

The Pennhurst Story- Tragedy to Disability Rights

*“10,600 people spent their lives behind these walls...
cut off from society.”*

Pennhurst, the infamous institution and epicenter in our nation's fight for disability civil rights and justice, ushered in America's right to education, community living, fair treatment, and freedom from harm. The subject of countless documentaries, photographic exhibitions, and television programs (on the Travel Channel, History Channel, Destination America, NBC-Philadelphia, and others), Pennhurst remains a universal reminder to never repeat the inhuman indignities and atrocities of its past. Our live presentation will look back on Pennhurst's story, debut its new traveling exhibit, and look ahead to development of a future interactive Interpretive Center memorializing its place in disability history.

Join us for light refreshments while listening to the courageous advocates of the 1960's who moved the world of disability from charity to civil rights.

View the new interactive, three part, 12 panel exhibit series, telling the **“real”** story of The Pennhurst State School and Hospital.

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Intersections of Broad and Market Street, Center Square



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