

SENATOR JOHN HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

LOCATION: 1212 Smallman Street (Strip District), Pittsburgh, PA 15222

HOURS: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily. The History Center is open 361 days a year and closed on New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

*For updated information concerning hours of operation or changes to their calendar of events or programs, please check their website and/or call before your visit.

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ADMISSION: Complimentary-up to two (2) adults and six (6) children under the age of eighteen per visit and per one lending time period (which will be approximately one week and per each library's procedures).

DESCRIPTION: America's #1 History Museum. The Heinz History Center was recently voted as the #1 History Museum in America by USA Today as part of its annual Readers' Choice Awards. The Heinz History Center has been in continuous existence since 1879, which makes it one of Pittsburgh's oldest cultural organizations. The museum is Pennsylvania's largest history museum and a proud affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution. The Heinz History Center also facilitates its own affiliate program, working with over two hundred historical organizations in our tri-state area. It is devoted to the history and heritage of western PA and contains six floors of long-term and changing exhibits with hands-on activities, as well as a multitude of events and programs. There is something for everyone! The museum system also includes the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum and the Detre Library and Archives.

In addition, the Heinz History Center operates the Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village in Avella, PA, and the Fort Pitt Museum at the Point in Pittsburgh.

As Pittsburgh's "people museum," the Heinz History Center preserves and interprets the history of Western Pennsylvanians through six floors of interactive exhibitions that feature iconic artifacts like the TV set from "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" and the world's oldest jeep. The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum is located on the second and third floors of the Heinz History Center.