



The Liberty Bell Wanderers  
 Welcomes You to the  
**Downtown and Karl Stirner Arts Trail**  
**Walk in Easton, Pennsylvania**  
 An AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event



A Historic town walk on city sidewalks and paved trails. Several moderate hills. Highlights include a bridge crossing into Phillipsburg, NJ, the Crayola Experience, and the Karl Stirner Arts Trail (7km and 10km only).

Visit the Easton Farmers Market, America's oldest continuous open air farmers market since 1752.

Regular Season: May - December on the Riverfront at Scott Park 128 Larry Holmes Drive Saturday: 9am - 1pm

Winter Season: January - April 300 Block of Northampton St. Every Saturday: 10am - 12 noon

### **Walk Registration:**

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box, on [my.ava.org](http://my.ava.org). Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

### **Walk Completion and Walk Credit:**

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the "My Start Box" tab, then the "Finish Table" tab, then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped "virtual" insert cards that you may choose to print out.

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## 10km, 7km, and 5km Walking Directions

### Starting Point Location:

The Starting Point is located at a small trailhead parking lot at 220 S. Delaware Dr, Easton PA. This parking lot can fill up on weekends. There is additional parking at municipal parking garage next to the Easton Town Hall on



**From I-78 Exit 75:** Turn towards Easton on Morgan Hill Rd for 0.3mi to Philadelphia Rd. Bear **RIGHT** to continue on Philadelphia Rd for 0.4 mi to St John St. Bear **LEFT** to continue on St John St for 0.3 mi to Smith Ave. Bear **RIGHT** to continue on Smith Ave to S. Delaware Dr. Turn **RIGHT** onto S. Delaware for 0.2 mi to the starting point parking lot.

### Restrooms:

There are no public restrooms at the starting point but about 0.4 km from the starting point there are restrooms at the Shell Station (and convenience store) at the corner of South 3<sup>rd</sup> St and Larry Holmes Drive. On the 10km route there are restrooms at the Easton Public Library.

### Emergency Numbers:



### Walking Instructions:

Abbreviations used:

ns - No Sign. There is no street sign.

C&P - Cross and/or Pass. Usage: {C&P: 1<sup>st</sup> St & 2<sup>nd</sup> St.}

SP - Special Program

These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

### Walk Directions:

- 1) Exit the Start Point and parking lot following the rock-lined roadway and turn **RIGHT** on S. Delaware Dr.
- 2) At the light, turn **RIGHT** on 3rd St.

*Notice the mural on railroad bridge on the left depicting a canal boat, mule, and driver.*

- 3) Cross the bridge and at the traffic light turn **RIGHT** on Larry Holmes Dr. (unmarked). The Forks of the Delaware, where the Delaware and Lehigh meet, will be on the right with a canal lock.

*On the corner of S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St and Larry Holmes Dr is a Shell station and convenience store with restrooms.*

- 4) Continue on Larry Holmes Dr. to Scott Park on the right. Follow the bike trail through the park to get a closer look at the rivers. Do not take the lower path that goes under the bridge. Exit the path before reaching the bridge.

*Scott Park is the site of America's First Christmas Tree in 1816. It is also the current site of the regular season Farmer's Market Also in the park is a statue for Easton native and Heavyweight Boxing Champion Larry "the Easton Assassin" Holmes as well as amphitheater (SP).*

- 5) **CROSS** Northampton St. at the light and turn **RIGHT** immediately to cross the Northampton St. Bridge into Phillipsburg, NJ.

*The Northampton St. Bridge provides access between New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Celebrating its 100th birthday in 1996, the "free bridge" (there is no toll to cross), with its Gothic detail, is the last of its type in the United States and is a National Civil Engineering landmark.*

- 6) **CROSS** Riverside Way, the (LIVE) railroad tracks and Main St.

- 7) **LEFT** on Main St {C&P: historic sign for Phillipsburg Town Hall (SP), Morris St. (ns - do not go up the hill on the right) and keep slightly **LEFT** to continue going straight on Main St.

- 8) Continue on Main crossing traffic triangle islands to the Yield sign for the exit ramp just before the bridge (Do not go under the bridge).

- 9) **RIGHT** on the sidewalk, with the exit ramp on your right, proceed uphill to the sidewalk next to Route 22.

**10) LEFT** on the sidewalk, crossing the bridge to the ramp on the other side.

Originally named the Bushkill St. Bridge, this was the third non-railroad bridge constructed across the Delaware between Easton, Pa. and Phillipsburg, N.J. The bridge is 540 feet long, one of the largest single-span truss bridges when opened to traffic in 1938. This Pennsylvania Petit truss bridge is an early example of steel-truss design without lacing bars or batten plates in any of its built-up members. The span was designed to "bear the heaviest loads of any highway bridge in the U.S. up to that time."

**11) Bear LEFT** on the ramp, going downhill, continuing straight ahead on Larry Holmes Dr.

**12) RIGHT** on Spring Garden St. Carefully cross Larry Holmes Dr. at the brick crosswalk. {C&P: Many historic homes, N 2<sup>nd</sup> St, N Sitgreaves St} to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

**13) LEFT** on N 3rd St. (Millionaire's Row), passing {C&P: The First United Church of Christ, Church St.} to Center Sq Cir.

**14) RIGHT** to cross N 3rd St. the RIGHT to continue on N 3<sup>rd</sup> St {C&P: 41 N. 3rd, the Herman Simon House, Spring Garden St, Bushkill St., highway bridge overpass, Synder St, Bushkill Creek} to Bushkill Dr.

*Lafayette College arts campus: Williams Visual Arts Building, Goodman Galleries, alumni arch, Black Box Theatre. The full campus is at the top of the stairs.*

**15) LEFT** on Bushkill Dr. following signs for Karl Stirner Arts Trail.

**16) CAUTION:** Bushkill Drive has no sidewalks and should not have any motorized traffic. {C&P: The Karl Stirner Arts Trail (KSAT) gateway, Sullivan Rd, highway bridge overpass) to Bushkill St/Dr.

**17) 10km Walkers Go to Step 19)**

**18) 5km Walkers Only:**

- a) **CROSS** then **LEFT** on Bushkill Dr (that after crossing the Bushkill Creek bridge becomes Bushkill St) to 4<sup>th</sup> St.
  - b) **RIGHT** on 4<sup>th</sup> St to Northampton St. then **CROSS** Northampton St.
- Go to Step 36).**

**19) 10km and 7km Walkers Only: RIGHT** on Bushkill Dr. to the 3rd Pedestrian Crossing sign (Union Fuel Company).

**20) LEFT** to carefully cross Bushkill Dr on the crosswalk and follow path to the right to enter the Karl Stirner Arts Trail (KSAT) as it follows the Bushkill Creek to blue bridge.

**21) LEFT** at the blue bridge. The trail continues and bears right under a red arch sculpture. {C&P: many sculptures, a dog park, Eight Pieces of Brocade Exercise (SP), to Labyrinth (SP).

**22) 10km Walkers Go to Step 24)**

**23) 7km Walkers Only:**

- a) At Labyrinth **TURNAROUND** and retrace your steps back on the macadam path crossing the bridge and proceeding back to Bushkill Dr.
- b) **CROSS** Bushkill Dr via the pedestrian crossing then turn **RIGHT** on the sidewalk continue straight to carefully cross the next street (where Bushkill Dr crosses in front of you) then pass Pearl St on the right to the traffic light at 4<sup>th</sup> St.
- d) **RIGHT** on 4<sup>th</sup> St {C&P: Spring Garden St and Church St to Northampton St then **CROSS** Northampton St.

**Go to Step 36).**

**24) 10km Walkers Only: CONTINUE** on the macadam path {C&P: cemetery, footbridge on right to the Silk Mill}. Follow the KSAT until it ends at a parking lot.

*Near the end of the trail is the R&H Simon Silk Mill (across the creek). You are welcome to cross the bridge on the right to investigate this newly renovated area containing apartments, shoppes, and lots of places to eat. During the late 1800's manufacturing of silk became a thriving industry in the Lehigh Valley. Access to power, water and cheap labor (including child labor) attracted many silk manufacturers to the area. The Simon Silk Mill became the largest producer of black silk ribbon in the world and at its peak employed 2,000 workers. The demise of the silk industry began during the Great Depression and continued over the next few decades as manufacturers moved their plants overseas where they could take advantage of even cheaper labor. The Simon Silk Mill is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.*

**25)** Continue through the parking lot to 13<sup>th</sup> St.

**26) LEFT** on 13th St proceed under the highway.  
\*Sections on the sidewalk of this street are especially poor. Use caution when walking\* to Jackson St, just before the large intersection.

**27)** Sharp **LEFT** on Jackson St. proceeding uphill to 11th St.

**28) RIGHT** on 11th St. {C&P: Bushkill St. and Wood Ave.} to Spring Garden St.

**29) LEFT** on Spring Garden St then at triangle merge **RIGHT** onto Wood Ave. Continue on Wood Ave. to the end at Northampton St.

**30) LEFT** on Northampton St. (unmarked - look for Porter's Pub) to 6th St.

**31) LEFT** on 6th St to Church St.

**32) RIGHT** on Church St. and go past Easton Public Library. (Restrooms available in the library) to 5<sup>th</sup> St.

*The Marx Local History Room at Easton Library houses the largest collection of local history and genealogy in northeastern Pennsylvania, and the original Easton Flag.*

**33) RIGHT** on 5th St. to Northampton St.

**34) LEFT** on Northampton St to 4<sup>th</sup> St.

*Northampton St. is in the midst of a massive redevelopment. Shops are returning. Museums and restaurants have re-opened. The State Theater Center for the Arts at 453 Northampton St. is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.*

**35) CROSS** 4th St and then turn **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Northampton St.

**36) 10km, 7km, 5km Walkers:** **LEFT** on Northampton. (Restrooms available in the Siegel Museum/Visitors Center.) to the circle (Centre Square).

*Siegel Museum, Easton Public Market (left). When crossing the Bank St. alley, look at the mosaic mural in the alley to the right. (Stop for ice cream at the Bank St. Creamery!)*

*The Circle (Centre Square) plays a salient role in Easton's history. Here, between 1756 and 1761, Indian treaty councils led to the British conquest of the Ohio Valley and ultimately to England's victory in the French and Indian War. In 1765, the first Northampton County Courthouse was constructed, and on its steps, Robert Levers performed the third reading of the Declaration of Independence on July 8, 1776. In 1792, a farmers' market that exists to this day was established by ordinance. In 2020 the Regular Season Farmers' Market was moved to Scott Park for more space.*

*Also on the circle, the Crayola Experience, art deco tile work, and restaurants. Other events are held on weekends throughout the year including Garlic Fest, Bacon Fest, and Heritage Days.*

**37) Bear RIGHT** around the circle, completing half the circle to continue on Northampton St to 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

**38) RIGHT** on 2<sup>nd</sup> St {C&P: Pine St} to Ferry St

*On the left side of 2<sup>nd</sup> St. is the Bachmann Publick House (1753), one of the oldest buildings in Easton and the only surviving tavern.*

**39) RIGHT** on Ferry St. to 3<sup>rd</sup> St

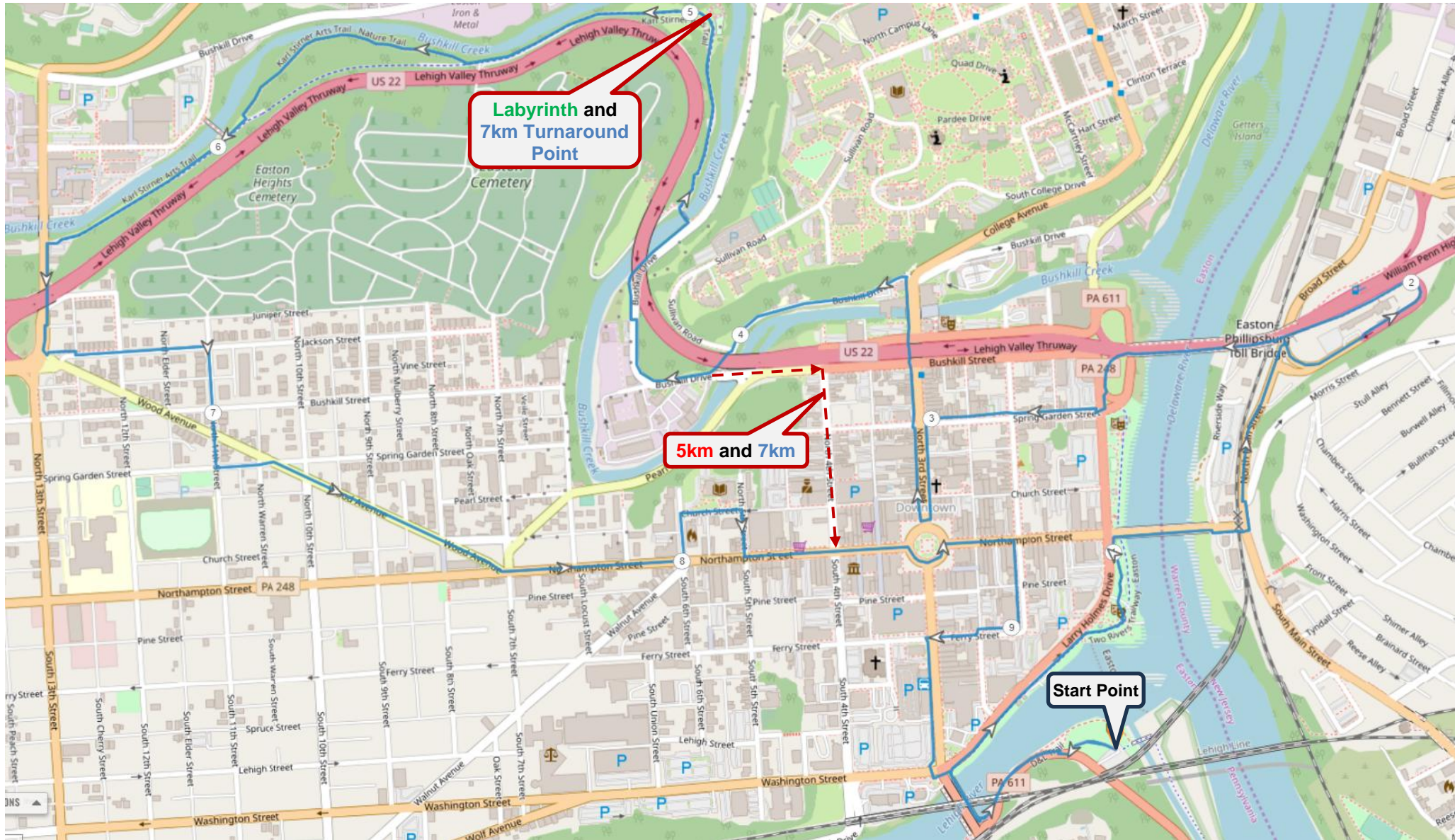
**40) CROSS** and **LEFT** on 3<sup>rd</sup> St passing the Easton Town Hall to Larry Holmes Dr.

**41) CROSS** Larry Holmes Dr, then **LEFT** to cross 3<sup>rd</sup> St then **RIGHT** to continue on 3rd St. crossing the bridge to Delaware Dr.

**42) LEFT** on Delaware Dr./611-S and return to the Start Point.

*LBW thanks you for your participation. Don't forget to complete your walk online using the Online Start Box Finish Table.*

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**2024 KSVa Special Challenges and AVA Special and National Programs**

<b>WALK NAME: Easton – Downtown and Karl Stirner Arts Trail</b>					
<b>NUMBER: 125104 2024/Y0323</b>					
<b>KSVa SPECIAL CHALLENGES</b>					
67 Counties (no end date)			Northampton		
AT Thru Hike (2017 -2020)			N/A		
<b>AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS</b>					
<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>10 K</b>	<b>7 K</b>	<b>5 K</b>	<b>Information</b>
Airports	(2020 – 2022)				
A-MAZE-ing Labyrinths	(2024 – 2026)	X	X		On the Karl Stirner Arts Trail
Appalachian Trail	(2018 – 2028)				
Border Crossing	(2014 - 2023)	X	X	X	PA - NJ
Bridges – Spanning the USA	(2016 - 2018)	X	X	X	Lots of bridges
Carousels Across America	(2019 – 2021)				
Food for Thought	(2015 - 2017)				
Great Lakes, Great Fun, Great Fitness, Great Friendship	(2021 – 2023)				
Ice Cream Parlors	(2017 -2019)	X	X	X	Frozenlandia, 24 Centre Square Circle
Lady Liberty	(2016 - 2018)				
Little Free Libraries	(2019 - 2021)	X	X	X	Centre Square Circle
Make A Wish – Water Fountains	(2016 – 2018)	X	X	X	Centre Square Circle
Mayflower – 400 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	(2020 – 2022)				
Par For the Course	(2023-2026)				Eight Pieces of Brocade Exercise on the Karl Stirner Arts trail next to the Labyrinth.
Points of Reference	(2016 - 2018)				
Rockin’ Around the Clock	(2020 – 2022)	X	X	X	Centre Square Circle
State Street Sashay	(2016 - 2018)				
Step to the Beat	(2024 – 2026)	X	X	X	Amphitheater in Larry Holmes Park
Take A Walk in a City Park	(2016 - 2018)	X	X	X	Larry Holmes Park
Town Halls / City Halls	(2022 – 2024)	X	X	X	Easton Town Hall on N. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St. Phillipsburg Historic Town Hall on Main St.
Treasure Hunt	(2016 - 2018)	X	X	X	Keystone State
Underground Railroad	(2017 – 2020)				
Walking America’s Ports of Call	(2016 - 2018)				
Walk the USA – Street by Street	(2016 - 2018)				
Walking with America’s Veterans	(2021 - 2023)	X			Amvets Post 17, 682 Northampton St.
<b>AVA NATIONAL PROGRAMS</b>					
<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>10K</b>	<b>7K</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>Information</b>
50 States / 51 Capitals	(no end date)	X	X	X	Pennsylvania
Walk the USA (A To Z)	(no end date)	X	X	X	E