

Education Programs at The Exchange



Tour of the Exchange:

SC Social Studies Education Standards -

- 2nd – 2.H.1, H.2, H.3
- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E. 4.2 CO, CE, P, CX, CC, E.
- 8th – 8.1 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
8.2 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
- USHC.1. CE, E

Program Description – Step back in time and see the Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon! Program participants will follow a period-dressed docent through all three floors of the building as they learn about the Old Exchange’s connection to the Revolutionary War, the Colonial era, Pirate history, African American history, and the establishment of American Government. Includes an interactive game involving the Declaration of Independence and a tour of the Dungeon.

Duration – 1 Hour.

Colonial Lifestyles:

SC Social Studies Education Standards –

- 2nd – 2.H.1, H.2, H.3
- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E.
4.2 CO, CE, P, CX, CC, E.

Program Description – Learn about life back in colonial times at the Old Exchange. Participants will follow a Colonial-dressed docent through the Old Exchange as they learn about life back in the colonial era. There is also a hands-on activity where participants see colonial utensils and toys that were commonly used during colonial times.

Duration – 1 Hour.

Pirate Scavenger Hunt:

SC Social Studies Education Standards -

- 2nd – 2.H.1, H.2, H.3
- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E.
4.2 CO, CE, P, CX, CC, E.
- 8th – 8.1 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
8.2 CO, CE, P, CX, E.

Program Description – Drop anchor in Charleston and learn about the city’s rich pirate history! Program participants will follow a period-dressed docent as they learn about the colonial era and piracy in “Charles Town.” Then take a picture scavenger hunt of the city, where participants find and take photos of multiple locations in the city related to pirates.

Duration – 1 Hour and 30 Minutes.

George Washington Scavenger Hunt:

SC Social Studies Education Standards –

- 2nd – 2.H.1, H.2, H.3
- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E.
4.2 CO, CE, P, CX, CC, E.
- 8th – 8.1 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
8.2 CO, CE, P, CX, E.

Program Description – Come and learn about the American Revolution at the Old Exchange, where President Washington was entertained. Program participants will follow a period-dressed docent throughout the Old Exchange as they learn about the history of the Revolutionary War in Charleston, the establishment of American Government, and George Washington’s famous visit to the city. Then get ready to take a picture scavenger hunt where participants will find locations in the city pertaining to George Washington’s Charleston visit.

Duration – 1 Hour and 30 Minutes to 2 Hours

Enslavement and Reconstruction: An African American History Program

SC Social Studies Education Standards –

- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E.
4.2 CO, E.
4.3 CX.
4.5 CO
- 8th - 8.1 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
8.2 CO, CE, P, CX, E
8.3 CO, P, E.
- USHC.2. CO

Program Description – Learn about the history of the Old Exchange and its relation to African American history in Charleston. Program participants will follow a professionally dressed docent as they discuss how the American Revolution and the early American Government affected the African American population of Charleston. Groups will also learn about the history of the transatlantic and domestic slave trade in America, and important Charleston African American figures such as Denmark Vesey and Dr. Benjamin Boseman.

Duration – 1 Hour.

The Road to Civil War:

SC Social Studies Education Standards –

- 4th – 4.3 CX
4.4 CO, E.
- 8th – 8.3 CO, P, E.

Program Description – Come to the Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon and learn about its role leading up to the Civil War. Program participants follow a professionally dressed docent through the building, as they explain the use of the Old Exchange during the Nullification Crisis, the domestic slave trade, and South Carolina’s secession from the Union.

Duration – 1 Hour.

Outreach Programs

Interview with a Pirate:

SC Social Studies Education Standards –

- 2nd – 2.H.1, H.2, H.3
- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E. 4.2 CO, CE, P, CX, CC, E.

Program Description – Have a pirate drop anchor at your location! This is a chance to sit down and talk with a pirate costumed docent while learning about Charleston’s colonial and pirate history. Program participants will be given 10 prepared question cards in total, and the docent will provide answers that relate to the history of South Carolina and piracy. After the prepared questions are asked, guests can ask any additional questions. Also includes pirate-themed items that the docent will display and explain to the group.

Interview with a Patriot:

SC Social Studies Education Standards –

- 2nd – 2.H.1, H.2, H.3
- 4th – 4.1 CO, CE, P, CC, E. 4.2 CO, CE, P, CX, CC, E.
- 8th – 8.1 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
8.2 CO, CE, P, CX, E.
- USHC.1. CE, E

Program Description – Have a patriot bring freedom to your location! The program includes a costumed docent coming to your site and discussing colonial and Revolutionary War history. Participants will be given 10 prepared question cards in total, and the docent will provide answers that relate to South Carolina's growth from a colony to an independent nation. After the prepared questions are asked, guests can ask any additional questions. Also includes colonial items that the docent will display and explain to the group.

To book an Education Program...

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