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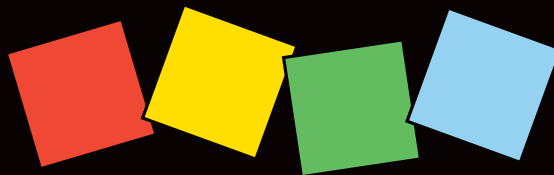
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EVENTS

**HERITAGE
DAYS 2018**

JUNE 23 & 24 • 12 TO 4PM

**HERITAGE
MONTGOMERY**



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HERITAGE DAYS WEEKEND

This year marks the **21st annual Heritage Days** – a countywide festival offering programs and activities appealing to visitors of all ages and interests.

With **over 40 free events** all around Montgomery County, Heritage Days is the perfect time to explore local history, culture, and nature.

Sites are open from noon to 4pm unless otherwise indicated.

Programs will feature Civil War and agricultural history, the stories of local railroads and trolleys, historic African American communities, and much more. Local arts and culture as well as outdoor recreation, including biking, hiking, and walking tours, are also highlighted. Many venues offer musical entertainment, activities and crafts for children, and refreshments.

Celebrate Heritage Days and explore fascinating sites that help make Montgomery County great!

For Heritage Days updates before and during the weekend, check in at HeritageMontgomery.org and follow Heritage Montgomery on Facebook.



Heritage Montgomery, one of thirteen certified heritage areas in the state of Maryland, is dedicated to the mission of preserving and promoting local history, culture, and distinctive natural areas, fostering stewardship and pride in our community.

Visit **HeritageMontgomery.org** to learn more about our organization and plan your next trip exploring the Montgomery County Heritage Area!

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The Impact of Maryland Heritage Areas

\$19.8 million in State and local taxes generated

\$4.45 return on investment for every dollar of State grant funds

3,146 jobs created

\$7.78 leveraged by every dollar of State grant funds

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HERITAGE AREA THEMES

 **Rivers, Roads, & Rails: Transportation Trails** highlights the C&O Canal along the Potomac River and the Metropolitan Branch of the B&O Railroad that runs through communities dating back to the 1800s. Discover historic lockhouses and aqueducts along the canal towpath. Travel scenic byways and rustic roads to enjoy hiking, biking, canoeing, sightseeing, and more!

 **Crossroads & Cultures: African American & Quaker Heritage** represents Montgomery County's many rich and diverse cultural histories. These include the long-standing Quaker communities of Sandy Spring and Brookeville and the many early free black communities represented by local churches and preservation groups, community buildings, and cemeteries.

 The **Agricultural Reserve: Farms, Markets & Scenic Byways** encompasses 93,000 acres of protected farmland – one of the most successful countryside preservation programs in the U.S. The “Ag Reserve” showcases beautiful vistas, winding country roads, historic buildings, pick-your-own farms, and farmers markets.

 **Heritage Gems: Montgomery County's Past** features sites scattered throughout the heritage area representing the unique stories of history, culture, and nature found in Montgomery County, from historic houses to Civil War sites to parks, theatres, and historical societies.

Let **Heritage Montgomery** be your first stop for planning year-round exploration of local history, culture, and nature!

Check out our website at HeritageMontgomery.org. You'll find everything you need to plan your heritage area outings including information on:

- Over 40 **Heritage Site** destinations
- **Parks & Trails** – including pet-friendly parks
- **Farms and Farmers Markets**
- **Activities for families with children**
- The **Civil War in Montgomery County** including our *Life in a War Zone Civil War* documentary
- Montgomery County's rich **African American Heritage**
- A **Gift Shop** page where you can find our *African American Heritage Cookbook*
- A detailed **Events Calendar**
- And much more!



Gaithersburg Community Museum



HERITAGE TOURS

Heritage Days is a great opportunity to spend a day visiting fascinating sites around our county. To help with your planning, we have developed several tours for you to consider, based both on heritage themes and locales. A sampling of the tours are shown below; they are described in more detail, including mileages and travel times, on the Heritage Days page of our website.

- A Saturday tour of the **Poolesville** area could include the African American heritage site, St. Paul Community Church, for a jazz performance; stops at the John Poole House and Poolesville Museum in downtown Poolesville; visiting the Warren Historic Site, another historic African American community; and ending up at White's Ferry for a ride across the Potomac.
- The heritage area boasts several great locations highlighting the **Transportation** theme including the historic Silver Spring B&O Railroad Station (Sun.) and the National Capital Trolley Museum in Colesville. Gaithersburg Community Museum is set in an 1884 rail complex and Seneca Aqueduct/Riley's Lockhouse highlights the C&O Canal towpath and lock system. Damascus Heritage Museum has a special history exhibit on local transportation (Sat.).

- There are a wealth of places to explore in the **Sandy Spring/Brookeville** area. Locations only open on Saturday include the Sandy Spring Museum, Odd Fellows Lodge featuring a jazz band, Oakley Cabin, and archaeology at Thomas Mill. The Sandy Spring Slave Museum, Woodlawn Museum, and Brookeville Academy/Madison House are open both days.
- You will find some great places to enjoy the **Out-of-Doors** at Woodend Nature Sanctuary in Chevy Chase (Sun.); Seneca Creek State Park, starting with a visit to the Grusendorf Log House (Sun.) in Gaithersburg; the B-CC Izaak Walton League Conservation Farm in Poolesville; and sites along the C&O Canal.




Please use the map on the reverse side of this brochure to plan your own heritage tour based on your interests and/or what part of the county you would like to explore. (Note that not all sites are open both Saturday and Sunday – be sure to check ahead as you plan your route.)

We hope these tours inspire you to get out and explore the Montgomery County heritage area. And remember, they represent just a fraction of the wonderful, **free** programs available during Heritage Days Weekend!





SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

- 1 Gaithersburg Community Museum**
GaithersburgMD.gov 301-258-6160
9 S. Summit Avenue, Gaithersburg

Located in an 1884 railroad complex, the museum will offer a variety of hands-on Earth-Space Science activities. Saturday: John Hadfield's The Science Show at 2pm. Sunday: Flumpa & Friends: A Space Odyssey-An Earth Science Adventure at 2pm. Guided walking tours of Olde Towne Gaithersburg upon request.   


- 2 Gaithersburg International Latitude Observatory**
GaithersburgMD.gov 301-258-6160
100 DeSillum Avenue, Gaithersburg

Visit the 1899 observatory and enjoy a self-guided walking tour of the park. Weather permitting, solar observations. Sunday: guided tours at 1pm & 2:30pm including the history of National Geodetic Survey work at the site.  




- 3 Historic Germantown Bank**
GermantownMDHistory.org 301-972-2707
19330 Mateny Hill Road, Germantown

Germantown history exhibits in a 1922 bank; "Depression-era" street musicians. Walking tours of Old Germantown, a Victorian railroad town.





- 4 National Capital Trolley Museum**
DCTrolley.org 301-384-6088
1313 Bonifant Road, Colesville
Open until 5pm

Guided tours of the Street Car Hall; *Streetcars Go to the Movies* video; Rock Creek Railway model. Two special exhibits, Civil War Streetcars and Gilded Age Streetcars, celebrate the beginning of service in the nation's capital. Ride vintage trolley cars for two miles through Northwest Branch Park (\$). 

- 5 Seneca Aqueduct & Riley's Lockhouse**
CanOCanal.org
13025 Rileys Lock Road, Poolesville
Open at 10am




Interpretive tours of the towpath area, Seneca Aqueduct. Riley's Lockhouse tours start at noon. Seneca is the only site along the 184-mile canal where the lock and aqueduct are connected and one of only two aqueducts in Montgomery County.   

- 6 White's Ferry**
Historic White's Ferry on Facebook 301-349-5200
24801 Whites Ferry Road, Dickerson





Site of an operating ferry since 1786, this unique cable ferry crosses the Potomac River every 20 minutes. Free ferry rides for those on foot.    

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY





- 7 Boyds Negro School**
BoydHistory.org 301-428-0671
19510 White Ground Road, Boyds

This restored one-room structure was the sole public school for African American children in the Boyds area from 1895-1936. Watch the video *Boyds Negro School: Historic Lives*; children's crafts and outdoor activities & games.   





- 8 Button Farm Living History Center**
ButtonFarm.org 202-903-4140
16820 Black Rock Road, Germantown

Plantation life in 1850s Maryland is depicted with an heirloom garden, heritage breed animals, restored 19th-century buildings, and slave cemetery. Demonstrations and activities for visitors of all ages.    





- 9 Harper Cabin at Brookside Nature Center**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-962-1480
1400 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton
Saturday: 9am-5pm; Sunday: 1-5pm

This 1880s homestead features a chestnut log cabin with period furnishings. Learn about the daily life of newly emancipated African American families. Guided tours, hands-on activities for families.    






- 10 Sandy Spring Slave Museum**
SandySpringSlaveMuseum.org 301-774-4066
18524 Brooke Road, Sandy Spring
Sat: Open at 11am: Sun: 2-5pm

View African and African American art and artifacts in the Great Hall; a clipper ship cross section, log cabin, and African hut arts pavilion all tell the stories of rich African American heritage. Sunday: live performance celebrating the heritage of Black music.    


- 11 Woodlawn Museum**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-929-5989
16501 Norwood Road, Sandy Spring
Saturday: Open at 10am


Exhibits in the restored 1832 barn highlight local agricultural, Quaker, and African American history. Guided tours, hands-on activities for families, games for children.    


- 12 Hyattstown Mill**
HyattstownMill.org 301-830-1142
14920 Hyattstown Mill Road, Clarksburg

The Mill Gallery hosts the art exhibition, GOLD, exploring the personal and cultural significance and symbolism of this highly malleable metal. Live music and children's craft activities.     


SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

- 13 Izaak Walton League Conservation Farm**
 bcciwla.org 301-477-0777
 20601 Izaak Walton Way, Poolesville
- Family-friendly activities celebrating B-CC Chapter history, conservation efforts, and appreciation of local ecology. Family activities for all ages: forestry, fishing, archery, archaeology, wildlife, and tractor pull.
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- 14 John Poole House**
 HistoricMedley.org 301-477-0777
 19923 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville


This 1793 log cabin was built to serve as a general store and trading post; it is the oldest building in Poolesville. Civil War artifacts, children's crafts, and refreshments. 




- 15 King Barn Dairy MOOseum**
 MOOseum.org 301-254-6575
 18028 Central Park Circle, Boyds
Saturday: Open at 10am

Life-sized model cows, model trains, dairy exhibits, map of county dairy farms, games & crafts. Saturday: Balloon Man makes balloon animals, 12-2pm; live farm animals; local band, The Good Stuff, 12:30-1:45pm. Sunday: learn about a featured family farm, churn butter, and music for tots with Miss Regina, 1-2pm. Some activities are weather permitting. 


- 16 Poolesville Museum**
 HistoricMedley.org 301-477-0777
 19933 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

This 100+ year-old restored bank includes an ornate, early 20th-century vault with decorative painting. The documentaries *Life in a War Zone: Montgomery County during the Civil War* and *Growing Legacy*, about the Agricultural Reserve, will be shown. 


- 17 Seneca Schoolhouse Museum**
 HistoricMedley.org 301-477-0777
 16800 River Road, Poolesville


Take a step back in time at this restored 1880s one-room schoolhouse. Class will be in session with a period-costumed teacher. Classroom activities, games, and refreshments. 

- 18 Brookeville Academy**
 TownofBrookevilleMD.org 301-570-4465
 5 High Street, Brookeville


Learn about Brookeville's history during the War of 1812 and life in the early 1800s. Meet at Brookeville Academy and walk to tour the nearby Madison House and adjacent archaeological site. 

SATURDAY ONLY


- 19 Lockhouse 25 at Edward's Ferry**
 CanalQuarters.org 301-331-2333
 15400 Edwards Ferry Road, Poolesville
- Explore life in the Edward's Ferry community in the 1860s with tours by period-costumed guides. Enjoy old-time games and meet the resident canal mules! Lockhouse 25 was completed in 1830 and interprets the Civil War period. 
- 20 Oakley Cabin African American Museum & Park**
 HistoryintheParks.org 301-650-4373
 3610 Brookeville Road, Olney

Tour the restored log cabin, home to African American tenant families during the late 1800s. Storytellers, guided tours, hands-on activities for families, games for children, live music. Park at Longwood Local Park, 19300 Georgia Ave. Shuttle provided. 

- 21 Odd Fellows Lodge**
 OddFellowsLodge.org
 1308 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Sandy Spring
 OddFellowsLodge@yahoo.com

Visit the newly renovated historic lodge, a site for worship, social activities, and education used by the local African American community since the early 1900s. Enjoy performances of modern jazz by the Grant Langford Quartet at 12:30pm and 2:30pm. 


- 22 Pleasant View Historical Site**
 11810 Darnestown Road, Gaithersburg
 301-318-4630

June Fest will celebrate 150 years since the community purchased this property – the site of Pleasant View church, cemetery, and Quince Orchard Colored School. Guest speakers, student presentations, site tours, live music, and games. 

- 23 Smithville School Museum and Education Center**
 811 E. Randolph Rd., Silver Spring 301-879-3700



This restored Rosenwald school was built in the 1920s for African American children. Activities include a film about its history, discussions with former students, and presentations on its current use.

- 24 St. Paul Community Church**
 SugarlandProject.org 301-717-9304
 14730 Sugarland Lane, Poolesville


Tour the 1893 church and cemetery at this African American heritage site; exhibits, oral histories, artifacts, and historical documents. Sugarland's Story slide presentation and afternoon jazz concert. 

SATURDAY ONLY




- 25 Thomas Mill**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-650-4373
Market Street & Brighton Dam Road, Brookeville

Discover Brookeville's early history, explore the mill ruins, and see artifacts recovered from recent archaeological investigations while learning about Montgomery County's milling past. Children can make their own grindstone and other crafts.  




- 26 Warren Historic Site**
WarrenHistoricSite.weebly.com 301-972-7263
22625 Whites Ferry Road, Dickerson

This unique African American site dates to the 1860s with the church and original one-room schoolhouse still in use. Learn about the history of this community as well as updates on site renovations and on-going reconstruction of the Loving Charity Hall (1914); refreshments. 

- 27 Agricultural History Farm Park**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-840-5120
18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood
Open at 11am

From growing tobacco in colonial Maryland to using gas-powered farm equipment in the 20th century, join in a hands-on exploration of nearly 300 years of Montgomery County agricultural history. Costumed historians, children's activities, and farm animals!   



- 28 Clarksburg Schoolhouse**
ClarksburgMDHistory.org 301-916-3899
13530 Redgrave Place, Clarksburg

Visit the 1909 two-room schoolhouse; costumed docents, local history exhibits, children's games & coloring contest, moon bounce, music, and more.   

- 29 Damascus Heritage Museum**
DHSM.org 301-253-3361
9701 Main Street, Damascus

A variety of displays pertaining to transportation at this local history museum.

- 30 Beall-Dawson Museum**
MontgomeryHistory.org 301-340-2825
103 W. Montgomery Avenue, Rockville

Celebrate the museum's exhibit, BOOM: 1950s in Montgomery County, with outdoor interactive craft stations, lawn games, and an oral history tent. Visit "Dr. Stonestreet," Civil War Union Army surgeon and local doctor, in the newly interpreted Stonestreet Museum of 19th-Century Medicine.  

SATURDAY ONLY

- 31 Glen Echo Park**
GlenEchoPark.org 301-634-2222
7300 MacArthur Boulevard, Glen Echo

Self-guided tours of the Spanish Ballroom, an art deco-style dance hall open since 1933. Live music by the Lucky Cats Jazz Orchestra, 12-3pm. Dancers welcome! Enjoy activities throughout the park including rides on the historic carousel (\$). Park is open sunrise to sunset.



- 32 Olney Theatre Center**
OlneyTheatre.org 301-924-3400
2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney


Tours of this theatrical arts campus dating to 1938 at noon, 1, 2, & 3pm.

- 33 Red Brick Courthouse**
PeerlessRockville.org 301-762-0096
29 Courthouse Square, Rockville



Learn about the history of Rockville's first responders with lectures and displays from local law enforcement and firefighters. In partnership with Montgomery County Law Enforcement Museum and Rockville VFD.

SUNDAY ONLY

- 34 Silver Spring B&O Railroad Station**
MontgomeryPreservation.org 301-495-4915
8100 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring
Open at 10am

This 1945 station is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. HO scale model railroad display; Documenting and Protecting Montgomery County Burial Sites exhibit; live animals: Roos 2 U, 11am-1pm; refreshments. Silver Spring Historical Society family-friendly walking tour of historic Silver Spring, 12noon. 

- 35 Josiah Henson Park**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-650-4373
11420 Old Georgetown Road, N. Bethesda

Tour the historic Riley farm where Rev. Josiah Henson was enslaved from 1795 to 1830. Henson's autobiography inspired Harriet Beecher Stowe's landmark novel, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Guided tours and hands-on activities for families. Park 1½ blocks away at Shriver Aquatic Center, 5900 Executive Blvd.  

SUNDAY ONLY

36 Grusendorf Log House
FOSCSP.com 301-924-2127
11950 Clopper Road, Gaithersburg

Open house at the last surviving building from the earliest Germantown settlement. The house was built in 1855 and moved to this location in the early 1990s. Old-time crafts & games for children and local stories about the Civil War and Lincoln assassination. 🚶 🚲 🗺 🏠

37 Sandy Spring Museum
SandySpringMuseum.org 301-774-0022
17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring
Open at 11am

A bluegrass jam and hands-on activities for children at this unique community museum. 🎵 🏠 🎨

38 Woodend Nature Sanctuary
ANSHome.org 301-652-9188
8940 Jones Mill Road, Chevy Chase
Open 9am-1pm

Open house at the home of the Audubon Naturalist Society. Tours of the historic Woodend Mansion; nature walks for children and families; tours of the Children's Garden. 🚶 🚲 🗺 🏠

A YEAR-ROUND GUIDE

Once Heritage Days is over, please hang on to this brochure and use the map and list of heritage sites to plan your visits, year-round!

Most locations are regularly open to the public, although their hours may vary from those listed for Heritage Days. Please check with each site – visit their website or call – to confirm their hours of operation and any admission charges the rest of the year. Contact information for each site is listed on the reverse side of this brochure.

For an up-to-date listing of special events and programs at heritage sites throughout the year, visit the Calendar page of our website, HeritageMontgomery.org.

We hope Heritage Days Weekend is just the beginning of your exploration of Montgomery County's heritage area!



Courthouse Square



Ag History Farm Park