Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum
105-107 South Fairfax Street
Alexandria, Virginia
www.apothecarymuseum.org

Perfect for those who love science! This party is designed to teach students to become an apothecary apprentice.

The Apothecary served local customers, including the Washingtons and Robert E. Lee, between 1792 and 1933. The shop was transformed into a museum shortly after its closing and visitors can still view the original bottles, ingredients, products, and documents left behind by this 141-year-old family business.

Learn the basics of making and marketing your own brand of medicine. Then mix your own special “potion” to take home.

Ages: 8 and above (limit 15 children)

Friendship Firehouse Museum
107 South Alfred Street
Alexandria, Virginia
www.friendshipfirehouse.net

Does your child love fire engines? Then experience the historic Friendship Firehouse and become the newest “member” of the fire brigade.

The Friendship Fire Company was established in 1774, and was the first volunteer fire company in Alexandria. The current firehouse was built in 1855 and remodeled in 1871. See hand-drawn fire engines, water buckets, and other historic fire-fighting equipment, as well as ceremonial uniforms and banners.

Kids will take part in role-playing games and activities to help them earn their fire hat and badge. Wrap up the party with a parade using a banner the kids designed themselves!

Ages: 4 and above (limit 10 children)

Gadsby’s Tavern Museum
134 North Royal Street
Alexandria, Virginia
www.gadsbystavern.org

Have your child’s birthday party in the same room where George Washington celebrated his! Gadsby’s Tavern Museum consists of two buildings: the c. 1785 tavern and 1792 City Tavern and Hotel. It was the center of political, business, and social life in early Alexandria and hosted Washington’s Birthnight Ball celebration in 1798 & 1799. Choose from two different party themes:

Tea Party: Enjoy an afternoon tea party and learn the customs of 18th-century tea drinking as you share cookies and cake with your friends. Dolls and stuffed animals welcome!

Games: Taverns were places people came for a variety of entertainment. Search for clues as to what people enjoyed doing 200 years ago and then try your hand at some popular 18th century games.

Ages: 6 and above (limit 20 children)

Special features include a costumed party leader. Add a 30min 18th-century English Country Dancing lesson for an additional $75.00.

Party Details
• All parties are 90 minutes and include a museum party leader, hands-on tour of the museum, special themed activities and crafts, as well as tablecloths, plates, napkins, and forks. All you need to bring is the cake and kids!
• $250 for 10 children, with a $100 deposit due at time of reservation.

Reserve your party today!
Additional Opportunities

• $15.00 per additional child, up to site limit
• $50.00 extra 30min of parent-directed time
• $3.50 each site-specific goody bags

Adult Chaperones

Adults are required to stay with children 3 and under. For children 4-6, we request 2 adults per 5 children. For children 7 and older, the birthday girl/boy’s family is welcome to stay, however, we ask the remainder of adults drop off their children.

How to Schedule

Dates are always subject to availability of site and staff. Parties are held during regular museum hours: weekdays between 11:00am - 3:00pm, Saturdays between 11:00am - 3:00pm and Sundays between 1:00 - 3:00pm.

To book your party or check availability for any site, call 703.746.4242 or email gadsbys.tavern@alexandriava.gov

Make your child’s birthday a historic occasion!