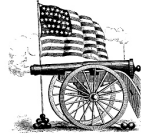


# XPLR

## America's Birthday



Every Fourth of July we celebrate America's adoption of the Declaration of Independence. This monumental event took place right here in Philly in 1776. Since most of the Founding Fathers didn't actually sign the document until August, we're not too late celebrating the fourth on the sixth! Today, we will explore many historic monuments that belong to the National Park Service. We will also check out one of the oldest continuously inhabited streets in the US and top off our adventure with some ice cream.

About the ride: 3.6 mi

About the photog: outdoors

### 1. Independence National Park

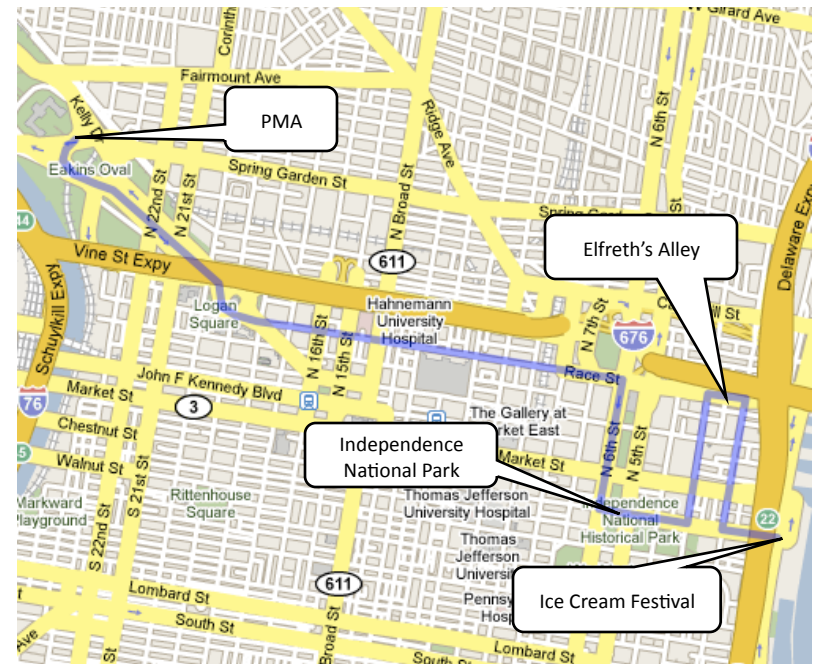
Lots of sites to XPLR: Franklin Court, Carpenter's Hall, Old City Hall, Congress Hall, and the Merchant's Exchange. Remember, most of the buildings are part of the National Park Service and open to the public – go inside!

### 2. Elfreth's Alley

Many claim this is America's oldest continuously inhabited street. Look around, Philadelphians still live in these cedar-roofed houses. It's only 16 feet wide and has been around since the 1700s – should provide some interesting angles.

### 3. Super Scooper Ice Cream Festival

Ice cream to eat and lots of people to photograph!



Upload your photos and send them to our Flickr group. Tag them with 'XPLR' and 'americasbirthday'.

### ABOUT XPLR:

A camera is your license to explore the world, and your relationship to it. Where has your license taken you recently? Part inspiration part perspiration, **XPLR (explore!)** events seek to unite individuals that are passionate about art and urban exploration. Meetings take place at the Philadelphia Art Museum steps. The actual subject matter and shooting location will be kept secret until the day of the event and will be disclosed at the PMA. Join us in our pursuit of creativity, or just for a fun bike ride.

Website: <http://www.xplr-club.com>

Flickr group: <http://www.flickr.com/groups/xplrclub>

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