



HEART OF THE CIVIL WAR HERITAGE AREA



Newcomer House Programs 2026 Season

Saturday, May 30, 1:00 pm: The 3rd US Regular Infantry present military and civilian living history including a skirmish demonstration, followed by a ranger-led hike of the Middle Bridge area of the Antietam National Battlefield.

Saturday, June 20 - Sunday, June 21: John Milleker, Jr. will demonstrate nineteenth century wet plate photography and offer a cyanotype "Make and Take" station, along with other options. A great Father's Day activity for the family!

Saturday, July 25, 1:00 pm: Come for a thought-provoking talk entitled "Irritable Heart", Shell Shock, Battle Fatigue and PTSD: The History of Combat Stress Reactions" presented by Stephen A. Goldman, M.D., LFACTP, DLFAPA.

Saturday, August 29, National Music On The Porch Day: Come enjoy some lively music on the porch to celebrate this national event! Are you a musician - bring your instrument to join the jam!

Saturday, October 24 - Sunday, October 25: The South Mountain State Battlefield Cannon Detachment will portray Union Artillerymen from the 1862 battle, including cannon firing demonstrations on both days.

Saturday, November 21, 1 pm: Hike of the Middle Bridge area led by retired Ranger Matthew Penrod.

Saturday, December 5, Battlefield Illumination, 6 pm: Antietam National Battlefield will present the Annual Memorial Illumination to honor the 23,000 casualties from the Battle of Antietam. A driving tour.



The Newcomer House is located on the edge of Antietam National Battlefield at 18422 Shepherdstown Pike, Keedysville, MD. The house is open 10 am to 4 pm weekends in April, May, October and November, and Tuesday through Sunday from June through September. For more information, check our website at

<https://heartofthecivilwar.org/explore/newcomer-visitor-center/>

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