



# The Smithsonian Associates

## Office of Public Affairs

**THE SMITHSONIAN ASSOCIATES (TSA)** provides educational and cultural programs that highlight and complement the work of the Smithsonian through a wide variety of formats that range from lectures and courses on the National Mall to tours around the world. During its 37-year history, TSA has come to be recognized as the nation's largest museum-based continuing education and travel program.

Each year TSA creates and presents nearly two thousand educational and cultural events. Countless individuals of all ages and backgrounds engage in the life of the Smithsonian by participating in these events. In the Washington area, activities include:

- Performances, lectures, films, studio arts classes, seminars, Campus on the Mall certificate courses and series, and African American studies events
- Engaging programs for young people, including a full season of live performances at Discovery Theater
- Activities sponsored by the Young Benefactors, an organization of young professionals devoted to the future of the Smithsonian
- Day and overnight group tours throughout the mid-Atlantic region
- Custom-designed workshops and events utilizing Smithsonian resources for corporate audiences from around the country
- A Master of Arts program in American Decorative Arts, offered in collaboration with the Parson's School of Design and the Smithsonian's Cooper-Hewitt Museum

Outside the Washington area, activities include:

- Education-focused escorted tours across the U.S. and around the world. Subjects range from history, art and architecture, to culinary, hiking and cruising
- Lectures, performances and workshops feature Smithsonian experts, offered in cities nationwide

For information on Washington area activities: (202) 357-3030

For information on Smithsonian Journeys: (877) 338-8687

For information on national programming: (202) 786-3287

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