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# Touring Washington~

For your convenience, this packet includes information regarding transportation and public tour opportunities in the Washington, D.C. area. For tours of the White House and U.S. Capitol Building, please visit the Congressman's website www.mcgovern.house.gov, or contact the Washington office at 202-225-6101.

# PLANNING/BOOKING/GENERAL INFORMATION

Destination DC is an all purpose website that can help you plan and book your trip to Washington, D.C. http://www.washington.org / Phone: (202) 789-7000

# TRANSPORTATION

# **Airports**

Baltimore/Washington International (BWI) Airport http://www.bwiairport.com/en General Information: (800) 435-9294

**Dulles International Airport** http://metwashairports.com/Dulles General Information: (703) 572-2700

Reagan National Airport http://www.mwaa.com/Reagan/reagan.html General Information: (703) 417-8000

# Train/Subway/Bus

#### Union Station

http://www.unionstationdc.com

Restaurants, Shops, Amtrak and the Metro can all be found at this location. Open Mon-Sat, 10am-9pm; Sunday, 12pm-6pm Phone: (202) 289-1908; Amtrak ticket counter: (800) 872-7245

#### DC Metro

http://www.wmata.com

Metrorail hours of operation: Monday-Thursday, 5am-midnight; Friday, 5am-3am; Saturday, 7am-3am; Sunday, 7am-midnight **Metrobus** runs 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, though service varies based on time, day & location.

Customer Information: (202) 637-7000; Assistance for riders with disabilities: (202) 962-2700; Lost and found: (202) 962-1195

# PUBLIC TOURS

## Tourmobile Sightseeing

#### www.tourmobile.com

Authorized by the National Park Service, Tourmobile offers live-narrated open-air tram tours of DC, including the only riding tour of Arlington National Cemetery. Unlimited free re-boarding privileges the day of ticket purchase. Phone: (202) 554-5100 or 888-868-7707

## Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial (located on grounds of Arlington National Cemetery)

<u>www.nps.gov/arho</u> Open daily: 9:30am-5:30pm Free admission, reservations not required Visitor information: (703) 235-1530 ~ Metro Stop: Arlington Cemetery (Blue)

# Arlington National Cemetery

<u>www.arlingtoncemetery.org</u> The nation's largest military cemetery, home to The Tomb of the Unknowns, Marine Corp Memorial, The Memorial Amphitheater, the Arlington House and the graves of Presidents Kennedy and Taft. Free admission, open daily: 8am - 5pm, October - March; 8am - 7pm, April - September. Phone: 703-607-8585 ~ Metro Stop: Arlington Cemetery (Blue)

## **Botanic Gardens**

#### http://www.usbg.gov/

One of the oldest botanic gardens in North America, the United States Botanic Gardens informs visitors about the importance, and often irreplaceable value, of plants to the well-being of humankind and to earth's fragile ecosystems. Open daily 10am - 5pm, till 7pm during the summer. Large groups: advance reservation required. 100 Maryland Avenue, SW ~ Phone: (202) 225-8333 ~ Metro Stop: Federal Center SW (Blue/Orange)

## Bureau of Engraving and Printing

#### www.moneyfactory.com/

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing designs and manufactures high quality security documents that deter counterfeiting and meet customer requirements for quality, quantity and performance. Its primary duty is the printing of paper currency.

Open Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 3pm in March; 8:30am - 7pm, April - August.

Free 40 minute tours. Free tickets required during peak season, March - August.

14th and C Streets, SW ~ Phone: (202) 874-2330 ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

## The Congressional Cemetery

#### www.congressionalcemetery.org

An historic cemetery where many members of Congress and government officials are buried. Open daily during daylight hours for self-guided tours. Guided tours every Saturday at 11am, April-October. Dogs welcome. 1801 East Street, SE ~ Phone: (202) 543-0539 ~ Metro Stop: Potomac Avenue (Blue/Orange)

## Corcoran Gallery of Art

#### www.corcoran.org

Corcoran Gallery of Art has expansive collections, dynamic exhibitions, and innovative programs and events. Open Wednesday - Sunday, 10am - 5pm; till 9pm on Thursday. \$10 admission for adults; \$8 for students/seniors; members and children 12 and under are free. 500 17th Street, NW ~ Phone: (202) 397-7328 (tickets) ~ Metro Stop: Farragut West (Orange/Blue) or Farragut North (Red)

# The DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Museum, Library & Americana Collection *http://www.dar.org*

Comprised of 31 period rooms and 2 galleries, the DAR Museum collection consists of over 30,000 decorative and fine arts objects spanning the 18th and 19th centuries, including furniture, glass, ceramics, textiles and silver. One of the largest genealogical libraries in the country. Americana Collection features historical exhibits, including rare manuscripts and imprints of our nation's past. Open Monday-Friday 9:30am - 4pm, Saturday, 9am - 5pm; Free walk-in tours and exhibitions.

1776 D Street, NW ~ Phone: (202) 628-1776 ~ Metro Stop: Farragut West (Orange/Blue) or Farragut North (Red)

## Decatur House

#### www.decaturhouse.org

Visitors are welcome to visit the exhibit gallery, take a guided tour and visit the popular museum shop. The Decatur House is also home to the recently established National Center for White House History. The center will house historical documentation, support research efforts, and provide education programs related to the study and history of the White House. Exhibit Gallery (self-guided): Monday - Saturday, 10am - 5pm; Sunday, Noon - 4pm. \$5 donation per person.

Guided house tours: Friday & Saturday, 10:15am and every hour till 4:15pm; Sunday, 12:15pm and every hour till 3:15pm. 1610 H Street, NW ~ Phone (202) 842-0920 ~ Metro Stop: Farragut West (Orange/Blue) or Farragut North (Red)

## Department of State

#### www.state.gov/aboutstate/

The State Department is the foreign affairs arm of the administration, conducting diplomatic relations with foreign entities and managing all U.S. embassies and consulates around the world.

Tours available Monday - Friday: 9:30am, 10:30am, and 2:45pm. 90 day advance notice required. Arrive 30 minutes before tour times, entrance is on 23rd street. Restrictions apply, see website for details. 2201 C Street, NW ~ Phone: (202) 647-3241 ~ Metro Stop: Foggy Bottom/GWU (Blue/Orange)

## Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection

#### www.doaks.org

Dumbarton Oaks welcomes the public to visit its garden, museum, and music room for lectures and concerts. The museum and shop are open daily 2–5 pm; closed Monday & federal holidays. Free admission. The gardens are open daily: 2pm - 6pm, March 15 - October 31; 2pm - 5pm, November 1 - March 14. Closed for federal holidays and inclement weather. \$8 general admission, \$5 for seniors/students/children 2-12. 1703 32<sup>nd</sup> Street NW ~ Phone: (202) 339-6401 ~ Metro Stop: DuPont Circle (Red)

## Folger Shakespeare Library

#### http://www.folger.edu

Home to the world's largest and finest collection of Shakespeare materials and to major collections of other rare Renaissance books, manuscripts, and works of art.

Open Monday - Saturday, 10am - 5pm. Closed federal holidays. Free admission.

201 East Capitol Street ~ Phone: (202) 544-4600 ~ Metro Stop: Capitol South (Blue/Orange)

## Ford's Theatre and Lincoln Museum

<u>www.fordstheatre.org</u> Ford's Theatre's mission is to celebrate the legacy of Abraham Lincoln and to explore the American experience through theatre and education. Theatre open daily: 9am - 4:30pm. Museum open 9am - 4pm. Free admission, ticket required.  $511 \ 10^{\text{th}}$  Street, NW ~ Phone: (202) 347-4833 ~ Metro Stop: Metro Center

## Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

#### http://www.nps.gov/frde/index.htm

A memorial dedicated to the 32nd President of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Free access, 24 hours a day. Rangers available for questions 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Located at western end of tidal basin, near the National Mall ~ Phone: (202) 426-6841 ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

## Holocaust Memorial Museum

#### www.ushmm.org

A living memorial to the Holocaust, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum inspires citizens and leaders worldwide to confront hatred, promote human dignity, and prevent genocide.

Free tickets. Open daily 10am - 5pm; times for specific features of the museum vary.

100 Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW ~ Phone: (202) 488-0400 ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

## International Spy Museum

#### www.spymuseum.org/

The International Spy Museum opened in Washington, DC in 2002. It is the only public museum in the United States solely dedicated to espionage and the only one in the world to provide a global perspective on the all-but-invisible profession that has shaped history and continues to have a significant impact on world events.

Hours vary, check website. General admission: Adults (12-64): \$18; Seniors/Military: \$17; Children (5-11): \$15 800 F Street, NW ~ (202) 393-7798 ~ Metro Stop: Gallery Place/Chinatown (Red/Yellow/Green)

## John F. Kennedy Center

#### kennedy-center.org

Since opening in 1971, the Kennedy Center has continued its efforts to fulfill his vision - presenting the greatest performers and performances from across America and around the world, nurturing new works and young artists, and serving the nation as a leader in arts education. The Kennedy Center is also America's living memorial to President Kennedy.

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Tour hours: Weekdays, 10am - 5pm; Weekends, 10am - 1pm. Walk-in tours leave every 10 minutes

2700 F Street, NW ~ Phone: (202) 444-1324 ~ Metro stop: Foggy Bottom (Blue/Orange), free shuttle departing every 15 minutes.

## Kenilworth Park & Aquatic Gardens

#### <u>www.nps.gov/keaq/index.htm</u>

Kenilworth Park & Aquatic Gardens constitutes some 700 acres and is part of Anacostia Park. The park has its origins in a 1926 act authorizing parks to preserve forests and natural scenery. The park reflects the history of the nation's rivers and wetlands. Free admission daily: 7am- 4pm. Summer garden tours at 9am & 11am on Weekends, Memorial Day through Labor Day. 1550 Anacostia Avenue, NE  $\sim$  Phone (202) 426-6905  $\sim$  Metro Stop: Deanwood (Orange)

## Korean War Memorial

www.nps.gov/kwvm

Free access, 24 hours a day. Rangers available for questions 9:30am - 11:30pm. Located at the western end of the National Mall, adjacent to the Lincoln Memorial ~ Visitor information: (202) 426-6841 Metro Stop: Foggy Bottom (Blue/Orange), head south along 23rd Street

#### Kreeger Museum

#### <u>www.kreegermuseum.org/</u>

The Kreeger Museum is a private, non-profit art museum located in the former residence of David and Carmen Kreeger. Designed by renowned architect Philip Johnson, it showcases the Kreegers' collection of 19th and 20th century paintings and sculptures. Tuesday - Friday: Reservations required, tours start at 10:30am or 1:30pm. Saturday: 10am - 4pm, no reservations required. Admission: \$10 adult, \$7 student, \$7 senior.

2401 Foxhall Road, NW ~ Phone: (877) 337-3050 ~ Metro Stop: Tenleytown/AU (Red)

## Library of Congress

#### www.loc.gov/visit/

The Library of Congress is the nation's oldest federal cultural institution and serves as the research arm of Congress. It is also the largest library in the world, with millions of books, recordings, photographs, maps and manuscripts in its collections. Hours of Operation: Jefferson Building: Monday - Saturday, 8:30am - 4:30pm Free hour-long tours are available Monday - Saturday: 10:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:30pm\* (except Saturday) 1st Street, SE ~ Visitor information: (202) 707 8000 ~ Metro Stop: Capitol South (Blue/Orange)

## Lincoln Memorial

www.nps.gov/linc/index.htm

Free access, 24 hours a day. Rangers available for questions 9:30am - 11:30pm. Located at the western end of the National Mall ~ Visitor information: (202) 426-6841 Metro Stop: Foggy Bottom (Blue/Orange), head south along 23rd Street

## Mount Vernon

#### www.mountvernon.org

Former home of George Washington. The estate, gardens and farm of Mount Vernon totaled some 8,000 acres in the 18th century. Today, roughly 500 of the original 8,000 acres of the Mount Vernon estate have been preserved 16 miles south of Washington, DC. Visitors can see 20 structures and 50 acres of gardens as they existed in 1799. The estate also includes a museum, the tombs of George and Martha Washington, Washington's greenhouse, an outdoor exhibit devoted to American agriculture as practiced by Washington, the nation's most important memorial to the accomplishments of 18th-century slaves, and a collection which features numerous decorative and domestic artifacts. Mount Vernon welcomes an average of 1 million visitors each year. Hours: April - August, 8am - 5pm; March/September/October, 9am - 5pm; November - February, 9am - 4pm Adults, \$15; Seniors (62+): \$14; Children 6-11: \$7; Children under 6: FREE  $\sim$  Tickets available online. 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon, VA  $\sim$  Phone (703) 780-2000 Located 16 miles south of Washington DC, accessible by Metro, Bus, Car, Tourmobile Sightseeing Tours, and Boat. See website.

# National Arboretum

#### http://www.usna.usda.gov/

Established in 1927 by an Act of Congress with a mission to serve the public need for scientific research, education, and gardens that conserve and showcase plants to enhance the environment. 446 acres with 9.5 miles of winding roadways. Open daily: 8am - 5pm. Free admission. 3501 New York Avenue, NE ~ Phone: (202) 245-2726 ~ Metro Stop: Stadium Armory (Blue/Orange)

## National Aquarium

www.nationalaquarium.com/

The National Aquarium was established in 1873 as the nation's first aquarium. It has been located in the Department of Commerce building since 1932, and completed an extreme makeover in 2008. Although limited in space, it offers an intimate home to more than 250 species, and offers visitors a unique 45-minute experience featuring America's Aquatic Treasures. Open daily: 9am - 4:30pm. Admission: Adults: \$9; Seniors: \$8; Children (3-11): \$4; Children under 3: FREE 1401 Constitution Ave, NW ~ Phone (202) 482-2825 ~ Metro Stop: Federal Triangle (Blue/Orange)

## National Archives

#### www.archives.gov

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is the nation's record keeper. The Rotunda of the National Archives Building in downtown Washington contains the permanent exhibit of the Constitution, Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence. The Public Vaults displays over 1,000 fascinating records from the National Archives holdings. Rotunda and Exhibit Hall hours: March 15 - Labor Day: 10am - 7pm. After Labor Day - March 14: 10am - 5:30pm. Free Admission. 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW ~ Phone: (202) 357-5000 ~ Metro Stop: Archives-Navy Memorial (Yellow/Green)

## National Gallery of Art

#### <u>www.nga.gov</u>

The National Gallery of Art was created in 1937 for the people of the United States of America by a joint resolution of Congress, accepting the gift of financier and art collector Andrew W. Mellon. The collection has since grown greatly due to private donations. Open Monday - Saturday 10am-5pm, and Sundays 11am-6pm. Free admission. 4th and Constitution Avenue, NW  $\sim$  Phone: (202) 737-4215

Metro Stops: Judiciary Square (Red), Archives (Yellow/Green) or Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

## National Geographic Society & Museum

events.nationalgeographic.com/events/locations/city/washingtondc/

National Geographic produces a wide range of public programs, including exhibits, speaker series, films, concerts and special events at its headquarters in Washington, DC. The National Geographic Museum features a wide variety of changing exhibitions that reflect the richness and diversity of our world. Also includes the National Geographic Museum store.

Open 9am - 5pm daily; Museum store open daily 10am - 6pm, till 9pm on Wednesday. Free admission.

17<sup>th</sup> and M Streets NW ~ Phone: (202) 857-7588 ~ Metro Stops: Farragut North (Red) or Farragut West (Blue/Orange)

## National Museum of Women in the Arts

#### <u>www.nmwa.org</u>

The National Museum of Women in the Arts brings recognition to the achievements of women artists of all periods and nationalities by exhibiting and preserving art by women.

Hours: Monday - Saturday, 10am - 5pm, and Sunday 12pm - 5pm

Admission: Adults: \$10; Seniors (65+): \$8; Students: \$8; Under 18: FREE

1250 New York Avenue, NW ~ Phone (202) 783-5000 ~ Metro Stop: Metro Center (Red/Blue/Orange)

## The Navy Museum & Gift Shop

http://www.history.navy.mil/branches/org8-1.htm

Devoted to the display of naval artifacts, models, documents and fine art, the museum chronicles the history of the United States Navy from the American Revolution to the present conflicts.

Open weekdays, 9am - 5pm; weekends, 10am - 5pm. Free admission; tours available.

805 Kidder Breese Street, SE ~ Phone: 202 433-4882 ~ Metro Stops: Eastern Market (Blue/Orange) or Navy Yard (Green)

#### The Newseum

#### www.newseum.org/index.html

The Newseum offers visitors an experience that blends five centuries of news history with new technology and hands-on exhibits. Open Daily: 9am - 5pm. Admission: Adults, \$19.95; Youth (7-18), \$12.95 (6 and younger FREE); Seniors/Military/Students, \$17.95 555 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW ~ (888) 639-7386 ~ Metro Stop: Archives/Navy Memorial/Penn Quarter (Green/Yellow)

## The Old Post Office Pavilion

#### oldpostofficedc.com

Originally built to house the US Post Office Department and the DC Post Office, the Pavilion is now one of the top attractions in Washington, offering international cuisine, diverse shopping and musical events.

Free tours of the Old Post Office Clock Tower are available. Call (202) 606-8691 for more information. No reservation required. Summer schedule (March 28 - Labor Day): Monday - Saturday, 10am - 8pm; Sunday, 12pm - 7pm.

Winter schedule (Labor Day - March 27): Monday - Saturday, 10am - 7pm; Sunday, 12pm - 6pm. 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW ~ Phone: 202-289-4225 ~ Metro Stop: Federal Triangle (Blue/Orange) or Metro Center (Red)

#### The Old Stone House, Rock Creek Park

#### http://www.nps.gov/olst/index.htm

The Old Stone House is the oldest standing building in Washington, D.C. The house is also Washington's last Pre-Revolutionary Colonial building on its original foundation. Built in 1765. Free admission: Daily, 12pm - 5pm. 3051 M Street, NW ~ Phone: (202) 426-6851 Metro stop: 15 minute walk North from Foggy Bottom (Blue/Orange), or catch the blue Georgetown Shuttle Bus.

#### Smithsonian Institution Group

<u>www.si.edu</u>

The Smithsonian Institution is the world's largest museum complex and research organization, composed of 19 museums, 9 research centers and the National Zoo. Free admission to all museums. Hours are often expanded in summer. Information: (202) 633-1000.

National Museum of African Art ~ //africa.si.edu/

Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ 950 Independence Avenue, SW ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

National Air and Space Museum - National Mall  $\sim www.nasm.si.edu/museum/flagship.cfm?hp=v$ Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm  $\sim$  6th and Independence Avenue, SW  $\sim$  Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange) or L'Enfant Plaza

Air and Space Museum - Udvar-Hazy Center ~ <u>www.nasm.si.edu/museum/udvarhazy/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ 14390 Air and Space Museum Pkwy ~ Access by car; directions on website

**American Art Museum & National Portrait Gallery** ~ <u>americanart.si.edu/</u> & <u>www.npg.si.edu/</u> Open daily, 11:30am - 7pm ~ 8th and F Streets, NW ~ Metro Stop: Gallery Place-Chinatown (Red/Yellow/Green)

**Renwick Gallery** ~ <u>americanart.si.edu/renwick/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ 1661 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW ~ Metro Stop: Farragut North (Red) or Farragut West (Blue/Orange)

**National Museum of American History** ~ <u>americanhistory.si.edu/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ 1400 Constitution Avenue, NW ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian or Federal Triangle (Blue/Orange)

National Museum of the American Indian ~ <u>www.nmai.si.edu/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ 4th Street and Independence Avenue, SW ~ Metro Stop: L'Enfant Plaza (Blue/Orange/Green/Yellow)

Anacostia Community Museum ~ <u>anacostia.si.edu/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5pm ~ 1901 Fort Place, SE ~ Metro Stop: Anacostia (Green)

Arts and Industries Museum ~ <u>www.si.edu/ai/</u> Open daily, 10:30am - 5pm ~ 900 Jefferson Drive, SW ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian, mall exit (Blue/Orange)

**Freer Gallery of Art and Arthur M. Sackler Gallery** ~ <u>www.asia.si.edu/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ Independence Ave & 12th Street (connected via tunnel) ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

**Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden** ~ <u>hirshhorn.si.edu/</u> Open daily, 10am - 5:30pm ~ 7th Street & Independence Avenue, SW ~ Metro Stop: L'Enfant Plaza (Blue/Orange/Green/Yellow)

National Zoo ~ <u>nationalzoo.si.edu/default.cfm</u> Open daily, 10am - 6pm, April - October; 10am - 4:30pm November - March ~ 3001 Connecticut Avenue, NW Metro Stop: Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan or Cleveland Park (Red)

Natural History Museum ~ <u>www.mnh.si.edu/</u> 10am - 5:30pm ~ 10th Street & Constitution Ave, NW ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

National Postal Museum ~ <u>www.postalmuseum.si.edu/</u> 10am - 5:30pm ~ 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE ~ Metro Stop: Union Station (Red)

**Smithsonian Institution Building (The Castle)** ~ <u>www.si.edu/visit/infocenter/sicastle.htm</u> 8:30am - 5:30pm ~ 1000 Jefferson Drive, SW ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

## Octagon House

www.nps.gov/nr/travel/wash/dc22.htm

Completed in 1800, the Octagon House served as the temporary 'executive mansion' for President Madison after the White House was destroyed by the British during the War of 1812. The Treaty of Ghent, which ended the war, was signed at the house. It is now the headquarters of the American Architectural Foundation.

Self-guided audio tours: Tuesday - Thursday, 2 - 4pm. Free admission.

18th and New York Avenue, NW ~ Phone: (202) 626-7312 ~ Metro Stop: Farragut West (Blue/Orange)

## Supreme Court

www.supremecourt.gov/

The Supreme Court is the highest tribunal in the nation for all cases and controversies arising under the Constitution or the laws of the United States. The Court stands as the final arbiter of the law and guardian of constitutional liberties.

Although the Supreme Court does not offer guided walking tours, visitors are encouraged to tour the building on their own and take advantage of a variety of educational programs including Courtroom Lectures, a Visitors' Film and court-related exhibitions. Open Monday - Friday, 9am - 4:30pm; Courtroom lectures are given every hour on the half-hour, 9:30am - 3:30pm. Free admission. 1st Street, NE ~ Phone: (202) 479-3030 ~ Metro Stops: Capitol South (Blue/Orange) or Union Station (Red)

## Thomas Jefferson Memorial

http://www.nps.gov/thje

Free access, 24 hours a day. Rangers available for questions 9:30am - 11:30pm. Located at southern end of National Mall ~ Phone: (202) 426-6841 ~ Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange)

## Treasury Department

www.ustreas.gov

The Department of the Treasury operates and maintains systems that are critical to the nation's financial infrastructure, such as the production of coin and currency, the disbursement of payments to the American public, revenue collection, and the borrowing of funds necessary to run the federal government. See the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for tours related to the production of paper currency. The U.S. Mint (coins) does not have a production facility in Washington, though it does have sales kiosks at Union Station and the Mint's DC headquarters at 801 9th Street, NW. Information: (202) 354-6800.

Tours: Saturday, 9am, 9:45am, 10:30am, 11:15am. Advance reservation required through Congressman's office. Free admission. 15th Street and Hamilton Place, NW  $\sim$  Phone: (202) 622-2000

Metro Stops: McPherson Square (Blue/Orange) or Metro Center (Blue/Orange/Red)

## United States Marine Corps - Washington Barracks

#### http://www.mbw.usmc.mil/

To experience the history of Marine Barracks Washington, tours are available on Wednesdays at 10am, at the Main Gate of Marine Barracks Washington, no reservation necessary.

The Evening Parade is conducted Friday at 8:45pm (May 7 - August 27) at the Marine Barracks Washington, 8th & I Streets, SE. A one hour and fifteen minute performance of music and precision marching, the Evening Parade features "The President's Own" United States Marine Band, "The Commandant's Own" The United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, the Marine Corps Color Guard, the Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon, Ceremonial Marchers, and LCpl. Chesty XIII, the official mascot of Marine Barracks Washington. For questions regarding the Evening Parade as well as ticketing or reservations please call (202) 433-4073.

The Sunset Parade is conducted Tuesday at 6:30pm or 7pm at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington Cemetery. A one hour performance, the Sunset Parade features the music of "The Commandant's Own", The United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and precision drill by the Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon. The Sunset Parade is open to the public at no charge. Reservations are not necessary. Spacious lawns provide ample room for guests to bring lawn chairs and blankets for informal viewing. No other type of seating is available, except for invited guests of the Parade Reviewing Officials.

8th and I streets, SE ~ (202) 433-4073 ~ Metro Stop: Eastern Market (Blue/Orange)

## United States Naval Observatory

#### www.usno.navy.mil/USNO

The United States Naval Observatory (USNO) provides a wide range of astronomical data and products, and serves as the official source of time for the U.S. Department of Defense and a standard of time for the entire United States.

Public tours of the U.S. Naval Observatory in Washington, DC are available, but on a limited basis. They may be canceled at any time with little notice. Please read the tour policy on the website before you request tour passes. Public tours are offered on selected Monday evenings from 8:30pm until 10:00pm.

3450 Massachusetts Avenue, NW ~ Phone: (202) 762-1467 ~ Metro Stop: Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan (Red)

## U.S. Navy Memorial

<u>www.navymemorial.org</u>
The Navy Memorial includes both a commemorative public plaza and a Naval Heritage Center.
Open daily: 9:30am - 5pm, free admission.
701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW ~ Phone: (202) 737-2300 ~ Metro Stop: Archives/Navy Memorial (Yellow/Green)

## Vietnam Veterans Memorial

#### www.nps.gov/vive

Free access, 24 hours a day. Rangers available for questions 9:30am - 11:30pm. Located at the western end of the National Mall, adjacent to the Lincoln Memorial ~ Visitor information: (202) 426-6841 Metro Stop: Foggy Bottom (Blue/Orange), head south along 23rd Street

## Voice of America Studio

#### www.voatour.com/

Voice of America is an international multimedia news broadcast facility and the official external broadcasting service of the United States. The Voice of America Studio Tour is a behind-the-scenes look at live broadcasting in radio, television, and the Internet in several different languages.

Tours are guided with audio and video features, and last 45 minutes. Free admission. Kids tour available.

Tour hours: Monday - Friday, 12pm - 3pm.

330 Independence Ave, SW ~ Phone (202) 203-4990

Metro Stop: L'Enfant Plaza (Blue/Orange/Green/Yellow) or Federal Center SW (Blue/Orange)

## Washington Monument

#### www.nps.gov/wamo

Open: 9am - 4:45pm; open until 9:45pm, May 31 - September 6.

Free tickets required. To get tickets, visit www.recreation.gov, or stop by the Washington Monument Lodge on 15th Street. On the Mall at 15th Street, NW  $\sim$  Phone: (202) 462-6841  $\sim$  Metro Stop: Smithsonian or Federal Triangle (Blue/Orange)

## Washington National Cathedral

#### www.nationalcathedral.org

Standing higher than the Washington Monument, the Cathedral Crowns fifty-seven acres at the city's highest point, a living symbol of our country's heritage of religious freedom and faith. The Cathedral presents the best view of the city from its towers. Tours, exhibits and demonstrations are available; visit the website for details. A \$5 per person donation is requested. Open: Monday - Friday, 10am - 5:30pm; Saturday, 10am - 4:30pm; Sunday, 8am - 5pm. Check website for tour times. 3101 Wisconsin Avenue, NW ~ Phone: (202) 537-6200 ~ Metro Stop: walk or bus ride from Tenleytown/AU (Red)

## Wolf Trap National Park For the Performing Arts

#### www.wolftrap.org

The nation's first national park for the performing arts. Wolf Trap offers opera, symphonic music, pop concerts, rock, folk, jazz, and ballet. Visit the website for performance schedules and tickets.

1645 Trap Road, Vienna,  $VA \sim Phone: (877) 965-3872$ 

Metro Stop: West Falls Church VT/UVA (Orange) to the Wolf Trap Metro Shuttle Bus Express, which leaves the West Falls Church Station every 20 minutes starting two hours before each performance.

For a helpful interactive map of Washington, D.C., please visit: <u>http://washington.org/browse-dc/dc-map</u>