



MEDIA ALERT

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Mule-drawn Canal Boat Rides on Josiah White II Return with Lehigh Canal Re-Construction Complete

Come Celebrate "Canal Appreciation Month" at Hugh Moore Park

EASTON, PA (Sept. 26)– After two months of repairs, the City of Easton’s re-construction on “Section 8” of the Lehigh Canal is complete and the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor will reopen their [mule-drawn canal boat rides](#) in Hugh Moore Park on the Josiah White II. After a two-month hiatus from work, Easton’s prized Percheron mules, Hank and George, will again pull the Josiah White II boat – the last of its kind in the eastern United States.

“We are so grateful that our members and visitors can again enjoy rides on the canal boat, which plays a critical part in the D&L’s educational programming,” said Elissa Garofalo, Executive Director of the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor. “The repairs took longer than expected, with an especially rainy summer season, but it’s better than ever.”

The public is invited to celebrate the reopening during “Canal Appreciation Month.” Bring a friend to join in the fun at Hugh Moore Park and receive the D&L’s 30th anniversary mug or water bottle. Special events planned for the month include a [Dinner on the Canal Celtic Culture Night](#), a dinner boat cruise that was rescheduled from the summer months to October 13. [Blackwater](#) will be performing their high-energy brand of Celtic music along with a Celtic-themed dinner. Or join a family-friendly evening of spooks and thrills at [Haunted Hugh Moore](#)

Park on October 19, 20, 27 or 28. Go to <https://canals.org/events/> for more information. To reserve your spot, Contact Loretta Susen at 610-923-3548 x221.

The National Canal Museum will be open Wednesday, September 26 through Sunday, September 30 with canal boat rides, boat and bike rentals, an outdoor park, education and fun for all. Starting October 1, the museum switches its seasonal hours and Josiah White II canal boat rides will run on weekends only.

ABOUT THE DELAWARE & LEHIGH NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR

The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that preserves the historic pathway that carried coal and iron from Wilkes-Barre to Bristol Borough. Today, the D&L Trail connects people to nature and the environment, industrial heritage, health and wellness and economic development.

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