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## **Fraunces Tavern® Museum to celebrate Flag Day with Open House Weekend and \$1 Museum Admission**

New York: On **Saturday, June 12 and Sunday, June 13**, Fraunces Tavern Museum will host an Open House Weekend and offer \$1 admission from **12:00pm to 5:00pm** to celebrate Flag Day. The celebration will begin on **Friday, June 11**, with the unfurling of a four-story American Flag down the front of Fraunces Tavern.

Flag Day commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. Visitors can read the resolution as they explore the Museum's newest exhibition, [\*To the Beat of Their Own Drums: American Regimental Flags of the Revolutionary Era\*](#) in the Davis Educational Center for American History. This exhibition explores the history and iconography of the flags flown by the distinct regiments which made up the Continental Army and highlights early iterations of the American Flag.

Accompanying the exhibition is a brand-new children's activity, created specifically to celebrate Flag Day, titled *Design Your Own Flag*. In this activity, children will learn the meaning of different colors and symbols commonly depicted on eighteenth century flags and have the opportunity to design their own. Visitors can pick up a copy of this activity at the Museum's front desk between 12:00pm and 5:00pm on both Saturday and Sunday.

Along with \$1 admission, visitors who donate to the Museum will receive a commemorative flag pin.

Sons of the Revolution<sup>SM</sup> in the State of New York, Inc., the genealogical society that owns and operates Fraunces Tavern Museum, is also hosting an Essay and Art Contest, "What the American Flag Means to Me," for New York City school children. This year's winners will be announced in a special Flag Day video that will be released on Friday, June 11.

"We are excited to resume our children's programming and activities and invite the public to our newest flag exhibition in the Museum," says Scott Dwyer, Director of Sons of the Revolution<sup>SM</sup> in the State of New York, Inc. and its Fraunces Tavern Museum. "We hope to be able to invite participants back for our traditional parade down Broadway to Fraunces Tavern Museum in 2022."

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### **About Fraunces Tavern Museum:**

Fraunces Tavern Museum's mission is to preserve and interpret the history of the American Revolutionary era through public education. This mission is fulfilled through the interpretation and preservation of the Museum's collections, landmarked buildings and varied public programs that serve the community. You can stand in the room where General George Washington said farewell to his officers and explore seven additional galleries that focus on America's War for Independence and the preservation of early American history. To learn more, visit our website at [frauncestavernmuseum.org](http://frauncestavernmuseum.org).

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