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**SENSORY-FRIENDLY SUNDAYS BEGIN AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER IN 2019**

Philadelphia, PA (January 2, 2019) – Today, the National Constitution Center announced plans to offer a more accessible museum experience for individuals of all abilities and their families on multiple dates throughout 2019. Sensory-Friendly Sundays at the Center will incorporate a variety of programs and learning techniques developed for visitors with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Sensory Processing Disorders, intellectual disabilities, and other neurodevelopmental disabilities into the everyday visitor experience.

Sensory-Friendly Sundays will provide visitors with sensory processing challenges the opportunity to experience the museum in a secure and comfortable environment by providing emotionally safe spaces for families, modified programming for diverse sensory needs, and specialized staff training. The National Constitution Center will also develop free pre-visit guides as a resource for visitors to access in advance of their trip to the Center.

“At the National Constitution Center, we are committed to creating an inclusive space for all learners to feel welcome and be able to experience the important lessons about the foundation of our nation and the role the U.S. Constitution plays in their lives,” said Kerry Sautner, Chief Learning Officer at the National Constitution Center. “Making the Constitution accessible to all Americans is at the heart of our mission, and we look forward to providing each of our visitors with an enriching experience through our programming, exhibits, and environment.”

Sensory-Friendly Sunday dates for 2019 include March 24, June 23, August 25, and December 8. Dates for 2019 have been selected in conjunction with Visit Philadelphia with consideration for other sensory-friendly programming in Philadelphia.

The National Constitution Center is committed to making its facilities, exhibits, programs, and resources accessible for all audiences. In addition to Sensory-Friendly Sundays, the Center offers assistive listening systems, sign language interpretation, large print scripts and braille, wheelchair accessibility, and other adaptations and modifications. Additional information about the Center’s accessibility policy can be found [here](#).

**Ticket Information**

**General Admission:** Adults \$14.50; Youth (6-18) \$11; Students w/ID and Seniors \$13. Members, active military personnel, children ages 5 and under, and personal care attendants of visitors with disabilities are free. Admission for 15 or more is \$7.50 for student and youth groups; \$9 for adult and senior groups.

The National Constitution Center is located at 525 Arch Street on Philadelphia’s Independence Mall. The Center is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

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### **About the National Constitution Center**

The [National Constitution Center](https://www.constitutioncenter.org) in Philadelphia inspires citizenship as the only place where people across America and around the world can come together to learn about, debate, and celebrate the greatest vision of human freedom in history, the U.S. Constitution. A private, nonprofit organization, the Center serves as America's leading platform for constitutional education and debate, fulfilling its Congressional charter "to disseminate information about the U.S. Constitution on a nonpartisan basis." As the **Museum of We the People**, the Center brings the Constitution to life for visitors of all ages through interactive programs and exhibits. As **America's Town Hall**, the Center brings the leading conservative and liberal thought leaders together to debate the Constitution on all media platforms. As a center for **Civic Education**, the Center delivers the best educational programs and online resources that inspire, excite, and engage citizens about the U.S. Constitution. For more information, call 215-409-6700 or visit [constitutioncenter.org](https://www.constitutioncenter.org).