

“Separation–Freedom for Delaware” at the New Castle Court House Museum on June 9, 2019

(DOVER, Del.–May 30, 2019)–On Sunday, June 9, 2019, the [New Castle Court House Museum](#), located at 211 Delaware St. in New Castle, Del., will present “Separation–Freedom for Delaware,” a series of programs held in conjunction with New Castle’s [Separation Day](#) celebrations. Now marking its 243rd anniversary, Separation Day commemorates June 15, 1776, the date when the Delaware Assembly, meeting in this same New Castle Court House, passed a resolution of separation from both Pennsylvania and Great Britain, creating the Delaware State.



The First Delaware Regiment will be conducting demonstrations on the New Castle Green as part of the “Separation–Freedom for Delaware” program on June 9, 2019.

“Separation–Freedom for Delaware” activities will include demonstrations by the [First Delaware Regiment](#) from 1:30-4:30 p.m., and, “Caesar Rodney in his Own Words,” a historical play by museum historic-site interpreter David Price at 2 p.m. The play explores the views of the famed Delaware patriot whose [ride to Philadelphia](#) broke the tie in favor of the Declaration of Independence. Both activities will take place on the Green adjacent to the museum. Guests are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs and bug spray. Admission is free for both of these museum-sponsored events, as well as tours of the New Castle Court House Museum. Admission is charged for other Separation Day activities. For additional information, call

302-323-4453.



David Price will portray Delaware patriot Caesar Rodney as part of the "Separation-Freedom for Delaware" activities.

Constructed in 1732, the New Castle Court House is one of the oldest active court buildings in the United States and was Delaware's first state capitol. During its nearly 300 years of history, this National Historic Landmark has played pivotal roles in the political, social and commercial life of both New Castle and Delaware. The museum is a partner site in the [First State National Historical Park](#).



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