

Looking Ahead: 2025 250th Commemoration Special Events & Important Dates

JANUARY:

Tuesday, January 7th | VA250 Commission Meeting

10:00 am: Full Commission Meeting (GAB)

Saturday, January 18th | A Salute to Southwest Virginia: Fincastle Resolutions 250th

12:00 pm: VA250 Luncheon at The Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA

Luncheon, hosted by VA250 for invited guests, after which attendees will walk to the Roanoke History Museum for event and ribbon-cutting ceremony

2:00 pm: Fincastl Program at Roanoke History Museum Portico Outdoor program begins with a procession of flags and the VMI Regimental Band. Anticipated to last 45 minutes; please dress for the weather

Ribbon-cutting of Mobile Museum immediately following conclusion of the program

7:00 pm: (Ticketed event) SAR Dinner Gala at the Shenandoah Club

Monday, January 20th Martin Luther King Day

FEBRUARY:

Wednesday, February 5th | Virginia General Assembly Crossover – Legislative Briefings

Tentative briefings schedule: 10:00 am and 3:00 pm at the General Assembly Building

Monday, February 17th President's Day

MARCH:

Wednesday, March 19th | Exclusive opening of "Give Me Liberty" Signature Exhibition

4:00 pm: Media Preview and Ribbon Cutting

5:30 - 7:30 pm: Reception and Exhibit Preview at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture Invited guests will include VA250 leadership, Virginia legislators, VMHC Board of Directors, Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation Board of Directors, and corporate and individual supporters

Sunday, March 23rd | Patrick Henry's "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" speech

Reenactment at 1:30 pm event is co-sponsored by VA250

Monday, March 24th - Wednesday, March 26th | "A Common Cause to All"

Colonial Williamsburg Lodge Reservations can be made at this <u>LINK</u>

APRIL:

Tuesday, April 8th | VA250 Commission Meeting

Location: General Assembly Building, Richmond at 10:00 am

Friday, April 18th Good Friday

(TBD) Friday, April 18th & Saturday April 19th | Two Lights for Tomorrow

Two lanterns in every state house, day of community service

Sunday, April 20th Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 20th | 250th Anniversary of the Gunpowder Incident

Friday, April 25th | 250th Anniversary of the Armed Forces International Tattoo

5:30 pm: VIP Reception – Norfolk Scope – 201 E. Brambleton Ave, Norfolk, VA 7:30 pm: Celebrating the 250th Birthday of the U.S. Army, Navy, and Marine Corps

MAY:

Monday, May 26th Memorial Day

JUNE:

Saturday, June 14th | U.S. Army Birthday

10:00 am – 5:00 pm: National Museum of the US Army – 1775 Liberty Drive, Fort Belvoir VA 22060 Possible additional event: Exhibit Opening Reception on June 7 or June 13

Thursday, June 19th Juneteenth

Sunday, June 22nd | Juneteenth FreedomFest Celebration - Hampton Roads

Time TBD: Mill Point Park, Hampton, VA

JULY:

Thursday, July 3rd | Independence Day Freedom Festival in Roanoke

5:00 pm – 10:00 pm: River's Edge Park-South, Roanoke, VA

Friday, July 4th | Independence Day Celebration at Fort Monroe

All Day Event: 9:00 am – 10:00 pm

Tuesday, July 22nd | VA250 Commission Meeting

Location: General Assembly Building, Richmond, 10:00 am

AUGUST:

SEPTEMBER:

Monday, September 1, Labor Day

OCTOBER:

Monday, October 13, Columbus Day and Indigenous Peoples Day

Tuesday, October 21st | VA250 Commission Meeting

Location: General Assembly Building, Richmond, 10:00 am

Saturday, October 26th | 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Hampton

NOVEMBER:

Friday, November 7th | 250th Anniversary of Dunmore's Proclamation

Monday, November 10th | VA250 Marine Corps and Armed Forces 250th Celebration

Virginia War Memorial - 621 S Belvidere St, Richmond, VA

Tuesday, November 11th | VA250 Veterans Day Program

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Saturday, November 15th | 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Kemps Landing

DECEMBER:

Tuesday, December 9th | 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Great Bridge