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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER AND AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM IN PHILADELPHIA OFFER DISCOUNTED JOINT TICKET

Historic District organizations partner to engage visitors in history of the American experience

Philadelphia, PA (November 22, 2019) — Today, the National Constitution Center and the African American Museum in Philadelphia announced a partnership to offer visitors a joint ticket that includes admission to both institutions for a discounted price, as well as an exclusive group package.

Located just a block from each other in Philadelphia's most historic square mile—home to Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, and more—the two institutions aim to educate the public about the whole of the American experience and the individuals who comprise 'We the People.' Both institutions are devoted to telling the richness of American history through interactive exhibits, priceless artifacts, and compelling storytelling.

"We are thrilled to partner with the African American Museum in Philadelphia in celebrating the heritage of African Americans in shaping the meaning of the Constitution," said Jeffrey Rosen, president and CEO of the National Constitution Center, adding, "Through the stories of Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, Henry "Box" Brown, and Frances Ellen Watkins Harper, we hope all visitors to our new permanent gallery, *Civil War and Reconstruction: The Battle for Freedom & Equality*, will grow in their understanding of the American experience under the institution of slavery, the battle for freedom during the Civil War, and the fight for equality during Reconstruction. It's important to elevate these stories and inspire visitors to learn more."

"The American story is complex and multi-dimensional," said Patricia Wilson Arden, president of the African American Museum in Philadelphia. "The joint ticketing partnership between the African American Museum and the National Constitution Center will help ensure that visitors are afforded the opportunity to learn more about the under-told history of the African American experience from the American Revolution through to Reconstruction. By experiencing AAMP's "Audacious Freedom" exhibition along with the National Constitution Center's "Reconstruction" exhibition, visitors will gain a deeper understanding of this critical period, its context and its ongoing impact on our country's social and legal constructs. We are thrilled that the National Constitution Center shares our commitment to sharing these stories that are so integral to the American experience."

The joint ticket is now available online at <u>constitutioncenter.org</u> and <u>aampmuseum.org</u>, and can be purchased in person at both museums. The adult joint ticket is \$24 (savings of \$4.50) and the youth joint ticket is \$18 (savings of \$3). The group package is available for youth and adult groups of 15 or more.

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About the National Constitution Center

The <u>National Constitution Center</u> in Philadelphia brings together people of all ages and perspectives, across America and around the world, 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 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 **Headquarters for Civic Education**, the Center delivers the best educational programs and online resources that inspire citizens and engage all Americans in learning about the U.S. Constitution. For more information, call 215-409-6700 or visit constitutioncenter.org.

About the African American Museum in Philadelphia

Founded in 1976 in celebration of the nation's bicentennial, the <u>African American Museum in</u> <u>Philadelphia</u> is the first institution funded and built by a major municipality to preserve, interpret and exhibit the heritage of African Americans. The mission of the museum is to bring together diverse communities in greater appreciation of the Black experience through the combined narrative of art, history and culture. Throughout its evolution, the museum has objectively interpreted and presented the achievements and aspirations of African Americans from pre-colonial times to the current day.