

## Museum Hours

The Underground Railroad “Flight to Freedom” Tour is available by reservation ONLY, Tuesday through Saturday. Guests should arrive at 10:00am for Tours. Tour duration approximately 90 minutes.

### \*Admission Prices—Walk-Ins:

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| Adults (Ages 18-61)                    | \$15 |
| Youth (Ages 3-17) & Seniors (Ages 62+) | \$12 |
| Groups of 20 or more:                  |      |
| Weekdays: Adults                       | \$12 |
| Youth & Seniors                        | \$10 |
| Weekends: Adults                       | \$14 |
| Youth & Seniors                        | \$12 |
| Family Reunions of 50 or more:         |      |
| All Ages                               | \$12 |

\* Walk-Ins please call 313-831-4080 to obtain dates for scheduled tours.

### Directions

Note: Prices are subject to change



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## Underground Railroad Living Museum History & Mission

The First Congregational Church has a rich history and remarkable story of the Underground Railroad. One of the most active members, Frances Eddy describes the beginnings of the church's involvement with the Underground Railroad.

As told by Frances Eddy:

*“One of the most important stations in Detroit was headed by Seymour Finney, owner of Finney’s Hotel at Woodward and Gratiot, with the hotel barn at State & Griswold. At first there was a profound secrecy about the goings-on, but Seymour continued to do all he could, as he considered slavery contrary to justice and humanity. The basement of First Congregational Church, at Fort and Wayne Streets was used to hide refugees en route to boats at the foot of Wayne Street (now Washington Boulevard), smuggling them across to Windsor. Popular sentiment rallied to Finney’s support. Many times, when the hotel housed pursuing masters, Finney was lodging the slaves in his barn. It is said that grateful black men sometimes assumed Finney’s name after their arrival in Canada.”*

In 2001, the Congregation had a vision with a mission to capture and sustain the national legacy of the Underground Railroad for researchers, educators, non-profit organizations and their constituencies. From this vision and mission the Underground Railroad Living Museum was born.



## Volunteer Opportunities

Why volunteer?

- ◆ To promote the history of the Underground Railroad
- ◆ To Give Back to the Community
- ◆ To Learn New and Exciting Facts about the Underground Railroad

The Underground Railroad Living Museum has various opportunities for individuals. Currently we have opportunities in the following areas:

- ◆ Cast Members
- ◆ Greeters
- ◆ Hospitality
- ◆ Educational Programs

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us at 313-831-4080

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## FLIGHT TO FREEDOM TOUR & STATION HOUSE EXHIBIT





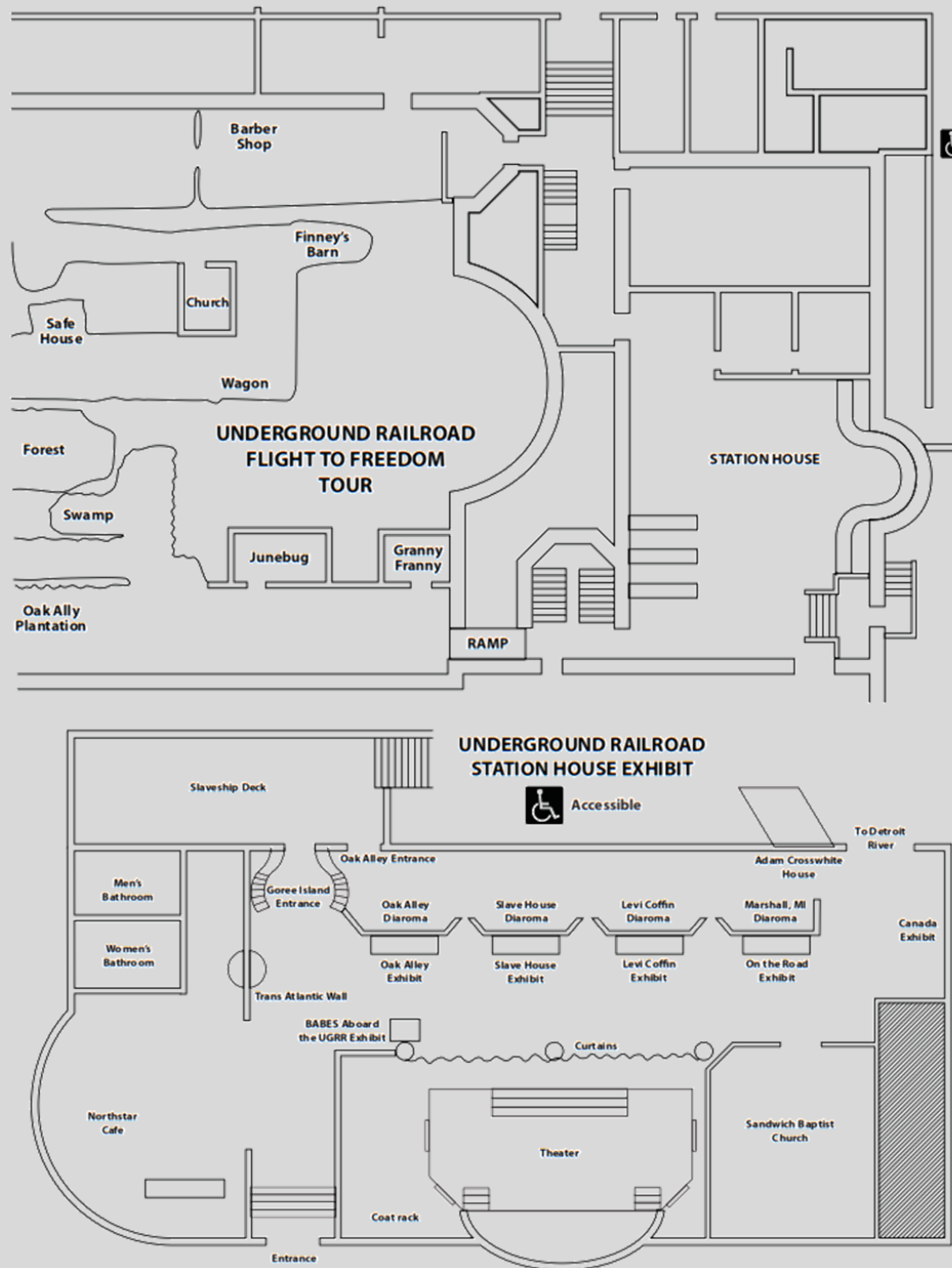
## Underground Railroad Living Museum “Flight to Freedom Tour”

The Underground Railroad Living Museum Flight to Freedom Tour is a “storytelling” re-enactment of the original Underground Railroad passage that operated between 1840 and 1863. Visitors will be shackled with wrist bands at the entrance of the tour and begin their journey by entering through the “Door of No Return” on Goree Island in Africa. As this journey begins, visitors transform into passengers on the Underground Railroad and are led to Freedom by a conductor. Passengers hide from bounty hunters, cross the Ohio “Deep” River and take retreat in a safe house which is owned by Abolitionist Levi Coffin in Indiana. Finally, passengers move to “Midnight” the code name for Detroit and take safe haven at the First Congregational Church of Detroit before moving to “Freedom.”



## Underground Railroad Living Museum “Station House”

The Underground Railroad Living Museum Station House exhibit is an ADA accessible exhibit derived from the Flight to Freedom Tour. Visitors will be greeted with a briefing and a video presentation in the Chapel. After going through the “Door of No Return,” visitors will be presented with a series of dioramas that display what it was like during the journey from the slave ships to freedom. Along with the dioramas are exhibits with artifacts, pictures and other information. At the conclusion of the journey, visitors can debrief and/or purchase merchandise at the UGRR Bookstore.



## Underground Railroad Living Museum “Dining”

Groups can enhance their Underground Railroad experience with a UGRR-themed meal in our beautiful banquet facilities in a lovely Victorian setting. The Angel’s Wing Community House, designed by celebrated architect Albert Kahn, includes a richly paneled lounge and spacious Victorian dining room with glorious hardwood flooring. Your dining may also be optionally accentuated with a piano, microphone, podium and sound system.

*Great for groups on the go!*

**The Conductor’s Lunch—\$8.00 Each**

Ham, Turkey or Tuna and Cheese

on A Hoagie Roll

Bag of Regular Chips

Cookie

Lemonade or Juice Box



*The Comfort Meal*

**Granny’s Hot Lunch — \$15.00 Each**

Fried or Baked Chicken (2pcs)

Spaghetti (Beef or Turkey)

Cole Slaw

Cornbread

Cookie

Lemonade or Iced Tea



**We accept Checks, Visa, Master Card  
and Discover Card**

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