



We are pleased to announce the launch of our BSA Merit Badge programs.

The first merit badge we are offering is the American Heritage Merit Badge.

The **American Heritage Merit Badge** is a three-hour long program, which includes museum admission. The American Heritage Merit Badge presentation can either precede or succeed the tour of the museum. By the end of the program (prerequisites required) the scout will have completed all requirements to earn the merit badge. The program is conducted by a registered BSA Merit Badge Counselor.

Minimum of 10 scouts and 2 BSA registered adults. (Adults may be asked to assist)

Be Prepared

Prerequisites required before coming for your visit:

1. Read the Declaration of Independence. Pay close attention to the section that begins with "We hold these truths to be self-evident" and ends with "to provide new Guards for their future security." Rewrite that section in your own words, making it as easy to understand as possible. Then, share your writing with your merit badge counselor and discuss the importance of the Declaration to all Americans.

*Scouts should come having read the Declaration of Independence and completed the writing.

2. Research your family's history. Find out how various events and situations in American history affected your family. If your family immigrated to America, tell the reasons why. Come to the program prepared to share.

3. Research an event of historical importance that took place in your area. Be prepared to discuss.

4. Come in uniform, remember your pens and blue cards.

Program Cost is \$40 per scout, BSA registered adults are free. Admission to the museum is included.