PAFA is excited to welcome parents and families back to campus this fall! Families – see more about what your students have been experiencing this semester, and get a sense of what campus life is like for current students. Check out the roster of activities below.

Register at the Parent & Family Weekend Check-in table, in the Hamilton Building West Lobby for:

- Behind the Scenes Tours of the Museum Collection (Friday, 10/7, 2:00 – 4:00pm; Saturday, 10/8, 1:00 – 2:00pm)
- Mural Arts Walking Tour (Saturday, 10/8, 2:00 – 3:00)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 7

- 1 – 3:50 pm
  Visit Afternoon Classes
  Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building, School of Fine Arts Studios
  Join classes and get a sneak peak of what current PAFA students experience every day!

- 2:00 – 4:00 pm
  Behind the Scenes Tour of the Museum Collection & Archives
  Sign up at Registration table in Hamilton Lobby. Meet for tour in elevator lobby of Hamilton 5th Floor

- 2:30-3:30 pm
  Campus Tours
  Meet in Hamilton Building lobby by Parent & Family Weekend Check-In Table

- 4:00 pm
  Student exhibition opening & Coffee Hour -- 11th floor – Student Lounge

- 4:30 – 5:30 pm
  Meet & Greet with President David Brigham
  Hamilton Building, 5th floor
  Join PAFA’s President and CEO, David R. Brigham, for a casual wine and cheese gathering, and hear about exciting developments at PAFA.

- 5:00 – 9:00 pm
  First Friday in Philadelphia!
  On the first Friday evening of every month, wander the streets of Old City among the neighborhood’s 40-plus galleries. Openings happen across Philadelphia as well!
  [http://www.visitphilly.com/events/philadelphia/first-friday/#sm.0005e5oawzgoflm10g11k89ah0qex](http://www.visitphilly.com/events/philadelphia/first-friday/#sm.0005e5oawzgoflm10g11k89ah0qex)

Saturday, October 8

- 9:30 – 10:00 am
  Coffee and Tea
  Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building, West Lobby
  Every artist knows caffeine is essential to starting your day! Grab a quick cup of coffee or tea in the lobby before heading up for some inspiring hands-on demos from PAFA faculty.

- 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
  Art Making Demonstrations
  Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building, School of Fine Arts Studios
  See what current students and faculty members are up to with art making demonstrations.
  - 10:00 am: Painting/Drawing Demonstration with Al Gury (Cast Hall)
  - 11:00 am: Printmaking Demonstration (6th floor print shop)
• 10 am - 5 pm
Samuel M.V. Hamilton and Historic Landmark Building Galleries are open to Parents and Family.
Select Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building Galleries will be closed for exhibition installation.

Exhibitions on View:

Permanent Collection – Historic Landmark Building

Ben Volta: Pattern Process
Historic Landmark Building, Alumni Gallery

Fernando Orellana: His Study of Life
Historic Landmark Building, Morris Gallery

Giants in the Corner and Other Anxious Tales
Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building, Annenberg Gallery

• 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Self-Guided Tour of PAFA’s Philadelphia Open Studio Tour (POST) Galleries and Spaces
PAFA is proud to be a community partner of The Center for Emerging Visual Artists’ Annual Philadelphia Open Studio Tours (POST). http://philaopenstudios.org/post/neighborhood/center-city-west

• 12 - 1:00 pm
Lunch
Grab a bite in PAFA’s Café, Tableau on the first floor of the Hamilton Building – where our students eat (and re-caffeinate!) daily, or explore one of many eateries in the area, such as Reading Terminal Market!

• 1:00 – 2:00 pm
Behind the Scenes Tour of the Museum Collection & Archives
Sign up at Registration table in Hamilton Lobby. Meet for tour in elevator lobby of Hamilton 5th Floor

• 2:00 – 3:00pm
Mural Arts Walking Tour
Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building, Depart from Lenfest Plaza by the Airplane Sculpture
(Hamilton Building, West Lobby if it’s too cold/wet)
Stretch your legs and see the world’s largest collection of outdoor public art. Learn about the murals, the artistic process, the artists (many of which are PAFA alumni!), and the history of the diverse communities that serve as the backdrop for this unique art form.

• 3 – 4:00 pm
Campus Tours
Meet in lobby Hamilton Building by Parent & Family Weekend Check-In Table

• Explore Philadelphia!

Sunday, October 9

• 11 am - 5 pm
Samuel M.V. Hamilton and Historic Landmark Building Galleries are open
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• 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
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What Will Be Happening Around Town? Fun Things to Do?

**Philadelphia Open Studio Tour (POST)** (Saturday, 10/8 – Sunday, 10/9)
Philadelphia Open Studio Tours, a program of The Center for Emerging Visual Artists, is the largest tour of artist studios and creative workspaces in the region and one of the premier open studio tour events in the country.  ([http://www.philaopenstudios.org/](http://www.philaopenstudios.org/))

**Old City Fest** (Saturday, 10/8  11:00am – 6:00pm)
3rd & Arch Streets
A free celebration of art and design, fashion and food, creativity and culture on the streets of America’s most historic square mile— Old City, Philadelphia.

**Design Philadelphia** (Friday, 10/7- Sunday, 10/9)
As the oldest design festival of its kind in the country, DesignPhiladelphia highlights the work of thousands of local designers, architects, and creative professionals to demonstrate Philadelphia’s reemergence as a 21st century city shaped by **thoughtful design**, collaborative business practices, and community engagement.  ([http://2016.designphiladelphia.org/](http://2016.designphiladelphia.org/))

**Museums Galore!**
In addition to work on view in PAFA’s Galleries, Philadelphia is home to many other wonderful venues for creative and compelling exhibitions!  From the museums on the Ben Franklin Parkway like the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Franklin Institute, the Rodin Museum, and the Barnes Foundation to unique spots around town like the African American Museum of Art, the Institute of Contemporary Art, and the National Museum of American Jewish History.

25 Must-See Exhibitions in Philadelphia This Fall
[http://www.visitphilly.com/articles/philadelphia/exhibitions-philadelphia-fall/#sm.0005e5oawzqoflm10g11k89ah0qex](http://www.visitphilly.com/articles/philadelphia/exhibitions-philadelphia-fall/#sm.0005e5oawzqoflm10g11k89ah0qex)

**Play Tourist! Ride a Double Decker....**
Experience the unique history and beauty of Philadelphia from an authentic London-style double-decker, provided by Philadelphia Trolley Works.  These open-top tours of the city offer the most spectacular views and entertaining live commentaries from fully-trained and friendly guides.  
[http://www.visitphilly.com/tours/philadelphia/big-bus-tours/#sm.0005e5oawzqoflm10g11k89ah0qex](http://www.visitphilly.com/tours/philadelphia/big-bus-tours/#sm.0005e5oawzqoflm10g11k89ah0qex)

Where does it go?  Here’s the map:

**See Philly from Above!**
From high atop the 57th floor of Liberty Place, visitors to the One Liberty Observation Deck will be astonished by the 360° landscapes that stretch for miles while also hearing tidbits of Philadelphia’s past and its evolution into a major American city.
[https://www.phillyfromthetop.com/tickets.html](https://www.phillyfromthetop.com/tickets.html)

**Terror Behind the Walls @ Eastern State Penitentiary**
_Terror Behind the Walls_, located inside the massive castle-like walls of Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia, is consistently ranked among the top haunted attractions in the country.  
[https://www.easternstate.org/halloween](https://www.easternstate.org/halloween)