



## **VISITING WASHINGTON, DC**

***Dear Friend,***

***Our Washington, DC office can arrange for you to visit various attractions around our nation's capitol.***

***All tour requests are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. There are no guarantees that tours will be granted. Please submit your tour request 2-3 months in advance of your arrival in Washington, D.C.***

***Even if our office is unable to schedule tours for you, most attractions have public tours, many of which run Monday to Friday throughout the day.***

***Please call my Washington, DC office at (202) 225-2939 to request a special tour packet and to schedule a congressional tour for the following attractions:***

- White House
- US Capitol Building
- Supreme Court
- National Cathedral
- Kennedy Center
- Mount Vernon
- Library of Congress
- National Archive
- Bureau of Engraving and Printing

**PLEASE NOTE:** White House tours and the Bureau of Printing and Engraving are available on an extremely limited basis. Please make requests for White House Tours available at least 3 months in advance and requests for the Bureau of Printing and Engraving at least 2 months in advance

***I look forward to welcoming you to Washington, DC!***

***Sincerely,***

***David Scott  
Member of Congress***

## CONGRESSIONAL TOURS

### White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500  
202-456-7041

**Congressional Tour:** NO PUBLIC TOURS ARE OPERATING AT THIS TIME. Group tours may be provided by request only through my office. These self-guided tours are scheduled from 7:30 AM-12:30PM Tuesday-Saturday. Requests may be submitted up to six months in advance, but no later than one month prior to the desired tour date.

The White House visitor's center is open daily from 7:30 AM to 4PM, and is located at 1450 Pennsylvania Ave., NW. Tel: 202/456-7041. Take the Metro to the *Federal Triangle station* (Blue or Orange). Enter at the South East gate. Arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled tour. (See list of prohibited items.)

NOTE: White House Tours are made available by the White House Visitor's Office on an extremely limited basis.

### US Capitol Building

Independence Ave  
SE Washington, DC 20510  
(202) 225-6827 (Information)  
202-225-2939 (Reserve a guided tour through our office)

**Congressional Tours:** Available through our office from 10-3:00 Mon-Fri.

**Public Tours:** The Capitol Guide Service conducts free guided tours of the Capitol Monday through Saturday throughout the year. You can reserve a tour up to two months advance, but it is extremely difficult to get. Tours will be conducted from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Capitol will be open on all federal holidays except Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Take the Metro to the *Capitol South station* (Blue or Orange).

**Note:** Tickets are available on 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. Ticket holders 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. For more information visit the official web site:  
<http://www.aoc.gov/cc/visit/index.cfm>

The Congressional Special Services Office provides information about tours for the disabled by telephone at 202-224-4048 (voice) or 202-224-4049 (TDD). Additional accessibility information is available.

### **Supreme Court**

One First Street N.E.  
Washington, DC 20543  
(202) 479-3211 Public Information  
(202) 479-3499 Congressional Tour Info (call between 3-5 pm)

**Congressional Tour:** 2:00pm, Monday – Friday

**Note:** Reserve tours by calling the above number between the hours of 3:00-5:00pm. They accept reservations of no more than 6 people per group and no more than two groups per day. VIP guest must arrive no later than 1:45 and tours start in the Great Hall.

**Public Tours:** 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is closed Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays. 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. Lectures in the Courtroom are typically given 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. Take the Metro to the Capitol South station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the web site: <http://www.supremecourtus.gov/index.html>

**Note:** From August 15 through August 26, 2005 the Courtroom will be closed to the public for annual cleaning. No lectures will be offered during this period. The building will be open to the public, and visitors may view the film and exhibits or visit the gift shop. When activity in the Courtroom permits, the doors to the room will be open to permit visitors to view the room.

### **Mount Vernon**

3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway  
Mount Vernon, Virginia 22121  
703-780-2000

**Congressional Tour:** Monday – Sunday April 1st-October 31st

The tour starts at 8:45. Mount Vernon accepts reservations as early as March 3rd. Make reservations by email: [congressionaltours@mountvernon.org](mailto:congressionaltours@mountvernon.org)  
The reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance. In the email include: name of Party, number of guests, and proposed tour date. The tour begins at the main entrance and concludes at Washington's tomb.

**Note:** Arrive early because admission tickets must be purchased before the tour begins. The Mansion is not part of the VIP tour guest may visit before or after their tour. The estate opens at 8:00am and closes at 5:00pm.

**Public Tour:** April-August 8-5:00pm; March, September, October 9-5:00pm; November-February 9-4:00. Tickets: \$11 Adults, \$5 Children (6-11), Free for Children under 5

Located in Virginia 16 miles south of Washington at the southern end of the George Washington Memorial Parkway. Mount Vernon was George Washington's estate and is the burial site for George and Martha Washington. Take the Metro to the *Huntington Avenue station (Yellow) with a Fairfax Connector Bus to Mount Vernon.*

### **National Cathedral**

Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20016-5098  
Tel: (202) 537-6200  
(for groups, dial ext. 5)

**Congressional Tour:** 9:00 AM Mondays and Wednesdays only

The tour is for families and individuals, not groups (fewer than 10 people). Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens, and \$1 for children. The tour lasts for 45 minutes. You do not have to schedule the tour through the Cathedral. Give each party one ticket. The Congressional Tour lasts about 30 minutes and focuses primarily on the main sanctuary.

**Note:** Tours are not given on Ash Wednesday, Independence Day, the day before Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Years Eve, and the entire month of January. Visitors should enter the building on North Road at the visitors entrance.

**Public Tour:** Groups leave 10:00 AM to 11:15 AM and 12:45 PM to 3:15 PM afternoon. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens, \$1 for students and youths. Take the Metro to the Tenleytown station (**Red**) Metro stop and exit on the west side of Wisconsin Avenue. Take any "30" series bus (#30, #32, #34 or #36) going south on Wisconsin Avenue. Ride approximately one and one-half miles south on Wisconsin Avenue to the Cathedral. (This is a downhill walk, if you prefer to walk.)

### **Kennedy Center**

2700 F Street NW  
Washington, DC 20566-0001  
(202) 416-8340

**Congressional Tour:** 9:30 and 4:30 Monday – Friday, 4:30 Saturday and Sunday

The Congressional tour can be made up to 2 months in advance by calling the Friends Tour Line at the above number between the hours of 10:00am-9:00pm. Be prepared to provide the following information: date, name of Congressman, number of guest, last name of one of the guest in the group (only one ticket is needed per group), whether a special arrangement is necessary for a handicapped person. Blank tickets are available at “First Call” located in room B-241 Longworth House Office Building, next to the loading dock or by calling Friends of the Kennedy Center Office at (202) 416-8320.

**Note:** The Congressional tour begins at the Hall of States (inside of the first set of plaza doors) and feature 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. Only one pass is needed per group and can be arranged by our office. The tour leaves every fifteen minutes and lasts about an hour. Take the Metro to the *Foggy Bottom* (Blue or Orange) Metro Station with a free shuttle to Center 9:45-midnight Mon-Sat and noon to 8pm on Sun.

**Public Tour:** 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday

**Note:** The public tour starts at the Tour Desk on Motor Lobby A (down one level from main level across from the gift shop). The tour leaves every fifteen minutes and lasts about an hour. Take the Metro to the *Foggy Bottom station* (Blue or Orange) with shuttle to Center 9:45-midnight Mon-Sat and noon to 8pm on Sun.

### **Library of Congress**

Independence Ave SE  
Washington, DC 20510  
(202)707-9779

(202)707-4683 Congressional tours info

**Congressional Tour:** 8:30am and 1:00pm Mon-Fri

To book tours send an email to [congtour@loc.gov](mailto:congtour@loc.gov). In the email state the names of people in tour, number of people, date, time (either 8:30am or 1:30pm), and the name of the Congressman. Groups can not be larger than nine people.

The Congressional tour, which can be scheduled through our office, begins in the Jefferson Building Lobby. After going through the security check, walk straight forward to the information desk to check-in. Free, same-day public tour tickets may be obtained at the Information Desk in the Great Hall of the Jefferson Building. Tour participants should use the West Front Doors. The West Front Doors of the Jefferson Building are open from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm, Monday - Saturday. The Madison Building is open from 8:30 am - 9:30 pm, Monday - Friday and 8:30 am - 6 pm, Saturday. The Library of Congress is closed on Sunday and all federal holidays. Take the Metro to the *Capitol South station* (Blue or Orange).

**Public Tours:** Monday-Friday 10:30am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, and 3:30pm. Saturdays 10:30 am, 11:30am, 1:30pm and 2:30pm.

The West Front Doors of the Jefferson Building are open from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm, Monday - Saturday. The Madison Building is open from 8:30 am - 9:30 pm, Monday - Friday and 8:30 am - 6 pm, Saturday. The Library of Congress is closed on Sunday and all federal holidays. Take the Metro to the Capitol South station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the official website: <http://www.loc.gov/>

### **National Archives**

700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20408  
202-501-5205

**Congressional Tour:** 9:45 Monday-Friday

Tours can be booked by calling the above number. Groups can not exceed 30 people and tours should be booked 1-2 months in advance. The tour lasts 90 minutes.

**Public Tours:** 9:45 Monday-Friday (by reservation only) see above.

### **Hours of Operation:**

Fall & Winter Seasons (Day after Labor Day through March 31)  
10 a.m.–5:30 p.m. (every day, except closed on December 25)

Spring Season (April 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day Weekend)  
10 a.m.–7 p.m. (every day)

Summer Season (Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day)  
10 a.m.–9 p.m. (every day)

The National Archive is open for self-guided tours at the entrance on 9<sup>th</sup> and Constitution Ave. On this tour, documents such as the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence can be viewed. Congressional tours are guided. Take the Metro to the Archives/Navy Memorial station (**Green** or **Yellow**). For more information visit the web site at <http://www.archives.gov/>.

### **Bureau of Engraving and Printing**

14th and C Streets SW  
Washington DC 20228  
(202) 874-2330

**Congressional Tours:** 8:15am and 8:45am, Monday -Friday (May through August a 4:00pm tour is offered as well). Tours may only be requested for groups of

10 or less up to 6 months in advance (school groups must arrange their tours with the BEP directly). Fill out form and fax it to (202)874-0968. The tour starts at the tour entrance 14<sup>th</sup> and C Streets, SW.

**Public Tours:** The public tours are from 9:00am-10:45am and 12:30pm-2:00pm and run every 15 minutes. During the month of May through the month August evening tours are also offered from 5:00-7:00pm. During the peak season (March-September), tickets are required for all tours and they are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The ticket booth is located on Raoul Wallenberg Place and opens at 8:00am and closes when all tickets have been distributed Monday-Friday. Most mornings, tickets are gone by 8:30-9:00am and the individual may pick-up a maximum of 8 tickets. During the non-peak season (October-February) no tickets are required. You may line up at the Visitors' Entrance on 14<sup>th</sup> Street. Please allow 45 – 50 minutes from the time you enter the building until the end of your tour. Take the Metro to the Archives/Navy Memorial station (**Green** or **Yellow**). For more information visit the official web site <http://www.moneyfactory.com/>.

**Note:** The Bureau is closed on weekends, federal holidays and the week between Christmas and New Years. If the Department of Homeland Security level is elevated to **CODE ORANGE**, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is **closed** to the public unless otherwise noted.

## **MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS**

Open 24 hours a day unless otherwise noted

For more information on all the Monuments and Memorials listed visit:

<http://www.nps.gov/>

**F.D.R Memorial**- 900 Ohio Drive, S.W., located near the Jefferson Memorial and the Potomac River. The FDR Memorial includes engraved red granite walls, waterfalls, reflecting pools, and gardens spread among four rooms representing Roosevelt's four terms in office. There are park rangers available from 8 a.m. to midnight every day except Christmas Day. Telephone: (202) 426-6841. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian station (**Blue** or **Orange**).

**Iwo Jima Memorial**- Route 50 at Arlington Boulevard & Ridge Road Arlington, VA located across the Potomac in Northern Virginia. This statue was erected in memory of the marines who lost their lives in WWII. Telephone: (703) 289-2500. Take the Metro to Rosslyn Metro Station (**Blue** or **Orange**).

**Jefferson Memorial**- East Basin Drive SW, located on the South Bank of the Tidal Basin. The memorial contains a 19-foot bronze statue of Jefferson and inscriptions of passages of the Declaration of Independence and other famous Jefferson writings. It is located on the south bank of the Tidal Basin. At the

Swan Boathouse you can rent a paddle boat to cruise on the Basin. Telephone: (202) 426-6841. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian station (Blue or Orange).

**Korean War Veterans Memorial**- French Drive SW, located adjacent to the Lincoln Memorial reflecting pool. Features 19 foot soldiers arrayed for combat, with the American flag as their symbolic objective. A 164-foot mural wall is etched with 2500 photographic images of the support personnel whose efforts sustained the military operation. The memorial is staffed from 8 a.m. to midnight every day except December 25 by park rangers who are available to answer questions and present interpretive themes. A bookstore in the nearby Lincoln Memorial sells informational items relating to both the memorial and the Korean War. Telephone: (202)426-6841. Take the Metro to the Foggy Bottom station (Blue or Orange).

**The Lincoln Memorial**- 23<sup>rd</sup> Street NW, located at West Potomac Park. The Lincoln Memorial contains a 19-foot marble statue of our 16<sup>th</sup> President, Abraham Lincoln. The memorial also exhibits inscriptions of Lincoln's second Inaugural Address and the Gettysburg Address. Telephone: (202) 426-6895. Take the Metro to the Foggy Bottom station (Blue or Orange) or the Smithsonian station (Blue or Orange).

**Vietnam Veterans Memorial**- Henry Bacon Drive & Constitution Avenue NW. Vietnam Veterans Memorial is a V-shaped memorial of black granite inscribed with the names of the 58,192 people missing or killed in the Vietnam War. In addition, there are two bronze statues dedicated to the men and women who served in the Vietnam War. Telephone: (202) 426-6841. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian station (Blue or Orange).

**Washington Monument**- Located on the Mall at 15<sup>th</sup> Street SW. Tickets are required. They are free and available at the booth located on the west side of 15<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, on the Mall. Advance Tickets (small fee charged): Ticketmaster: (DC Metro) 202-432-7328 (Outside DC) 1-800-551-7328. The most famous of all the Washington landmarks provides breathtaking view of the city. Open Labor Day from 8:00am to midnight and during the rest of the year it is open from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Available facilities: Bookstore, Restrooms, Museum. Telephone: (202) 426-6841. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian station (Blue or Orange). For more information visit the official website at <http://www.nps.gov/wamo/home.htm>.

**World War II Memorial**- This memorial is the newest edition to the National Mall and is located at the Rainbow Pool site at the east end of the Reflecting Pool between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. Telephone: (202) 619-7222. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian station (Blue or Orange). For more information visit the official web site at [www.nps.gov/nwwm](http://www.nps.gov/nwwm).



## MUSEUMS

**The Corcoran Gallery of Art Museum**- 17<sup>th</sup> Street and New York Avenue, NW - one block southwest of the White House. The main entrance is on 17<sup>th</sup> Street. Special needs access is at 1701 E Street, around the corner from the 17<sup>th</sup> Street entrance. Telephone: (202) 639-1700. The museum presents, interprets and preserves the art of our times and of times past; its college of art nurtures and helps shape new generations of artists and designers. Four blocks south from the Farragut West station (**Blue** or **Orange**) or Farragut North station (**Red**). For more information visit the web site at <http://www.corcoran.org/>.

**The National Building Museum**- 401 F Street, NW, between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> streets. Wheelchair access located at 4<sup>th</sup> and G streets. Created by an act of Congress in 1980, the National Building Museum is America's premier cultural institution dedicated to exploring and celebrating architecture, design, engineering, construction, and urban planning. Walk-in tours of the Museum's historic home are available Monday through Wednesday—12:30 pm; Thursday through Saturday—11:30 am, 12:30 pm, and 1:30 pm; and Sundays—12:30 and 1:30 pm. To schedule a group tour (ten or more persons) please contact the Group Visitor Coordinator at 202 272-2448 x3561 or e-mail [akozusko@nbm.org](mailto:akozusko@nbm.org). Telephone: (202) 272-2448. Take the Metro to the Judiciary Square station (**Red**). For more information visit the web site at <http://www.nbm.org/>.

**National Gallery of Art**- Constitution Avenue NW between Third and Seventh Streets, is located on the Mall. The National Gallery is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Gallery is closed on December 25 and January 1. The National Gallery of Art was created in 1937 by a joint resolution of Congress, accepting the gift of financier and art collector Andrew W. Mellon. Admission is free. Telephone: (202) 737-4215. Take the Metro to the Archives/Navy Memorial station (**Green** or **Yellow**). For more information visit the official web site at <http://www.nga.gov/>.

**National Geographic Explorers Hall**- 17<sup>th</sup> & M Streets N.W. Admission is free. Open Monday through Saturday and holidays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed December 25. The museum features past and current expeditions. Visitors enjoy a wide variety of changing exhibitions as well as permanent and interactive displays that reflect the richness and diversity of our world. Telephone: 202 857 7588. Take the Metro to the Farragut North station (**Red**). For more information visit the official web site at <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/museum/>.

**Smithsonian Museums**- The Smithsonian Institution is comprised of several different museums. All museums are open to the public and free of charge. Most museums and the zoo offer free highlighted tours. Many also offer regularly scheduled exhibition tours and demonstrations. No tickets or reservations are necessary. Telephone: 202-357-2020. The general hours of operations are 10am-5pm. To get to the Smithsonian Castle take the Metro to the Smithsonian Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). More information is available at the Smithsonian Castle or the official web site: <http://www.si.edu/>.

**African Art Museum**- 950 Independence Avenue SW, located on the Mall. The National Museum of African Art is dedicated to advancing an appreciation and understanding of Africa's rich visual arts and diverse cultures. It contains the finest American collection of African art and American art influenced by African styles. The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. every day except December 25. Phone: (202)357-2700. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the website <http://www.nmafa.si.edu>.

**Air and Space Museum**- Independence Ave at 4th Street SW, located on the Mall. The museum maintains the largest collection of historic air and spacecraft in the world. It is also a vital center for research into the history, science, and technology of aviation and space flight, as well as planetary science and terrestrial geology and geophysics. Free Docent-led tours highlight the Museum's collection and trace the history of air and space travel. Tours are given daily and depart from the Welcome Center at 10:30 am and 1:00 pm. Additional tours may be added on any given day. Please check at the Welcome Center for times. For more information on all tour descriptions, programs and science demonstrations, please call the Tours and Reservations Office at 202-633-2563. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian Metro Station (**Blue** or **Orange**) or the L'Enfant Plaza Station (**Blue** or **Orange**) or (**Yellow** or **Green**).

**Museum of American History**- 14<sup>th</sup> and Constitution Ave NW, located on the Mall. The highlights include the Star Spangled Banner, George Washington's uniform, and many milestones of American inventions including Alexander Graham Bell's telephone, Ford's Model T, and Whitney's model of the original cotton gin. The normal hours of operations are 10:00am-5:30pm. The special extended summer hours are 10:00am-6:30pm May 26-September 4, 2005, except for August 2 and August 30 because of a special event. Telephone: (202) 633-3129. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the website <http://americanhistory.si.edu/index.cfm>.

**Museum of Natural History**- 10<sup>th</sup> and Constitution Ave NW, located on the Mall. At this museum visitors learn about glaciers and Ice Age mammals. Exhibits range from dinosaur skeletons to the Hope Diamond. The normal hours of operations are 10:00am-5:30pm. The special summer extended hours are 10:00am-7:30pm May 26-September 4, 2005, except for August 4 and August 10 because of a special event. Telephone: (202) 275-2030. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the website <http://www.mnh.si.edu/>.

**National Postal Museum**- 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE in the Washington City Post Office Building on Capitol Hill (next to Union Station). Introductory tours of the Museum are offered to walk-in visitors as docent availability permits. These tours meet at the Museum's information desk and last approximately half an hour. Call 202-633-5534. Take the Metro to Union Station (**Red**). For more information visit the web site at <http://www.postalmuseum.si.edu/>.

**National Zoo**- 3000 Connecticut Avenue NW. The 168-acre National Zoological Park is free and open to the public. During April 3<sup>rd</sup> to October 29<sup>th</sup>, the grounds are open from the 6:00am-8:00pm and the buildings are open from 10am-6:00pm.

During October 30<sup>th</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> the grounds are open 6:00am-6:00pm and the buildings are open from 10:00am-4:30pm. Telephone: 202-673-4717. Take the Metro to the Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan Station (**Red**). For more information visit the official web site <http://nationalzoo.si.edu/default.cfm>.

**Renwick Gallery (American Art Museum)**- Pennsylvania Ave at 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW across from the White House. The museum celebrates the extraordinary creativity of our country's artists, whose works highlight the American experience. Telephone: (202) 275-1500. Take the Metro to the Farragut West Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the web site <http://americanart.si.edu/index3.cfm>.

### **Other Smithsonian Museums not featured:**

- American Indian Museum
- Anacostia Museum
- Arts and Industries Building
- Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum
- Freer and Sackler Galleries
- Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Gardens
- National Portrait Gallery

**Textile Museum**- 2320 S Street, NW. Telephone: (202) 667-0441. The museum is open Monday-Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm and Sunday 1:00-5:00pm. It is closed all Federal Holidays and December 24. The admission is free. A \$5 donation is suggested. The Textile Museum is dedicated to furthering the understanding of mankind's creative achievements in the textile arts. As a museum, it is committed to its role as a center of excellence in the scholarly research, conservation, interpretation and exhibition of textiles, with particular concern for the artistic, technical and cultural significance of its collections. Take the Metro to the DuPont Circle Station (**Red**). For more information <http://www.textilemuseum.org/>.

**The US Holocaust Memorial Museum**- 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW. The Museum is located just south of Independence Ave. Telephone: (202) 488-0400. Passes are not necessary for entering the museum building, although timed passes are necessary for visiting the permanent exhibition and are available the day of your visit. They are given out on a first-come first-serve basis. Tickets can be obtained in advance by calling (800) 400-9373. The Holocaust Museum is open seven days a week from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm. The museum is closed on Yom Kippur and Christmas Day. The permanent exhibition is not recommended for children under the age of 11. Take the Metro to the Smithsonian station (**Blue** or **Orange**). Exit at 12<sup>th</sup> and Independence Avenue. For more information visit the official web site at <http://www.ushmm.org/>.

## **TOURS AND OTHER PLACES OF INTEREST**

**Arlington National Cemetery**- Arlington, VA 22211. Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is conducted every hour on the hour & every half hour during the summer months. Narrated bus tours run one half hour after opening to one half hour before closing. Telephone: (703) 607-8000. Take the Metro to the Arlington Cemetery Station (**Blue**).

**Botanic Gardens**- 100 Maryland Avenue SW Washington DC 20024. Admission to all public areas of the U.S. Botanic Garden (USBG) is free. The Conservatory is open 10 AM - 5 PM daily. Group tours are available by request except Saturday & Sunday or during any shows. The USBG is the oldest botanic garden in North America. Telephone: (202) 225-8333 . Take the Metro the Federal Center SW Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). For more information visit the official web site <http://www.usbg.gov/>.

**Ford Theatre**- 511 10<sup>th</sup> Street, NW - between E & F Streets. Ford's Theatre blends its rich history with performance excellence in serving as a living tribute to President Lincoln's love of the performing arts. Box Office telephone: (202) 347-4833. Take the Metro to the Metro Center Station (**Red**). For more information visit the official website <http://www.fordstheatre.org/>.

**National Aquarium**- 14<sup>th</sup> Street between Constitution Avenue & D Street, NW. Telephone: (202) 482-2825. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. the last admission is sold at 4:30 p.m. General Admission is \$5.00, for seniors and military personnel admission is \$4.00, for children (Ages 2 to 10) admission is \$2.00 and for children under two admission is free. Credit cards are not accepted. The National Aquarium is the country's oldest aquarium. It houses more than 80 exhibits with over 200 species of salt and freshwater marine life including endangered species. Take the Metro to the Federal Triangle Station (**Blue** or **Orange**). The official web site is: [www.nationalaquarium.com](http://www.nationalaquarium.com).

**National Cathedral**- Massachusetts and Wisconsin Avenues, NW. Guided tours are given Monday through Saturday from 10:00-11:30 am and 12:45 to 3:15 pm and Sundays from 12:30 to 2:45 pm except during special events and services. Donation: \$3 adult, \$2 senior citizen, \$1 child. Many different tours are available including a highlights tour and gargyle tour. Reservations are required in spring (March — June), and strongly encouraged all year. Telephone: (202) 537-5273. Take the Metro to the Tenleytown Station (**Red**) then Take any "30" series bus (#30, #32, #34 or #36) going south on Wisconsin Avenue. Visit the website at [www.cathedral.org](http://www.cathedral.org).

**Naval Observatory**- 34<sup>th</sup> Street and Massachusetts Avenue, NW. The U.S. Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C. conducts free tours of its facilities on selected Monday evenings from 8:30 pm until 10:00 pm, except on Federal holidays. Individual and group tour passes must be reserved in advance for every Monday night tour. You may use the online request form link at the bottom of this page, or send a FAX to the Public Affairs Office at 202-762-1489 to secure a reservation. Requests for reservations should be submitted at least 4 - 6 weeks before a scheduled tour. You must provide the names and dates-of-birth of all individuals in your party. An individual can apply for a maximum of 20 spaces for an organized group.

Telephone: (202) 762-1467. The N2, N4, and N6 MetroBuses connects at the Friendship Heights, Tenleytown-AU, DuPont Circle, and Farragut North Stations (**Red**) and the Farragut West Station (**Blue** or **Orange**) and travels past the Naval Observatory along Massachusetts Avenue. For more information visit the official web site <http://www.usno.navy.mil/>.

**GEORGETOWN** - Georgetown is the focal point of much of Washington's nightlife. It contains some of the best restaurants, cafes and nightspots in town. It is also a shopper's paradise. Metro: Foggy Bottom (Blue or Orange Lines) Take [Georgetown Metro Connection shuttle](#) (\$1.00) to Georgetown shopping and entertainment district.

**OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA** - Located just minutes from downtown Washington, the City of George Washington looks much the way it did in the latter parts of the 18th century. Old Town's cobblestone streets are home to some of the Washington area's most interesting shops and restaurants.

**UNION STATION** - Wander through this beautifully renovated historic station, stop to eat at one of the many fine restaurants within, and browse in the many fine shops. Located at First Street and Massachusetts Avenue, NE. Metro: Union Station (Red Line)