

Louisville Historical Museum Visitor Policy

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The Louisville Historical Museum is an inclusive place that strives to collect and share the story of Louisville through its historic artifacts, programs, and buildings. The Louisville Historical Museum and its collection are owned by the City of Louisville and are supported by the taxes of the citizens of the City of Louisville. We request visitors to the Museum respect and show consideration for the Museum's collections, staff, and other visitors.

In order to provide a safe and welcoming environment for visitors of all ages and abilities, all visitors are expected to:

Respect historic artifacts, historic buildings, and grounds.

- Avoid touching artifacts or other items in the Museum's collection. Museum staff and volunteers may handle items with care and knowledge of preservation methods
- No eating or drinking, other than drinking from covered containers
- Don't take photos of historical photographs. To obtain copies of historical photographs, please refer to the Museum's Photo Reproduction Policy & Agreement
- No running, climbing, or skating, including use of skates, skateboards, and scooters on the Museum campus

Be considerate and respectful of others.

- Don't abuse or harass other visitors or the Museum staff
- Avoid excessive noise that disrupts other Museum visitors
- Wear shoes and shirt
- Don't litter or leave trash on the Museum grounds
- Leave promptly at closing
- No obscene language or hate speech

Act legally and ethically, per Louisville City Codes and Ordinances

- Only service dogs are allowed in the Museum buildings, please refrain from bringing in pets
- No smoking or vaping
- No visible drug or alcohol intoxication
- No abuse, vandalism, or theft of Museum facilities, artifacts, grounds, or equipment
- Louisville City code prohibits possessing a firearm on Museum premises
- No physical, sexual, or verbal abuse, bullying, or harassment of Museum visitors or staff
- No soliciting, electioneering, or petitioning within City buildings
- Do not engage in any unlawful behavior or any other behavior that unreasonably interferes with the safe or reasonable use of the Museum by other visitors or staff

Please supervise all children. Caregivers should stay with vulnerable visitors.

Comply with other policies and direction from Museum Staff.

Visitors who do not comply with the above policies and who are engaging in inappropriate behavior may be asked to leave the Museum premises.

Thank you for your cooperation!