



## Jamestown Settlement & American Revolution Museum at Yorktown jyfmuseums.org

Set sail on a voyage of discovery and seize the revolutionary spirit at Jamestown Settlement and the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown, two history museums that present early American history through innovative galleries, with artifacts and films, and immersive living history. Expansive indoor exhibits and outdoor experiences, blended with special exhibitions, events and public lectures, make the museums perfect spots for visitors to soak in the history any time of the year. The history museums are administered by the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, an educational agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia accredited by the American Alliance of Museums.

## **Story Ideas**

Jamestown Settlement Offers Immersive Experiences of 1600s Virginia in Refreshed Permanent Galleries & Films and Outdoor Living History: Discover the story of 17th-century Virginia, from the arrival of English colonists in Jamestown in 1607 to the cultural encounters and events that planted the seeds of a new nation. Expansive gallery exhibits and films describe the cultures of the Powhatan Indians, English and West Central Africans who converged in 17th-century Virginia, and trace Jamestown's beginnings in England and the first century of the Virginia colony. Explore refreshed gallery exhibits, incorporating an expanded collection and new historical research and technology, including immersive displays, films and a new "Bacon's Rebellion" experiential theater. In the outdoor areas, costumed historical interpreters describe and demonstrate daily life in early 17th-century Jamestown. Climb aboard a re-creation of one of the three ships that sailed from England to Virginia in 1607. Explore life-size re-creations of a 1610-14 fort and a Paspahegh town.





American Revolution Museum at Yorktown Presents Experiential and Interactive Fun in Telling National Story of the Revolution: Stories of citizens and soldiers caught up in the Revolution unfold at the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown. A truly national perspective comes to life in exhibit settings featuring nearly 500 period artifacts, interactive displays, games and immersive environments. "The Siege of Yorktown" film transports visitors into the action of America's 1781 victory shown on a 180-degree screen with dramatic special effects. Outdoors, enlist in the Continental Army and witness artillery demonstrations and help with chores on a Revolution-era farm based on a real 18th-century family.

**Countdown to American Revolution 250:** The 250th anniversary of the American Revolution is on the horizon in 2026, and the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown is poised to join other historical attractions to mark this significant national milestone. The American Revolution 250 Commission, established as an advisory commission

within the executive branch of the Commonwealth of Virginia, will commemorate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, the Revolutionary War and the independence of the United States.



"Reign & Rebellion" Special Exhibition to Debut November 2022: Explore Virginia through the lens of the Stuart monarchy, whose royal foothold impacted and influenced early America and shaped the struggles and determination of those who lived in the colony in the 17th and 18th centuries. This upcoming special exhibition, opening November 5, 2022 through September 5, 2023, will span the centuries at Jamestown Settlement and the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown and make connections between the past and our present, to illuminate how the Stuarts — and their legacies in Virginia — are closer than you think.



**Engaging Special Events and Programs Offered Year-Round:** An array of special events and programs round out the daily experiences at Jamestown Settlement and the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown. Among the 2022-2023 highlights is the ongoing Director's Series featuring Executive Director Christy S. Coleman engaging in lively and enlightening conversations with some of the nation's prominent scholars and public figures. Popular special events include Yorktown Victory Celebration on October 15, Family Frights on October 21 and 22, Foods & Feasts of Colonial Virginia on November 25-26, Christmastide in Virginia on December 18-31, "After Angelo" Black Artist Showcase on February 25, Military Through the Ages on March 18-19, and Jamestown Day and Indigenous Arts Day on May 13.

**Ticket Options to Visit Museums and Williamsburg Area Attractions:** Visitors can choose from a variety of tickets to visit both museums, plus cost-saving options to visit other Williamsburg area attractions. 2022 ticket options include an online value-priced **combination ticket** to both museums with seven days of unlimited

admission (\$30 for adults, \$15 for ages 6-12); and an **American Heritage Annual Pass** offers year-round admission with access to daytime exhibits and special events (\$44 for adults, \$22 for ages 6-12). An **America's Historic Triangle Ticket** offers unlimited admission for seven days to Jamestown Settlement, American Revolution Museum at Yorktown, Colonial Williamsburg, Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield, for \$109.90 for adults and \$48.45 for ages 6-15. A Jamestown & Yorktown Four-Site Value **Ticket** offers unlimited admission for seven days to four historical sites – Jamestown Settlement, American Revolution Museum at Yorktown, Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield is \$55.90 for adults, \$32.90 for ages 13-15 and \$18.45 for ages 6-12. Children age 5 and under are free.



**In-Person and Virtual Learning Experiences:** The Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation has been offering education programs for students and teachers for more than 30 years in-person at the museums and in Virginia classrooms and, even more so in recent years, virtual learning opportunities and teacher development programs, including the popular Summer Teacher Institute in July. In-person and virtual learning experiences at Jamestown Settlement and the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown bring American history to students and teachers through a variety of inquiry-based, interactive programming. A variety of fun and engaging educational content, including apps, interactives, curatorial blogs, lesson plans and videos are available at jyfmuseums.org/learn.

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