



The word 'ballroom' denotes a room where balls may be held: that is: formal social dances. Dancing was a popular pastime during the renaissance in the Age of Exploration. The word 'ball' derives from the Latin 'ballare' meaning 'to dance'. Today XPLR is holding a ball at the Kimmel Center.

Sun, April 27th. Meet at the Philadelphia Art Museum Steps. Bike to the Kimmel Center, and find the Rooftop Garden where a couple is waiting to perform several ballroom dances. Head over to Love Park and shoot the fountain. End at the Arts Crawl on Fairmount Ave.

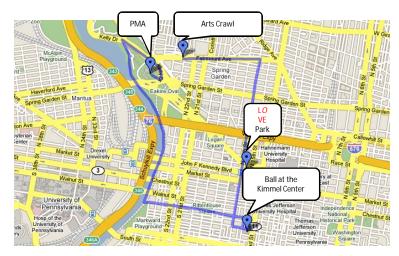
About the ride: 5.23 miles About the photog: Indoors and outdoors. Natural light.

1. Ball at the Kimmel Center Rooftop Garden

Haldun Komsuoglu and Emi Terasawa will perform several dances on the rooftop garden of the Kimmel Center. Capture the way they move graciously underneath the natural light falling through the glass roof of the Kimmel Center.

2. LOVE Park

LOVE Park (JFK Plaza) was built in the 1960s at the eastern end of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway and across from City Hall. In the late 1980s, by an accident of history, young people discovered that the park's curving stairs and ledges were perfect for skateboarding...



3. Fairmounts Arts Crawl

The Fairmount Arts Crawl is a community open house – where the entire Fairmount district becomes a showplace for local art and music, displayed and performed on the streets and in restaurants, bars, cafes, and other local businesses--all with an open door policy for the day.

The Arts Crawl is a day of indoor window shopping -- your chance to hear quality local music, to see local poets reading their work, and to appreciate the art that is being made in Philly. Go to *Illuminare* and support your fellow XPLR'er Cody Healey-Conelly who is having an exhibit called *Beautiful Decay*.

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

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: <u>http://www.xplr-club.com/</u> Flickr group:<u>http://www.flickr.com/groups/xplrclub/pool</u>