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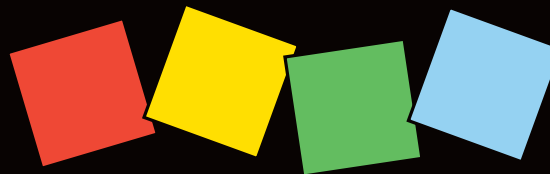
FREE

EVENTS

**HERITAGE
DAYS 2019**

JUNE 29 & 30 • 12 TO 4PM

**HERITAGE
MONTGOMERY**



HERITAGEMONTGOMERY.ORG



Historic Madison House in Brookeville

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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YEAR-ROUND VISITS

You can find all the information you'll need to plan your next outing in the heritage area at HeritageMontgomery.org including:

- Detailed listings of over 40 **Heritage Site** destinations
- **Parks & Trails** – including pet-friendly parks
- **Farms and Farmers Markets**
- **Activities for Families with Children**
- A detailed **Events Calendar**
- And much more!

Most Heritage Day participants are regularly open to the public. Please check with each site – visit their website or call – to confirm their hours or operation and any admission charges the rest of the year.

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.



Cycling in the Ag Reserve





Horse Gear





Gospel singers at the Warren Church

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.

HERITAGE TOURS

Enjoy Heritage Days weekend! We've put together some spots to visit throughout the county, some grouped by location, others by theme, so you can plan a whole weekend or just an afternoon experiencing authentic Montgomery history, culture, and nature!

- Downtown **Rockville** will be host to Montgomery History's 75th anniversary festivities at the Beall-Dawson Museum and nearby at the Red Brick Courthouse, Peerless Rockville will offer Native American dancers and drummers with performances that highlight their local history. Then head over to the **C&O Canal** National Historical Park along the Potomac River and take a grand-opening tour of the newly restored Swain's Lockhouse.
- If you like rails, gears, and gravity then the **Transportation**-theme sites are for you. Plan to visit the Gaithersburg International Latitude Observatory, built in 1899 to measure the “wobble” of the Earth, and Black Rock and Thomas Mills to learn about the



Native American Dancers



Canal Mule

county's important milling history. The National Capital Trolley Museum, Germantown Bank, King Barn Dairy MOOseum, and historic Silver Spring B&O Railroad Station each offer different facets of rail history to explore.

- The **Agricultural Reserve** is full of great things to do all weekend! Travel our Scenic Byways and Rustic Roads through beautiful farms and rolling hills, take a walk through the Soleado Lavender Farm, and stop by and celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Hyattstown Mill Arts Project. Visit the John Poole House and Old Town Hall Bank Museum in Poolesville. Then head over and park your car at White's Ferry and take a ride across the Potomac River. Stop off for music at the historic St. Paul Community Church and tour the Warren Historic Site. Both are stops on our **African American Heritage** tour, as are Button Farm Living History Center, Boyd's Negro School, and








the Smithville School Museum, a 1920s Rosenwald school. Learn about the daily life of emancipated African American families in the 1880s at the Thomas Harper Cabin.

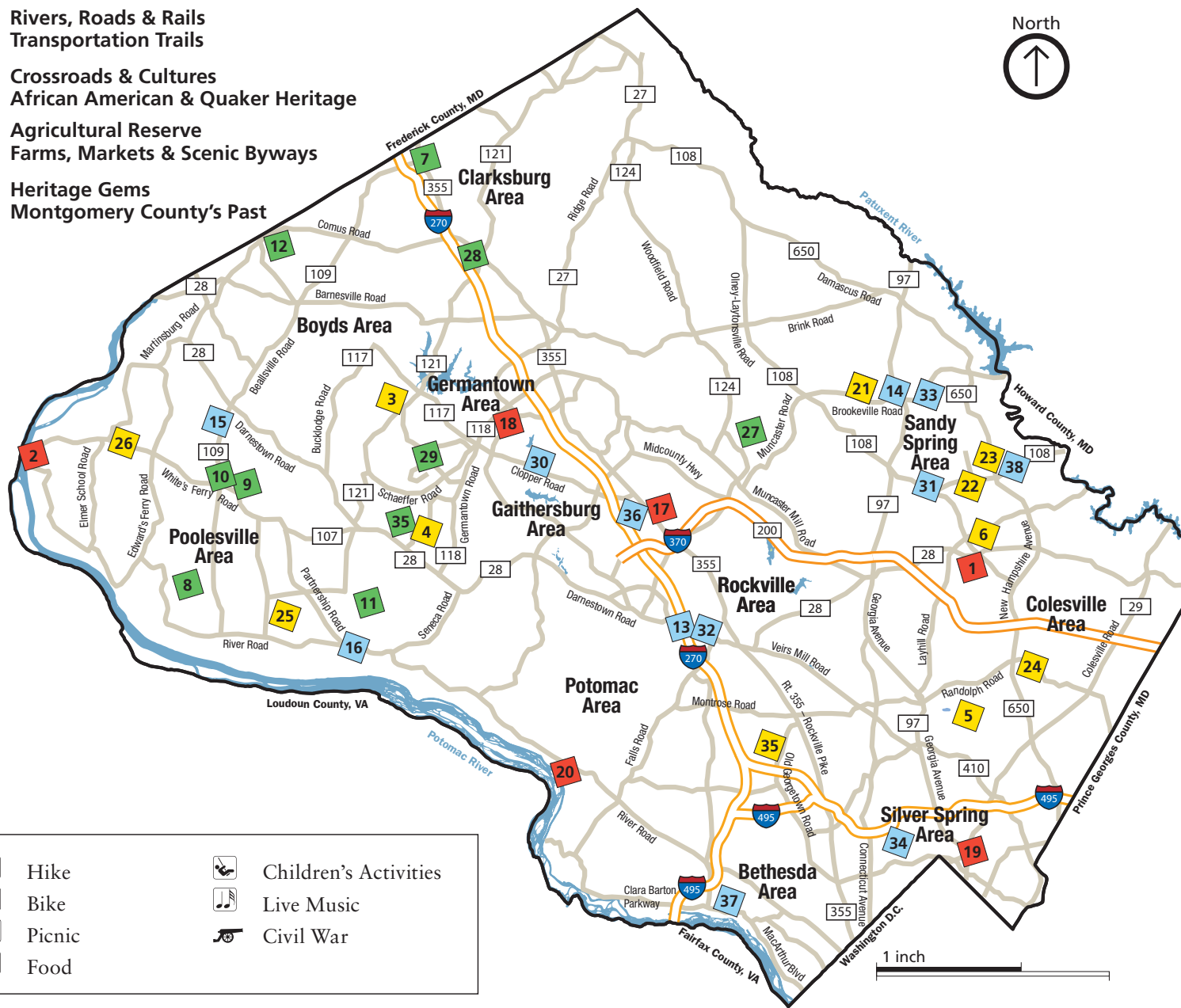
- The **Sandy Spring** area has something for everyone. The Sandy Spring Slave Museum will feature special programs and jazz band performances and Olney Theatre Center will offer tours throughout the afternoon. To learn more about local history visit the Sandy Spring Museum, Sandy Spring Friends Meeting House, and Woodlawn Museum.

Heritage Days offers the perfect opportunity to pack a picnic and explore the Montgomery County heritage area! We hope these ideas inspire you to use the map on the reverse to plan your own heritage tour. Please note that not all sites are open both Saturday and Sunday – be sure to check ahead as you plan your route.

-  Rivers, Roads & Rails
Transportation Trails
-  Crossroads & Cultures
African American & Quaker Heritage
-  Agricultural Reserve
Farms, Markets & Scenic Byways
-  Heritage Gems
Montgomery County's Past




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|  | Hike |  | Children's Activities |
|  | Bike |  | Live Music |
|  | Picnic |  | Civil War |
|  | Food | | |







SATURDAY AND SUNDAY



- 1 National Capital Trolley Museum**
DCTrolley.org 301-384-6088
1313 Bonifant Road, Colesville

Celebrating the beginning of street car services in the nation's capital, the museum presents two special exhibits: Civil War Streetcars and Gilded Age Streetcars. Ride vintage trolley cars for two miles through Northwest Branch Park (\$). 




- 2 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, weather permitting. Free ferry rides for those on foot.    





- 3 Boyds Negro School**
BoydsHistory.org
19510 White Ground Road, Boyds

Tour this restored one-room structure that was the sole public school for African American children in the Boyds area from 1895-1936.  





- 4 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.   

- 5 Thomas Harper Cabin at Brookside Nature Center**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-962-1480
1400 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton
Saturday: 11am-4pm; Sunday: 1-4pm

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.    

- 6 Woodlawn Museum**
WoodlawnManor.org 301-929-5989
16501 Norwood Road, Sandy Spring

Explore the restored 1832 stone barn at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park. Exhibits highlight local agricultural, Quaker, and African American history.    

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




Celebrating Hyattstown Mill Arts Project's 20 years of service to the cultural community, the gallery hosts the art exhibition: Sugarloaf Revisited. Live music and children's craft activities.     

- 8 Izaak Walton League Conservation Farm**
bcciwla.org
20601 Izaak Walton Way, Poolesville


Family-friendly activities celebrating B-CC Chapter history, conservation efforts, and appreciation of local ecology. Programs for children of all ages: forestry, fishing, archery, archaeology, wildlife, and tractor pull.





- 9 John Poole House**
HistoricMedley.org 301-407-0777
19923 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

Exhibits and activities at this 1793 log cabin, built to serve as a general store and trading post, feature local life in the early 1800s.   




- 10 Old Town Hall Bank Museum**
HistoricMedley.org 301-407-0777
19933 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

This 100+ year-old restored bank includes an ornate, early 20th-century vault with decorative painting; Civil War artifacts on exhibit.  



- 11 Rocklands Farm Winery**
RocklandsFarmMd.com 301-825-8075
14531 Montevideo Road, Poolesville
Open 11am-6pm

Visit this family friendly winery and market practicing holistic farming on an expansive property. Adults may tour the vineyard and winery (1pm, Sat.). Wine tasting (\$) in the historic bank barn tasting room.  


- 12 Soleado Lavender Farm**
SoleadoLavender.com 301-922-5964
23611 W. Harris Road, Dickerson

Enjoy lavender season on this scenic, family-owned farm growing several varieties of French and English lavender. A talk on lavender cultivation, artisan vendors, lavender plants and products (\$), and lavender lemonade!   

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

Local history activities and programs for all ages including performances, talks, and hands-on activities. Tours of the historic house museum and Stonestreet Museum of 19th-Century Medicine.  

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

Walking tours highlighting archaeology projects at local mill ruins leave from the academy where an exhibit of artifacts will also be on display. 

- 15 Sculpture Garden at Alden Farms**
AldenFarms.net 301-367-3879
19215 Beallsville Road, Beallsville
Open 10am to 5pm

Visit this sculpture garden and gallery open for wandering and browsing. 




- 16 Seneca Schoolhouse Museum**
HistoricMedley.org
16800 River Road, Poolesville

An 1880s school day will be reenacted with a costumed school teacher leading lessons and games of the period.





SATURDAY ONLY


- 17 Gaithersburg Community Museum**
GaithersburgMd.gov 301-258-6160 or 6350
9 S. Summit Avenue, Gaithersburg
Open at 10am

Located in an 1884 railroad complex, the museum offers hands-on exhibits and activities. Play in the museum's caboose and watch trains go by; enjoy the nearby interactive splash fountain. Heritage music by Ray Owens throughout the day.   




- 18 Germantown Bank**
GermantownMDHistory.org 301-972-2707
19330 Mateny Hill Rd., Germantown

Visit the 1922 bank building with original walk-in steel vault and safe deposit boxes. Walking tours of this early-1900s agricultural railroad town. Exhibits on Germantown history, the Civil War, Great Depression, and baseball great Walter "Big Train" Johnson. Music by a "hobo busker."  






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

Stop by this 1945 restored railroad station featuring HO scale model railroad display, train table play area, Metro train spotting under the canopy. N scale modelers Independent Dudes in Operation Top Secret (I.D.I.O.T.S.) will pay a visit. 

- 20 Swains Lockhouse 21**
CanalTrust.org 301-745-8888
10700 Swains Lock Road, Potomac

Tour the newly rehabilitated Swains Lockhouse, soon to be available for overnight stays through the C&O Canal Trust's Canal Quarters program. Learn about canal life in the 1910s and enjoy a walk or bike ride on the towpath.   





- 21 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. Shake, rattle and roll through the afternoon with Arts on a Roll; hands-on activities, music, and historic games, 1-4pm. Park at Mount Zion Park, 5130 Brookeville Road. Shuttle provided.     

- 22 Sandy Spring Meeting House**
SandySpring.org 301-774-9792
17715 Meeting House Road, Sandy Spring

Visit the 1817 meeting house and discuss Quaker history in Montgomery County; the historic graveyard will also be open to visitors.



- 23 Sandy Spring Slave Museum**
SandySpringSlaveMuseum.org
18524 Brooke Road, Sandy Spring
Open 11am to 6pm

View African and African American art and artifacts; a clipper ship cross section, log cabin, and African hut arts pavilion. Karlton Jackson African American jazz band; Auntie Africa story teller; videos featuring stories of local African Americans and their communities.    


- 24 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. See a film about its history, talk with former students, and learn about its current use.

- 25 St. Paul Community Church**
SugarlandProject.org 301-717-9304
14730 Sugarland Lane, Poolesville 301-646-4692




Tour the 1893 church, cemetery, and mini museum at this African American heritage site; history of Sugarland slide presentation, storytelling, Light of Faith choir gospel concert.  

- 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 and the renovated Loving Charity Hall (1914). 

SATURDAY ONLY



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

Visit the farm park for a hands-on exploration of over 300 years of Montgomery County agricultural history. Costumed historians, children's activities, gardens, farm animals.   





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

Tour the 1909 two-room schoolhouse; costumed docents, local history exhibits, children's games & crafts, coloring contest, face painting, moon bounce, live music.   

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

Life-sized model cows, model trains, dairy exhibits, map of county dairy farms. Farm animals, games & crafts, Balloon Man makes balloon animals, 12-2pm. Walking tour highlighting the James & Macy King family who originally owned the farm, 2pm.  

- 30 Grusendorf 1855 Log House**
FOSCSP.com 301-924-2127
11950 Clopper Road, Gaithersburg

Open house at the last surviving home from the earliest Germantown settlement. Old-time crafts, local stories about farm life in the 1800s and the Civil War, self-guided walking tour.    



- 31 Olney Theatre Center**
OlneyTheatre.org 301-924-4485, ext. 121
2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney

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




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

Join us as we welcome dancers and drummers for a Native American festival and free performances on the lawn at Courthouse Square at 1 and 3pm.

- 33 Thomas Mill**
HistoryintheParks.org 301-563-7531
Market Street & Brighton Dam Road, Brookeville



Discover Brookeville's early history at this archaeological site. Explore the mill ruins and see artifacts while learning about Montgomery County's milling past. Children can make their own grindstone and other crafts.  

- 34 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, grounds, and children's garden.   

SUNDAY ONLY





- 35 Black Rock Mill**
DNR.Maryland.gov/PublicLands/Pages/Central/Seneca.aspx 301-924-2127
16500 Black Rock Road, Darnestown

Open house for the new exhibits at the remains of an 1815 grain-grinding mill. Rangers will lead 15-minute walking tours leaving on the half hour.  


- 36 Gaithersburg International Latitude Observatory**
GaithersburgMD.gov 301-258-6160 or 6350
100 DeSellum Avenue, Gaithersburg

The observatory turns 120 – celebrate with tours of the park (12:30 & 2:30pm), tours of the observatory, hands-on activities, and birthday cake at 1pm. Visit with the National Geodetic Survey, part of NOAA and the agency that first had oversight of the observatory; activities and displays.  

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

Activities featuring the park's Civil Rights history. Live blues music; clips from the upcoming film, *There Ain't No Back to a Merry Go Round*, featuring interviews with 1960s protesters advocating for desegregation of the former privately-owned amusement park, now arts center.    

- 38 Sandy Spring Museum**
SandySpringMuseum.org 301-774-0022
17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring

This community museum will host two exhibits: Colored Folks: We Come in All Shades and an exhibit of student artwork from St. John's Episcopal School. 



Fishing at Izaak Walton Conservation Farm

HERITAGE DAYS WEEKEND

This year marks the **22nd 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 12 noon to 4 pm unless otherwise indicated.

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

Celebrate Heritage Days and discover fascinating sites and stories throughout Montgomery County!

**WATCH FOR
HERITAGE HARVEST, OCT. 5-6**