



**Host committee recommendations:**  
**WHAT TO DO IN PHILADELPHIA**

Philadelphia's main attractions are concentrated in two areas, the Historic District and The Parkway District, only 15 minutes apart by bus or Uber.

**HISTORIC DISTRICT**



The search for America's founding ideals is palpable throughout the historic district. Here you can learn about the struggle for independence, the pursuit of freedoms and religious beliefs, all while you revel in five centuries of architecture. All sites listed below are located on/near Independence Mall, a 15 minute ride from The Logan. If you have limited time but want a sense of the Historic District, simply walk the streets in and around the Mall.

- Take a free 30 minute guided tour of **Independence Hall** and enjoy the beautiful green parks maintained by the National Park Service. Ticket required. To reserve online (\$1.50 charge per ticket) go to [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) and type in Independence National Historic Park

- Walk the cobblestone streets of **Society Hill** where the founding fathers once strolled. [www.visitphilly.com/areas/philadelphia-neighborhoods/society-hill](http://www.visitphilly.com/areas/philadelphia-neighborhoods/society-hill)



- If you enjoy house museums, tour the 18th century **Powel House**, an outstanding example of Georgian Architecture replete with period furniture and decorative arts. [www.philalandmarks.org/powel-house](http://www.philalandmarks.org/powel-house)

- In the Historic District, choose among 3 history museums:

**National Constitution Center** (525 Arch Street)

*Exhibits, live performance and programs that explore the history and relevance of the Constitution and American freedoms.*

Hours: Mon.- Fri. 9:30-5, Sat. 9:30-5, Sun. 12-5 Admission: \$14.50, (senior \$13)

[www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org)

**Museum of the American Revolution** (101 S. 3rd Street)

*Philly's newest museum!*

Hours: Daily 10-5 Admission: Timed tickets \$19, (senior \$17)

[www.amrevmuseum.org](http://www.amrevmuseum.org)

**National Museum of American Jewish History** (5th & Market)

Hours: Tuesday - Friday 10-5 Admission: \$15, (senior 65+ \$13)

[www.nmajh.org](http://www.nmajh.org)

- For lunch, stop at one of the 27 independently owned eateries in the new food court inside **The Bourse Marketplace**. [www.theboursephilly.com](http://www.theboursephilly.com)
- **Old City** has unusual clothing boutiques and design stores, most clustered on Arch Street and North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in the Historic District. [www.oldcitydistrict.org](http://www.oldcitydistrict.org)
- **Independence Visitor Center** (6th and Market Streets)  
*Official visitor center for the Philadelphia region*  
Hours: 8:30-6 (free)  
[www.phlvisitorcenter.com](http://www.phlvisitorcenter.com)
- **Liberty Bell Center** (6th and Market Street)  
*On display is the original Liberty Bell, along with exhibits and video presentation*  
Hours: Daily 9-5 Admission: Free; no tickets required  
[www.nps.gov/inde/liberty-bell-center.htm](http://www.nps.gov/inde/liberty-bell-center.htm)
- **Elfreth's Alley** (2nd Street between Race and Arch)  
*32 Federal and Georgian residences from the colonial period*  
Hours: Guided Tours Sat. and Sun at 1pm and 3pm  
Admissions: \$8 includes tour of alley and inside house museum  
[www.elfrethsalley.org](http://www.elfrethsalley.org)

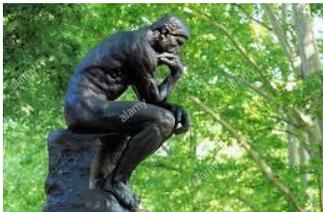
## **PARKWAY MUSEUM DISTRICT**

An array of cultural institutions flank the Parisian inspired tree-lined Benjamin Franklin Parkway, celebrating 100 years in 2018. In honor of the centennial, many museums are offering discounted admission. All museums in this district are



easily accessible from The Logan. The Rodin is a 10-minute walk. To get to The Philadelphia Museum of Art (PMA), take an Uber or hop on the free shuttle between the Rodin Museum and the PMA.

- Take your photo at the Rocky statue, run up the steps and then be sure to go inside **The Philadelphia Museum of Art**. In addition to its strong collection of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century European paintings, the museum is offering a special exhibit—*Fabulous Fashion: From Dior to Now* opening on October 16.



- Admire The Thinker outside the elegant **Rodin Museum** and then see many more works by the celebrated French sculptor Auguste Rodin.

### **Philadelphia Museum of Art (2600 Benjamin Franklin Parkway)**

*Third largest art museum in the U.S. and home of the Rocky steps.*

Hours: Tues.-Sun.10-5 (closed Monday)

Free one-hour guided tours at 10:15 am and 12, 1, 2, and 3 pm

### **Rodin Museum (2151 Ben Franklin Parkway)**

Wed.-Mon.10-5 (closed Tuesday)

Admission: \$20 (senior \$18)

Note that **one admission ticket** is good for entrance to the Philadelphia Museum of Art main building **and** the nearby Rodin Museum. So \$20 covers these two museums whenever you might visit during the conference. [www.philamuseum.org](http://www.philamuseum.org)

- Be amazed by the impressionist and post-impressionist paintings in The Barnes Foundation. Don't miss the special exhibition Berthe Morisot: Woman Impressionist opening on October 21.



**Barnes Foundation** (2025 Benjamin Franklin Parkway)

*Impressionist and modern European paintings, including Renoir, Cezanne*

Hours: Wed.-Mon. 10-5 (closed Tuesday)

Admission \$30 (senior \$28)

Guided collection daily highlight tours offered for \$45 to the public at 10am, first come basis, includes admission to Berthe Morisot exhibition.

[www.barnesfoundation.org](http://www.barnesfoundation.org)

- Experiment at the hands-on exhibits in two science museums.

**The Franklin Institute** (222 N. 20th Street)

*One of the oldest and most visited science museums in the country*

Hours: Daily 9:30-5 Admission: \$20

[www.fi.edu](http://www.fi.edu)

**Academy of Natural Sciences** (1900 Ben Franklin Parkway)

*Dinosaurs, dioramas, and butterflies*

Hours: M-F 10-4:30; Sa.-Su. 10-5

Admission \$18, (senior \$15) - online discount available

[www.ansp.org](http://www.ansp.org)

- Don't miss these sites steps from The Logan....

Admire the façade and grounds of the recently completed **Philadelphia Temple**, one of only 159 structures worldwide where Mormons worship. Located at 18th and Vine.

Check out the art galleries and unusual gifts in the **Moore College of Art**. Located at 19th and Race.

- Grab a quick sandwich or a light snack at the Logan Square Café next to the **Sister Cities Visitor Center** located at 18th and The Parkway. Ask for the brochure featuring discount coupons to sites along The Parkway.

## SHOPPING



For fashion and jewelry head to Walnut Street between 15<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> to shop at Barbour, Lagos, and Anthropology. At the corner of 18<sup>th</sup> and Walnut, walk into **Rittenhouse Square**, the most beautiful of the five green squares laid out in William Penn's original 17th century city plan. Thirsty? Join the chic crowd relaxing at the sidewalk tables fronting Parc Brasserie. Rittenhouse Square Park is a 15 minute walk from The Logan.

## RESTAURANTS

Philadelphia is a food lover's paradise. Head to Restaurant Row on 13<sup>th</sup> Street to sample the varied cuisines created by Chef Marcie Turney such as Jamonera and Barbuzzo. Competing restaurateur Stephen Starr owns nearby El Vez, and across the street is Capogiro Gelato which National Geographic dubbed "top ice cream in the world." Also check out Tinto and Village Whisky, adjacent restaurants on 20<sup>th</sup> street owned by famed chef Jose Garces.

**Reading Terminal Market**, Philadelphia's famous indoor farmer's market at 51 N.12th Street, has been in continuous operation since 1893. Today, 80 merchants offer diverse fare, housewares and area specialties. Some favorites: Bassett's ice-cream, DiNic's roast pork, and Dutch Eating Place, an Amish diner. RTM is a 15-minute walk from The Logan.

Hours: Daily 8-6

[www.readingterminalmarket.org](http://www.readingterminalmarket.org)

