

Taunton To Celebrate Liberty & Union Weekend
Festivities are October 14-15 Downtown and on Church Green

[Taunton, MA]– Liberty and Union Weekend is an annual celebration of the unique role that the City of Taunton played in our nation’s founding. The Weekend is held each fall to commemorate the events of October 1774, when Taunton became the first community in the American colonies to raise a flag – the “Liberty and Union” flag – in opposition to British rule.

Festivities begin Friday, October 14 with the Liberty Libations Pub Crawl throughout Downtown restaurants organized by the Downtown Taunton Foundation. Start off the night with an All Groups Mixer from 5 - 7 pm at Trescott Street Gallery & Real Art Studios. During the Mixer, you will enjoy light refreshments and beverages AND meet your Pub Crawl Group for the evening. At 7 pm, the Pub Crawl begins as each group explores 6 more downtown destinations: Liberty & Union Alehouse, El Mariachi, Fusion Kitchen, The Pearl, The Ugly Duckling & The National. \$5 to join the Crawl, ticket price includes raffles tickets & light refreshments during the Mixer. Raffle prizes throughout the night! Don't miss the fun, signup today! This Crawl is limited to 100 people & usually fills up. [Reserve your spot today.](#)

The next day, Saturday October 15, the Liberty and Union Festival will take place on Church Green, at and around the Old Colony History Museum.

Activities include:

- Free walking tour of historic downtown Taunton leaves from the Museum at 11 a.m.
- Wreath-laying at the Robert Treat Paine statue at 11:30
- Ceremonial flag raising of the Liberty & Union flag at 12 noon.
- Festival on Church Green 12-4.

Festival activities on Church Green, from 12-4:

- Free admission to the Old Colony History Museum
- Tours of First Parish Church
- Historic demonstrations from historic re-enacting groups
- Live pottery demonstrations with the Pied Potter, Rick Hamelin
- Live forge demonstration from a blacksmith
- Beer tent featuring Berkley Beer for 21+ patriots!
- Vendor area with 30+ vendors who will be selling hand-made goods and snacks
- Community Partners who all will be offering free activities, including:
 - Old Colony YMCA - Taunton
 - People Incorporated
 - Taunton Area Chamber of Commerce
 - Silver City Dance Center
 - Rotary Club of Taunton
 - Taunton Family Resource Center
 - Bristol County District Attorney’s Office

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- Boys and Girls Club of Metro South (Taunton)
- TFCU/Taunton Federal Credit Union
- Triumph Inc, Head Start
- New Hope/WIC
- Taunton Area AAUW (American Association of University Women)
- Scouts BSA local Packs and Troops
- Manet Community Health Center
- SouthCoast LGBTQ Network
- Taunton Public Library
- Downtown Taunton Foundation

Food will be available from Hometown's Tacos Locos, Taunton High Culinary Arts, The Neighbors Coffee & co, The Friendly Fizz, and Wholesome Sweets LLC.

Live music will take place all day. Our schedule includes:

12:20 - 1:45 pm Majik Wind
 1:45 - 2:15 pm Showcase Dance Irish Step Dancers
 2:15 - 4:00 pm Paddy Wagon

Activities last until 4 p.m. We hope to see you there!

More information, including the full schedule of Liberty and Union Weekend events, that is constantly being updated, is available online at <http://www.libertyandunion.org>.