

Legends by Lantern FAQ

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What is Legends by Lantern?

“Legends by Lantern” celebrates the numerous railroad legends in North Carolina folklore. Beginning at the Barber Junction Visitor’s Center, the lantern-light tour will visit numerous buildings on site including the Back Shop, Roundhouse, and Master Mechanic’s Office. Join our guides and learn about tragedies of the past, and the rumors surrounding them. If you enjoy lantern tours, old-fashioned legends, and ghost walks, this tour is definitely for you.

What is the cost?

- Children 6-12: \$5.00
- Adults: \$10.00

(Plus NC state sales tax)

Can I buy a walk-up ticket?

No. All tickets must be purchased in advance.

Is much walking involved?

Yes. Expect to walk about a mile over the course of 90 minutes, with plenty of stops for stories. Please wear comfortable shoes.

Where and when do we go to check in?

Please check in outside Barber Junction visitors center, adjacent to the parking lot. Tour guides will arrive 30 minutes before the tour, so if you arrive before then you’ll have to wait for them.

What should I bring?

Please bring a flashlight, water bottle, and bug spray. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing suitable for weather conditions as much the tour will be outside and in unheated industrial buildings.

Is the tour appropriate for kids?

The Legends by Lantern tour is appropriate for children over the age of six and adults of all ages. This is not a “Ghost Walk” or “Haunted Trail” and nobody will be intentionally frightened.

Who are the tour guides?

You will be led by two tour guides, who are volunteers or staff interpreters at the museum.

Is the tour ADA accessible?

The Legends by Lantern tour is 100% ADA accessible. Wheelchairs and scooters are welcome, but please note that there will be several ramps to climb during the tour.

How long does the tour last?

Beginning promptly at 7:30pm, the tour will last approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes. Upon return to Barber Junction at the conclusion of the tour, the tour guide will remain there for 15 minutes to answer questions.

Are there any restroom breaks?

We have a lot of ground to cover in 90 minutes, so please use the restroom before the tour.

Are cameras and picture-taking allowed?

Yes! Please be considerate when using the flash on your camera to avoid blinding other participants.