



AMERICA MADE IN VIRGINIA

VA250

VA250 Local Committee Convening
August 12, 2025

We are here to amplify the great work you and your local committees are doing, and assist with resources, tools, and insights you need make this a successful **STATEWIDE** commemoration that engages every Virginian!

Commemorative Partnership Program

VA250 Mobile Museum Experience & Give Me Liberty

Local Committee Resources & Impact Reports



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Senior Associate of Partnerships



Commemorative Partner Program

VA250 is identifying collaborative opportunities with other organizations, institutions and companies to make all Virginians aware of the resources available to participate in the 250th anniversary of our nation's independence.

Commemorative Partner Toolkit

Once approved, Commemorative Partners receive access to our password protected online toolkit, a resource guide to include a logo library, sample Press Release, suggested social media posts, and more.



Announcement Story Example



Story Example

	<p>Use the blue marquee version for ad and poster layouts with lighter background images (for example, over light blue sky).</p>	<p>Ads and poster layouts</p>
	<p>Use the VA250 pairing versions in email signatures and in digital ads where space is limited.</p>	<p>Email signatures and digital ads</p>
	<p>Use the horizontal version in small-space mobile banners or in the header of slide presentations.</p>	<p>Small-space mobile banners or presentation headers</p>

Digital Toolkit

More of what made America happen, happened in Virginia. And the more we can educate citizens about our state's history, the more we can inspire them for the next 250 years.

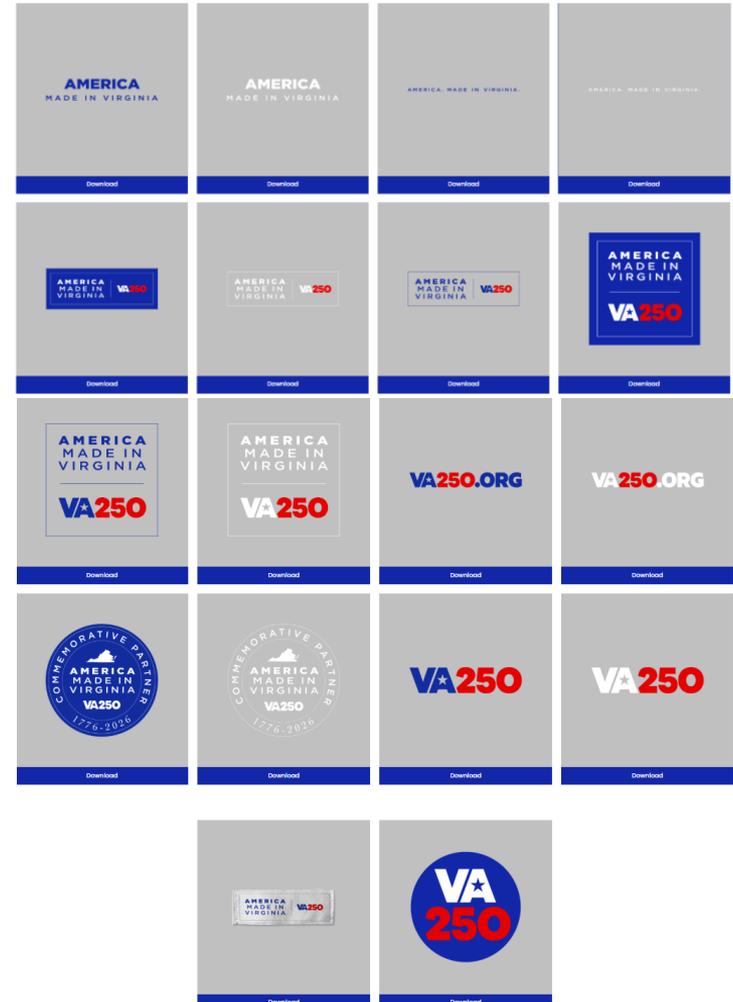
As a **Commemorative Partner**, you can help illuminate Virginia's Revolutionary role. This digital toolkit has everything you need to get started. From language to logos to social media, it's all right here.

Our Mission

AMERICA
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The 250th anniversary of our country presents a unique opportunity for Virginia, where so much of what shaped us took place. With your help, we can *educate* Americans about our history, founding ideals, and system of government; *engage* with every community and locality to tell a complete story; and *inspire* people to recommit to the values inherent in citizenship. Ultimately helping us to form the "more perfect union" envisioned by the Revolutionary generation.

Logo Library



Co-Branding Opportunities

Commemorative Partners can design co-branded merchandise for VA250 approval.

This collaborative marketing campaign approach will result in consistent messaging across the Commonwealth for the duration of the 250th Commemoration.



Difference between Commemorative Partner and Local Committee

- Access to the official America. Made in Virginia. logo and assets.
- Featured as “Commemorative Partner” in addition to “Local Committee”
- Ability to design co-branded merchandise
- Open to any organization that is willing to be part of that “revolutionary spirit”



Find Commemorative Partners in Your Communities

Encourage local businesses, non-profits, and organizations to be a part of the semiquincentennial movement.

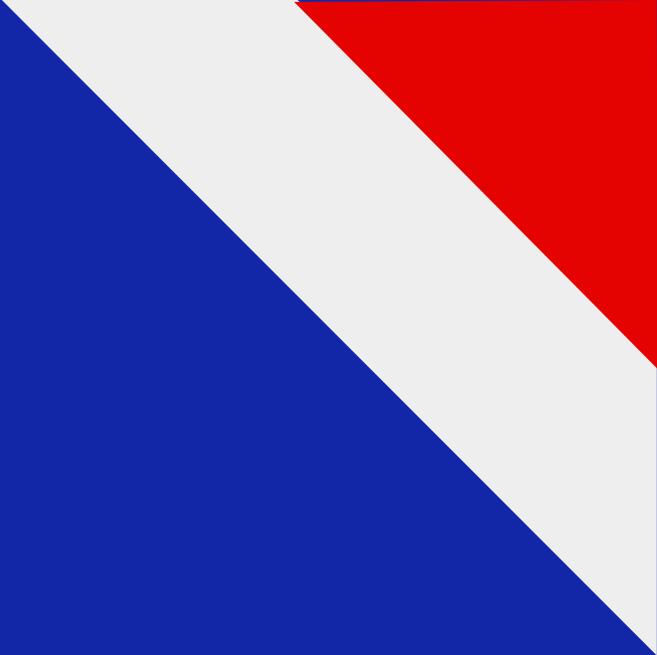
- Historical organizations
- Athletic programs
- Annual events
- Museums & historic sites
- Local breweries and wineries



Get Started

[Va250.org/commemorative-partners](https://va250.org/commemorative-partners)





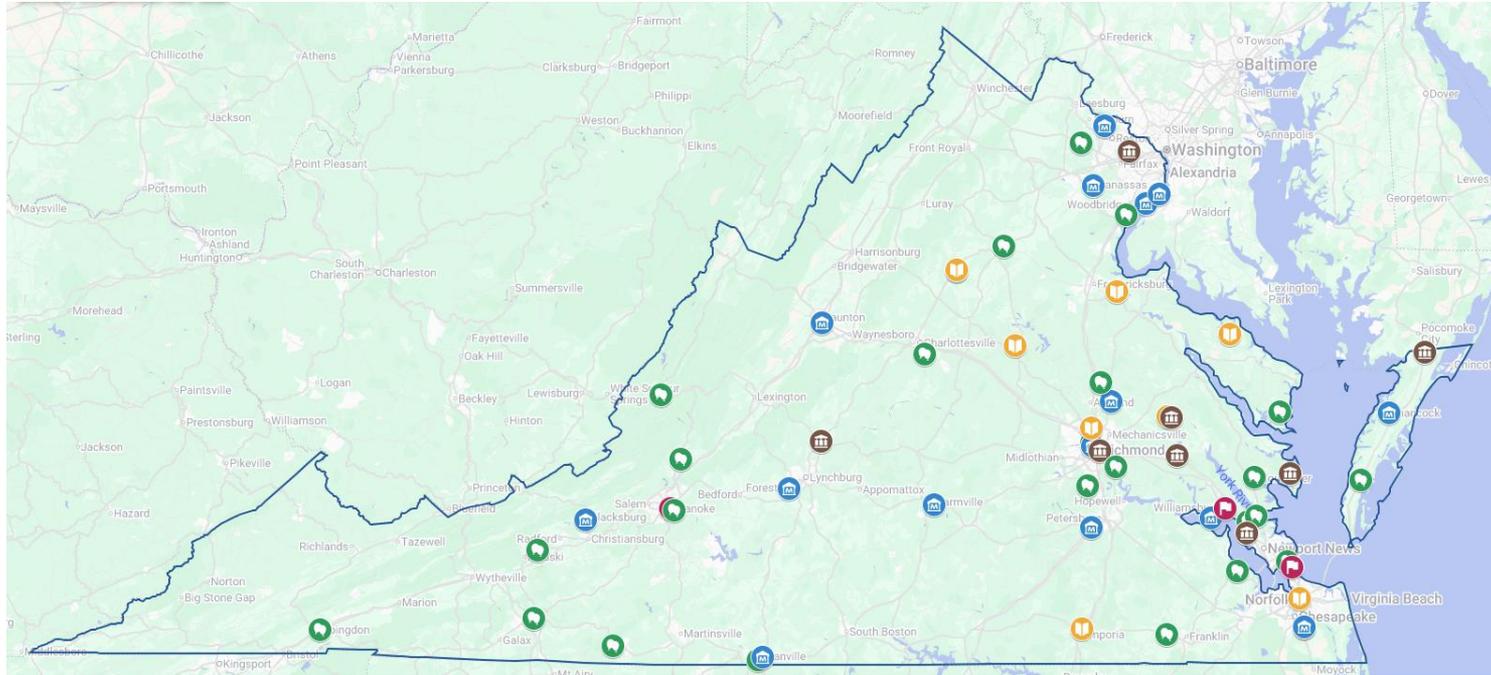
Mobile Museum Experience

Kevin Hampton

Assistant Director of Programs & Education







The Tour So Far...

- 29 weeks on the road
- 30 stops
- 27 Schools

- 14,637 Total Visitors
- 10,566 General Public
- 4,071 Students
- 27 States; 7 countries



Upcoming Schedule

Thursday, August 14 – Saturday, August 16	Richmond NASCAR Weekend
Monday, August 18 – Thursday, August 21	Heritage Park Culpeper
Saturday, August 23 through Sunday, August 24, 2025	National Museum of the Civil War Soldier/Pamplin Historic Park
Wednesday, August 27 through Saturday, August 30, 2025	Chesterfield County Fair
Sunday, August 31 through Wednesday, September 3, 2025	George Mason's Gunston Hall
Friday, September 12 – Saturday, September 13	Robert Russa Moton Museum
Monday, September 15 – Thursday, September 18	Hanover Museum of History & Culture
Friday, September 19 – Sunday, September 21	Historic Endview – Newport News
Friday, October 3 – Saturday, October 4	Northampton Agricultural Fair
Monday, October 6 – Wednesday, October 8	Accomack County



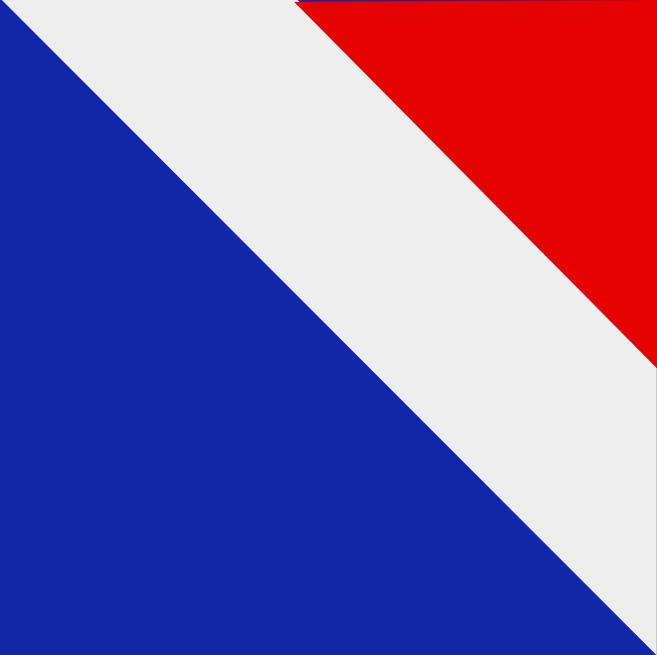
How to Apply

1. Head to va250.org/mobile-museum-hosting.



2. Fill out the online application.
3. If selected, we will review the Host Services Agreement to confirm the location meets the site requirements.
4. Once confirmed, the location will be added to the schedule!

The deadline for **2026 dates** is **September 1, 2025**.



Give Me Liberty
Traveling Exhibit

Give Me Liberty Traveling Exhibit

Explores the unique and essential Virginia people, events, and sites that brought liberty and democracy to a nation.

- Approximately 750 Square Feet
- 10 double-sided retractable banner units
- 1 – 6 weeks rental period
- NEW Standard Package available with VA250 – Application Coming Soon.



Local Committee Resources

Trevor Grimm

Senior Marketing & Communications Associate

Vienna – Mobile Museum Visit



Martinsville-Henry County 250th Symposium

THE MHC HERITAGE MUSEUM'S
SUNDAY AFTERNOON LECTURE SERIES PRESENTS...

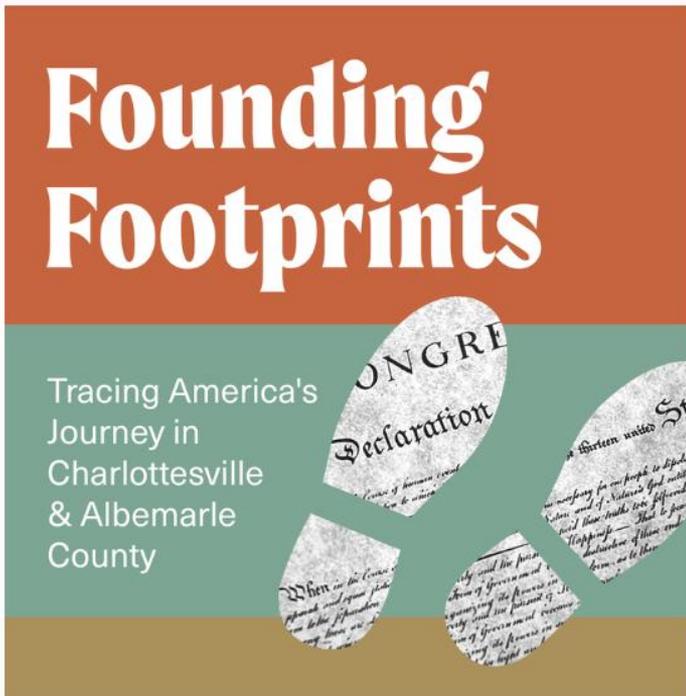
THE VA250 SYMPOSIUM

*Featuring historical reenactor Jeff Briggs, historian Hunter Haskins,
and VA250 Commission Executive Director Cheryl Wilson*



Sunday, August 3 | 3:00 PM
1 East Main Street, Martinsville, VA
mhchistoricalsociety.org/events

Founding Footprints Podcast – Charlottesville & Albemarle County



Founding Footprints

VA250 and WTJU 91.1 FM present Founding Footprints, a podcast tracing the legacy of the Revolutionary era in Charlottesville and Albemarle County, Virginia. Listen as Dr. Benjamin Bernard explores the history and culture of the region, reflecting on the 250 years since the American Revolution.

You can find travel itineraries for your own historic adventure at <https://www.visitcharlottesville.org/>

And you can find more information about Virginia's celebration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution at <https://va250.org/>

[Virginia is for History Lovers](#)

Local Committee Dashboard Updates

New additions:

- **Meetings Page** – Agendas, Minutes, Slidedecks & Materials for these convenings
- **Photo Gallery** – Add your photos!
- **Commemorative Partnership Form**

Local Committee Dashboard





VA250 Events

As of August 11, 2025

- **2,157 Total** on Website Calendar
- **313,015 total attendance reported** (600 reported)

- Post-event Reporting through Portal!

The Impact Reports tell the story of the semiquincentennial and will help your locality gain funding for future commemorations long after the 250th is over.

EVENTS & DESTINATIONS

Boost your locality's visibility during the 250th by adding your events to the [calendar of events](#), sharing a [report of those events](#) so VA250 can track the commemoration's economic impact across the state, and adding the historical sites and museums of your city or county to the [VA250 Places to Visit listing](#) and [interactive map](#).

SUBMIT AN EVENT

SUBMIT EVENT REPORT

SUBMIT A PLACE TO VISIT

Submit Local Event Report

The administrative area of this web site should only be accessed by authorized members of the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission and locality partners.
 Questions? Please [contact us](#).
 Your IP Address is 198.246.136.35

Event Title * Required

Start Date *

mm/dd/yyyy

End Date

mm/dd/yyyy

Start Time

 : :

End Time

 : :

Location *

Museum Name, etc.

Street Address

City *

State *

Zip *

How to Report Events

1. Log-in to va250.org
2. Head to va250.org/committeedashboard
3. Click on the **Report An Event** button
4. Select your event from Option A or report an event not on the calendar in Option B.
5. Fill out the form and submit!

Impact Reports

Compiling this data into one for your community, elected officials, stakeholders, etc.

- Events
- Event Attendance
- Grants
- Media

Will be accessed on VA250 website – URL will be shared once it is ready

Botetourt County
37th House District
<https://va250.org/botetourt-county/>
{PRINT BUTTON...}

Events	Places to Visit	Grants	Media
27	2	1	5

Events Added to VA250 Statewide Calendar

The Most Unique Concert of the Year	September 23, 2023
Meet a British Soldier: Revolutionary War Reenactor	September 09, 2023
Meet a British Soldier: Revolutionary War Reenactor	September 12, 2023
Meet a British Soldier: Revolutionary War Reenactor	October 04, 2023
Meet a British Soldier: Revolutionary War Reenactor	October 20, 2023
Tunneling into History: Exploring the Marshall Tunnel & Canal History	October 20, 2023

Places to Visit Listed VA250 Statewide Calendar

- Botetourt County Historical Museum
- Roaring Run Recreational Area

Grants Awarded

VTC Grant Details
Virginia Humanities Summer 2024: 250th Battle of Point Pleasant - \$6,500

Founding Friends, Founding Foes Tour

May 23, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Albemarle County

Offered daily at 12:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Pricing: Adults, \$42; Children 12-18, \$13; Children 5-11, \$4; Children under 5, Free On July 4, 1826,

Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on the fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. ...

[Read More](#)



Create & Play the Colonial Way

June 14, 2025 - August 09, 2025

Stafford County

Celebrate America's 250th Birthday - Colonial Style! Starting Saturday, June 14th (yes, that's Flag Day!), your child is invited to step back in time with Create & Play the Colonial Way at Art Cart Kids. These playful, hands-on classes are de...

[Read More](#)



Culpeper hosts A Hero: Lafayette in Culpeper Exhibit

June 28, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Culpeper County

The Museum of Culpeper History presents Culpeper Hosts a Hero, the first exhibit to highlight General Lafayette's historic visit to our town in August 1825. Rarely noted in official records of his tour of the United States, the Frenchman's short sto...

[Read More](#)



Run America 250 - Virtual Race

July 04, 2025 - July 05, 2026

Stafford County

Walk or Run 250 Miles to Celebrate America's 250th! Lace up your sneakers and get moving in the free Run America 250 Challenge: a country-wide virtual walk/run event celebrating 250 years of American history! Between July 4, 2025 and July 5, 2...

[Read More](#)



Exhibits - NEW

Challenge of Longtime events clogging up the "Upcoming Events"

NEW category and new listing for these Exhibits, including Give Me Liberty

Right now, continue to submit with the "Exhibit" category as you would any other

Wholesale VA250 Merchandise

Revolutionary New Arrivals



Beach Towel
\$35.00



Coffee Mug
\$23.00



Trucker Hat, Navy
\$35.00

Da
\$35

VA250 merchandise
can be sold at your
locations

Details and
Wholesale page
Coming Soon

Please Review Listings

Many listings may be outdated so please review:

- Webpage
- Contact on the Local Committee page
- Your Places to Visit
- VA250 Custom Logo

Send to tgrimm@va250.virginia.gov.



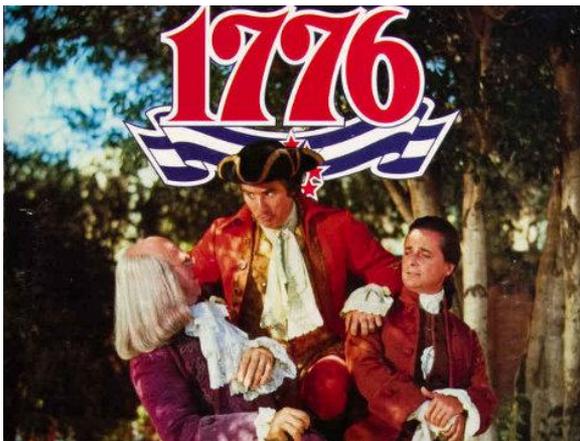


2026: The 250th Is Here!

2026



- **March 2026:** Opening of *Give Me Liberty* Exhibition
American Revolution Museum at Yorktown
- **Sat, May 2, 2026:** VA250 and Monticello present:
"From Pen to Paper: Thomas Jefferson and the Drafting of the Declaration of Independence"
- **Fri, May 15, 2026:** VA250 and Colonial Williamsburg present:
250th Anniversary of Fifth Virginia Convention: Virginia's Independence Day
- **Sun, June 7, 2026:** VA250 and Stratford Hall present:
"Virginia Resolved: 250th Anniversary of Lee Resolution of Independence"
- **Thurs, June 11, 2026:** VA250 and Mount Vernon present:
"In the Eyes of the World: Celebrating 250 Years of American Independence"
- **Fri, June 12, 2026:** VA250 and Gunston Hall present:
250th Anniversary of Virginia Declaration of Rights
- **June 12-14 & 19-22, 2026:** *Sail250® Virginia*
- **National Speech and Debate Association Tournament**
- **July 4, 2026:** VA250 and Colonial Williamsburg present
"America. Made in Virginia. 250 Years of Forming a More Perfect Union"



Next Meeting

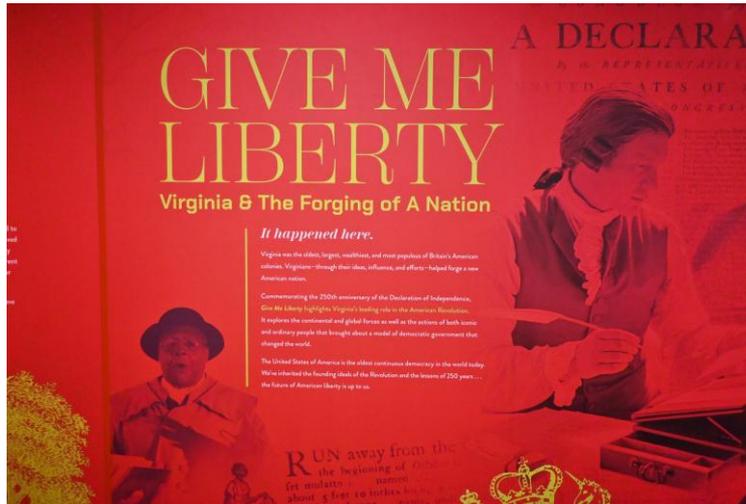
September 9

10 AM – 12 PM

In-Person – Virginia Museum of History & Culture | Richmond, VA

(Virtual Option Available)

Tours of Give Me Liberty Exhibit



Register:



Questions

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