

# Experience Mercy Street in Alexandria

Immerse yourself in events inspired by *Mercy Street* by exploring Alexandria, the PBS drama's history-filled setting! For more information visit [www.HistoricAlexandria.org](http://www.HistoricAlexandria.org).

## 2016 EVENTS

### Exhibits

**Apothecary Museum:** *The Green Family Exhibit* (opens January 1)

**Archaeology Museum:** *Mercy Street Uncovered: Archaeology in Alexandria* (opens February 6)

**Gadsby's Tavern Museum:** *Tavern vs. Hospital* (opens February 1)

**Alexandria Black History Museum:** *Journey to Be Free* (through March 31)

**The Lyceum:** *The Real Mercy Street: Alexandria's Nurses and Hospitals During the Civil War* (opens January 15)

**Fort Ward Museum:** *Medical Care for the Civil War Soldier* (on-going)



### Civil War Ball

**Gadsby's Tavern Museum • Jan 23**

Enjoy an evening from the 1860s with live music, dance instruction, and period desserts. Period costume encouraged! Reservations required. 8 - 11pm. \$45 per person. *Dance Classes Jan 7, 14, 21.* \$12 per person, \$30 series.

### Wine Dinner

**Gadsby's Tavern Museum • Jan 29**

Savor Civil War history and Virginia wines with a menu inspired by the 19th century! Spend an evening with Gray Ghost Vineyards, whose wines are created on lands "Gray Ghost" Confederate John S. Mosby operated during the war. Reservations required. 7pm. \$100 per person.



### Lecture: Civil War Medicine

**The Lyceum • Feb 3**

The Lyceum and Fort Ward Museum co-sponsor a lecture by Civil War medical historian and interpreter Von Barron on Civil War medical practices. Lecture will also include information on Alexandria as a Union hospital center. 7:30pm. \$5 per person. *Snow date: Feb. 24.*



### Lecture: Heroines of Mercy Street

**The Lyceum • Feb 4**

Dr. Pamela Toler will discuss her new book "Heroines of Mercy Street," which tells the true stories of some of the remarkable women who worked as nurses at the Mansion House Hospital, Alexandria's largest during the Civil War. 7pm. \$10 per person.

### Lecture: Harriet Jacobs and Julia Wilbur

**Alexandria Black History Museum • Feb 6**

Paula Whitacre tells the story of these two aid workers who were friends and allies in Civil War Alexandria. 11am. **FREE**

### Tour: Contrabands & Freedmen Cemetery Memorial

**Freedmen Cemetery • April 2**

Join City Archaeologist Fran Bromberg and Black History Museum Director Audrey Davis as you learn about the history of contrabands (escaped slaves) buried in the cemetery, the fascinating archaeology behind its rediscovery, and how the site became a memorial. 10 - 11am. **FREE.**



### Civil War Medicine Living History

**Fort Ward • April 23**

Interpreter Von Barron will present a Civil War medical living history program including a field hospital display. 11am - 4pm. **FREE.** *Rain date: April 30.*

# HISTORIC SITES



## Alexandria Archaeology Museum

Discover Civil War Alexandria through what was left underground. Exhibits include dioramas and period objects found during excavations, including a musket that was still cocked and loaded. For families, “meet” a Civil War drummer boy and try to decode a letter from a Southern spy. 105 North Union Street, #327

*\*Don't miss their bike tour or civil war hospital walking tour brochures!*

## Alexandria Black History Museum

For over 30 years, the Museum has preserved and interpreted the history of African Americans in Alexandria. Site includes the Watson Reading Room and incorporates the Robert H. Robinson Library, originally constructed in 1940 following a sit-in at the segregated Alexandria Library. 902 Wythe Street

## Freedmen Cemetery

Visit the final resting place for about 1,800 people who had escaped from slavery and found a safe haven in Alexandria during the Civil War. 1001 South Washington Street

## Fort Ward Museum & Historic Site

Visit the best preserved of the Union forts that comprised the Civil War Defenses of Washington and view exhibits that feature original objects related to soldier life in the defense system and Civil War Alexandria. 4301 West Braddock Road

## Gadsby's Tavern Museum

Discover the hotel that became a tourist attraction for soldiers and where the Restored Governor of Virginia dwelled. 134 North Royal Street

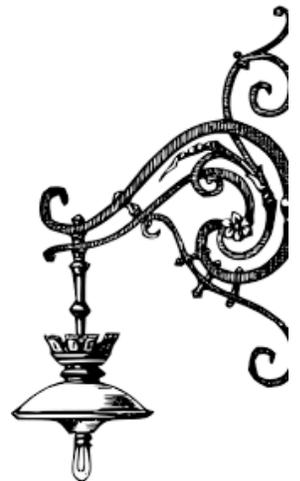
## Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum

Visit the Apothecary where all of Alexandria shopped - from the Quartermaster to the Green Family. 105-107 South Fairfax Street

## The Lyceum, Alexandria's History Museum

Seized for use as a hospital by the Union Army, The Lyceum became a ward of the Baptist Church General Hospital across the street, with 40 beds for wounded soldiers. 201 South Washington Street

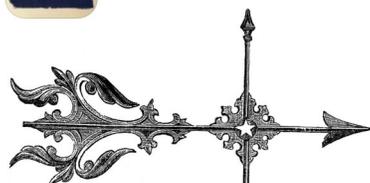
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