

News & Updates from Heritage Montgomery

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Heritage Days 2022 - June 25 & 26



This year marks the 23d annual Heritage Days weekend – a countywide festival offering programs, activities, and tours appealing to visitors of all ages and interests. With over 30 free events all around Montgomery County, Heritage Days Weekend, is the perfect time to explore local history, culture, and nature. Sites are open from noon to 4pm unless otherwise indicated.

Plus, celebrate Montgomery County's extensive collection of cultural and heritage museums all month long with Museum Month in June! Create your own self-guided road trip experience and visit wide range of participating museums. Extend your weekend with exclusive hotel packages. Head over to the <u>Museum Month webpage</u> to learn more and check out the Heritage Days Digital Passport in the Visit MoCo Adventure Planner App <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Events



23rd Annual Heritage Days

June 25th & 26th throughout Montgomery County

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Go Birding!

All Summer Long throughout Montgomery County

It's Join the Montgomery Bird Club at some of Montgomery County's top birding spots. Visit their website <u>here</u> to find the best spots in the county, resources, and more. **Free.**

Canal Quarters

C&O Canal Trust

We are pleased to announce that our Canal Quarters lockhouses are open with new protocols in place with your health in mind! When you stay in one of our lockhouses, you have it to yourself for the duration of your stay, providing you with a fun place to socially distance while you enjoy the beautiful C&O Canal with your family and friends. Also, <u>click here</u> for more opportunities.

Walk This Way Art Experience

All Month Long at Little Bennett Regional Park

Slow down and connect with the natural elements surrounding the Kingsley Trail through play, observation, and appreciation with this newly-installed art experience on the one-mile trail.

Tastemakers Trail

All Month Long at throughout Montgomery County

Montgomery County Tastemakers are brewing, fermenting, distilling and roasting some of the best local libations in the state of Maryland! Spend the day exploring the local craft beverage scene along the Tastemakers Trail.

Reptile Feeding

June 17th, 1-2 pm at Seneca Creek State Park

Learn about the native reptiles that live in our area and see our resident Corn Snake, Box Turtle and Diamondback Terrapin eat their lunch.

Juneteenth: Freedom at the Rock

June 18 at the BlackRock Center for the Arts

This year's Celebration will mark the first official observance of Juneteenth as both a national and County paid holiday. New this year, the festivities will include Trail of Knowledge educational passport activities, a historical journey of African American Music and artistic entertainment, and food trucks, all designed for the whole family. Activities will take place throughout BlackRock Center campus as well as at the Germantown Library. Special Guest Rare Essence will perform along with other musical and artistic surprises.

Josiah Henson Birthday Party Celebration

June 18 at the Josiah Henson Museum & Park

The Josiah Henson Museum & Park celebrates the life of Rev. Josiah Henson and Juneteenth with free museum admission, hands on activities, refreshments, and more.

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park Juneteenth Weekend

June 18 & 19 at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park

Celebrate Juneteenth, a commemoration of the emancipation of enslaved people in the United States, at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park. Take advantage of free museum admission Saturday and Sunday. A guided hike will be offered on Saturday. Free children's take-home activities will be available at the Visitor Center on Saturday and Sunday and American University's Humanities Truck will be onsite on Sunday.

Celebrating Juneteenth

June 19, 11:30-3 pm at the Gaithersburg Community Museum

The Gaithersburg Community Museum hosts "Celebrating Juneteenth," a free, drop-in activity on Sunday, June 19, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visitors will learn about the official Juneteenth flag & the significance of the color red in recognition of this day.

Rewind: The Tubman County Experience

June 20 online lecture from Montgomery History

Enjoy a virtual tour of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Visitor Center, presented by Park Ranger Cierra Maszkiewicz. The park, which sits on the trailhead for the 125-mile Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway, provides an in-depth understanding of Tubman's early years spent in Maryland's Choptank River region and her legacy as a leader, liberator, and humanitarian in the resistance movement of the Underground Railroad. Learn about the design concept of The View North, the life and legacy of this great American hero, and how to get the most from your visit to Tubman Country.

History of Play

June 25 at the Josiah Henson Museum & Park

Join us for a day of play, learn how enslaved children, indigenous children, and children of the Holocaust incorporated play in their lives. We will also have games and hands on activities for children of all ages!

Rockville Pride

June 26, 2-4 pm at Rockville Town Square

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trangender, Queer/Questioning Plus (LGBTQ+) Pride Month is celebrated in the United States to commemorate the Stonewall Riots, which occurred at the end of June 1969. The commemorative month also recognizes the impact LGBTQ+ individuals have had on history—locally, nationally, and internationally.







Heritage Montgomery is dedicated to the mission of preserving and promoting local history, culture, and distinctive natural areas, and fostering stewardship and economic development in Montgomery County, Maryland.

The economic impact of Heritage Montgomery is \$376.1 million annually.

The employment impact of Heritage Montgomery is 5,327 jobs supported and sustained.

Heritage Montgomery is one of 13 state-certified heritage areas in Maryland.

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