



*Cultures of Independence:  
Perspectives on Independence Hall and the Meaning of Freedom*

**Reading List**

**Bibliography**

*Before your workshop, please at least read Foner's book and review the Independence Hall in American Memory website (designated with \*)*

Brown, Ira V., [Cradle of Feminism: The Philadelphia Female Anti-Slavery Society, 1833-1840](#)," *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 102, No. 2 (Apr., 1978), pp. 143-166

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Lawler, Edward, Jr. "[The President's House in Philadelphia: The Rediscovery of a Lost Landmark](#)," *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 126, No. 1 (Jan., 2002), pp. 5-95 and "[The President's House Revisited](#)," *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 129, No. 4 (Oct., 2005), pp. 371-410.

Selections and additional content available @ <http://www.ushistory.org/presidentshouse>

Maier, Pauline. *American Scripture: Making the Declaration of Independence*. New York: Random House, 1997.

Mires, Charlene. *Independence Hall in American Memory*. Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2002.

\*Companion website @ <http://independencehall-americanmemory.com>



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Nash, Gary. *Forging Freedom: the Formation of Philadelphia's Black Community*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1988.

Nash, Gary. *Landmarks of the American Revolution (An Oxford University Press Guide to Historic Places)*, New York: Oxford University Press, 2003.

## Daily Schedule of Readings

### Day One

*Landmarks of the American Revolution (An Oxford University Press Guide to Historic Places)*

### Day Two

*American Scripture: Making the Declaration of Independence*. Chapters 1, 2 3 and Appendix C showing edits to the Declaration of Independence

The Declaration of Independence @

[http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/declaration\\_transcript.html](http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/declaration_transcript.html)

*Independence Hall in American Memory* , Intro, Chapter 1 & 2

### Day Three

Forten, James. "Series of Letters by a Man of Color," in Newman, Richard, Patrick Rael, and Phillip Lapsansky, ed. *Pamphlets of Protest: An Anthology of Early African-American Protest Literature* New York: Routledge, 2001, starts on pg. 66.

*Independence Hall in American Memory*, Chapters 3, 4, and Chapter 6

Mayer, Henry. *All on Fire: William Lloyd Garrison and the Abolition of Slavery*. New York: (St Martin's Press, 1998, chapters 9 and 10



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Stauffer, John. *The Black Hearts of Men*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2003, Chapter 5

Day Four

Lewis, John Frederick. "Casimir Pulaski: An Address Delivered in Independence Square, October 12, 1929," *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 55, No. 1 (1931), pp. 1-23

Mires, Chapters 5 and 7

Philadelphia Public Ledger reports of European liberty demonstrations, 1848 @ <http://www.independencehall-americanmemory.com/documents/liberty-for-europe-and-more-1848/>

Declaration of Rights for Women, read by Susan B. Anthony in Independence Square, 1876 @ <http://www.britannica.com/women/article-9404103>

Day Five

Mires, Chapter 8

Sugrue, *Sweet Land of Liberty: The Forgotten Struggle for Civil Rights in the North*. New York: Random house, 2008, Chapters 11 and 12

Sugrue, Thomas J. *Not Even Past: Barack Obama and the Burden of Race*. Princeton NJ: Princeton Press, 2008, Beginning of Chapter 1.

Day 6

Mires, Chapters 9 and 10



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## Partner Websites

Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia - [philadelphiaencyclopedia.org](http://philadelphiaencyclopedia.org)  
Historical Society of Pennsylvania – [www.hsp.org](http://www.hsp.org)  
Independence National Historical Park - [www.nps.gov/inde/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/inde/index.htm)  
National Archives at Philadelphia - [www.archives.gov/philadelphia](http://www.archives.gov/philadelphia)  
National Constitution Center – [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org)  
Philadelphia History Museum - [www.philadelphiahistory.org](http://www.philadelphiahistory.org)

## Additional Online Resources

Preserving American Freedom, [www.hsp.org/preserving-american-freedom](http://www.hsp.org/preserving-american-freedom)

Six section introductions

Sample documents:

- [Declaration of Independence: First Newport printing by Solomon Southwick, July 4, 1776](#)
- [Draft of the Articles of Confederation by John Dickinson, June 1776](#)
- [United States Constitution: Second Manuscript Draft by James Wilson, August 1787](#)
- [Constitution of the Pennsylvania Society, for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery...Acts of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, for the Gradual Abolition of Slavery, 1787](#)
- [Memorial of the Pennsylvania Society for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery to the Senate and Representatives of the United States, February 3, 1790](#)
- [Let Freedom Ring, November 1953](#)
- [Fourth Annual Reminder Day Brochure, July 4, 1968](#)



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The Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia, <http://philadelphiaencyclopedia.org>

Selected essays:

- [Cradle of Liberty](#)
- [Independence Hall](#)
- [Declaration of Independence](#)
- [Continental Congress](#)
- [Philadelphia and Its People in Maps: The 1790s](#)
- [Capital of the United States](#)
- [Liberty Bell](#)
- [Slavery and the Slave Trade](#)
- [Abolitionism](#)
- [Constitution Commemorations](#)
- [National Freedom Day](#)
- [National Negro Convention Movement](#)
- [Independence National Historical Park](#)

National Park Service: Revolutionary Teaching Resources

[http://www.nps.gov/revwar/educational\\_resources/teachers.html](http://www.nps.gov/revwar/educational_resources/teachers.html)



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