

DON'T MISS THESE ACTIVITIES



10/3 & 10/10 only!

Time Capsule Drawings

Kids draw objects from different eras in a fun sidewalk "time capsule," with the activity moving indoors on paper if the weather doesn't cooperate.
10am-11:30 Sat



Youth Tie Dye Saturday 10:30am

Youth ages 5-15 are invited to join us for fun opportunity to tie dye their own "Everyone Belongs" shirt at the Old State Capitol. This program is free and all materials are provided; registration is needed to secure your spot. **Youth must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.**

Capitol Creations Art Class

Join Jenny Suttill from Studio on Sixth for a fun black light painting session. Ticketed event with registration needed. **Cost: \$35 & up Saturday 10am-12pm**



Don't miss Lincoln's New Salem Candlelight Walk!

Experience Historic New Salem by candlelight as the village glows with hundreds of hand-lit lanterns. Costumed interpreters, open cabins, and soft autumn night air create an unforgettable glimpse into 1830s frontier life. A magical fall tradition perfect for families, history lovers, and anyone seeking an enchanting evening outdoors. Food Trucks Available. Site operated by the IL Dept of Natural Resources.

Oct 2-4, 9-11, 16-18 from 5-7:30p
Lincoln's New Salem: 1558 History Lane, Petersburg, IL



October 17th Only

Building For Wildlife: Bat Houses 11:30am-1pm

Participants in this workshop will build their own bat house. The program is free, and all materials are provided. Registration is required to secure a spot. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.



Friday, Oct 2 & 16 10am-1pm at the Dana-Thomas House

Come see and learn about the animals from the Henson Robinson Zoo! In the event of rain, the Zoo Booth will move to the Old State Capitol.

AREA MUSEUMS

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum \$

212 North 6th Street
Open Daily 9am-5pm (last ticket sold at 4pm)

Illinois State Museum FREE

502 South Spring
Monday-Saturday 9am-4:30pm, Sunday 12pm-4:30pm

Illinois State Military Museum FREE

1301 North MacArthur Boulevard
Tuesday-Friday 1pm-4:30pm
Saturday 9am-12pm & 1-4:30pm



Kidzeum of Health & Science \$

412 East Adams
Wednesday-Sunday 9am-4pm

Springfield & Central Illinois African American History Museum \$

144W Monument Ave.
Tuesday-Saturday 12pm-4pm

Living History Lineup

Saturdays (Oct 3, 10, 17)

Key:

LH= Lincoln Home
OSC=Old State Capitol

Time: Event: Location:

10-11am Historic Toys & Games with Abe & Mary LH

11:00am Beyond the Bonnet & the Beard w/ Abe & Mary LH

The Lincolns answer your questions about their lives, their legacy, and what its like portraying one of America's most iconic couples.

11:30am Meet a Boy in Blue OSC

Meet a Union soldier and discover what daily life was like for the Boys in Blue during the Civil War in this free family-friendly program.

12-12:30pm Peaches & Bacon (Banjo & Fiddle) OSC

With a sound steeped in tradition and a rhythm that resonates through the ages, this music conjures the spirit of old-time gatherings, where melodies danced through the night and stories were spun between notes.

12:00pm Mary Lincoln LIVE LH

12:30pm Lincoln LIVE: Gettysburg Address OSC

From 1 -3pm Instruments of the Civil War (Oct 3 & 17 only) OSC

Stop by Corporal Andy's station inside the Old State Capitol to explore the authentic instruments carried onto Civil War battlefields.

1:30-2pm The Election Season with Abe & Mary OSC

The Lincolns offer a vivid peek into their daily life in Springfield as the 1860 election approached and the time leading up to their departure for the White House.

2pm Donner-Reed Party: Manifest Dreams OSC

Discover the starting off point of the ill-fated Donner-Reed party and learn about the individuals and their journey to California.

5pm Custodian of Freedom: William H Butler OSC

Follow William H. Butler, an 1840s day laborer at the Old State Capitol, as he reveals the hidden stories of courage and quiet resistance behind the building he keeps in order.

5:30pm One Amazing Week: John Jones & the Fight for Equality OSC

Step into 1865 as Jones leads the charge to repeal Illinois' oppressive Black Laws.

6:00pm Frederick Douglass, Abolitionist & Orator OSC

Douglass recounts his visit to Springfield one year after Lincoln's assassination, sharing his powerful message of equality and national healing.

