Is the Tower ever open to the Public?
Members at the Donor level and above can view the Founder’s Room on one of four tours conducted each year.

Tower

Architect: Milton B. Medary (Philadelphia)
Purpose: To house the carillon; serve as a centerpiece for the Gardens; the private use of the Bok family
Built: 1927-1929
Height: 205 feet (62.5 meters)
Weight: 5,500 tons (5,000 metric tons)
Structure: Steel frame with brick walls; outer facing of pink and gray Georgia marble and Florida coquina, a limestone of shell and coral fragments
Foundation: 118 reinforced concrete piles, 13-24 feet (4-7 meters) underground with a concrete cap of 2.5 feet (0.8 meter)
Sculpture: Lee Lawrie (New York City); herons at the top, eagles at the base of the bellchamber; all sculptures were carved on-site
Colorful Grilles near the top: Ceramic tiles designed by J.H. Dulles Allen (Philadelphia)
Brass Door and Wrought-iron Gates with Birds: Samuel Yellin (Philadelphia); depicts the Biblical story of Creation
Inscription under the Sundial: This Singing Tower with its adjacent Sanctuary was dedicated and presented to the American people by Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, February 1, 1929.

Clock Music

Announcing the hour strike:
What Child Is This
9:00  I Wonder As I Wander
9:30  Come, All Ye Children
10:00 Deck The Halls
10:30 Pat-a-pan
11:00 We Three Kings
11:30 Now It Is Jul Again
12:00 The Holly And The Ivy
12:30 Angels We Have Heard On High
1:00  CONCERT
2:00  O Desired Day
2:30  Sweetest Night Of All
3:00  CONCERT
4:00  Come, All Ye Shepherds
4:30  Gabriel's Message
5:00  O Little Town Of Bethlehem
5:30  Let All Mortal Flesh

Adaptations for carillon of melodies or of music written for other instruments have been made by the recitalist, except for those arrangers identified by the following:
* Anton Brees

Carillon

Bellfounder: John Taylor Bellfounders, Ltd. (Loughborough, England)
Size: 60 bronze bells
Bell weight: Smallest bell at 16 lbs. Largest bell at 11+ tons (10+ metric tons) Total of 63+ tons (57+ metric tons)
Thursday at 1:00 p.m.  
Live performance by Geert D'hollander

**American Christmas Songs**
Rudolph… Johnny Marks 1909-1985
Beyond the Sunset B. K. Brock 1888-1958
’T was the Night before Christmas Johnny Marks
The Most Wonderful Day of the Year Johnny Marks
Mistletoe and Holly F. Sinatra 1915-1998
When Santa Claus gets your Letter Johnny Marks

**Improvisation on Seasonal Music**

The Christmas Tree  
Australian Traditional

**Thursday at 3:00 p.m.**
*Live performance by Geert D’hollander*

**16th Century Dutch Traditionals**
The Virgin Mary was Chosen
He was Born in the Morning Dew
Us is Born a Holy Child

**Australian Carols** by William G. James, 1892-1977
Country Carol The Oxen
Carol of the Birds
Christmas Bush for His Adorning
Christmas Day

**Improvisation on Seasonal Music**

Christmas Alphabet 1954 Buddy Kaye 1918-2002

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Friday at 1:00 p.m.  
Live performance by Geert D’hollander

**Christmas Carols**

Oh, How Joyfully Sicilian Hymn
Angels We Have Heard on High French Traditional
What Child is this? English Traditional
Deck the Halls Welsh Traditional

**Christmas Songs**

Let it Snow! Let it Snow! 1945 Julie Styne 1905-1994
Carol of the Bells 1877-1921
Sleigh Ride 1946 L. Anderson 1908-1975

**African American Christmas Spirituals**

Rise up, shepherd – Shout for Joy – Mary had a baby

**Silent Night**  
German Traditional

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Friday at 3:00 p.m.  
Live performance by Geert D’hollander

**Christmas Carols**

Come All Ye Shepherds Bohemian Traditional
O Come All Ye Faithful Adeste Fideles 1751
O Little Town of Bethlehem L. H. Redner 1831-1908
Il est ne le Divin Enfant French Traditional

**Christmas Songs**

Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer 1939 Marks 1909-1985
Winter Wonderland 1934 F. Bernard 1897-1944
All I Want for Christmas 1944 D. Gardiner 1913-2004

**African American Spirituals**

O Mary – Oh, Jerusalem – Go, Tell it on the Mountain

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Saturday at 1:00 p.m.  
Live performance by Geert D’hollander

**Christmas Carols arr. R. Barnes**
Lord Jesus hath a Garden Dutch Traditional
Good King Wenceslas English Traditional
The Holy and the Ivy English Traditional
Carol of the Bells M. D. Leontovich 1877-1921
O Little Town of Bethlehem L. H. Redner 1831-1908

**Improvisation on Seasonal Music**

Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer J. Marks 1909-1985

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Saturday at 3:00 p.m.  
Live performance by Geert D’hollander

**French Christmas Carols arr. R. Barnes**
Musette French Dance, c. 1735
Quand le Berger va au Champ

When the shepherd goes to the field, c. 1700
Voice la Novelle Here’s the story
Il est ne le Divin Enfant
He is born, the Divine Child
O Journée Desiree
O Day we Desired; Catalan Carol
Noel pour L’amour de Marie
Troubadour Song, 12th Century

**Improvisation on Seasonal Music**

Go Tell it on the Mountain African American Spiritual

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