



Princeton Tour Company Insider Activity Guide to Princeton

Family Fun

Noon on Sundays at the Princeton Graduate College Bell Tower
Fall - grab a picnic and listen to the priceless carillon bells - they play classics AND a top ten for the week!

Princeton Battlefield Re-enactments/Cannon Firings
late September and early January

Downtown Halloween Parade/Dawn of the Dead at the Arts Council
weekend before Halloween

Princeton Ghost Tours & Ghost Hunts
saturdays in October

Princeton University Homecoming Football Game
Harvard or Yale – bonfire scheduled if they beat both in a season – band dances in the Woody Woo fountain after each home game win

Palmer Square Annual Holiday Tree Lighting
friday afternoon after Thanksgiving – Santa wishes everyone a happy holiday and then magically shows up in the crowd after waving goodbye

Palmer Square Menorah Lighting
first sight of stars

Palmer Square Holiday Trolley Tours
every saturday and sunday from thanksgiving thru the new year

Trinity Church Turkey Trot
fun lovin' 5K Thanksgiving morning

Nutcracker & Christmas Carol at McCarter Theatre
winter holiday season

Olympians in Princeton
*during the summer go to Washington bridge and watch world class rowers
prepare for winning the gold*

Sledding at the Graduate School/Ice Skating at The Institute
first big snow – bring thermoses of hot chocolate to share w/ new friends

Blue Point Oyster Bowl
super bowl weekend

Pi Day Princeton/Einstein's Birthday
*weekend of march 14th – pi recitation, pie throwing, pie eating, einstein look
a like contest, kids' violin contest, Einstein tours*

Communiversality
last sunday in april

Memorial Day Parade/Pancake Breakfast on the Green/P-Rade
Memorial Day Weekend

HiTops Half Marathon
fall – Gorgeous terrain through historical landmarks

Princeton Summer Theater
every summer at theatre intime on campus

Palmer Square Jazams Block Party & Movie Night
summer solstice

Princeton Shopping Center Summer Concert Series
every thursday in the summer

Princeton Art Museum Family Fun Days/Movie Nights
fall family day – movie nights in the summer

Princeton Record Exchange Record Store Day
every fall

“Quintessential Princeton” Date Nights

Opening Night Performances at McCarter Theater - Princeton Symphony
Orchestra - Princeton Triangle Show - Theatre Intime
dates vary but worth the google search

Princeton Art Museum Exhibit Openings
every quarter – free lecture, wine & cheese reception

Monthly Barrel Tapping at Triumph Brewing Company
closed now but keep for plans later - beginning of each month

Premieres at Princeton Garden Theater
two screens – IQ premiered there – quaint & Indie inspired selections

Palmer Square Live Music Weekends
Fall

Stargaze at Princeton University Peyton Observatory on Ivy Lane
monthly – schedule changes based on weather

Princeton Public Library Environmental Film Festival
every January – think sundance for the environment

Tuesday Evening Princeton Township Meeting
see elected officials working for the community

Westminster Choir College Holiday Choral Performance
December

Princeton University Late Night Thursdays - Art Museum Gala
museum open late every thurs - gala is saturday evening before the super bowl

Concert Under the Stars - Princeton Historical Society Gala
Fall - Held on the grounds where George Washington saved the Revolution

Ivy League Insider Lunch Break Activities

Canoe/Kayak/Bike/Fish on D&R Canal
during the summer olympic hopefuls train on lake carnegie

Jog the University Cross Country Path
safe, gorgeous and plenty of parking

Walk the Institute Woods
shhhhh! einstein's ashes are scattered there

Organ Concert Series at Princeton Chapel
noon in the fall

Mudd Manuscript Library
read any thesis of any tiger – great small displays

Morven Museum & Gardens Tour & Tea
wednesdays – free parking

Picnic in Prospect Gardens
grab lunch at nearby frist center and try to spot a nobel prize winner

Thursday Farmers' Market at Princeton Public Library
local veggies/meats/cheeses/pickles/mushrooms/flowers/herbs/coffee/tea/cider donuts You read that right cider donuts set to live music by local musicians

Princeton Garden Theater Matinee
Tell your boss you have a doctor's appointment (we'll never tell)

Historic Bainbridge House
ongoing and insightful art gallery housed in one of Princeton's oldest homes

Where to Run Basic Household Errands and Get the Quickest and most Diverse Take Out

Princeton University Student U-Store on University Place
really? really! they contract with all your favorite princeton eateries – olives, d'angelos, moc moc sushi, tiger noodles, etc. all prepackaged and ready to go. It's like a cvs so pick up sodas, endless snacks and paper goods – even computer accessories inside the store

Where to Get Grab and Go Even Your Mother in Law Will Like

Olives on Witherspoon Street
*go just before closing time and you'll get double the portions! why?
because it's made fresh and they have to sell it, silly!*

local greek
clean, fresh authentic greek dishes made by real-deal greek chefs

Olsson's Cheese
*get free wine pairing advice from Princeton's premiere wine shop Princeton Winescrew and one
block away is fresh bread from Terra Momo Bread Company*

Nassau Street Seafood
she'll know you're really trying to be better

Where to Make Your New Years' Resolution Stick

Whole Earth Center at Harrison/Nassau Street
new jersey's first health food store – best produce, vegan/vegetarian café

Tito's Café on Witherspoon
*inventor of the "green monster" juice – olympic rowers go here every
morning for the miraculous concoction*

Arlee's on Nassau Street
think Nantucket Juicery comes to Princeton

Princeton YMCA
new work out facility – babysitting – towel service - free parking

Carnegie Lake Association
residents row on lake carnegie – beginners to expert

pure barre
gorgeous studio with expert instructors

lululemon
free yoga every Saturday

How to Help Your Partner Love Princeton

Audit a Princeton University Class
no homework or reading, just incredible lectures

Volunteer for a Non-Profit Organization
you don't have to be a billionaire – just be reliable and energetic

Monthly Disco Night at Arts Council of Princeton
get down in princeton's most creative crib with sparkly smartypants and townies

Attend a debate in Princeton Clio Hall
careful this'll up their game in the argument department

See the Princeton Symphony rehearse at Richardson Hall
think you don't love the symphony ... think again!

Subscribe to Princeton Magazine & Town Topics
every week you're reminded of the incredible residents in such a safe place

Check out Princeton Adult School
incredibly clever classes – some teachers are retired smarty pants

Tuesday Live Jazz Night at Witherspoon Grill
this attracts a groovy fun crowd

ANY event at Princeton Public Library
locals call this the community college of Princeton - the programs are THAT good!

ANY book reading at Labyrinth Books
browse the shelves and bump into Cornell West, Joyce Carol Oates and countless Prize Winners

Tuesday Night Trivia Night at The Ivy
this is a serious trivia crowd - come to win or come to be amazed - we're talking Rain Man levels

