

ABOUT THE PARK

THE LIVING HISTORY PARK is a recreated village representing the period between 1735–1785, run by the non-profit Olde Towne Preservation Association and volunteers. 100% of funding comes from donations and grants. Reclaimed from a water works dump site, the village has numerous permanent buildings, including the Willow Spring Meeting House, the Blacksmith Forge, the Spring House Tavern, the Grist Mill, Thompson Academy, the Perry Hill Cabin, and many others.

DONATE or JOIN

Become a member of the Olde Towne Preservation Association for a nominal fee. We are a 501c3 non-profit. Your tax deductible contribution will assist in preserving our heritage in this beautiful and natural setting. 99.35% of funds go directly to park maintenance and events. Find more details on our website.



CELEBRATE THE 4TH OF JULY

Join us as we celebrate the birth of our country on July 4th from 10am-2pm. Our celebration includes a reading from the Declaration of Independence by the Mayor of North Augusta. You can tour the historic buildings throughout the Park and visit with reenactors as they bring history to life. We encourage visitors to show their patriotic spirit by dressing up. You can quench your thirst with watermelon and water and we will also serve hot dogs. The food is free but come early if you plan to eat because the quantity is limited. You are welcome to bring your patriotic pet as long as they are well-behaved and on a leash.

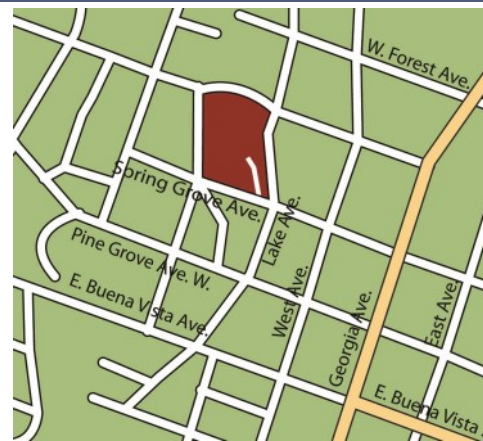


BOARD GAME

The Living History Park board game is an entertaining way to learn about colonial times and support the Park. Games will be available for purchase in the Mercantile. A second set of cards, "The Birth of Our Nation," is available for purchase.



DRIVING DIRECTIONS



From Columbia: Take I-20 West to Exit 1 and make a left on to Hwy 230 (Martintown Road). Take a right on West Ave. and a right on West Spring Grove Ave.

From Atlanta: Take I-20 East to Exit 1 and make a right on Hwy 230 (Martintown Road). Take a right on West Ave. and a right on West Spring Grove Ave.

From Augusta: Come across the 13th Street bridge (Georgia Ave). Turn left at the third traffic light on to West Spring Grove Ave. The park is two blocks ahead.

From Aiken: Take Hwy 1 to Hwy 125 exit. Turn right on Atomic Road, which dead ends on Buena Vista. Turn right and drive to West Ave (the second traffic light). Turn right, then take the second left on Spring Grove Ave.

Living History Park

1735-1785

UNDER THE CROWN & Colonial Trades Fair



PARK INFORMATION

General Information: (803) 979-9776
Reservations: Lynn Thompson (803) 279-7560 or lynn@colonialtimes.us
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April 15 & April 16, 2023

Saturday: 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday: 10 am to 4 pm

North Augusta, SC
www.colonialtimes.us



WHAT TO EXPECT

Demonstrations throughout the park start shortly after the Park opens at 10 am. Pay attention to the ringing bell because special events will be announced by the Towne Crier 15 minutes before they begin. The event closes at 5pm on Saturday and 4 pm on Sunday.

When you get hungry, The Marine Corp Auxiliary will be selling lunch, snacks, and refreshments at the Ordinary. You can also find contemporary versions of 18th century colonists' favorite confections at The Sweet Shoppe.

Be sure to stop by The Garden at North Augusta: A Place For All. The garden features wheelchair accessible pathways and special features for the visually impaired.

Education Day for school groups will be held on April 14th. For this event, we have reached our capacity. Please email us if you would like to be added to our mailing list for the Colonial Times Education Day in September.

TRADES FAIR

The Colonial Trades Fair features local and regional artists who demonstrate their crafts and have items available for sale.



"Under the Crown"

For over 32 years, the Living History Park has brought our colonial past from 1735 to 1785 to life through demonstrations and living exhibits. Under the Crown and the Colonial Trades Fair is a weekend filled with new ways to learn and experience the history of Augusta and North Augusta.

Historical reenactors will provide a glimpse into the American Revolution and daily life during the British occupation. There will be numerous demonstrations including pottery-making, weaving, spinning, candle making, butter churning, musket firing, gunsmithing, blacksmithing, needlework, wood-



working, beehive oven baking and smoking/curing meat. Visitors can play colonial games, sing songs, and sample baked goods! You can try your hand at colonial dancing or see if you are fit to join the militia! Be sure to visit with the traders, backwoodsmen, milliner, tavern keeper, and the sutlers. Find period-authentic wares at the Village Mercantile and see the lathe that was used in the movie The Patriot in the New Windsor cabinet shop.

Several special guests from the colonial era will be in attendance in addition to our village regulars. The ever popular, rat catcher, will be roaming the park while Ben Franklin and his wife will be giving presentations in the red barn. Be sure to watch one of the mesmerizing performances by Peter Gardiner, the 18th Century Conjuror.



NEW THIS YEAR

Maggie Delaney, with the help of the Ould Badger, will explain the Resurrectionists: who they were and why it was necessary for their services. You will learn all about their nocturnal business of supplying doctors and medical schools with the cadavers necessary for their studies. Be warned not to share their secrets or you may be the next one to help with anatomy education in the 18th century.



OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS



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