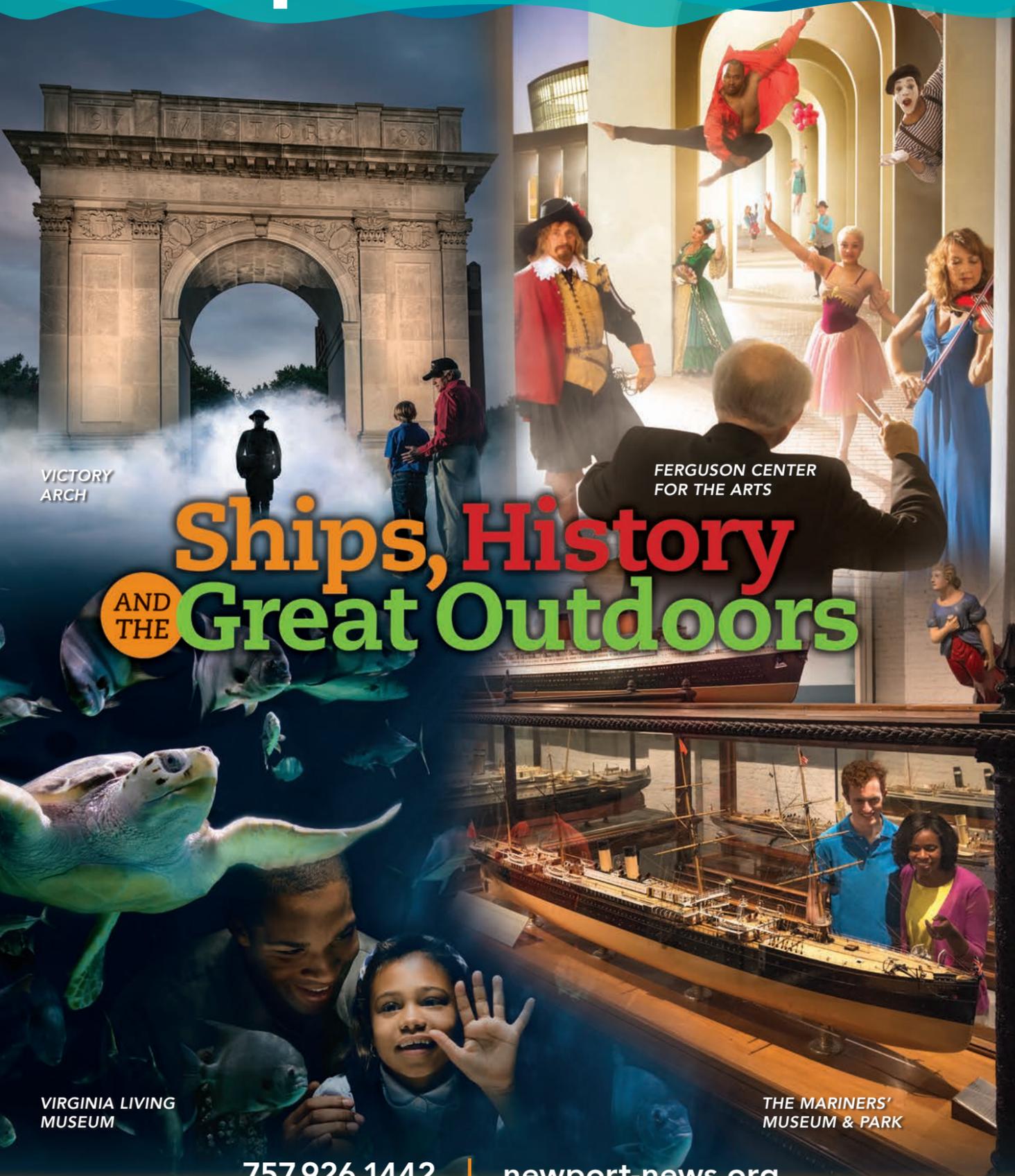




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VICTORY ARCH

FERGUSON CENTER FOR THE ARTS

THE MARINERS' MUSEUM & PARK

VIRGINIA LIVING MUSEUM

Ships, History AND THE Great Outdoors

WHERE WE ARE

Newport News, located in southeastern Virginia, is part of the Coastal Virginia region. The city sits along the scenic Hampton Roads harbor, one of the world's largest natural harbors. Its waterside location ties into its economy, as it is home to Newport News Shipbuilding – the largest industrial employer in the state of Virginia. The city also boasts more than 20 international firms, two national laboratories, Virginia's largest naval manufacturer and the U.S. Army's largest transportation unit. Newport News has more than 30 parks and historic sites. Our world-renowned museums celebrate nature, the sea, and our nation's military heritage. We're about an hour from Richmond and Virginia Beach and approximately 20 minutes from Williamsburg, Busch Gardens, and Norfolk. With 4,000 hotel rooms, we can easily accommodate any size group.



(also known as the Merrimac). Founded in 2015, Ironclad distills, ages and bottles its small-batch bourbon out of a century-old dry goods warehouse along the James River waterfront.



Tradition Brewing Company

www.traditionbrewing.com
 Located in City Center at Oyster Point, their 20-barrel Deutsche Beverage Technology brewing system can be seen in action while seated in the tasting room or 2nd floor mezzanine. Their Summer Series features American Pale Ale *Souder*, Kolsch *Flying Wasp*, Irish Red *Red Willie*, *Free Range Frog*, and the ever popular *Weizen* among others. All of the ingredients are specially selected and carefully inspected to maximize flavor and quality with every sip. Free tours are offered at designated times.

Strictly for Adults

Whatever your preference is for sipping – wine, beer, or bourbon – a number of adult beverage establishments have recently opened in the region... and more seem to be popping up faster than you can say "Cheers!"

Hampton

The Oozlefinch Craft Brewery at Historic Fort Monroe

www.oozlefinchbeers.com

Bull Island Brewing Company

www.bullislandbrewing.com

Williamsburg

Silver Hand Meadery

www.silverhandmeadery.com

The Virginia Beer Co.

www.virginiabeerco.com

Newport News

Ironclad Distillery

www.ironcladdistillery.com

Newport News' first and only operating whiskey distillery. Its mighty name comes from the epic Battle of the Ironclads, fought between the USS *Monitor* and the CSS *Virginia*,

ATTRACTIONS

Virginia Living Museum

Dinosaur Discovery Trail
New Permanent Display
Opens October 2016
- For students, adults and seniors

For more than 25 years, dinosaurs have been a popular summer exhibit at the Virginia Living Museum. In 2016, as part of its 50th anniversary celebration, the museum will open a permanent outdoor *Dinosaur Discovery Trail*. This exhibit will showcase 16 of the majestic animals that ruled our earth for more than 150 million years. Visitors will walk through the woods to see realistic 1/3 - to full-size dinosaurs from the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods. The dinosaurs will range in size from a mini Ankylosaurus to a 16-foot tall Brachiosaurus. www.thevlm.org



The Mariners' Museum and Park/ USS Monitor Center

Polynesian Voyagers
Exhibition Opens
Saturday, October 1, 2016
- For students, adults and seniors

Polynesian Voyagers will guide visitors through the story of exploration and settlement of the vast Pacific islands. Take a look at their time-honored navigational skills that relied upon knowledge of waves, winds, stars, and nature instead of modern instruments. See some of the real history behind Disney's upcoming animated feature film, *Moana*. In the fall, the Polynesian Voyaging Society's traditional canoe, the *Hokule'a*, will visit Newport News in conjunction with the exhibition's worldwide voyage. On display through June 11, 2017. www.marinersmuseum.org



PERFORMING ARTS



Downing-Gross Cultural Arts Center

- For students, adults, and seniors

This former school was restored in 2008 and is now the home of the Ella Fitzgerald Theater (ask me about Ella) and the Anderson Johnson Gallery. www.downing-gross.org



Ferguson Center for the Arts

- For students, adults, and seniors

For more than a decade, Christopher Newport University's Ferguson Center for the Arts has presented the finest artists in the world. A perfect venue for student groups wishing to perform. www.fergusoncenter.org



Peninsula Community Theatre

- For students, adults, and seniors

Located in Historic Hilton Village, the Peninsula Community Theatre offers musicals, comedies and dramas with the very best local talent. www.pctlive.org

THINGS TO SEE AND DO



Newport News Park

- For students, adults, and seniors
One of the largest municipal parks east of the Mississippi River, at 7,711 acres. It is part of Virginia's Birding and Wildlife Trail and offers hiking, biking, mountain biking, picnicking, paddle boating, canoeing, archery and freshwater fishing. The park's Discovery Center has hands-on activities, historical artifacts and nature displays. www.nnparks.com/parks_nn.php



Virginia War Museum

- For students, adults, and seniors
Where American military history unfolds! Established in 1923, the museum displays personal artifacts, weapons, vehicles, uniforms, and posters that trace the development of the U.S. military from 1775 through the present. www.warmuseum.org



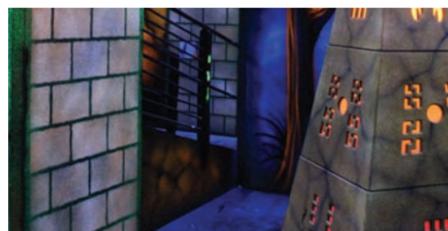
US Army Transportation Museum

- For students, adults, and seniors
This collection ranges from planes, trains, and helicopters to tugboats, jeeps, and landing craft. The museum also houses a unique collection of experimental aircraft and the first helicopter to fly at the South Pole. www.transportation.army.mil/museum/transportation%20museum/museum.htm



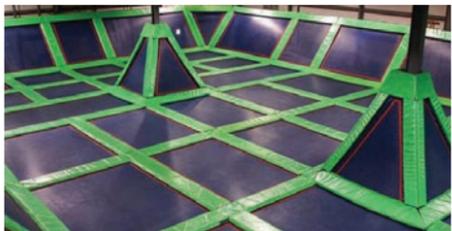
Starving Artist Studio

- For students, adults, and seniors
Choose from pottery painting, glass fusion, canvas or board art. Paint your way through the best time ever ... what a great souvenir of your time in Newport News! www.starartiststudio.com



LazerRush

- For students and adults
Play laser-tag combat games with special lighting, sound effects and tactical laser-tag games. There's also a laser go-kart riding experience and an indoor trampoline arena. www.lazerrush.com



Rebounderz

- For students and adults
A 34,000 sq. ft. indoor trampoline park with an 11,000 sq. ft. trampoline (called the Jumper), a Basketball Slam Jumper, a Dodgeball Jumper, and a Foam Pit. www.RebounderzNewportNews.com



Events

March – Battle of Hampton Roads Weekend at The Mariners' Museum and Park in Newport News; Newport News One City Marathon

April – Historic Garden Week in Newport News; Virginia International Tattoo in Norfolk

May – World Arts Celebration in City Center Newport News

June – Summer Celebration Wine Festival at Lee Hall Mansion in Newport News

October – Fall Festival of Folklife in Newport News Park; Oyster Roast in City Center Newport News

November – Oyster Roast at the Virginia Living Museum in Newport News

December – Hollydazzle in City Center Newport News; Celebration in Lights in Newport News Park (Thanksgiving Day to New Year's Day)



Group-Friendly Dining

Cove Tavern at City Center – 757-596-1830

Crab Shack on the James – 757-245-2722

Fuddruckers Deluxe Bar & Grill – 757-269-4940

Smoke BBQ Restaurant – 757-595-4320

Harpoon Larry's Oyster Bar – 757-827-0600

Tucanos Brazilian Grill – 757-597-9500

Salsa's Mexican Grill – 757-596-6080

Marketplace at Tech Center – Call Barb Kleiss at 757-926-1442 for listings

For additional choices, visit www.newport-news.org/visitors/where-to-dine