of African Americans. Visit and experience the richness and vibrancy of African American heritage and culture come alive in four magnificent exhibition galleries filled with exciting history and fascinating art. Admission: \$10 Adults, \$8 Youth (4-12yr), \$8 Students (w/I.D.), Senior Citizens \$8 Group Rates: (215) 574-0380 x.229

NOTE:

Check into <http://www.independencevisitorcenter.com>
for other listings not seen here.

Also, while planning tourist attractions, check out the websites for the locations we have listed for you. It is your responsibility to ensure that the attractions are open the day & time that you want to go.

Be sure to let your Wellspring Coordinator know of any activities you're interested in doing so your trip can be planned accordingly.