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WAWA TO OFFER FREE ADMISSION TO NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER AND AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM IN PHILADELPHIA ON FEBRUARY 26 IN CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Wawa Community Care mobile coffee vehicle to be at each museum throughout the day to serve free coffee, hot chocolate, and snacks to visitors

Philadelphia, PA (February 17, 2022) – In celebration of Black History Month, Wawa, the National Constitution Center, and the African American Museum in Philadelphia (AAMP) are teaming up to offer visitors a free Wawa Community Day Honoring Black History Month, on Saturday, February 26.

Admission to both the National Constitution Center and the African American Museum in Philadelphia will be free thanks to the generosity of Wawa. A full list of National Constitution Center special programming can be found [here](#) and a full list of African American Museum in Philadelphia special programming can be found [here](#).

All month long, the National Constitution Center is recognizing the achievements and rich heritage of African Americans, and the impact their stories have had on constitutional history with special on-site programming, virtual events, and online educational resources. On Saturday, February 26, visitors to the National Constitution Center can experience a tour of the Center's *Civil War and Reconstruction* exhibit, a scholar talk on Harriet Scott and the 14th Amendment, historic character meet and greets with African American heroes, a conversation on the civil rights movement, and more.

The African American Museum in Philadelphia has curated a series of on-site and virtual programming in observation of Black History Month. On Saturday, February 26, AAMP will welcome reenactor Noah Lewis as Revolutionary War Hero Edward "Ned" Hector for a special living history presentation in its core exhibition "Audacious Freedom: African Americans in Philadelphia 1776 - 1876." AAMP will also host its family-friendly Learning through the Arts workshop, where the Museum's youngest visitors will have the chance to make art inspired by the legacy of Harriet Tubman and to learn about the many ways free and enslaved Africans in America communicated during their journeys to freedom. Advance registration online is strongly recommended for on-site events and in-person visitors. All visitors are required to go through COVID-19 protocols before entry to the Museum and guests are required to wear masks while in the Museum. The African American Museum in Philadelphia is open, with limited capacity, Thursday through Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Wawa's Community Care mobile coffee vehicle and Wawa Innovation Network associate volunteers will also be at both locations serving free coffee, hot chocolate, pastries, and soft pretzels, as supplies last, to visitors from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the African American Museum in Philadelphia and 2 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the National Constitution Center.

The National Constitution Center's Black History Month celebration, made possible thanks to the generosity of [TD Bank, America's Most Convenient Bank®](#), is presented as part of the Center's series of freedom and equality themed programming and discounted admission between January and March

2022. Civic holiday celebrations and special programs at the Center include discounted admission and free admission days on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Presidents Day, and Wawa Community Days on February 26 for Black History Month programs and March 26 Women's History Month programs; online classes taught by constitutional experts; virtual tours of the museum; and professional learning opportunities featuring distinguished guest speakers. A full schedule of online and on-site programming for Black History Month, including links to register, is available [here](#).

National Constitution Center general operating hours are currently Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Now through Thursday, March 31, visitors can enjoy discounted admission of \$10 for adults (usually \$14.50) and \$7.50 for youth ages 6-18 (usually \$11). This promotion is valid online only; tickets must be purchased in advance. The National Constitution Center is committed to the health and safety of visitors, staff, and volunteers and is following protocols in accordance with local, state, and federal health guidelines. Masks are required; proof of vaccination is not required. As a GBAC STAR™ accredited facility, the Center is proud to be recognized for cleaning and disinfecting to a higher standard. More information on health and safety policies is available [here](#).

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About the National Constitution Center

The [National Constitution Center](#) 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 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 **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 African American Museum in Philadelphia 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.

About Wawa, Inc.

Wawa, Inc., a privately held company, began in 1803 as an iron foundry in New Jersey. Toward the end of the 19th Century, owner George Wood took an interest in dairy farming and the family began a small processing plant in Wawa, PA in 1902. The milk business was a huge success, due to its quality, cleanliness and "certified" process. As home delivery of milk declined in the early 1960s, Grahame Wood, George's grandson, opened the first Wawa Food Market in 1964 as an outlet for dairy products. Today, Wawa is your all day, every day stop for freshly prepared foods, beverages, coffee, fuel services and surcharge-free ATMs. Wawa stores are located in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Florida and Washington, D.C. The stores offer a large fresh foodservice selection, including

Wawa brands such as custom prepared hoagies, freshly-brewed coffee, hot breakfast sandwiches, specialty beverages and an assortment of soups, sides and snacks. Forbes.com Ranks Wawa as #29 of America's Largest Private Companies in 2021 and #12 on Forbes 100 Halo List in 2022. For more information, visit us on www.wawa.com or follow us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram at @wawa

About Wawa Innovation Networks (WIN)

Wawa Innovation Networks (WINS) are volunteer, associate led resource groups focused on leveraging unique insights and experience to inspire innovation and inform programs and initiatives. WINS are a key component of Wawa's overall Diversity, Equity and Inclusion strategy and work collaboratively with the business to ensure both customers and associates feel a sense of appreciation and belonging. To date, there are five WINS at Wawa, including Rainbow Alliance, Unity Alliance, Young Professionals, Veterans Alliance and Women's Alliance.