



Museums of the State of Delaware Special-Events Calendar July 2013

Mondays, July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2013

[Lecture/tour of His Majesty's Sloop DeBraak](#). Explore the history of the DeBraak which was capsized and lost off the Delaware coast on May 25, 1798. Program includes a trip to the hull facility in nearby Cape Henlopen State Park for a curator-led tour of the surviving section of the ship's hull. [Zwaanendael Museum](#), 102 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958. Programs at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Limited seating. Admission \$10 in advance by reservation only at <http://shop.delaware.gov/>. For additional information, call 302-645-1148.



Artistic rendition of the capsizing of the DeBraak by Peggy Kane, 1990.

Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2013

"Weaving Wednesdays." Staff-led program in which visitors will learn how to weave a blanket or rag rug. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-739-3277.

Thursday, July 4, 2013

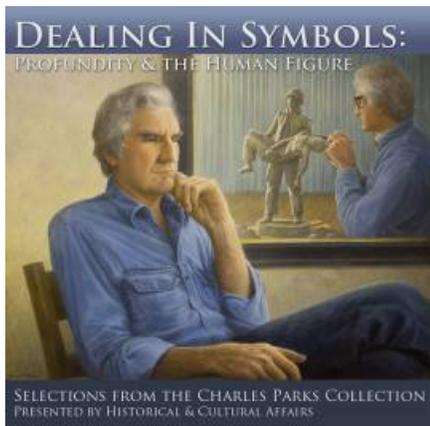
Independence Day program. Screenings at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. of "Thunder and Rain," a film about Caesar Rodney's historic ride for independence. At 2 p.m., the bell of The Old State House will ring in celebration of the nation's birthday, followed by site interpreters, dressed in period clothing, who will recite the Declaration of Independence aloud from the spot where the document was first read to the citizens of Dover in 1776. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-744-5055.



Saturday, July 6, 2013

"Stars and Stripes Forever,' A John Philip Sousa Tribute." Guided tours explore the life of John Philip Sousa accompanied by recordings of the noted bandmaster played on authentic Victor Talking Machines. [First Saturday in the First State](#) program. [Johnson Victrola Museum](#), 375 S. New St., Dover, DE 19901. 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-744-5055.

John Philip Sousa



Saturday, July 6, 2013

"Imagine That." Utilizing the exhibit "[Dealing in Symbols: Profundity and the Human Figure](#)" as a backdrop, guided tours will explore the life and work of the noted Wilmington sculptor Charles Parks and his contributions to American art. Visitors will have an opportunity to create an interactive sculpture as an element of the tour. [First Saturday in the First State](#) program. [First State Heritage Park Welcome Center and Galleries](#), Delaware Public Archives building, 121 Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Tours at 10 a.m., Noon and 2 p.m. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-744-5055.

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"Thunder and Rain." [First Saturday in the First State](#) program features screenings at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. of "Thunder and Rain," a film about Caesar Rodney's historic ride for independence. [The Old State House](#), 25 The Green, Dover, DE 19901. Museum open 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-744-5055.

Saturday, July 13, 2013

Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild. Program explores spinning, weaving, knitting and other fabric arts. [John Dickinson Plantation](#), 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, DE 19901. Program 1–3 p.m. Museum open 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Free admission. 302-739-3277.

Saturday, July 27, 2013

[Lecture/tour of His Majesty's Sloop DeBraak](#) for U.S. military members and their families. Explore the history of the DeBraak which was capsized and lost off the Delaware coast on May 25, 1798. Program includes a trip to the hull facility in nearby Cape Henlopen State Park for a curator-led tour of the surviving section of the ship's hull. [Zwaanendael Museum](#), 102 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958. Programs at 9 a.m., Noon and 3 p.m. Limited seating. Tours for current and former members of the U.S. military and their families only. Admission free by reservation only at <http://shop.delaware.gov/>. For additional information, call 302-645-1148.