

FAIRMOUNT PARK

*Holiday Events*  
2013

HISTORIC HOUSE TOURS  
GINGERBREAD DISPLAY  
SPECIAL EVENTS





# Holiday Tours

## THE HISTORIC HOUSES OF FAIRMOUNT PARK

### TOUR ON YOUR OWN

THURSDAY – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 – 8 & 12 – 15

OPEN DAILY: 10 AM – 4 PM

PRICE: \$5 PER PERSON PER HOUSE;  
CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE

Enjoy the Historic Houses at your own pace during their Open Houses. Hosts are available at each house to answer questions and highlight the uniqueness of each of these gems. Receive collectible recipe cards featuring historically inspired recipes at each house – visit all six houses to complete your set! Reservations are not required. FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE AT ALL OF THE HOUSES.

Visit [www.parkcharms.com](http://www.parkcharms.com) for directions.

### GUIDED TROLLEY TOURS

THURSDAY – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 – 8 & 12 – 15

DAILY: 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM & 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

PRICE: \$38 (\$30 FOR MEMBERS OF THE  
PHILADELPHIA MUSEUM OF ART AND  
THE FAIRMOUNT PARK CONSERVANCY)

Each guided trolley tour includes a stop in three of the six houses (Cedar Grove, Laurel Hill, Lemon Hill, Mount Pleasant, Strawberry Mansion and Woodford); the morning and afternoon tours feature different houses – make a day of it and see all six houses! Tours depart from the West Entrance of the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Visit [www.philamuseum.org/historichouses](http://www.philamuseum.org/historichouses) to see the schedule and reserve tickets or call 215-235-SHOW.

*Visitor parking is available at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.  
Reservations required.*

### GROUP TOURS

DECEMBER 4 – 15

PRICE: \$8 PER PERSON PER HOUSE  
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED: 215-684-7863 OR  
[WWW.PHILAMUSEUM.ORG/GROUPVISITS](http://WWW.PHILAMUSEUM.ORG/GROUPVISITS)

Groups of 15 or more who would like to provide their own bus transportation can reserve Philadelphia Museum of Art trained step-on guides. Cedar Grove, Mount Pleasant and Woodford will be open to groups through December 29.



## *Strawberry Mansion* "HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS"

For the first time in five years, Strawberry Mansion will be open for the Holiday Tours. Decorations will highlight the beautifully restored rooms, and will welcome friends and guests "home" to Strawberry Mansion. Don't

miss the newly installed mural in the Banquet Room. Purchase fresh greens and gifts at the 6th annual Greens Sale on Strawberry Mansion's grounds throughout the Holiday Tours.

## *Laurel Hill* "ANGELS AT LAUREL HILL"

Experience angel decorations from the Community Garden Club at Wayne incorporated into the sights and sounds of your visit. Enjoy music on the historic pianoforte and partake in complimentary tea. Gingerbread men, women and angels baked by the Culinary Arts Institute of Montgomery Community College will be available for purchase.



## *Woodford Mansion* "WASSAILING AT WOODFORD"

Celebrate the holidays from the British perspective with one of Philadelphia's most prominent Loyalist socialites from the American Revolution! Meet Rebecca Franks, daughter of Woodford's former owner and a darling of the British occupiers, who will greet visitors and

share holiday stories from 11 am to 2 pm, December 6, 7, 13, 14 and 15. Woodford is open Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 4 pm, year-round.



## HOLIDAY GIFT BASKET RAFFLE

Enter to win customized gift baskets at each stop on the Holiday House Tours, featuring food and gifts inspired by the collections of each of these historic homes.

## *Cedar Grove* "SIMPLE GIFTS"

Delight in the naturalistic holiday designs at newly-restored Cedar Grove, an early American home. Guests will have the opportunity to make a vintage ornament to take home. Cedar Grove is open Thursday – Sunday, through December 29, and Monday – Wednesday, December 30 – January 1.



## *Lemon Hill* "HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING"

Step into Henry Pratt's parlor and see how Philadelphians entertained during the holidays. Enjoy a special display featuring rarely-seen pieces from Lemon Hill's collection and fantastic views of Center City Philadelphia through the Oval Room's floor-to-ceiling windows.

## *Mount Pleasant* "VISIONS OF TWELFTH NIGHT"

Holiday merry-making in colonial homes often featured a Twelfth Night celebration. Enjoy these visions and craft your own signature holiday card to take home. Mount Pleasant is open to visitors Thursday – Sunday, through December 29, and Monday – Wednesday, December 30 – January 1.



## HOLIDAY FOOD & TOY COLLECTION

Support the Strawberry Mansion community and bring non-perishable food and unwrapped, new toys of any kind to the houses during this year's holiday tours. All donations will go to the Strawberry Mansion Neighborhood Action Center (SMNAC) to assist local residents during the holiday season.



## HISTORIC STRAWBERRY MANSION

2450 STRAWBERRY MANSION DRIVE

215-228-8364 • [STRAWBERRYMANSSION@ME.COM](mailto:STRAWBERRYMANSSION@ME.COM)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

### ANNUAL HOLIDAY TEA

DEC. 5 & 6 — 11 AM / \$40 PP

### CANDLELIGHT TOUR

DEC. 11 — 5:30 PM / \$40 PP

There is plenty to do at Historic Strawberry Mansion this holiday season. Enjoy a traditional Holiday Tea in the splendor of Historic Strawberry Mansion, prepared by Brûlée Catering, with a silent auction to benefit the preservation of the Mansion. Or step onto a private trolley at Lloyd Hall on Dec. 11 for a nighttime tour of Woodford Mansion and Historic Strawberry Mansion, followed by light fare provided by Brûlée Catering.

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## LAUREL HILL CEMETERY

3822 RIDGE AVENUE

215-228-8200

[WWW.THELAURELHILLCEMETERY.ORG](http://WWW.THELAURELHILLCEMETERY.ORG)



Laurel Hill is America's first National Historic Landmark Cemetery, boasting art, architecture, nature and stunning river views. This final resting place of numerous historic notables is open Monday – Friday from 8 am – 4:30 pm and Saturday – Sunday from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm with free admission for self-guided tours or recreation. Joggers, dog walkers, bicyclists and photographers are welcome. Unique public tours and events are also offered throughout the year. Proceeds benefit the preservation of the Cemetery.

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## ORMISTON MANSION HISTORIC HOLIDAY TOUR

EAST FAIRMOUNT PARK, 2000 RESERVOIR DRIVE

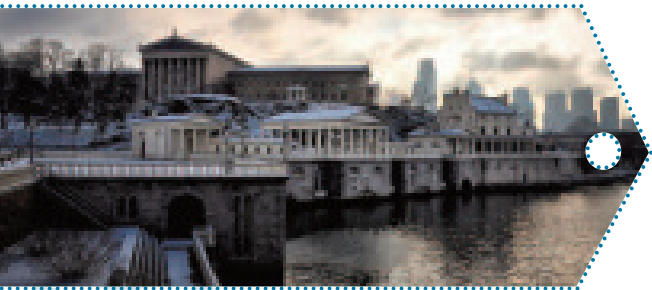
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DECEMBER 6 – 8 & 12 – 15

10 AM – 4 PM

Tour this beautifully decorated mansion, erected in 1798 by Edward Burd. The City of Philadelphia bought the mansion in 1869 and it has been under the care of the Royal Heritage Society since 1982. Highlights include a historic Scottish kitchen and various reception rooms where guests can enjoy complementary tea and cookies. Guides will be on hand to talk about the mansion and answer questions.

ADMISSION: \$5 PP • *CHILDREN FREE*



## **WATER WORKS RESTAURANT**

**640 WATERWORKS DRIVE (OFF KELLY DRIVE)  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19130**

**215-236-9000 • WWW.WATERWORKSRESTAURANT.COM**

Celebrate the holidays with mouthwatering cuisine, first-class service and breathtaking views! Enjoy a relaxing brunch, lunch or dinner at Philadelphia's Landmark Dining Experience. A la carte and group dining (12 or more guests) options are available. Holiday House Tour visitors receive 5% off food with a same day house tour ticket; may not be combined with any other offer. Enrich your experience with a tour of the Interpretive Center located onsite and learn about America's first municipal water pumping station. Make your reservation today online or by phone.

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## **BELMONT MANSION HOLIDAY TOURS**

**2000 BELMONT MANSION DRIVE (AT MONTGOMERY DRIVE)  
215-878-884 • WWW.BELMONTMANSION.ORG**

DECEMBER 7 - 21, NOON - 4 PM (RESERVATIONS SUGGESTED)

Historic Belmont Mansion, decorated in its holiday finest, will offer docent-guided and self-guided tours of the historic site and Underground Railroad Museum. Hear songs from carolers Fridays through Sundays. The mansion is designated as a significant site of the Fairmount Park Historic District. The American Women's Heritage Society (AWHS) was the first organization to operate Belmont Mansion as a historic site, and remains the only African American women's organization to administer a historic mansion in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park.

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## **SMITH MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND & PLAYHOUSE**

**3500 RESERVOIR DRIVE, EAST FAIRMOUNT PARK  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19121**

**215-765-4325 • WWW.SMITHPLAYGROUND.ORG**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 10AM - 12PM

Kids 10 and younger and their caregivers are invited to Winter Wonderland at Smith! Join us for an ice-carving demonstration, hot cocoa bar, crafts, activities, and fun in the 6 ½ acre Playground and 16,000 sq.-ft. Playhouse. This event is free for Smith members, \$10 per child for non-members. Become a member at [www.smithplayground.org/membership](http://www.smithplayground.org/membership), or get your tickets at <http://smithplayground.ticketleap.com/winter2013>

2013

# Gingerbread House Display

AT THE SHOPS AT  
LIBERTY PLACE

16TH & CHESTNUT STREETS



NOVEMBER 4 - 22

Prepare for the holiday season with stunning gingerbread recreations of Fairmount Park historic sites! Each Gingerbread House is handcrafted by a Philadelphia chef. Marvel at these sweet structures then visit the historic sites in real life during the holidays!



## BELMONT MANSION

– Created by **Denise's Bakery**

## CEDAR GROVE

– Created by **STARR Events**

## LAUREL HILL CEMETERY

– Created by **Danish Bakers**

## LAUREL HILL MANSION

– Created by **Montco Culinary Arts Institute**

## LEMON HILL

– Created by  
**Garces Catering**

## MOUNT PLEASANT

– Created by **R2L**

## ORMISTON

– Created by  
**Town Crier Bakery**

## PLEASE TOUCH MUSEUM

– Created by **Brûlée Catering**

## RYERSS MUSEUM AND LIBRARY

– Created by **Filter Dining Room and Pub & Kitchen**

## SMITH MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND

– Created by **The Art of Bread**

## STRAWBERRY MANSION

– Created by **Brûlée Catering**

## THOMAS MANSION

– Created by  
**Drexel University Center for Hospitality**

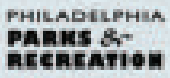
## WOODFORD MANSION

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