Hours & Admission

Tuesday - Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\$10
\$8
\$6
Free
Free
\$20

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Programming

From teacher workshops to City History Lessons to its popular *Conversations* series, the Museum tells the story of Philadelphia and invites visitors to consider the communities around them and their place within them.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SHARING A PIECE OF YOUR PHILADELPHIA HISTORY?

Tell Us About It!

When helping us make history, there is no time like the present...

Join

Become a member today to enjoy unlimited Museum admission, invitations to programs, discounted parking, and other benefits, including reciprocal admission to numerous area museums. Individual memberships begin at \$35.

Apply the price of your admission ticket to a new membership during your visit, or call 215-685-4830 or visit www.philadelphiahistory.org/join to become a Museum member.

Support

Help us continue to preserve, celebrate, and share our *Hometown History* for future generations to enjoy. To make a donation, visit www.philadelphiahistory.org/give.

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Philadelphia History Museum



Our Hometown History Begins Here





Just Steps from the Liberty Bell

The Philadelphia History Museum showcases an array of historical objects, art, and artifacts that tell the story of Philadelphia, from its founding in 1682 to the present day. The Museum features eight renovated galleries, containing stunning items from its vast holdings of over 100,000 objects, and provides various interactive elements to enhance the visitor experience.

Visit the Philadelphia History Museum and...

Explore the fascinating lives and objects of Philadelphians young and old, known and unknown, immigrant and enslaved.

Share your favorite Philadelphia story.

Experience the passion of what it means to live here, to work here, to be a Philadelphian.

Walk on the world's largest map of Philadelphia.

By the Numbers...

1826 year the building at 15 South 7th Street was designed by John Haviland as the original home of the Franklin Institute

1938 year the city's history museum was founded as the Atwater Kent Museum

2012 year the Philadelphia History Museum reopened after a three-year renovation

100,000 total number of objects in the Museum's collection today

299-318.1 million years age of the oldest object (a piece of coal) in the collection

Around 53' height of the biggest object (the Museum building) in the collection

1/8" height of the smallest object (a napkin ring from an 1873 dollhouse table setting) in the collection

Infinite ways you can look at the objects in the collection of the Philadelphia History Museum

Explore the Exhibitions and the Stories They Share...



Exhibitions

City Stories: An Introduction to Philadelphia

A gallery that gives visitors a glimpse of the entire city through 330 years of history.

The Community History Gallery

Exhibitions developed by local community groups, sharing their unique piece of the Philadelphia story.

Main Gallery

Learn about the city through neighborhoods. Featuring the world's largest walkable map of Philadelphia.

The Ordinary, the Extraordinary and the Unknown

An eclectic combination of iconic and everyday objects from the Museum's premier collections.

Highlights from the Collection

Showcases segments of the Museum's rich and diverse collection, from textiles to portraits from the Civil War to 21st-century photography.

Made in Philadelphia

Rotating exhibitions that focus on Philadelphia's rich legacy of craftsmanship.

Played in Philadelphia

Rotating exhibitions on Philadelphia's history of professional and amateur sports, the performing arts, broadcast media, and more.

The Collection

The vast collection of the Philadelphia History Museum includes original prints, paintings, photographs, textiles and clothing, craft and manufacturing artifacts, toys, ethnographic objects, books, pamphlets, and manuscripts. The collection has further been enhanced through major additions from the Balch Institue for Ethnic Studies, the Insurance Company of North America—CIGNA, and 11,400 items of the Art and Artifact Collection of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

Highlights from the collection include:

- George Washington's 1790s writing desk
- Wampum Belt given to William Penn by the Lenape Indians in 1682
- Joe Frazier's boxing gloves from a 1970 championship bout



