



## Introducing *Charleston's Museum Mile* on Meeting Street

Charleston, SC - February 12, 2008 - *Charleston's Museum Mile* initiative will kick off March 1, 2008. The *Mile* offers visitors the most comprehensive array of historical and cultural attractions in downtown Charleston. It is situated along Meeting Street and runs from the Charleston Visitor Center to the Nathaniel Russell House. *Charleston's Museum Mile* initiative will help locals and visitors understand how easy it is to navigate this cultural corridor.

Along the *Mile* visitors can discover six museums, five nationally important historic houses, four scenic parks, a Revolutionary War powder magazine, ten historic houses of worship and five historic public buildings including the Market and City Hall.



### Participating Organizations

Founding organizations with visitable sites include the [Children's Museum of the Lowcountry](#), [The Charleston Museum](#), [Gibbes Museum of Art](#), [Historic Charleston Foundation](#), [South Carolina Historical Society](#), Colonial Dames ([The Powder Magazine](#)) and the [Washington Light Infantry](#). Representatives from all have shared their input and contributed greatly to the planning for this exciting joint endeavor. Also included as featured sites are the [Confederate Museum](#), the [Edmondston-Alston House](#) and the City-operated [Old Slave Mart Museum](#) and [Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon](#).

[Click here](#) for a full listing of sites along *Charleston's Museum Mile*, as well as a zoomable map.

### Traveling *Charleston's Museum Mile*



Getting about the *Mile* is simple - it is easily navigable by foot and public transportation. Pedestrian traffic and use of [DASH trolleys and CARTA buses](#) is encouraged to traverse the downtown area, travel to sites in and outside of the *Mile* and link with tourist buses at the [Visitor Center](#). This concentration of historic and cultural sites is also enhanced by a host of visitor-service amenities including ample public parking, numerous hotels, inns, restaurants and abundant shopping opportunities. The *Mile* is also close to other points of visitor interest, including Aquarium Wharf and Liberty Square, and provides a helpful central reference for exploring all that downtown Charleston has to offer.

### Funding

Startup marketing costs for *Charleston's Museum Mile* were made possible by an accommodations tax grant from the County of Charleston. The startup marketing program will include billboards, banners, brochures, a website ([www.charlestonmuseummile.org](http://www.charlestonmuseummile.org)) and other promotional vehicles. Business sponsors include [the Mills House](#), [Sticky Fingers Ribhouse](#), and [The Bank of South Carolina](#).

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