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## LIST OF WASHINGTON, D.C. ATTRACTIONS

### THE WHITE HOUSE



**Tour Description:** A self-guided tour through the Presidential Residence.

**Address:** 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW

**Closest Metro Stops:** Federal Triangle (Blue and Orange Lines), Metro Center (Blue, Orange, and Red Lines), and McPherson Square (Blue and Orange Lines)

**Availability:** Self-guided tours are available from 7:30 am to 11:30 am Tuesday through Thursday, 7:30 am to 1:30 pm Fridays and Saturdays (excluding federal holidays or unless otherwise noted). Tours are scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

Requests can be submitted up to three (3) months in advance. You are encouraged to submit your request as early as possible as a limited number of spaces are available.

**How to request a tour:** call our DC office at (202) 224-3643.

**Website:** <https://www.whitehouse.gov/about-the-white-house/tours-events/>

### THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL



**Tour Description:** Guided tours of the historic Capitol begin at one of the Capitol Visitor Center's orientation theaters with a 13-minute film, "Out of Many, One," which will take you on a journey through our country's struggle to establish the world's first truly representative democracy and introduce you to the magnificent building that houses our Congress. Once inside the historic Capitol, visitors will see the Crypt, the Rotunda, and National Statuary Hall. All tours begin and end at the Capitol Visitor Center.

**Address:** East Capitol St NE & First St SE, Washington, DC 20004

**Closest Metro Stops:** There are three subway stops found within walking distance of the Capitol:

1. Union Station- Located at First Street, NW, and Massachusetts Avenue.
2. Capitol South – Located at First Street between C and D Streets, SE.
3. Federal Center, SW – Located at the southwest corner of Third and D Streets, SW.

**Availability:** To ensure your ability to participate in a guided tour, advance reservations are strongly recommended. Tour schedules can fill up quickly, so please make your reservation well in advance of your visit. For those that do not have advance reservations, same-day tour passes may be available at the information Desk located on the lower level of the Visitor Center. Tour hours are 8:30am to 4:00 pm Monday through Saturday

**How to Request a Tour:** call our DC Office at (202) 224-3643 or visit the website.

**Website:** <https://www.visitthecapitol.gov/plan-visit/book-tour-capitol>

### THE SUPREME COURT



**Tour Description:** 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. The Courtroom is located on the First Floor. Court sessions are open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. In addition to the Courtroom, portions of the First and Ground Floors are open to the public. Highlights include the John Marshall Statue, portraits and busts of Justices, and two self-supporting marble spiral staircases.

**Address:** 1 First St NE, Washington, DC 20543

**Closest Metro Stops:** Union Station (Red Line) and Capitol South (Orange, Blue and Silver Lines)

**Availability:** The building is open Monday-Friday 9am to 4:30pm. Closed on Saturday and Sunday. During the months of March – June, visitors should anticipate longer wait times to enter the building due to larger crowds visiting the Nation’s Capital.

**Website:** <http://www.supremecourt.gov/visiting/visiting.aspx>

**Notes:** Visitors may enter the building from the Plaza doors located on each side of the main steps.

## THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS



**Tour Description:** The Library of Congress offers many exciting activities on site. Entrance to the Thomas Jefferson Building is free and open to the public. You may participate in a guided tour or a gallery talk, or take a self-guided tour of the building and the exhibitions.

**Address:** Jefferson Building, 10 First Street SE

**Closest Metro Stop:** Capitol South Metro (Blue and Orange Lines). Alternative stop- Union Station (Red Line)

**Availability:** Public Tours are available Monday – Friday at 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 12:30PM, 1:30 PM, 2:30 PM, 3:30 PM and Saturday 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 1:30 PM, 2:30PM. Closed Holidays and Sundays. On Federal Holidays tours begin at 9:30am.

**How to request a tour:** Public tours are offered to small groups with no more than 10 members without prior reservations. You can call the visitor’s center at (202) 707-8000 or email [grouptours@loc.gov](mailto:grouptours@loc.gov) to schedule a group tour with more than 10 members.

**Website:** <https://www.loc.gov/visit/>

## THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES



**Tour Description:** The National Archives Museum is home of the original Declaration of Independence, Constitution, and Bill of Rights which are housed in the Rotunda for the Charters of Freedom; the Public Vaults permanent exhibit gallery; the David M. Rubenstein Gallery, the Lawrence F. O'Brien temporary exhibit gallery; the Boeing Learning Center; and the William G. McGowan Theater.

**Address:** The general public entrance is located at the corner of Constitution Avenue and 9th Street.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Archives-Navy Memorial (Green and Yellow Lines)

**Availability:** The Museum is Open daily from 10 AM - 5:30 PM (closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day).

**How to request a tour:** Reservations are not required for individuals or groups wishing to enter through the public entrance, however reservations are recommended to avoid excessive lines during the height of the tourist season (March-Labor Day). Reservations can also be made for either guided tours or Timed Visit Entry. There is a \$1.50 convenience fee for online reservations which can be made here <http://www.archives.gov/museum/visit/reserved-visits.html> or by calling 1-877-444-6777.

**Website:** <http://www.archives.gov/museum/visit/reserved-visits.html>

## ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY



**Tour Description:** Visitors are encouraged to discover Arlington's rich history, witness the time-honored ceremonies, take in the scenic landscapes and grounds, wander through the headstones and monuments, reflect on the names, and ponder the stories each person could tell. Highlights include the Memorial Amphitheater, John F. Kennedy Gravesite, The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, The Changing of the Guard Tradition and the Memorial Arboretum

**Address:** Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA 22211

**Closest Metro Stop:** Arlington Cemetery (Blue Line)

**Availability:** Open 365 days a year, 8am-7pm (April-September) and 8am-5pm (October-March). Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier occurs each hour on the hour (between Oct. 1 – March 31) and every half hour in the summer months (April 1 – Sep.30).

**Costs:** Free, but narrated bus tours start from the visitors' center for a cost of: Adults \$15.00,

Children (3-11) \$7.25, Seniors \$11.00. Prices for Military and Veterans: In Uniform free, Adults (with valid Military ID) \$6.75, Children (4-12) \$3.25. The cost of parking is \$2.00/hour.

**How to request a tour:** call the visitor center at (877)907-8585

**Website:** <http://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/visit/tours-and-groups/tours>

## MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS

**Costs:** Admission is free for all memorials. There is a small charge for a reserved ticket tour of the Washington Monument.

## WASHINGTON MONUMENT



**CLOSED UNTIL AUGUST 2019**

**Tour Description:** A park ranger will help you board the elevator and provide commentary on the express ascent to the top floor 500 feet above the ground. The ride lasts approximately 70 seconds. Visitors may tour the 500' level observation deck at their leisure. Visitors then proceed down the steps to the 490' level museum. The 490' level contains exhibits and is where visitors enter the queue to re-board the elevator for the descent. Rangers will help you board the elevator and provide commentary on the approximately 2-minute descent. The elevator slows in preprogrammed areas of the monument to provide passengers with views of select areas of the monument's interior. Upon reaching the ground floor, passengers exit

the elevator and the monument.

**Address:** 2 15th St. NW Washington, D.C., the nearest intersection is 15th St. & Madison Dr. NW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian (Blue and Orange Lines), Federal Triangle station also provides access to the Washington Monument

**Availability:** The monument is open daily except for July 4 and December 25 from 9 AM –5 PM, with the last available tour at 4 pm. You can get free Washington Monument tickets at the Washington Monument Lodge on 15th Street adjacent to the Washington Monument starting at 8:30 am. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Supplies are limited and tickets often sell out for the entire day. For this reason it is recommended you reserve a ticket in advance. Reservation and mailing services are available through [Recreation.gov](http://Recreation.gov) up to three months in advance for a reservation fee. All Recreation.gov orders are final and reservation fees are NONREFUNDABLE. Pick up tickets reserved less than 10 days before the visit at the Monument Lodge will call window at 15th St NW between Constitution and Independence Avenues. The fee for a reserved ticket is \$1.50.

**Website:** <http://www.nps.gov/wamo/planyourvisit/index.htm>

## JEFFERSON MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** Honors America's third president. From within the circular colonnade, a 19 foot tall statue of Thomas Jefferson stands holding the Declaration of Independence and peering out to the Tidal Basin.

**Address:** Located in West Potomac Park by the Tidal Basin, a large body of water that is bordered by DC's famous cherry blossom trees.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian at 12<sup>th</sup> street and Independence Avenue, SW (Blue and Orange Lines)

**Availability:** Open 24 hours a day. Rangers are on duty to answer questions daily 9:30am to 10pm

**Website and Phone:** (202) 426-6841 or visit [www.nps.gov/thje](http://www.nps.gov/thje).

## KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** Features 19 soldiers arrayed for combat, with the American flag as their symbolic objective. A 164-foot wall is etched with 2,500 photographic images of the support personnel whose efforts sustained the military operation.

**Address:** The Korean War Veterans Memorial resides on the National Mall southeast of the Lincoln Memorial and just south of the Reflecting Pool

**Closest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian and Federal Triangle on the Orange, Blue and Silver Lines (Foggy Bottom is also an option)

**Availability:** Open 24 hours a day. Rangers on duty to answer questions daily from 9:30 am to 10pm

**Website and Phone:** (202) 426-6841 or visit [www.nps.gov/kwvm](http://www.nps.gov/kwvm)

## LINCOLN MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** Features a 19-foot marble statue of our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln. The memorial also exhibits inscriptions of Lincoln's second Inaugural Address and the Gettysburg Address.

**Address:** The Lincoln Memorial towers over the Reflecting Pool on the national mall. The structure anchors the western end of the Mall. The best way to approach the Memorial is from the east, by the Washington Monument and the National World War II Memorial.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Foggy Bottom/GWU and Smithsonian (Blue and Orange Lines)

**Availability:** Open 24 hours a day. Rangers on duty to answer questions daily from 9:30am to 10pm

**Website and Phone:** call (202) 426-6841 or visit [www.nps.gov/linc](http://www.nps.gov/linc).

## U.S.M.C. WAR MEMORIAL (IWO JIMA MEMORIAL)



**Tour Description:** The 78-foot memorial commemorates all marines who have died in battle since 1775. The statue depicts one of the most famous incidents of World War II and symbolizes this nation's esteem for the honored dead of the U.S. Marine Corps. During the summer, the US Marine Corps holds Sunset Parades at the memorial on Tuesday evenings. The memorial plaza is closed to the public from 7 pm to 8 pm on Tuesdays in June and July and from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm on August 1 and August 8.

**Address:** Located outside Arlington National Cemetery. In Arlington Ridge Park in Virginia just across the Potomac River

**Closest Metro Stop:** Arlington Cemetery (Blue Line) or Rosslyn Station (Orange, Silver or Blue line)

**Availability:** Open 6 AM – midnight year around

**Website and Phone:** 703-289-2513 or visit [www.nps.gov/gwmp/planyourvisit/usmc\\_memorial.htm](http://www.nps.gov/gwmp/planyourvisit/usmc_memorial.htm)

## VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** Honors the men and women of the armed forces who served in the Vietnam War. The V-shaped memorial is made of black granite and is inscribed with the names of the 58,272 Americans missing or killed in the Vietnam War. The memorial consists of three separate parts: The Three Soldiers statue, the Vietnam Women's Memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall

**Address:** Near Constitution Gardens on the National Mall

**Closest Metro Stop:** Foggy Bottom/GWU or Federal Triangle (Blue, Orange, Silver Lines)

**Availability:** Open 24 hours a day with rangers on duty from 9:30am to 10pm daily to

answer questions

**Website and Phone:** call (202) 426-6841 or visit [www.nps.gov/vive](http://www.nps.gov/vive).

## WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** One of the National Mall's newest memorials was dedicated to the men and women of World War II – America's Greatest Generation – on May 29, 2004. The memorial honors the 16 million who served in the armed forces of the U.S. during World War II and the more than 400,000 who died. Symbols of America's triumph in the Second World War are artfully displayed all over the World War II Memorial, which has a splendid fountain at its center. 56 granite columns symbolize unity among the 48 states, seven federal territories and the District of Columbia. One of the World War II Memorial's most striking features is the Freedom Wall. 4,048 gold stars pay tribute to American lives lost at

war (each star represents 100 Americans).

**Address:** 17<sup>th</sup> St, between Constitution and Independence Avenues, NW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian and Federal Triangle (Blue, Silver and Orange Lines).

**Availability:** Open 24 hours daily with park rangers on duty to answer questions from 9:30am to 10pm daily

**Notes:** Includes a World War II Registry of the men and women who served.

**Website and Phone:** call (202) 426-6841 or visit <http://www.nps.gov/nwwm>.

## FDR MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** The memorial traces twelve years of American history through a series of four outdoor areas; each focusing on one of FDR's terms in office.

**Address:** Cherry Tree Walk along Tidal Basin near the Jefferson Memorial.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian and Federal Triangle (Blue, Silver Orange Lines).

**Availability:** Open 24 hours daily. No Rangers on duty to answer questions

**Notes:** Includes a World War II Registry of the men and women who served.

**Website and Phone:** (202) 426-6841 or visit <http://www.nps.gov/frde/>.

## NAVY MEMORIAL AND NAVAL HERITAGE CENTER



**Tour Description:** Honors the men and women of the US Navy. Features a 100 foot granite map of the world surrounded by depictions of historic Navy events.  
**Address:** 701 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
**Closest Metro Stop:** Archives-Navy Memorial (Green and Yellow Lines).  
**Availability:** Open 9:30am-5pm every day. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's  
**Costs:** Free. Movie screenings at the Heritage Center cost \$3.75.  
**Website and Phone:** <https://www.navyemorial.org/> or call 202-380-0723

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** The National Mall's newest memorial was dedicated to Martin Luther King, Jr. in honor of his leadership during the Civil Rights movement. On April, 28 2011, the groundbreaking of this monument signified that King's legacy of inspiration, hope, and change will be forever recognized as a part of the national landscape. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial is situated on a four-acre site along the Tidal Basin, adjacent to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial and shares a direct line of sight between the Lincoln and Jefferson memorials.

**Address:** 1964 Independence Ave, SW, Washington, DC 20024.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian (Blue Silver and Orange lines).

**Availability:** Memorial open 24 hours daily with Park Rangers on site from 9:30am to 10pm daily to answer questions.

**Website and Phone:** (202) 426-6841 or visit <http://www.nps.gov/mlkm/index.htm>.

## NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL



**Tour Description:** 30 exhibits with mementos left at the memorial, photos from ceremonies, and murals. The Memorial's walls are filled with law enforcement heroes who, while not always household names, played important roles in U.S. history nonetheless. Each of the four pathway entrances to the Memorial walls is adorned with a powerful statuary grouping of an adult lion protecting its cubs. Sculpted by Raymond Kaskey, the statues symbolize the protective role of our law enforcement officers and convey the strength, courage and valor that are the hallmarks of those who serve. Each adult lion figure weighs approximately 2,500 pounds.

**Address:** E Street NW, between 4th and 5th Streets. The visitor center is located 2 blocks away at 400 7<sup>th</sup> St NW.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Judiciary Square (Red Line). Take the F Street exit.

**Availability:** Open 24 hours a day. Visitors Center Hours: Monday-Friday: 9 AM – 5 PM, Saturday: 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday: 12 Noon – 5 PM. Both the self-guided walking tour and the guided group tour are free but you must make a reservation for a group tour by visiting this site <https://nleomf.org/memorial/visiting-the-memorial> or by calling 202-737-3400

## THE SMITHSONIAN

The Smithsonian is a collection of 17 museums, galleries, sites and a zoo in the Washington, DC area. Admission to all museums are free. Most of the museums are open 7 days a week from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



- **Anacostia Community Museum** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day) – Center for African American history and culture. Phone: 202-633-4820. Address: 1901 Fort PI SE, Washington, DC 20020
- **Arts and Industries Building** – (open 10:00am to 5:30pm every day). Second oldest building in the Smithsonian system, originally built in 1881 to house the first National Museum. Address: 900 Jefferson Dr. SW, Washington, DC 20560
- **Arthur M. Sackler Gallery and Freer Gallery of Art** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – features specialized collections of Asian and American art. Phone: 202-633-1000. Address: 1050 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20560
- **Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.)– features exhibits of modern and contemporary art. Address: 700 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20560
- **National Air and Space Museum** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. & May 27 – Sep.4 until 7:30 p.m.) – features history, science, and technology of aviation and space flight. Address: 600 Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20560
  - **Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – located at Washington Dulles International Airport in Chantilly, Virginia – features a collection of aviation and space artifacts that supplements collections at the Air and Space Museum. Phone: 703-572-4118. Address: 14390 Air and Space Museum Pkwy, Chantilly, VA 20151
- **National Museum of African Art** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.)– Collection, research, and exhibition of African art. Phone: 202-633-4600. Address: 950 Independence Avenue Southwest, Washington, DC 20560
- **National Museum of American History** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – history of science, technology, society, and culture in America. Address: 14th St and Constitution Ave, NW, Washington, DC 2000
- **National Museum of the American Indian** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – collection, preservation, study and exhibition of living cultures and history of native peoples of the Americas. Phone: 202-633-1000. Address: 4th St & Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 20560
- **National Museum of Natural History** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – features exhibits focusing on nature. Address: 10th St. & Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20560
- **National Portrait Gallery** (open 11:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) – features portraits of distinguished Americans. Address: 8th St NW & F St NW, Washington, DC 20001
- **National Postal Museum** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – interactive museum of postal history. Address: 2 Massachusetts Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002. Phone: (202) 633-5555
- **National Zoo** (Grounds Hours-8:00 a.m. to 4 p.m., Visitor Center and Exhibit Buildings-9am to 3pm) – features 3,600 animals from 475 species in a 163-acre biological park. Address: 3001 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008. Phone: (202) 633-4888
- **Smithsonian American Art Museum and Renwick Gallery** (open 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – painting, sculpture, graphics, folk art, craft, and photography from the 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> century. Address: 1661 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20006. Phone: 202-633-1000
- **Smithsonian Institution Building, the Castle** (open 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) – Smithsonian information Center. Address: 1000 Jefferson Dr. SW, Washington, DC 20560. Phone:202-633-1000

For more information and a complete list of Smithsonian Museums and Sites visit <http://www.si.edu/museums/>

## ADDITIONAL MUSEUMS AND ART GALLERIES

### FORD'S THEATRE AND LINCOLN MUSEUM



**Tour Description:** Tribute to President Lincoln's love of the arts. Museum includes the clothes Abraham Lincoln wore on the night of his assassination. On a self-guided tour of the Ford's Theatre Museum, explore Lincoln's presidency from his arrival in Washington to the very minute he arrived at Ford's Theatre the fateful night of April 14, 1865. See rare artifacts related to the assassination. *30-45 minutes*. Attend either a talk by a National Park Service Ranger or the play *One Destiny* (offered in the spring and early summer), featuring costumed actors who portray two historical figures present the night of the assassination. We also offer walk-throughs of the theatre where you can enjoy a self-guided tour without formal programming. 30

minutes

**Address:** 511 Tenth Street, NW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Metro Center (Blue, Orange, & Red Lines) or Gallery Place (Green, Yellow, & Red Lines).

**Availability:** Tours at the theatre are available between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Talks are presented at fifteen past the hour, every hour except between 12 noon and 2 PM.

**Costs:** A limited number of free tickets are available at the Ford's Theatre Box Office beginning at 8:30 a.m. for same-day tickets on a first-come, first-served basis. Advance individual tickets are \$3.00. Tickets for groups of 15 or more are \$2.50.

**Notes:** Because Ford's Theatre also functions as an active stage with live performances there are times when the theatre will be closed to the public. Matinees usually take place on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons, although rehearsals can take place at any time of day. For performance information please visit the Ford Homepage at

**Website and Phone:** <http://www.fords.org/home/plan-your-visit/daytime-visits-fords-theatre> or call (202) 347-4833

### HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM



**Tour Description:** Three floors of history covering from the period that the Nazi's rose to power to the liberation of the concentration camps after WWII

**Address:** 14<sup>th</sup> St and Raoul Wallenberg Place in Washington, DC

**Nearest Metro Stop:** Smithsonian (orange or blue line)

**Availability:** The Permanent Exhibition and special exhibitions are open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with extended spring hours until 6:30 p.m. During the months of March through August, timed passes are required to enter the Permanent Exhibition.

**Costs:** Free.

**How to Request a Tour:** Timed passes are necessary for visiting the Permanent Exhibition. These can be obtained the morning of your visit outside the museum on the day of your visit, or in advance by calling (800) 400-9373. Each

day, the Museum distributes on a first-come first-served basis a large but limited number of timed entry passes for use that same day.

**Website and Phone:** (202) 488-0406 or visit <https://www.ushmm.org/Descriptionmation/plan-a-visit>

## INTERNATIONAL SPY MUSEUM



**Tour Description:** The only public museum in the world solely dedicated to the tradecraft, history, and contemporary role of espionage. The Museum's permanent exhibition presents the tradecraft of espionage through the stories of individuals and their missions, tools and techniques. Exhibits feature the largest collection of international espionage artifacts ever on public display – many for the first time.

**Address:** The entire city block between 9<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets at 800 F Street, NW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro (Green, Yellow, & Red Lines)

**Availability:** All tickets are date and time specific. Advance tickets are highly recommended and can be purchased at <http://www.spymuseum.org/tickets/>

**Costs:** Adult (ages 12-64): \$22.95, Seniors (65+) and Active Duty Military & Intel Community: \$17.95, Children (ages 7-11): \$14.95, Children age 6 and under are free.

**How to Request a Tour:** Groups of 20 or more qualify for Group Admission and require advance reservations which can be made by calling the Group Sales Manager at (202) 654-0943.

**Notes:** The Museum is closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. On occasion the Museum closes earlier than regular visiting hours. Such early closings will be posted at [www.spymuseum.org](http://www.spymuseum.org).

**Website and Phone:** <http://www.spymuseum.org/visit/> Phone: (202) 393-7798

## NATIONAL BUILDING MUSEUM



**Tour Description:** It is a museum of architecture, design, engineering, construction and urban planning. Exhibits change yearly and range from Shakespeare to 21<sup>st</sup> Century to years of Domestic Architecture to America's World's Fairs.

**Address:** 401 F St, NW, between 4th and 5th Streets.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Judiciary Square (Red Line) and Gallery Pl.-Chinatown (Green, Yellow and Red Lines)

**Availability:** Open seven days a week. The Museum and Museum Shop are open Monday through Saturday, 10 am–5 pm, and Sunday, 11 am–5 pm. Building Zone hours: Monday through Saturday, 10 am–4 pm, and Sunday, 11 am–4 pm. Firehook Café hours: Monday–Friday, 8:30 am–4:30 pm; Saturday, 10 am–4:30 pm; Sunday, 11 am–4:30 pm. The Museum is closed Thanksgiving,

Christmas, and occasional special events

**Costs:** Museum Members-free. General adults-\$10. General youth-\$7

**Notes:** The group fee is \$5 a person and must be booked in advance by going here

[https://secure2.convio.net/nbm/site/SSurvey.jsessionid=7098FF7FEBD11DE04CA25CF9204CDD30.app250b?SURVEY\\_ID=10961&ACTION\\_REQUIRED=URI\\_ACTION\\_USER\\_REQUESTS](https://secure2.convio.net/nbm/site/SSurvey.jsessionid=7098FF7FEBD11DE04CA25CF9204CDD30.app250b?SURVEY_ID=10961&ACTION_REQUIRED=URI_ACTION_USER_REQUESTS)

**Website and Phone:** (202) 272-2448 or visit <http://www.nbm.org/>.

## DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MUSEUM



**Tour Description:** The DAR Museum is comprised of 31 period rooms and 2 galleries. The collection consists of over 30,000 decorative and fine arts objects spanning the 18th and 19th centuries.

**Tour Length:** 45 minutes

**Address:** 1776 D Street, NW. Two blocks from the White House.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Farragut West (Blue and Orange Lines)

**Availability:** DAR Library is open Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4pm and Saturday, 9am-5pm. For groups visits make a reservation please visit <http://www.dar.org/library/group-visits> .

DAR Museum is open Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm and Saturday, 9am-5pm. Daily admission is free and you can experience the DAR Museum by yourself or with a guide.

**Notes:** For more information call (202) 628-1776 or visit <http://www.dar.org>



## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY MUSEUM AT EXPLORERS HALL



**Tour Description:** Explore the world and all that's in it at the National Geographic Museum. The museum is great for all ages and features a wide range of changing exhibitions, from interactive experiences to stunning photography exhibitions featuring the work of National Geographic explorers, photographers, and scientists. The Hall features permanent interactive geography and science exhibits, as well as changing displays to give visitors opportunities to share in recent archaeological finds, the latest in photography, and expositions of exotic cultures.

**Address:** 1145 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Farragut North (Red Line).

**Availability:** Open Daily 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. General Admission-\$15 for adults, \$12 for students, seniors, military, and \$10 for children.

**Notes:** No guided tours are available.

**Website and Phone:** (202) 857-7700 or visit <http://events.nationalgeographic.com/national-geographic-museum/>

## NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART



**Tour Description:** Encompasses all aspects of the visual arts with hundreds of world class paintings, sculptures and other pieces collected through generous donations over the past hundred years.

**Address:** National Mall between 3rd and 9th Streets NW along Constitution Avenue NW.

**Closest Metro Stop:** The nearest Metrorail stops are Judiciary Square on the Red Line, Archives–Penn Quarter–Navy Memorial on the Yellow/Green Lines,

and Smithsonian on the Blue/Orange Lines.

**Availability:** Open Monday-Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM and Sundays 11 AM – 6 PM. Closed Christmas and New Year 's Day

**Costs:** Free.

**How to request a tour:** Free one-hour private tours for groups of 20 or more adults may be requested three weeks to four months in advance. Call (202) 842-6247.

**Website:** <http://www.nga.gov/>

## OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST

### DUMBARTON OAK



**Tour Description:** Visitors can wander through sixteen acres of beautiful landscape, through small formal gardens, a Roman-style amphitheater, and down Lovers' Lane. Collections of pre-Columbian art.

**Address:** 1703 32nd St., NW (One block east of Wisconsin Ave. between R and S Streets in Georgetown).

**Closest Metro Stop:** Foggy Bottom (Blue, Silver Orange Lines) and The DuPont Circle metro station (red line)

**Availability:** Garden is open from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. during the regular season (March 15 through October 31), except Mondays and, in 2016, the following holidays: Veterans Day (November 11), Thanksgiving Day (November 24), Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Garden is open from 2:00 to 5:00 pm during the winter season (November 1 through March 14). Museum is open Tuesday-Sunday from 11:30 to 5:30.

**Cost:** \$10-regular admission, \$8-Seniors, \$5-students and children (12 and under). Admission to the museum and to the garden in the Winter Season are free.

**How to Request a Tour:** Guided tours for the gardens are available and must be arranged a month in advance, tours are typically about 90 minutes long. To book go here <http://www.doaks.org/visit/guided-tours/morning-request-form>

**Website:** (202) 339-6400 or visit <http://www.doaks.org>.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS

**Tour Description:** On August 25, 2014, the FBI launched a partner-public pilot program that opens the FBI Education Center to the public to tell their story through an historical perspective, and outline their many capabilities and future direction. During this pilot program, the public can request a visit to The Education Center by writing and arranging the visit through their respective Congressional office.

**Address:** 9th and 10th Streets NW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Federal Triangle (Orange, Blue and Silver lines), Gallery Place/Chinatown and Metro Center (Red line) and Archives/Navy Memorial (Yellow and Green lines)

**Availability:** The FBI requires minimum 4 weeks advance notice from Congressional offices prior to your visit. The visit itself will take two hours and you should arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled visit. Visits are available Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., excluding federal holidays.

**How to Request a tour:** For general public and organized group scheduling options, visit <https://www.fbi.gov/contact-us/fbi-headquarters/the-fbi-experience>.

**Website:** <https://www.fbi.gov/contact-us/fbi-headquarters/fbi-education-center>

## BOTANIC GARDENS



**Tour Description:** The United States Botanic Garden (USBG) is a living plant museum that informs visitors about the importance, and often irreplaceable value, of plants to the well-being of humans and to earth's fragile ecosystems. The indoor gardens and galleries of the Conservatory, with the jungle, desert and primeval paradise, offer the perfect foil to a winter day or harried schedule. The resplendent diversity of form, color, fruit, and fragrance reminds us that plants make our lives possible and enjoyable. Outdoors, the National Garden offers the finest of Mid-Atlantic plants and Bartholdi Park just across Independence Avenue demonstrates a variety of approaches to the home landscape

**Address:** 100 Maryland Ave, SW

**Closest Metro Stop:** Federal Center SW (Blue, Orange or Silver Line)

**Availability:** The Conservatory and National Garden are open every day of the year from 10:00 AM until 5:00 PM. Bartholdi Park is open every day of the year from dawn till dusk. May 26 through September 3, 2018 the USBG National Garden will have extended evening hours and be open until 7:00 pm each evening.

**How to request a tour:** Free 45-minute highlight tours of the U.S. Botanic Garden Conservatory may be available on the day of your visit. Please check at the Visitor information Desk upon your arrival. Groups of 10 to 15 adults may reserve a free 45-minute guided tour of the Conservatory at 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Reservations must be made at least four weeks in advance. To arrange a group tour, please email [usbgtours@ao.gov](mailto:usbgtours@ao.gov) or call (202) 226-2055.

**Website:** <https://www.usbg.gov/tours-us-botanic-garden>

## FOLGER SHAKESPEARE LIBRARY

**Tour Description:** Home to the world's largest Shakespeare collection.

**Address:** 201 East Capitol Street, SE

**Closest Metro Stops:** Union Station (Red Line) or Capitol South (Blue, Silver or Orange Lines)

**Availability:** The library is open to the public Monday through Saturday from 10 AM - 5 PM and Sunday from noon – 5 PM, but is closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Docent tours of the building and the current exhibition are available Monday through Saturday at 11 AM, 1 PM and 3 PM, and Sunday at 12 PM and 3 PM. Docent tours of the Folger Reading Rooms are available Saturday from noon to 1 PM and Sunday from 1 to 2 PM. Docent tours of the Elizabethan Garden are NOT available at this time due to a restoration project of the Folger's exterior façade.

**Costs:** Free.

**How to Request a Tour:** There are free walk-in tours every day. There are also a limited number of "collection focused" visits and class group tours which can be arranged at least 2 months in advance here <http://www.folger.edu/collection-focused-visits> and here <http://www.folger.edu/student-programs> or by contacting Greg Armstrong at [garmstrong@folger.edu](mailto:garmstrong@folger.edu).

**Website and Phone:** <http://www.folger.edu/tours> or call (202) 544-4600

## NATIONAL AQUARIUM



**Tour Description:** Tanks of fish, frogs, alligators and sharks.

**Address:** 501 E Pratt Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

**Closest Metro Stop:** Shot tower/Market Place

**Availability:** Monday-Thursday 9am to 5pm, Friday 9am to 8pm, Saturday 9am to 6pm, Sunday 9am to 5pm

**Costs:** Varies based on time and day. Typically \$24.95-\$39.95 for general admission. There are dozens of custom specialized tours that range greatly in price. More description is given

here <http://www.aqua.org/tickets>

**Website and Phone:** <http://www.aqua.org/> or call 410-576-3800 (9 am–4:30 pm, daily)

## NATIONAL CATHEDRAL



**Tour Description:** You can see the dramatic art and Gothic architecture of the Cathedral. Includes extravagant stain glass, marble sculptures, woodworks, carvings, memorials and several chapels.

**Address:** Washington National Cathedral 3101 Wisconsin Ave., N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20016 Corner of Massachusetts and Wisconsin Ave

**Closest Metro Stop:** Tenleytown /AU (Red Line).

**Availability:** Monday-Friday 10am open, 10:15am guided tours begin, 5:30pm evening Prayer; Saturday 10am open, 10:15 guided tours begin, 4pm evening prayer; Sunday 8am worship services, 12:45pm sightseeing hours begin, 1pm guided tours begin, 4pm choral evening

**Costs:** Children free, Adults \$12, youth (5-17), seniors, veterans, active military, students and teachers with ID \$8

**How to request a tour:** Groups of 15 people or more need to request a reservation in advance which can be done here [https://docs.google.com/a/bobcats.gcsu.edu/forms/d/1-FqWDX\\_DRUKm3F47EFWlanuvxE-Ae2KVzflu3DvllsQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/a/bobcats.gcsu.edu/forms/d/1-FqWDX_DRUKm3F47EFWlanuvxE-Ae2KVzflu3DvllsQ/viewform)

**Website and Phone:** [www.cathedral.org](http://www.cathedral.org) or call (202) 537-6200

## MOUNT VERNON



**Tour Description:** A privately owned estate and garden, once the home of George and Martha Washington. In the 18<sup>th</sup> century the estate, gardens, and farm totaled 8,000 acres. Today, 500 acres have been preserved. Visitors can see 20 structures and 50 acres of gardens as they existed in 1799. In addition, one can see the tombs of George and Martha Washington, Washington's greenhouse, a memorial to the accomplishments of 18<sup>th</sup> century slaves and a museum.

**Address:** 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon, Virginia 22121. About 16 miles south of Washington, DC.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Huntington Station (Yellow Line) to Fairfax Connector Bus.

**Availability:** Open every day of the year. April-October 9am to 5pm, November-March 9am to 4pm

**Costs:** Adults \$18, seniors (62+) \$17, Children (6-11) \$11, Children 5 and under are free.

**How to Request a Tour:** Contact (703) 799-8688 or visit <http://www.mountvernon.org/plan-your-visit/group-reservations/>

**Website and Phone:** <https://www.mountvernon.org/> or call (703) 780-2000

## NAVAL OBSERVATORY

**NO LONGER ACCEPTING TOUR REQUESTS.**



**Tour Description:** Tours begin with a history and mission of the Observatory. In continues with the viewing of development of USNO's timekeeping responsibilities with a member of the Observatory's Time Services Department staff and a viewing of celestial objects with an Astronomer if the weather permits.

**Address:** 34<sup>th</sup> St and Massachusetts Ave, NW

**Availability:** Public tours are no longer offered.

## UNION STATION



**Tour Description:** Rail station newly refurbished in turn-of-the-century motif. DC's home to Amtrak, buses, taxis, public parking, and many DC tours such as: Gray Line and Old Town Trolley Tours. In addition, there are restaurants, a food court, movie theaters, post office, a book store, a flower shop, retail stores, public restrooms, pay phones and an ATM machine.

**Address:** 50 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, on the Senate side of the Capitol.

**Closest Metro Stop:** Union Station (Red Line).

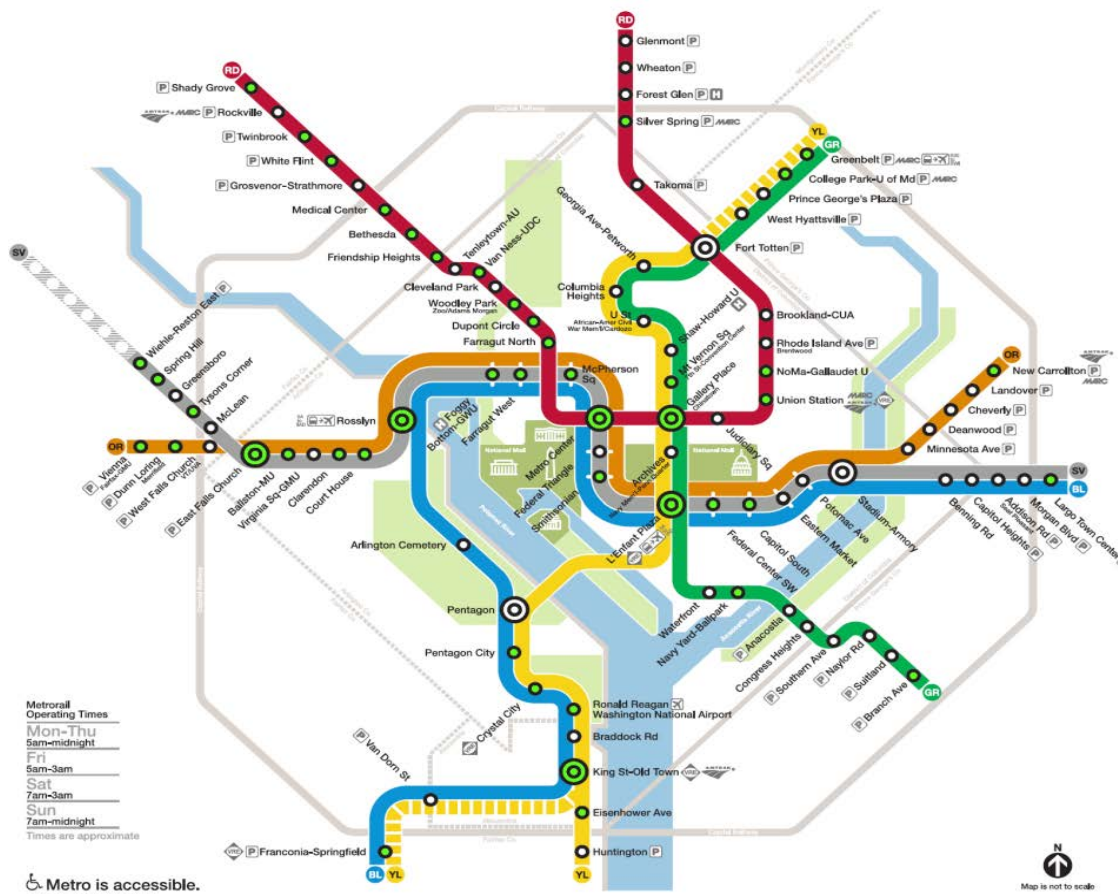
**Availability:** Open 24 hours. Shops are open Monday-Saturday from 10AM-9PM, and Sunday from 12 noon-6PM. Food court is

open Monday – Friday 6 AM – 9 PM, Saturday 9 AM – 9 PM, and Sunday 7 AM – 6 PM.

**Website and Phone:** <http://www.unionstationdc.com/Description/sightseeing> or call (202) 289-1908

## WASHINGTON, DC TRANSPORTATION

**WASHINGTON METRO (DC SUBWAY SYSTEM):** FROM CAPITOL HILL TO DOWNTOWN, THE METRO IS FAST, EASY, AND CHEAP. FARES START AT \$1.75 EACH WAY. BEGINS SERVICE AT 5AM MONDAY-FRIDAY AND 7AM ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS, ENDS AT MIDNIGHT EVERYDAY ALL-DAY PASSES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE. TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT ANY METRO STATION. [WWW.WMATA.COM](http://WWW.WMATA.COM)



**Buses:** Please check [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com) for fare information.

**Taxis:** DC taxis do not run off of meters. Fares are computed on a zone system. [dctaxi.dc.gov](http://dctaxi.dc.gov)

## SEGWAY TOUR



**Tour Description:** There are several different Segway tour options including: National Mall, Monuments & Memorials, and bike tours.

**How to request a tour:** Tours can be made via their website. Cost, availability and location varies for each tour but all the information can be found here <http://www.citysegwaytours.com/washington-dc> and you can also call (877) 734-8687

## OLD TOWN TROLLEY TOUR

**Tour Description:** See the best first and enjoy the stories of the men, women and events that shaped our nation. With well-planned stops you can visit Georgetown, the Mall, the National Cathedral, Lincoln Memorial, the Smithsonian museums and much, much more!



**How to request a Tour:** You can start your tour at any one of the 21 stops throughout the three different routes. These locations are listed here

<http://www.trolleytours.com/washington-dc/how-tour-works.asp>

**Availability:** Reservations are not required. Patrons with e-Tickets can board at any Old Town Trolley boarding location. Daily tours 9:00am to 5pm (4:30pm during winter hours).

**Cost:** Trolley Tours fees: Adults: \$45 and up, Children (4-12): \$29 and up, and children under 4 are free. DC Duck tour fees: Adults: \$40.50, Children (0-12): \$29.70. Monuments by Moonlight Tour fees: Adults: \$40.50, Children (4-12): \$29.70, and children under 4 are

free. Arlington National Cemetery Tour fees: Adults: \$15, Children (4 – 12): \$7.25, Seniors (65+): \$11, Active Military/Veterans: \$6.75, and children under 4 are free.

**Website and Phone:** <http://www.trolleytours.com/washington-dc/> or call 844-356-2603

## GENERAL INFORMATION

For a wonderful guide to the city's best dining, please visit <https://www.washingtonpost.com/goingoutguide/restaurants/>

To find out about special events, festivals, or parties that might be going on during your stay in the nation's capital, please visit [www.washingtonian.com](http://www.washingtonian.com).

For the projected weather forecast during your stay in Washington, DC, please visit [Washington, DC Weather](#).

For a complete list of National Parks in the Washington, DC area, visit <http://www.nps.gov/state/dc/>.

For a comprehensive map of the Downtown area, visit

<http://www.hot-map.com/washington>



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