

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Philadelphia County Activities for Bigs and Littles

The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University

Observe live animals or look at dinosaur bones right on the Ben Franklin Parkway. http://www.acnatsci.org/

Awbury Arboretum

Germantown's largest oasis contains meadows, pond and trees, as well as the Victorian-style Francis Cope House.

http://www.gophila.com/C/Things to Do/211/Boundless Philadelphia/523/U/Awbury Arboretum/1943.html www.awbury.com

Bartram's Garden America's oldest botanical Garden – John Bartram's legacy lives on in this beautiful and historical natural historical setting. http://www.bartramsgarden.org/

The Betsy Ross House Learn the history behind the woman, the house and the flag. <u>http://www.betsyrosshouse.org/</u>

Eastern State Penitentiary

Tour America's most historical prison. It once housed notorious gangster Al Capone. There are also yearly events such as the Bastille Day celebration and the Haunted House at Halloween. http://www.easternstate.org/

Fairmount Park This park system features 206 historic properties. There are also trails, sports fields, museums, and more in this Commonwealth Treasure. www.fairmountpark.org

The Fairmount Park Recreation Center and Lloyd Hall

Right behind the Art Museum, you can rent rollerblades or bikes, or visit Philly's only public boathouse. <u>http://www.gophila.com/C/Things_to_Do/211/Boundless_Philadelphia/523/And_More_(Miscellaneous)/532/Segway_Tour/ 577/U/Lloyd_Hall/1819.html</u>

The Franklin Institute

Walk through the giant human heart or watch an IMAX movie at one of the most creative science museums in the country.

http://www.fi.edu/

Independence Visitor Center

The Independence Visitor Center is your one-stop-shop for information, history and adventure in the Philadelphia region. The Center provides the millions of visitors who travel to Philadelphia with a free comprehensive orientation to the culture, history, shopping and dining options available throughout the Greater Philadelphia region.

http://www.independencevisitorcenter.com/

The Liberty Bell Center View the Liberty Bell in its new magnificent glass chamber. http://www.nps.gov/inde/liberty-bell.html

Once Upon a Nation

Once Upon a Nation brings America's history to life through storytelling, daytime and nighttime activities, and Adventure Tours. This exciting new summer-long celebration in Philadelphia's Historic District offers something for everyone – from storytelling, to evening performances, to miniature golf and carousel rides. http://www.onceuponanation.org/html/01_00_00.php

The National Constitution Center

More than 100 interactive exhibits, artifacts and multi-media shows bring the Constitution to life at the National Constitution Center.

http://www.constitutioncenter.org/

The Philadelphia Museum of Art

Walk through beautiful collections of both classical and modern art. There are also wonderful featured exhibits that have attracted attention from all over the world. Past exhibits include Cezane, Dali and Wyeth. http://www.philamuseum.org/

Philadelphia Zoo

Animals and more await at the Philadelphia Zoo. <u>http://www.philadelphiazoo.org/</u>

The Phillies at Citizens Bank Park

Enjoy a Phillies game at Citizens Bank Park. You can also enjoy great food, as many of Philadelphia's favorite eateries have branches right inside the park. Can't catch a game? Learn all there is to know about Citizens Bank Park with a behind-the-scenes tours. From the dugout, to the announcer's booth, you have an all-access pass to tour Philly's newest sports venue.

http://philadelphia.phillies.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/phi/ballpark/index.jsp http://philadelphia.phillies.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/phi/ballpark/tour.jsp

Please Touch Museum

The Please Touch Museum is one of the country's best children's museums. It offers hands-on experiences that facilitate learning and fun!

http://www.pleasetouchmuseum.org/

Reading Terminal Market

Since 1892, Reading Terminal Market has been Philadelphia's exclusive farmer's market. The enclosed market boasts sights, sounds and tastes from around the city and around the world. <u>http://www.readingterminalmarket.org/</u>

Theaters in Philadelphia

Philadelphia has a host of theaters and theater companies. <u>http://www.philadelphia.com/theater/</u>

Schuylkill River Trail

Run, bike, hike, or skate along this 20-mile path from Philadelphia to Valley Forge. You don't have to go all 20 miles.

http://www.gophila.com/C/Things_to_Do/211/Boundless_Philadelphia/523/Running_Hiking_and_More/525/U/Schuylkill_River_Trail/1874.html

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