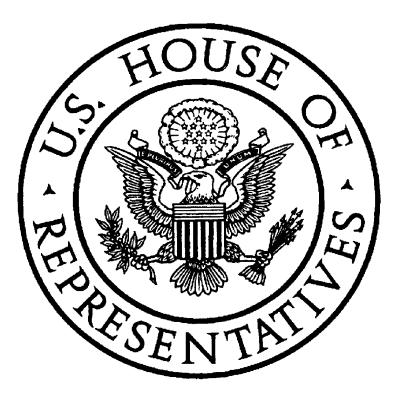
# **DC TOURS AT A GLANCE**



On the following pages you will find tour information about many of the sites in the Washington, DC, area. An asterisk to the left of a listing indicates that special tours are available at congressional request.

All tours of Government buildings are cancelled on days when the national threat level is code color orange, unless otherwise informed.

Admission is free unless otherwise noted.

This information is subject to frequent change, and for the most up-to-date information it is recommended that you check the facility's website or call for more information.

### **Government Buildings**

*	<ul> <li>White House</li> <li>1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW</li> <li>202-456-2121</li> <li>Closed Sunday and Monday</li> <li>Self Guided Tours: Tuesday-Thursday 7:30am- 11:00am, Friday 7:30 am- 12:00 pm, Saturday 7:30am- 1:00 pm; excluding federal holidays</li> </ul>	Congressional staff should contact the White House Visitors Office for the most recent information on tours. Although tours must be scheduled at least 30 days in advance, due to the high volume of requests, the White House Visitors Office recommends booking about six months in advance. NOTE- Congressional offices simply submit automated request forms and the White House Visitors Office, not Congressional offices, approves or denies requests.
*	Bureau of Engraving & Printing 14 <sup>th</sup> & C Sts SW 202-874-2330	The largest producer of security documents in the United States. The BEP produces over 9 billion Federal Reserve notes each year (coins are produced by the United States Mint). In addition, they produce over 20 billion postage stamps.
	<ul> <li>September-February: open M-F 8:30am-3:30pm; March: open M-F 8:30am-3:30pm; April-August: open M-F 8:30am-7:30pm</li> <li>Closed weekends and holidays</li> <li>Guided Tour</li> <li>Tours run every 15 minutes with advance registration for large groups between 11:00am-12:15pm</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li> <li>September-February: no tickets required</li> <li>March-August: free tickets required, space given on 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served basis—line forms at Visitor Entrance on Raoul Wallerberg Place side of the building</li> <li>The public tour is recommended as congressional tours only take place at 8:15 and 8:45 am, are only available to a limited number of constituents, and must be booked at least two weeks in advance.</li> </ul>
*	FBI 9 <sup>th</sup> and E Sts NW 202-324-3447	**As of August 30, 2002 ALL TOURS have been closed until further notice due to extensive renovations.**
*	<ul> <li>National Archives 7th St &amp; Pennsylvania Ave NW 866-272-6272</li> <li>Fall &amp; Winter Seasons (Day after Labor Day-March 14) M-F 10:00am-5:30pm</li> <li>Spring and Summer Seasons (March 15-Labor Day) M-F 10:00am-7:00pm</li> <li>Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day</li> </ul>	The Archives oversees the management of all Federal records to ensure ready access to the essential evidence that documents the rights of American citizens, the actions of Federal officials, and the national experience. Preserving the nation's history, the National Archives displays the US Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and Bill of Rights. At night they are lowered into a 50- ton vault to protect them. <b>RESERVATION INFORMATION:</b> • Reservations are not required for individuals or groups wishing to enter the National Archives Experience through the general public entrance.
		<ul> <li>Although, advance reservations are highly recommended. Reserved visits are available at the following times: Guided Tours: M-F 9:45 am; Self-Guided: M-F 10:00am- 90 minutes before closing.</li> </ul>

*	Pentagon Off Route I-395 Arlington, VA 703-697-1776	Tours can be reserved up to 3 months in advance. A minimum of two weeks notice prior to the proposed tour date is required. Constituents may either request a General Public Tour or a Group Tour.
	<ul> <li>Tours available M-F 9:00am-3:00pm, no weekends or federal holidays</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Information Required for Request:</li> <li>The name of the group, number of persons in group, date and time tour is wanted, name and phone number of person requesting tour. Tours begin and end at the Pentagon Metro entrance unless special arrangements for pickup and drop-off at another building location are requested.</li> <li>Security Rosters:</li> <li>A security roster (in alphabetical order) including names, dates of birth, and city/state of birth is required no later than 3 days prior to a scheduled tour date. If requests are submitted via the online submission form, requestors will receive a blank excel document to fill in once the tour is reserved. The tour will be approved once the completed Security Roster is returned. The reserved tour will be canceled if a completed Security Roster returned.</li> <li>Checking In:</li> <li>The tour window is located at the Pentagon Metro entrance. Group tour check-in is at the Pentagon Metro entrance unless special arrangements for pickup at another building location have been made. The tour window is on the left just inside the entrance in the visitor waiting area.</li> <li>Tour Lengths:</li> <li>Tour length is approximately 60 minutes and includes walking about one and a half miles of Pentagon corridors and several staircases.</li> </ul>
*	<ul> <li>State Department</li> <li>2201 C St, NW</li> <li>202-647-3241</li> <li>Open M-F, closed weekends and holidays</li> <li>Scheduled tours given at 9:30 am, 10:30 am, and 2:45 pm</li> <li>Tours are 45 minutes long</li> </ul>	Tours are by reservations only. Reservations can be made 90 days in advance by going to http://receptiontours.state.gov. These guided tours of the diplomatic reception rooms showcase 18 <sup>th</sup> century American furniture, paintings and decorative arts. Strollers, briefcases, backpacks, and packages are not permitted at any time. Children are allowed, but tour is recommended for children twelve

*	Treasury Department 15 <sup>th</sup> St and Hamilton Place NW Washington, DC	Tours are available by advanced registration only through Offices of Congress.
	<ul> <li>Open Saturday mornings excluding some holiday weekends</li> <li>Times tours are available at- 9:00am, 9:45am, 10:30am, 11:15am</li> <li>Tours last 1 hour</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>GUIDELINES:</li> <li>Name, date of birth, social security number must be provided for each visitor</li> <li>In order to be permitted photo ID is required</li> <li>Strollers and backpacks are not permitted in the building and there is no storage area onsite. It is suggested they be left in the car or hotel room. Additionally, photography (still or video) is not permitted in the building.</li> <li>Tour Entrance: Visitors must enter through the south building entrance located at 15th Street and Hamilton Place, NW (Washington Monument side). Enter through the gate in the iron fence by pressing the call button for admittance.</li> </ul>
		Some tour highlights are the Salmon Chase and Andrew Johnson Suites, the newly restored West dome and lobby, and the Cash Room. Please note that this is NOT the tour for seeing the production of United States currency notes. To see currency production, you will need to tour the <i>Bureau of Engraving and Printing</i> .

## **On Capitol Hill**

#### The United States Capitol is among the most architecturally U.S. Capitol impressive and symbolically important buildings in the world. It has between Constitution and housed the meeting chambers of the Senate and the House of **Independence** Avenues Representatives for almost two centuries. Begun in 1793, the Capitol 202-224-4048 has been built, burnt, rebuilt, extended, and restored. As the focal Open Daily 9:00 am to 4:30 point of the government's Legislative Branch, the Capitol is the pm Monday-Saturday centerpiece of the Capitol Complex. Closed Thanksgiving & Christmas Congressional Staff led tours can be given to groups of no more than 15. They are informal and led through the Cannon tunnel should be scheduled by calling your congressional office. The Capitol Guide Service conducts free guided tours of the Capitol Monday through Saturday, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. The first public tour begins each day at 9:00 A.M. and the last at 3:30 P.M. Tours last approximately thirty to forty minutes. Visitors must obtain free tickets for tours on a first-come, first-served basis, at the Capitol Guide Service kiosk located along the curving sidewalk southwest of the Capitol (near the intersection of First Street, S.W., and Independence Avenue; see the map below). Ticket distribution begins at 9:00 a.m. daily. Ticketholders will be directed to the South Visitor Receiving Facility, which is located south of the Capitol; from there they will proceed to the Capitol to begin their tour. Maximum tour size is 40 people. Large group tours can be reserved by calling 202-225-6827. Please have a pen and paper available as you may receive important information from a recording. Note: Please be aware of the list of prohibited items viewable at

http://www.aoc.gov/cc/visit/prohibited-items.cfm

<ul> <li>Library of Congress Jefferson Building 101 Independence Ave SE 202-707-4683</li> <li>Open Monday-Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm</li> <li>Closed Sundays and Federal Holidays</li> </ul>	As the nation's library, the Library of Congress shares resources with the American people, who, through their elected representation in Congress, have created the world's largest repository of knowledge. The Library of Congress offers hour-long, fully accessible docent-led tours of the historic Thomas Jefferson Building. During your tour you will learn about the building's symbolic art and architecture and view the grandeur of the Main Reading Room. Professionally trained docents tell the story of the Library—America's oldest cultural institution—by talking about its history, its collections (including the Gutenberg Bible), and the services provided to Congress and the nation. <b>TOUR INFORMATION:</b> -Public Tours: • For individuals and families • Monday-Saturday 10:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:30pm* *no 3:30pm tour on Saturdays and first tour is at 9:30am on Federal Holidays -Reserved Group Tours • For pre-reserved groups of 12-60 participants from organizations and schools (5 <sup>th</sup> grade level and above) • Monday-Friday 9:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm • Arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of a tour in order to clear entrance security -Constituent Tours: • Constituents may make reservations for tours by contacting their Congressional representatives (see: www.house.gov or www.senate.gov). • Constituent tours are offered M-F
<ul> <li>Supreme Court First and East Capitol Sts NE 202-479-3499</li> <li>Open M-F 9:00am-4:00pm</li> <li>Closed Saturday, Sunday, and</li> </ul>	The Supreme Court offers a variety of educational programs. Exhibits, which are changed periodically, and a theater, where a film on the Supreme Court is shown, are located on the ground floor. Courtroom lectures are held every hour on the half-hour, on days that the Court is not sitting, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding at 3:30 p.m.
Federal Holidays	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>To schedule tours call between 3pm and 5 pm Monday-Friday.</li> <li>Tours are given at 2:00 p.m. M-F when the court is not in session. Due to official court business, tours may be cancelled at any time.</li> <li>Arrive no later than 1:45 pm at the front plaza of the court. Latecomers can NOT be accommodated.</li> <li>No tickets are needed – names are on a list.</li> <li>During the off season, spaces for tours are often available even if requested only the day before.</li> <li>Public tours are given on a first-come, first-served basis from 9:30am to 3:30pm, at the bottom of the hour, every weekday the court is not sitting.</li> <li>Public lectures are available in the Courtroom every hour on the half-hour from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on days that the Court is not sitting.</li> </ul>
The U.S. Botanic Garden 100 Maryland Ave SW	The United States Botanic Garden (USBG) is one of the oldest botanic gardens in North America. It informs visitors about the importance, and

<ul> <li>202-225-8333</li> <li>Open daily from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, including weekends and Christmas.</li> <li>Visitors are welcome in</li> </ul>	often irreplaceable value, of plants to the well-being of humankind and to earth's fragile ecosystems. The Garden highlights the diversity of plants worldwide, as well as their aesthetic, cultural, economic, therapeutic, and ecological significance.
Bartholdi Park from dawn until dusk.	TOUR INFORMATION:
	<ul> <li>Free 45 minute highlight tours may be available. Check at the Visitor Information Desk upon arrival.</li> <li>These tours are offered Monday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and on weekends when space permits.</li> </ul>
	RESERVATION INFORMATION:
	<ul> <li>Please make tour reservations at least three weeks in advance by calling (202) 226-4082.</li> </ul>
Voice of America Studio	The Voice of America Studio Tour is a behind-the-scenes look at live
Tour, 330 Independence Ave S.W. 202-203-4959	broadcasting in radio, television, and the Internet in several of our 44 languages. Tours are guided with audio and video features, and last 45 minutes.
Open 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays) Doors open 15 minutes before	The Voice of America is a 24-hour, international multimedia news broadcast facility operating around the clock.
tour time.	TOUR INFORMATION: • Tours are conducted in English. Tour versions in Spanish and Mandarin Chinese are available upon request in advance.
	<ul> <li>A special "Kid's Version" of the tour is also available for families and school groups upon request.</li> </ul>
	RESERVATION INFORMATION:
	"Recommended" Can be made online or

phone (202) 203-4990.

### **Smithsonian Institution**

Information for all Smithsonian museums can be found at <u>http://www.si.edu/</u> or by calling 202-633-1000. All Smithsonian museums are closed on December 25.

<ul> <li>Freer Gallery of Art</li> <li>12<sup>th</sup> St &amp; Jefferson Drive SW</li> <li>202-633-4880</li> <li>Open 10 am to 5:30 pm daily</li> </ul>	The Freer gallery contains a vast collection of Asian and American artwork. Founded by Charles Lang Freer, the building includes paintings, ceramics, manuscripts and sculptures from areas of China, India, Japan and Persia. The Freer is also home to the largest collection of works by James McNeill Whistler. The museum connects with the Sackler Gallery by an underground exhibition space.
	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Highlights tours are available daily except Wednesdays and Federal Holidays and meet at the Information Desk at 12:15pm.</li> </ul>

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		<ul> <li>Group tours are available 10:30-2:30 daily except Wednesdays and Federal Holidays.</li> <li>To submit a tour request, please use the online Tour Request form (<u>http://www.asia.si.edu/education/tours.htm</u>). If you are unable to submit the form online, print and fax it to 202.312.1930.</li> </ul>
S 7	Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden <sup>th</sup> St and Independence Ave SW 202-633-1000 Museum open 10:00am-5:30 pm Plaza open 7:30am-5:30 pm	The Hirshhorn presents art in a range of media, including works on paper, painting, installation, photography, sculpture, digital and video art, and works that mix all or some of the above. Our collection of modern art (late-nineteenth century to mid-twentieth century) and contemporary art (from the 1970s to today) includes in-depth holdings by some of the best-known artists of our time, as well as the work of today's most promising emerging artists.
•	9 Sculpture Garden open 7:30am-dusk	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>10:30am-12:00pm: group tours scheduled in advance meet at the Information Desk. Schedule your tour by calling 202-633-2796 or 202-633-8043</li> <li>12:00pm-4:00pm: at the Information Desk, Docents will help you plan your visit and are available to lead you on impromptu 30-minute tours, Interpretive Guides also roam the galleries to answer questions and discuss exhibitions.</li> <li>Tours of the Sculpture Garden are weather permitting.</li> </ul>
N 6	National Air and Space Museum t <sup>th</sup> St and Independence Ave SW 202-633-2563 Open 10:00am-5:30pm Extended summer hours: March 28-September 5 10:00am-7:30pm	Perhaps the most famous and most popular of the Smithsonian Museums, the Air and Space Museum displays artifacts and airplanes that dangle from the ceiling that date from the earliest times of aviation and space exploration. These include the Spirit of St. Louis, Voyager, John Glenn's Mercury spacecraft, WWII fighter planes, the Apollo Lunar Module, and the 4-billion year old shard of lunar rock brought back by Apollo 17 astronauts. Films in the IMAX theater and planetarium are offered daily.
•	Open everyday, except December 25	<ul> <li><b>TOUR INFORMATION:</b></li> <li>Free docent-led tours are offered daily at 10:30 am and 1:00 pm and depart from the Welcome Center.</li> <li>Tours highlight the Museum's collection and trace the history of air and space travel.</li> <li>Each adult tour request requires a minimum of 20 people; a request in writing and a minimum of two weeks notice prior to the requested tour date (please do not send requests more than 6 months in advance).</li> </ul>
4	Aational Gallery of Art t <sup>h</sup> St & Constitution Ave NW 202-737-4215 Open Monday-Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm, Sunday 11:00am-6:00pm Closed on December 25, January 1	Besides having the only daVinci in the United States, the National Gallery has wonderful and diverse collections of impressionist paintings, early Christian art, 15 <sup>th</sup> century Italian paintings, sculptures, and Rembrandts in the West Wing. The East Wing displays 20 <sup>th</sup> century works by Miro, Magritte, Van Gogh, Pissarro and Matisse. <b>VIP passes for special shows can be obtained.</b>
۸ 9	National Museum of African Art 250 Independence Ave., SW 202-633-4600 Open 10 am to 5:30 pm daily, except December 25	The museum's extensive collection consists of 7,000 African artworks in wood, metal, ceramic, cloth and ivory. On long term loan is an exhibition titled "The Ancient Nubian City of Kerma, 2500-1500 BC" which consists of 40 pieces, including ceramics, jewelry and a variety of small ivory animal inlays.

National Museum of American Art 8 <sup>th</sup> and G Sts NW 202-633-7970 • Open 11:30am-7:00pm daily, except December 25	<ul> <li>Houses the largest permanent collection of American art in the world, including the works of artists Thomas Cole, Mary Cassatt, Winslow Homer, Edward Hopper and Georgia O'Keeffe. The museum reflects the nation's ethnic, geographic, cultural and religious diversity.</li> <li><b>TOUR INFORMATION:</b> <ul> <li>Docent-led, walk-in tours are offered daily at both the Smithsonian American Art Museum and its Renwick Gallery. All tours are orbitated as a second and the second and the second and the second action of the second</li></ul></li></ul>
	<ul> <li>subject to docent availability.</li> <li>Tours meet at the Information Desk.</li> <li>Collection Highlights tours are offered Monday - Friday at noon, and Saturdays and Sundays at 1 p.m.</li> <li>To schedule a group tour, call (202) 633-8550 or e-mail <u>AmericanArtTours@si.edu</u> at least three weeks in advance.</li> </ul>
National Museum of American History 14 <sup>th</sup> St and Constitution Ave NW 202-357-2700 • Open 10:00am-5:30pm daily, except December 25	The museum's self described goal is to "collect, preserve, and interpret artifacts as a special class of historical evidence and as principal expressions of human creativity." The museum is principally focused on how objects are made and used and how they influence society and the lives of individuals. It contains thousands of historical objects as well as oral histories, prints, photographs, and objects uniquely Americana, including trade literature and engineering drawings.
	<ul> <li><b>TOUR INFORMATION:</b></li> <li>Highlight tours offered Tuesday – Friday at 10:15 am and 1:00 pm and Saturday at 10:15. Check with Information Desk for other tours as announced by docent.</li> <li>All requests for special group tours are subject to docent availability and must be scheduled in advance.</li> </ul>
National Museum of Natural History 10 <sup>th</sup> St and Constitution Ave NW 202-633-1000 • Open 10 am to 5:30 pm daily, except December 25	Some of the artifacts in this collection include a life size model of a blue whale, an enormous prehistoric white shark, and an 80-foot dinosaur skeleton. Also on view is the Hope Diamond, a 45 and one half carat jewel known in some circles as the eighth wonder of the world. The Discovery Room works well for parents with young children and there's a costume room where youngsters can try on clothes from around the globe.
	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Call (202-633-1077) for tour information.</li> <li>Free weekday highlights tours are available Tuesday through Friday at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM, September through June. Meet in the Rotunda. There are no tours in July or August.</li> <li>No tickets for entrance</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>National Portrait Gallery 8<sup>th</sup> and F Streets NW 202-633-1000</li> <li>Open 11:30 am to 7:00 pm daily, except December 25</li> </ul>	Generations of remarkable Americans are kept in the company of their fellow citizens at the National Portrait Gallery. The Gallery presents the wonderful diversity of individuals who have left—and are leaving— their mark on our country and our culture. Through the visual and performing arts, the gallery celebrates leaders such as George Washington and Martin Luther King Jr., artists such as Mary Cassatt and George Gershwin, activists such as Sequoyah and Rosa Parks, and icons of pop culture such as Babe Ruth and Marilyn Monroe. For anyone fascinated by famous Americans and their stories, the National Portrait Gallery is a must–visit destination.
	Ticket Information: FREE ADMISSION

<ul> <li>National Zoo</li> <li>3001 Connecticut Ave NW</li> <li>202-673-4717</li> <li>Open Daily, except December 25</li> <li>April-October Exhibits open: 10am-6pm</li> <li>November-March Exhibits open: 10am-4:30pm</li> </ul>	The National Zoo allows you to see a charming pair of panda bears, the first Komodo dragons to breed in the western world, golden lion tamarins, and orangutans who make their own transportation system. It also hosts (among many other animals) lions, cheetahs, tigers, elephants, rhinoceroses, bears, giraffes, and a reptile and insect house. The zoo borders part of lush Rock Creek Parkway and is a treat for children of all ages.
Renwick Gallery 17 <sup>th</sup> and Pennsylvania Ave NW 202-633-2850	The Renwick Gallery, the Museum's branch location for contemporary American craft and decorative arts, is located steps from the White House in the heart of historic federal Washington.
• Open daily 10 am to 5:30 pm	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Tours meet at the Information Desk.</li> <li>Collecting Highlight tours are offered M-F at noon, and Saturdays and Sundays at 1pm.</li> <li>To schedule a group tour, call 202-633-8550 or email <u>AmericanArtTours@si.edu</u> at least 3 weeks in advance.</li> <li>Tours area also available by appointment in French, German, and Spanish. Please call 202-633-8550 or email <u>AmericanArtTours@si.edu</u> at least 4 weeks in advance to schedule.</li> </ul>
Smithsonian Arts and Industries Building 900 Jefferson Drive SW 202-357-1300 • Open daily 10 am to 5:30 pm	**CURRENTLY CLOSED IN PREPARATION FOR RENOVATION** The Arts and Industries building houses a re-creation of the 1881 Exposition for which it is named. The original US National Museum, this architectural wonder once held many specimens (such as the Spirit of St. Louis) that are now on display in other Smithsonian museums. Presently, the museum features exhibition spaces and galleries that host historical artifacts and displays, along with a Discovery theater for educational programs.
<ul> <li>Smithsonian Institution Building 1000 Jefferson Drive, SW 202-633-1000</li> <li>Open 8:30am-5:30pm daily, except December 25</li> </ul>	Known as "the Castle," built in 1855, the Smithsonian Institution Building is the original Smithsonian building. It houses the administrative offices, information for visitors, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and even James Smithson's crypt. Highlights: 10-minute video orientation, two interactive touch-screen stations with information on the Smithsonian in six languages, scale model of the federal city, Castle Café, and free public Wi-Fi.
	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Walk-in tours meet at the information desk and are subject to docent availability and vary by season.</li> <li>Every Mon., time as announced by docent</li> <li>Every Fri., 9:45 AM</li> <li>Every Sat., 9:30 AM &amp; 10:30 AM</li> <li>Every Sun., 10:30 AM as announced by docent</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>RESERVATION INFORMATION:</li> <li>For groups of 10 or more, by appointment only, 3-week notice required; call MonFri., 9 AM-5 PM, except federal holidays: 202-633-2987</li> </ul>

#### **Museums and Galleries**

Daughters of the American Revolution Museum 1776 D St NW 202-879-3241 • Open Mon. – Fri. 9:30 am to 4 pm, Sat. 9 am to 5 pm	The DAR Museum showcases the furnishings and decorative arts of pre-industrial America with permanent and changing exhibitions in two galleries. A highlight of visiting the museum is viewing the 31 Period Rooms that depict regional or period American interiors from the 17th to the early 20th century. <b>Admission is free</b> .
<ul> <li>Closed Sundays, federal holidays, and during an annual meeting in late June – early July</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Docent-led tours of the period rooms are available M-F 10am-2:30pm and Saturday 9am-4:30pm.</li> <li>For individuals and walk-in groups of 9 or less, tours are on the hour and half-hour subject to docent availability. Tour sign up is required for walk-in visitors at the docent desk.</li> <li>Tours last approximately 45 minutes, and admission is free.</li> <li>For groups of 10 or more, reservations are required with a fee of \$3 per person for docent-led tours. For reservations, contact the Assistant Curator of Education at 202-879-3341 or email museum@dar.org.</li> <li>When docents are not available, self-guided tours are provided for walk-in visitors and reserved groups at no cost. For self-guided tours, period rooms are accessible M-F 9:30am-4pm and Saturdays 9am-5pm. Self-guided groups of 10 or more are asked to notify the museum @dar.org.</li> </ul>
Folger Shakespeare Library 201 East Capitol St SE 202-544-4600 • Open Mon-Sat 10 am to 5 pm, except federal holidays,	Houses the world's largest collection of Shakespeare's printed works and a collection of other rare Renaissance books on all disciplines. The reading Room is open to scholars and graduate students for research. Exhibitions, a museum shop, theatre productions, poetry readings, lectures, chamber music, recitation contests, student fellowships, workshops and family programs are offered.
<ul> <li>Reading Room: M-F 8:45am-4:45pm Saturday 9am-noon, 1pm- 4:30pm</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Docent tours of the building and the current exhibitions are available M-F 11am and 3pm and on Saturday 11am and 1pm with no advance registration and no charge.</li> <li>Docent tours of the Elizabethan Garden are available every third Saturday of the month , from April-October at 10 and 11am at no charge with no advance registration.</li> <li>Group tours need to register in advance, call 202-675-0395.</li> </ul>
Ford's Theatre and Lincoln Museum 517 10 <sup>th</sup> St NW 202-426-6924	The site of the infamous assassination of President Lincoln. After being closed for many years, the theater re-opened for performances in 1968. However, the appearance inside remains unchanged from the 1860's.
<ul> <li>Open daily 9 am to 5 pm</li> <li>Closed on Christmas</li> <li>No Congressional Tours</li> <li>Call Ahead!! Theatre closes for</li> </ul>	TOUR INFORMATION: • For the Theatre: -Tickets for entry call 202-397-SEAT

<ul> <li>matinees and rehearsals</li> <li>Self Guided Tour</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>For group reservations call 202-638-2367 or email groups @fords.org. The Group Sales office is open M-F 10am-6pm.</li> <li>For the Museum: <ul> <li>Day-of Tickets at the Box office, on a first-come, first-served basis. Individuals are limited to 6 tickets per person for sameday tickets.</li> <li>Advance tickets are available for visitors wishing to reserve a specific time for their visit. A fee of \$1.50 per ticket is charged for advance tickets. Online and phone ticket sales are handled through Ticketmaster. Tickets can be held at the Ford's Theatre Box Office Will Call.</li> <li>Advance tickets by calling the group sales office at Ford's Theatre or by reserving tickets online through Ticketmaster. Group tickets are available at a discounted fee of \$1.25 per ticket.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Holocaust Memorial &amp; Museum 14<sup>th</sup> Street south of Independence Avenue SW 202-488-0400</li> <li>Open Daily 10 am – 5:30 pm</li> <li>EXTENDED HOURS: M-F March 29-June 11, 10am- 6:30pm NOT OFFERED: April 13-15 in honor of Days of Remembrance</li> <li>Closed Christmas and Yom Kippur</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>One of the more impressive and moving of Washington's museums, the permanent exhibition tells the story of the Jews targeted for annihilation in systematic, state-sponsored genocide. It also reverently describes the fate of other Nazi victims, such as Gypsies, Poles, homosexuals, and political and religious dissidents. The three-floor exhibition uses artifacts, oral histories, documentary film, and photographs to depict the rise of Nazism, the early persecution, and the "final solution." Stories of resistance and rescue are also featured.</li> <li><b>TOUR INFORMATION:</b> <ul> <li>NO PASSES are necessary for entering the Museum building, special exhibitions, the interactive Wexner Learning Center and other Museum resources.</li> <li><b>PASSES ARE REQUIRED</b> for visiting the Permanent Exhibition — <i>The Holocaust</i> — March through August, during our busy season. These free passes are issued for a specific time during the day, and can be obtained at the Museum on a first-come first-served basis.</li> <li>A limited number of passes are also available for <u>online purchase in advance</u>. Advance pass reservation service is provided by Extremetix, Inc. Customers will be charged a reservation service fee of \$1.00 per pass (all sales final). For an additional charge, customers may also purchase passes by calling toll free 877-80-USHMM. Subject to availability, up to 40 passes per visit date may be purchased in advance.</li> </ul></li></ul>
<ul> <li>International Spy Museum 800 F Street NW 202-393-7798</li> <li>Opening and closing hours change daily, to check times visit http://www.spymuseum.org/ plan/hours.php</li> <li>Closed Nov. 27, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1</li> </ul>	Gain access to the world's largest collection of international espionage artifacts ever placed on public display. Over 600 pieces are on exhibit, including our collection of G-Man toys from the 1930s and 1940s when interest in G-Men ("G" stands for "Government," in this case FBI agents) was at a high and children searched for worthy role models. Explore interactive exhibits about disguise, surveillance, threat analysis, and more. Discover the history of spying from biblical times to the present day. For current information visit http://www.spymuseum.org/plan/. RESERVATION INFORMATION:

	<ul> <li>The <u>Group Reservation Request Form</u> can be filled out to inquire about availability and to expedite the Group Reservation process</li> <li>Once you have completed the request form, you will be contacted within 48 hours by a member of the Group Sales team to discuss availability and to set up an account for your planned visit.</li> <li>If you would prefer to speak with a Group Sales Representative (9am-6pm), please call <b>202-654-0943</b>.</li> </ul>
	TICKET INFORMATION:
	General Admission for the Permanent Exhibit:
	-Children (ages 5-11): \$15
	-Military Personnel/Seniors ages 65+: \$17
	-Adults (ages 12-64): \$18
	<ul> <li>There is often a waiting line for admission on weekends and holidays, averaging between one and a half and three hours.</li> <li>For the shortest wait, plan your arrival for after 2 pm, keeping in mind that the last General Admission Tickets are sold 1 hour prior to closing.</li> <li>You can buy tickets in advance, but do so at least 48 hours in advance while a \$2 service fee, per ticket, applies.</li> <li>Order by phone or purchase in person (during Museum hours) at the F Street Lobby Information Desk or at the Group Arrivals Entrance, located on 9<sup>th</sup> Street</li> </ul>
Madame Tussauds 1025 F Street N.W. 888-929-4632 202-942-7300	Madame Tussauds offers both a fun, and educational experience. While there, one can encounter important political figures, the biggest Hollywood celebrities, and top sports stars.
Open M-Thurs.10am-4pm, F- Sun. 10am-6pm	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Groups 15+ call 888-923-0334 or 212-512-9600x607 or email groupsales@madametussadsny.com</li> </ul>
National Geographic Museum at Explorers Hall 17 <sup>th</sup> and M Sts NW 202-857-7588	Experience the wonders of National Geographic through interactive exhibits, artifacts on display, and changing major exhibits. The hall also offers Earth Station One, an interactive video presentation using a mammoth globe.
Open M-Sat 9 am to 5 pm, Sun 10 am to 5 pm, except Christmas Day	ADMISSION IS FREE.
<ul> <li>National Museum of Crime and Punishment 575 7<sup>th</sup> Street, NW 202-393- 1099</li> <li>September 1-March 19: 10am- 7pm</li> <li>Christmas Eve 10am-5pm</li> <li>New Years Day 11am-6pm</li> <li>Closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day</li> <li>Last tickets sold 1 hour before</li> </ul>	Throughout history, mankind has struggled with the conflict between good and evil, traditionally considered a cornerstone of the human condition. The National Museum of Crime & Punishment (NMCP) dissects both the overarching concept of crime and the dark side of the criminal mind and also explores the techniques and methodologies employed by law enforcement agencies and the government to investigate and often solve such crimes. The National Museum of Crime & Punishment includes a crime lab and the filming studios for America's Most Wanted. A simulated FBI shooting range, high-speed police-chase, and hundreds of interactives and artifacts pertaining to America's favorite subject fill the 3-floor, 25,000 square foot museum.

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	<ul> <li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li> <li>Purchase tickets by phone 202-621-5550</li> <li>Children under 5: free</li> <li>Children 5-11: \$14.95 plus tax</li> <li>Adults 12-59: \$19.95 plus tax</li> <li>Seniors (60+), Military, and Law Enforcement: \$16.95 plus tax</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>National Postal Museum</li> <li>2 Massachusetts Ave, NE</li> <li>202-633-9370</li> <li>Open daily 10 am to 5:30 pm except Christmas.</li> </ul>	Drawing on its vast postal history and philatelic collection, the museum includes six major exhibition galleries touching on a range of topics, from the earliest history of the post office to the art of letter writing and the history of stamp collecting. An impressive atrium features three suspended airmail planes and is one of five exhibit galleries.
	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Groups of 10+ can schedule a Museum Highlights Tour. Call 202-633-5534 or 202-633-9849 at least 3 weeks in advance to make reservations. Highlight Tours may be scheduled at 11am or 1pm any day of the week. Tours are 1 hour long.</li> <li>Introductory tours of the Museum are offered to walk-in visitors at 11am and 1pm based on docent availability. Tours last half an hour. Call 202-633-5334 or 202-633-9849 to confirm dates and times.</li> <li>Admission is free.</li> </ul>
Navy Museum Washington Navy Yard 805 Kidder Breese SE 202-433-4882	**Due to increased security, tour groups and individuals who do not have military or Dept. of Defense identification should call in advance for an appointment.**
<ul> <li>Open M–F 9 am to 5 pm</li> <li>Weekends and holidays 10 am to 5 pm</li> <li>Call by noon Friday for weekend visitation</li> <li>Closed: Thanksgiving, December 24, Christmas, and New Years' Day</li> </ul>	Contains an overview of US naval history. Its mission is to collect, preserve, display and interpret historic naval artifacts and art work to inform, educate and inspire naval personnel and the general public. The museum is housed in what used to be the Naval Gun Factory. The artifacts include weapons, ship models, uniforms, medals and fine art. Highlights include a fully rigged fighting top from the frigate USS Constitution, a WW II F4U Corsair, working submarine periscopes, a hut from Admiral Byrd's Antarctic expedition, and a Tomahawk Cruise Missile.

Newseum 555 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. 888-639-7386	The Newseum — a 250,000-square-foot museum of news — offers visitors an experience that blends five centuries of news history with up-to-the-second technology and hands-on exhibits.
<ul> <li>Open M–F 9am to 5pm</li> <li>Closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years' Day</li> </ul>	The Newseum features seven levels of galleries, theaters, retail spaces and visitor services. It offers a unique environment that takes museum goers behind the scenes to experience how and why news is made.
	<ul> <li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li> <li>Tickets can be purchased at the Newseum's ticketing kiosks, admissions desks, or online at <a href="https://secure4.gatewayticketing.com/Newseum/shop/Viewltems.aspx?Merchant=GX&amp;CategoryGroupExternalID=TI">https://secure4.gatewayticketing.com/Newseum/shop/Viewltems.aspx?Merchant=GX&amp;CategoryGroupExternalID=TI</a> CKETS&amp;CategoryExternalID=GA</li> <li>Adults (19-64): \$19.95 plus tax</li> <li>Seniors (65+), military w/ valid ID, students w/ valid ID: \$17.95 plus tax</li> <li>Youth (7-18): \$12.95 plus tax</li> <li>Children (6 and younger): free</li> <li>Tickets purchased online are valid for 2 consecutive visits beginning on the date of your choice through Dec, 31, 2010</li> </ul>

### **Monuments and Memorials**

<ul> <li>Arlington Cemetery Memorial Drive Arlington, VA 703-697-2131</li> <li>Open Everyday</li> <li>8 am to 7 pm April 1 through September 30</li> <li>8 am to 5 pm October 1 through March 31</li> <li>Self guided tour</li> <li>Reachable by Tour mobile or the Metro</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Arlington is one of more than 100 national cemeteries; however, it is the only one of two national cemeteries administered by the Army. Lying across the Potomac River from the Lincoln Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery serves as the final resting place for casualties of war, veterans, and their spouses from the civil war to the present. It is where you will find the eternal flame at the grave of President John F. Kennedy.</li> <li>The 612 acres of Arlington National Cemetery were once part of the 1,100-acre Arlington plantation owned by Mary Ann Randolph Custis, one of George Washington's relatives. She married Lt. Robert E. Lee on June 30, 1831, and lived at Arlington House for 30 years.</li> <li>The Tomb of the Unknowns is guarded around the clock by specially selected members of the US Army 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Regiment (the "Old Guard") based at Fort Myer, Virginia. The changing of the guard occurs every hour during winter and at night and every half hour in summer during the day</li> </ul>
Iwo Jima/Marine Corps War Memorial George Washington Parkway & I-66 Arlington, VA 703-289-2500 • Easily accessible from	The Marine Corps Memorial honors those Marines who have given their lives in defense of our country since 1775. It is also known as the Iwo Jima Memorial as the statue shows a group of Marines raising the American flag atop Mount Suribachi during the invasion of Iwo Jima in February 1945. The memorial was a replica of the famous picture taken by Frank Rosenthal and was dedicated by President Eisenhower in 1954.
Arlington Cemetery	

	The Marine Corps presents the Marine Sunset Review Parade featuring the Drum and Bugle Corp and the Silent Drill Team on Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., May through August. It is free to the public.
<ul> <li>Jefferson Memorial</li> <li>14<sup>th</sup> St and Constitution Ave NW</li> <li>202-426-6821</li> <li>Open 24 hours a daily except Christmas</li> </ul>	This impressive memorial next to the Tidal Basin in West Potomac Park southwest of the Mall holds engravings of some of Thomas Jefferson's timeless quotations. Jefferson admirers can also travel to Monticello south of Charlottesville, Virginia, about a two hour drive from D.C.
<ul> <li>Korean War Memorial Westbound Independence Ave at 23<sup>rd</sup> St SW French Drive SW 202-426-6841</li> <li>Open 24 hours daily except Christmas</li> </ul>	Just southeast of the Lincoln Memorial stands the Korean War Memorial, dedicated July 27, 1995. The memorial features 19 statue in a field, symbolizing a squad on patrol on the Korean peninsula, as well a granite wall with the images of thousands of servicemen and servicewomen etched on it.
<ul> <li>Lincoln Memorial</li> <li>23<sup>rd</sup> St and Constitution Ave NW</li> <li>202-426-6841</li> <li>Open 24 hours daily except Christmas</li> </ul>	Located on the west end of the West Potomac Park, facing toward the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial is a very popular destination for visitors to D.C. Honoring our sixteenth president, this memorial includes walls inscribed with passages from the Gettysburg Address and Lincoln's second Inaugural Address.
<ul> <li>National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Judiciary Square</li> <li>F St between 4th and 5th Sts NW 202-737-3400</li> <li>Open every day in the year, 24 hours a day. Self Guided Tour.</li> </ul>	This memorial is dedicated to all the men and women who serve and protect. The Memorial Visitors Center is located less than two blocks away, at 605 E Street, NW. It is open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, and Noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Tours can be arranged through the office so call at least 1 week in advance.
<ul> <li>Teddy Roosevelt Memorial 703-289-2500</li> <li>Theodore Roosevelt Island is Accessible via the northbound lane of the George Washington Memorial Parkway.</li> </ul>	This island memorial to the 26 <sup>th</sup> President is located in the middle of the Potomac River, between the Kennedy Center and the George Washington Memorial Pkwy. The teardrop-shaped island features more than two miles of trails that cut through woods, swamp and marsh.
The FDR Memorial West Potomac Park – West Basin Drive 202-426-6841	The new Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial was dedicated on May 2, 1997. The monument, designed by Lawrence Halpin, is situated of a little over seven acres of land adjacent to the Tidal Basin and the famous Cherry Blossom Walk near the Jefferson Memorial. The Roosevelt Memorial consists of four large open-air galleries constructed of beautiful red-veined Cold Spring granite that was quarried in South Dakota. The main part of the memorial is open 24 hours a day. Interpretive Ranger staff is on site from 8 am to 11:45 pm daily
<ul> <li>Vietnam Memorial 21<sup>st</sup> St and Constitution Ave SW 202-426-6841</li> <li>Open 24 hours daily</li> <li>Open everyday except Christmas</li> </ul>	<b>except Christmas.</b> The Vietnam Memorial honors the men and women of the armed forces who served in the Vietnam War. The names of more than 58,000 who gave their lives or remain missing are listed, in the chronological order they became casualties, on the black granite panels.

<ul> <li>Washington Monument</li> <li>15<sup>th</sup> St and Constitution Ave SW</li> <li>202-426-6841</li> <li>Open daily 9 am to 4:45 pm</li> <li>Timed entry tickets are required, and are available at the 15<sup>th</sup> street kiosk or at 1-800-967-2283</li> </ul>	The Monument is 555 feet tall and is located on the west end of the Mall. The short skyline of D.C. gives this structure the illusion of being tall. Visitors riding down from the 500-foot observation level at the top are able to look through windows in the elevator cab to observe several of the 193 restored commemorative stones on the interior walls of the Monument. The stones represent donations from various organizations and societies toward the building of the Monument.
000-907-2203	<ul> <li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li> <li>The Washington Monument Lodge, located along 15<sup>th</sup> Street, opens at 8:30am for distribution of free, same day, timed tickets on a first come, first serve basis.</li> <li>One person may pick up as many as six tickets as well as select their preferred ticket time from what remains available for that operating day.</li> <li>All individuals (including children) must have a ticket.</li> <li>During the spring and summer, tickets run out quickly and the line for tickets forms as early as 7:00am, so please plan accordingly.</li> <li>To reserve tickets, you can visit the national Park Service ticket website at http://www.recreation.gov or by calling 1877-444-6777 for individual tickets or 1877-559-6777 for group reservations.</li> <li>There is a \$1.50 service charge per ticket. These tickets may be picked up at the "will call" window of the Washington Monument Lodge on the day of your tour.</li> <li>Please be aware that during peak season of April-September, tickets frequently are reserved months in advance.</li> </ul>

### **Cathedrals and Churches**

<ul> <li>National Cathedral Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues, NW 202-537-6200</li> <li>Open Sunday: 8am-5pm, tours offered 1pm-2:30pm</li> <li>Open M-F: 10am-5:30pm, tours offered 10am-11:30am and 12:45pm-4pm</li> <li>Open Saturday: 10am-4:30pm, tours offered 10am-11:30pm and 12:45pm-3:30</li> </ul>	Standing higher than the Washington Monument, the Cathedral crowns fifty-seven acres at the city's highest point, intended as a living symbol of our country's heritage of religious freedom and faith. Here you will see craftsmanship and artistic detail second to none. The foundation stone was laid on September 29, 1907, in the presence of President Theodore Roosevelt. President George Bush spoke at the September 29, 1990 ceremony at which the final stone was set on the Cathedral's southwest tower.
	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:         <ul> <li>A donation of \$5 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens/students/military personnel, \$15 for families</li> <li>You need a group reservation if your group is 13+ people</li> <li>To fill out a group tour request form visit, http://www.nationalcathedral.org/pdfs/GroupReservationForm.pdf</li> <li>Visitors can attend any of the following tours: Garden Tour, Patriotic Tour, Tour and Tea, Gargoyle Tour, Behind-the-Scenes Tour, Highlights Tour, Art and Architecture Tour</li> <li>Any extra questions on group visits can be forwarded to Charles Fulcher at groups@cathedral.org</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Frederick Douglas National Historical Site 1411 W Street SE 202-426-5961	The 1880's home of Frederick Douglass speaks of his struggle to abolish slavery and to establish civil and equal rights for all. Tours, exhibits and films aid in this journey.
<ul> <li>Open daily, October 16-April 15: 9am-5pm, April 16-October 15: 9am-4:30pm</li> <li>The site is closed on January 1, Thanksgiving, and December 25.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><b>TOUR INFORMATION:</b></li> <li><i>Groups of 10 or less</i>: strongly recommended that you make reservation to insure entry</li> <li>to make a reservation call <b>1-877-444-677</b> or visit http://www.recreation.gov/tourParkDetail.do?parkId=77812&amp;condcCode=NRSO to make a reservation</li> <li><i>Groups of more than 10</i>: groups <b>ARE REQUIRED</b> to make a reservation, max of 60 people total</li> <li>to make a reservation call <b>1-877-559-6777</b>, must be made at leasone week in advance</li> <li>There is a \$1.50 charge for each reserved ticket</li> <li><b>WHEN ARE TOURS?</b> <i>Groups of 10 or less</i>:</li> <li><u>April 15 to Mid-June</u></li> <li>9:00, 12:15, 1:45, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00</li> <li><u>Labor Day to October 16</u></li> <li>9:00, 12:15, 1:45, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00</li> <li><u>October 16 to April 15</u></li> <li>9:00, 12:15, 1:45, 3:00, 3:30</li> <li><b>WHEN ARE TOURS?</b> <i>Groups of 10 or more</i>:</li> </ul>
	<u>Year round</u> 9:30, 10:45, 2:00
George Washington's Distillery and Gristmill Located on Route 235: 16 miles south of Washington, D.C., 8 miles south of Old Town Alexandria, and 3 miles south of Mount Vernon	George Washington created his grist mill in 1771 as a way to boost h production of flour and cornmeal, and export high quality flour to othe nations. After being encouraged by his farm manager, James Anderson, Washington built a whiskey distillery next to the gristmill. A its peak production, the distillery produced 11,000 gallons of whiskey Soon, the distillery became one of the most successful economic endeavors at Mount Vernon.
• April 1-October 31: 10am-5pm	TICKET INFORMATION:
	<ul> <li>Adults: \$4.00</li> <li>Children ages 6-11: \$2</li> <li>Children 5 and under: Free</li> </ul>
Monticello Rt. 66 W to Warrenton, VA then Rt. 29 S to Charlottesville, VA then I-64 E to Exit 24A Charlottesville, VA 434-984-9822	Monticello is the autobiographical masterpiece of Thomas Jefferson, designed and redesigned and built and rebuilt for more than forty years. Jefferson described the house as his "essay in architecture," but today it is recognized as an international treasure. Monticello is the only house in America on the United Nations' prestigious World Heritage List of sites that must be protected at all costs.

	<ul> <li>Open daily: March-November: 9am-5pm, December-February 10am-4pm</li> <li>Closed on Christmas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION: <ul> <li>Adult Groups of 25+</li> <li>House and Grounds Tour: \$15</li> <li>to make reservations call 434-984-9880 (M-F 9am-5pm) or fax 434-984-0004 or email GroupReservations@Monticello.org</li> <li>Same day tickets available at Monticello's Ticket Office everyday</li> <li>Different ticket prices for each tour, visit <a href="http://www.monticello.org/visit/getting_tickets.html">http://www.monticello.org/visit/getting_tickets.html</a> in order to find ticket price information</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
*	Mount Vernon 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway Mount Vernon, Virginia 703-780-2000	The home of America's first President and his wife, George and Martha Custis Washington. Original furnishings and artworks are used whenever possible, and the grounds and buildings are kept as near as possible to how they were when he lived there.
	<ul> <li>Open seven days a week, every day of the year including holidays</li> <li>April-August: 8am-5pm</li> <li>March, September, October: 9am-5pm</li> <li>November-February: 9am-4pm</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Tours take place daily: March 1-October 31 at 9:30am, 11:30am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm; November 1-December 31 at 11:00 am, 1:00pm</li> <li>To purchase tickets call 1-800-429-1520 or email onlineticketing@mountvernon.org.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li> <li>Adults: \$15</li> <li>Senior Citizens(62+): \$14</li> <li>Youth (6-11): \$7</li> <li>Annual Pass (unlimited daytime admission for 1 year): Adults: \$25, Youth: \$10</li> </ul>
	The Sewall-Belmont House and Museum 144 Constitution Avenue, NE 202-546-1210 • Wed-Sunday: noon-4 pm	The Sewall-Belmont House and Museum celebrates women activists throughout history from Phillis Wheatley to Althea Gibson. It is also the home of the National Woman's Party, the former of suffragist leader Alice Paul. Docent-led tours are available as wells as other special tours and educational programs. The site is a national Historic landmark because of its significance in U.S. History. For more information, contact Becky Gilmore (tel. 202/546-1210 ext 12).
		<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Guided tours at noon, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm</li> <li>Group Tours: reservations are required and a request form must be completed and submitted 2-4 weeks prior to your requested tour date. The form is found online at <u>http://www.sewallbelmont.org/mainpages/museum_tours.html</u></li> <li>A group tour typically runs 45-60 minutes</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li> <li>Admission fee is \$5</li> </ul>

The Stephen Decatur House Museum 1610 H Street NW 202-842-0920	The Decatur House was home to Commodore Stephen Decatur, Jr. and his wife Susan Wheeler. Commodore Decatur was a high celebrated naval hero. The Commodore and his wife improved their social position by hosting several parties, including the daughter of President James Monroe. Many notable historical figures have stayed in the house, including Henry Clay, Martin Van Buren and Edward Livingston. For more information, contact Arioth Harrison (tel. 202/842- 917).	
	<ul> <li>TOUR INFORMATION:</li> <li>Guided House Tours: Friday-Saturday: 10:15am, 11:15am, 12:15pm, 1:15pm, 2:15pm, 3:15pm, 4:15pm; Sunday: 12:15pm, 1:15pm, 2:15pm, 3:15pm</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>TICKET INFORMATION:</li><li>Admission: \$5 donation per person</li></ul>	
Naval Academy 121 Blake Road Annapolis, MD 410-263-6933 <i>April – June</i> September – November Mon-Fri • 10:00am – 3:00pm	The Visitor Center features the film " <i>To Lead and To Serve</i> ," guided walking tours of the Naval Academy, a sample midshipman room, Freedom 7 space capsule, an original Dahlgren boat howitzer, the original wooden figurehead of the USS Delaware (used for the casting the statue of Tecumseh), an exhibit on the life and times of John Paul Jones, an extensive gift shop, restrooms and vending machines.	
Saturday • 9:30am – 3:00pm Sunday • 12:30pm – 3:00pm <i>July – August</i> Mon-Sat • 9:30am – 3:00pm Sunday • 12:30pm – 3:00pm	TICKET INFORMATION: • Adults: \$7.50 • Seniors (62+): \$6.50 • Students (1 <sup>st</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade): \$5.50 • Pre-school: Free	
<b>December – March</b> Mon-Sat • 10:00am – 2:30pm Sunday • 12:30pm – 2:30pm		
Performing Arts		
Kennedy Center 2700 F Street, NW 202-416-8340	The Kennedy Center is the nation's busiest arts facility, presenting more than 3,000 performances each year for audiences approaching 2 million. An additional 20 million each year attend touring Kennedy Center productions or tune in to television or radio broadcasts,	

- Open daily from 10 a.m until • approximately half an hour after the end of the evening's final performance
- Congressional Tours should ٠ be scheduled three months in advance
- Guided Tours •

including the Kennedy Center Honors, the Mark Twain Prize, The Kennedy Center Presents, and Billy Taylor's Jazz at the Kennedy Center on National Public Radio.

#### **TOUR INFORMATION:**

- Free tours from 10 am to 5 pm Mon Fri, and 10 am to 1 pm • Sat and Sun.
- They depart from the parking plaza on Level A, featuring the Hall of States and Hall of Nations, the Center's main theaters, and dozens of paintings, sculptures, and other artworks given to the Center by foreign countries.
- Call ahead for large groups. For more information, call (202) 416-8400.

<ul> <li>Marine Tattoo</li> <li>8<sup>th</sup> and I Streets, SE</li> <li>202.433.6060</li> <li>Friday nights at 8:00 pm</li> <li>May – August</li> </ul>	Concert by the U.S. Marine Band, Silent Drill Team & Bugle Corps. A "tattoo" is a military tradition traced from the early 17 <sup>th</sup> century's 30 Years War. The sounding of the bugle signaled soldiers to close the tavern and return to their quarters. Someone would "tap to" the keg stoppers. Through the years, "tap to" evolved into "tattoo." Although "Tattoo" is sounded now, it is only in the spirit of military tradition.
	<ul> <li>RESERVATION INFORMATION:</li> <li>Reservations for the public must be made in writing three weeks in advance.</li> <li>General public seating starts at 8 p.m. Unclaimed seating will be available at 8:15 p.m. for non-tickets holders. Park at Washington Navy Yard at 8<sup>th</sup> and M, there is a shuttle to the parade.</li> <li>For VIP tickets call two weeks prior to date of parade.</li> </ul>

### **Sightseeing Tours**

#### **Boat Tours**

- 1. *D.C. Ducks* (Union Station Washington D.C. 20018 NE, tel. **(202) 966-3825**) offers 90-minute tours in their converted World War II amphibious vehicles. After an hour-long road tour of prominent sights, the tour moves from land to water, as the vehicle is piloted into the waters of the Potomac for a 30-minute boat's-eye view of the city. Tours run continuously from 10 AM to 4 PM from March through November. Prices vary by tour. Can buy tickets online at http://www.trustedtours.com/store/DC-Ducks-C213.aspx
- The enclosed dinner cruise *The Dandy* (Prince St., between Duke and King Sts., Alexandria, VA 22314, tel. **703-683-6076**) cruises up the Potomac past the Lincoln Memorial to the Kennedy Center and Georgetown. Prices vary by boat and time. Visit <u>www.dandydinnerboat.com</u> for details. Reservations office open 9:30am-6:30pm at **703-638-6076** or email <u>dandy@dandydinnerboat.com</u>.
- The Spirit of Washington (Pier 4, 6<sup>th</sup> and Water Sts. SW, tel. 202/554-8000) The Spirit of Washington is a dining vessel which cruises out of Washington, DC. The features are amazing: three completely separate indoor decks with chic decor; the largest outdoor deck in DC; dance floors and full service bars on all three decks; and huge panoramic windows all around. Individuals can call 866-302-2469 daily from 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM. If you're reserving for a group of 20 or more, call 866-446-9283 Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM. Visit www.spiritcruises.com.

#### **Bus Tours**

- 1. *Tourmobile* buses (tel. 202-554-510), authorized by the National Park Service, stop at 18 historic sights between the Capitol and Arlington National Cemetery; the route includes the White House and the museums on the Mall. Tickets are \$17.50 for adults, \$9 for children 3-11. Tickets may be purchased at Arlington Cemetery, Washington Monument Kiosk, Union Station Kiosk, or from the bus driver. Group tours of 50+ should call 6 weeks in advance.
- 2. Old Town Trolley Tours (tel. 202-832-9800), orange-and-green motorized trolleys, take in the main downtown sights and also foray into Georgetown and the upper northwest, stopping at out-of-the-way attractions such as Washington National Cathedral. Tickets are \$27 or adults, \$14 for children 4-12, free for children under four.

 Gray Line Tours (tel. (tel. 800-862-1400) has a four-hour tour of Washington, Embassy Row, and Arlington National Cemetery that leaves Union Station at 8:30 AM and 2 PM (at 2 PM only November-March; adults \$22, children 3-11 \$11); tours of Mount Vernon and Alexandria depart at 8:30 AM (adults \$20, children, \$10). An all-day trip combining both tours leaves at 8:30 AM (adults \$36, children \$18). Visit www.graylinedc.com

#### **Segway Tours**

1. *Capital Segway Tours* (tel. 202/682-1980) is the Washington, D.C.'s only authorized Segway dealer. The tour begins with a Segway safety orientation and training session. For two and a half hours, Tourists will view sites such as the White House, Washington Monument, National Mall, Smithsonian, Capital Building. Tours begin at 10 AM, 12:30 PM, 3 PM, and 6 PM. The cost is \$65 or \$30 per person for a two-person SegShaw. For more information contact Steven Orr (tel. 202/682-1980). **MINIMUM AGE 16 PER DC LAW.** 

#### **Walking Tours**

• *DC by Foot* (tel. 571/431-7543) is a new kind of tour experience which offers discussions and legendary stories behind the monuments. Tours meet from February 15th to May 14th at 2 PM and 6 PM, and May 15th to November 20th at 10 AM and 6 PM. All tours are free, no reservations are needed, and last about one hour and fifteen minutes. Guides meet their tours at the north corner of 15th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.