

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum

# PRESIDENTS' DAY

## ★ ★ ★ FESTIVAL ★ ★ ★



Monday, February 19, 2024  
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (EST)



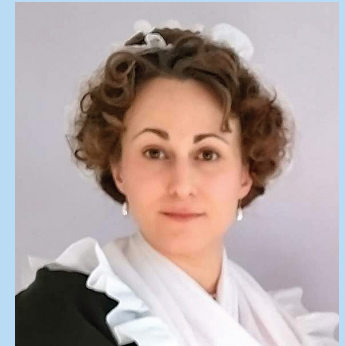
JOHN F. KENNEDY  
PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

[www.JFKLibrary.org](http://www.JFKLibrary.org)



## Hear ye, hear ye!

Meet and interact with our guest presidents and first lady.



*Presented by Gib Young, William Barker, Michael Lepage, and Audrey Stuck-Girard.*

### President John Adams, President Thomas Jefferson, President Theodore Roosevelt, and First Lady Abigail Adams

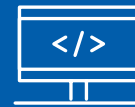
Join Presidents John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and Theodore Roosevelt, as they share stories about their presidencies and First Lady Abigail Adams will share stories about her life and impact on the country. Following each presentation, you will have the opportunity to ask these historic figures a question.

LOCATION | **Smith Center**

- 11:10 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.    President Thomas Jefferson**
- 11:55 a.m. – 12:40 p.m.    President John Adams and First Lady Abigail Adams**
- 1:00 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.        President Theodore Roosevelt**
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:55 p.m.        Town Hall Press Conference with Guest Presidents and First Lady**  
Featuring all historic guests. Ask a question to one or all of them!

LOCATION | **The Powers Room**

- 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.    Colonial Couture ★**  
Make your own Tricorn hat and a cravat to match the popular colonial style worn by Presidents Adams and Jefferson, as well as many founding leaders. Wear your colonial attire to meet the presidents and first lady!
- 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.        A Place to Call Home ★**  
Try out line sculpture to explore architectural designs for Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, Theodore Roosevelt's Sagamore Hill, John and Abigail Adams's Old House at Peace field – which housed not just one, but two American presidents – and the White House itself, the official home of the president to this day.



### In Case You Missed It!

[JFKLibrary.org/Watch2024PresidentsDay](https://www.jfklibrary.org/Watch2024PresidentsDay)

All stage performances from Smith Center will be available online following their initial broadcast for viewing anytime.



### Paparazzi with the Presidents and First Lady

LOCATION | **Main Lobby**

**3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Take your picture with the Presidents and First Lady at the Presidential Seal!



## Craft Activities

Make-and-take activities in celebration of Presidents' Day

### LOCATION | The Pavilion

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

#### Portrait Collages

Explore the wonders of collage by creating a Portrait Collage inspired by folk art creations and paintings of President Kennedy.

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

#### Popsicle Stick Flags

Make your own flag with popsicle sticks and learn more about the American flag.



12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

#### Sea Glass Pictures ★

Get creative and make a picture out of sea glass, a material found on beaches and collected by many – a collection of Cape Cod sea glass was gifted to Jacqueline Kennedy.

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

#### Kennedy Campaign Hats and Buttons

Make your own iconic hat to match the 1960 campaign hats worn by many Kennedy supporters. Design and color your own campaign button. Wear your Kennedy campaign hat and button proudly!



12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### Scrimshaw ★

Explore President Kennedy's appreciation of scrimshaw and design your own work of art.

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

#### Protest Posters ★

Throughout the Kennedy presidency, people organized to fight for racial equality and legal protections under the law – including the *March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom* in 1963. People used posters to display commitment to their values and exercise their freedom of speech at rallies, demonstrations, and protests. Design, make, and decorate your own poster to support a cause you believe in today.



### Special Musical Guests

*Enjoy great performances during the Festival.*

### The Harvard Din and Tonics

Pop-up Performances in Museum Galleries

LOCATION | #7 and #18 (on Museum map)

Every 20 minutes from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Travel back in time over sixty years with pop-up performances of President Kennedy's campaign songs presented by Harvard's world-traveled a cappella group.

### Closing Concert

LOCATION | Smith Center

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Join us for a closing concert of popular music from the 1960s and today.

★ **ACTIVITIES GUIDE** | A star indicates a more challenging activity that is most appropriate for older children. Some adult assistance from caregivers will be required for younger children to participate.



# Special Programs & Gallery Tours

Learn about President Kennedy and his legacy.

## 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. Important Documents with President Adams

LOCATION | Powers Room

Examine the country's founding documents with President John Adams. Try writing your initials with a quill pen and signing your name to the Declaration of Independence. Explore the Massachusetts Constitution, the world's oldest functioning written constitution, and a model for the United States Constitution.



## 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Presidential Jeopardy

LOCATION | Powers Room

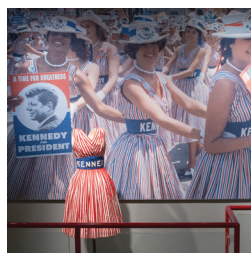
Do you enjoy presidential trivia? Test your knowledge about President Kennedy and other US presidents, and play Presidential Jeopardy! Winners will be awarded prizes. Adults are invited to join in an "advanced round" of presidential trivia.



## 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 p.m. Family Tour of the Museum Galleries

LOCATION | Presidential Seal in Lobby

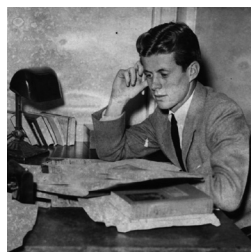
Explore the early 1960s in this 45-minute interactive tour of the Museum. View spacecraft models, see international treasures given to the president, and learn about the major events during President Kennedy's time in office.



## 1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Write a Letter to the President ★

LOCATION | Pavilion

Share your ideas, thoughts and concerns with the 46th president or this year's presidential candidates! Write and mail a letter to President Biden or one of the candidates running for president.



## Make Your Own Sundae Bar

LOCATION | The Pavilion

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Kids and adults alike can enjoy chocolate and vanilla ice cream with hot fudge, butterscotch sauce, whipped cream and a variety of toppings for \$5 each. Yum!



## Continue Learning from History at Home or School!

[JFKLibrary.org/HandsOnHistory](https://www.jfklibrary.org/handsonhistory)

Hands-On History Crafts are available online with guided videos and printable instructions and templates!



## SENSORY ACCOMMODATIONS

A quiet space is available on the lobby level. Please see a staff member for assistance and guidance.

## Schedule at a Glance

### Powers Room Hands-On Opportunities

11:00	Colonial Couture 11:00 – 12:15	Important Documents with John & Abigail Adams 11:00 – 11:50
11:30		
12:00		
12:30	A Place to Call Home 12:30 – 1:30	
1:00		
1:30		
2:00	Jeopardy 2:00 – 3:30	
2:30		
3:00		
3:30		
4:00		

### Exhibit Galleries Tours & Special Programs

	Family Tour 11:30 Lobby	Theodore Roosevelt 11:30 – 12:00 Theatre 1
	Family Tour 12:30 Lobby	Thomas Jefferson 12:15 – 12:45 Theatre 1
	Family Tour 1:30 Lobby	John & Abigail Adams 1:20 – 1:50 Theatre 1
		Harvard Din & Tonics 2:00 – 3:00 Pop-up Performances #7 & #18 on Map
		<a href="#">See more &gt;&gt;&gt;</a>

## Schedule at a Glance

### Smith Center Performances

11:00	
11:30	Thomas Jefferson 11:10 – 11:45
12:00	
12:30	John & Abigail Adams 11:55 – 12:40
1:00	
1:30	Theodore Roosevelt 1:00 – 1:35
2:00	
2:30	Town Hall Press Conference 2:00 – 2:55
3:00	
3:30	
4:00	Closing Concert 3:30 – 4:00

### Pavilion Make-and-Take Craft Activities

	Popsicle Stick Flags 11:00 – 12:00	Hats & Buttons 11:00 – 12:15	Presidential Portraits 11:00 – 12:30
	Sea Glass Pictures 12:15 – 1:45	Protest Posters 12:30 – 1:30	Scrimshaw 12:45 – 2:00
	Popsicle Stick Flags 2:00 – 3:30	Letter Writing 1:45 – 2:45	
		Hats & Buttons 2:45 – 3:30	



### Museum Theater 2

A 20-minute introductory film covering the life of John F. Kennedy before the presidency plays regularly throughout the day.

Tell us what you think of the *Festival*. Stop by our evaluation station and complete a quick survey. Then pick up a free keepsake to take home. (Across from the Museum Store)

## JOHN F. KENNEDY

PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Columbia Point | Boston, Massachusetts 02125

[www.JFKLibrary.org](http://www.JFKLibrary.org) | 617.514.1600

