



Historic Sites

We Recommend...

Anacostia Museum

Traditionally, a major goal of the Museum has been to provide visitors with material evidence of the African American experience from a community perspective, while underscoring the idea that the things that make people distinctly different are also the things that make us all universally the same. This concept has been expanded to reflect the Museum's new mission and vision. To achieve this, the Museum created a first-of-its kind public education initiative designed to teach the fundamentals of collecting and preservation to individuals and special interest groups. Additionally, the Museum provides an array of programs for youth and families.

Contact: Sheila Parker, (202) 633-4823, parkers.si.edu / www.anacostia.si.edu
1901 Fort Place SE, Washington, DC 20020

Newseum

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.

Contact: (202) 292-6100 / volunteers@newseum.org / www.newseum.org
555 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001

Arlington Historical Society

The mission of the Arlington Historical Society is to conduct research and to preserve and disseminate knowledge relating to the history, archaeology, material culture, and geographical and socio-economic development of Arlington County, Virginia.

Contact: (703) 492-9247 / www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org
1805 South Arlington Ridge Road, Arlington, VA 22206

Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial

Today in a house that is inextricably linked to one of the most famous Confederate Civil War Generals, Robert E. Lee, is also the home of a family whose roots lie with the father of our country, George Washington. Arlington House is where this family lived and lost.

Contact: (703) 235-1530 / gwmp_superintendent@nps.gov www.nps.gov/arho
Located by the Arlington National Cemetery Visitors' Center

Cultural Tourism DC

Cultural Tourism DC shows both visitors and residents real experiences that reveal the soul of the city and that enhance Washington's numerous historic, cultural, and natural assets. Our programs strive to increase awareness of local cultural institutions among residents and visitors. Volunteers help in the office and work on site at our events.

Contact: (202) 661-7581 / volunteer@culturaltourismdc.org / www.culturaltourismdc.org
700 12th Street, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20005

Fredrick Douglas House, NPS

The Frederick Douglass National Historic Site preserves the home and legacy of Frederick Douglass, a runaway slave, abolitionist, civil rights advocate, author and statesman.

Contact: (202) 426-5961 / www.nps.gov/frdo
1411 W Street SE, Washington, DC 20020

Historical Society of Washington, DC

The Historical Society of Washington, D.C. (HSW) has a reputation of offering a wealth of free, innovative public programs and affordable workshops aimed at deepening one's understanding of our nation's capital. HSW's public programs feature not only the most eminent historians, writers, and thinkers in the country but also showcase performing artists and writers whose works commemorate, inspire, and inform visitors about the District's rich history. Volunteers are needed in to work in the library, serve as Museum Docents, assist with Public Programs and Special Events and help out "behind the scenes."

Contact: (202) 249-3955 / library@historydc.org or info@historydc.org / www.historydc.org
801 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20001

Lincoln Cottage

Designated a National Monument by President Clinton in 2000, President Lincoln's Cottage served as Lincoln's family residence for a quarter of his presidency and is the most significant historic site directly associated with Lincoln's presidency aside from the White House. President Lincoln's Cottage is located on the grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home in northwest Washington, DC.

Contact: Michelle Martz / (202) 829-0436 x224 / LincolnsCottage@savingplaces.org / www.lincolncottage.org
140 Rock Creek Church Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20011

Mary McLeod Bethune House, NPS

Mary McLeod Bethune achieved her greatest recognition at the Washington, DC townhouse that is now this National Historic Site. The Council House was first headquarters of the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) and was Bethune's last home in DC. From here, Bethune and the NCNW spearheaded strategies and developed programs that advanced the interests of African American women.

Contact: (202) 673-2402 / www.nps.gov/mamc 1318 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20005

Red Cross History Museum

The building, which was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1965, houses some of the most exquisite art and artifacts acquired by the American Red Cross since its formal inception in 1881.

Contact: (202) 303-4233 / www.redcross.org/museum/history
American Red Cross National Headquarters, 2025 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20006

Smithsonian: National Museum of the American Indian

A diverse and multifaceted cultural and educational enterprise, the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) is an active and visible component of the Smithsonian, the world's largest museum complex. Volunteers have the opportunity to work with Interpretive Services, Membership & Development, and Public Programs.

Contact: (202) 633-1000 / www.nmai.si.edu/home
4th St and Independence Ave SW, Washington, DC 2001

Society of the Cincinnati

The Society of the Cincinnati is the nation's oldest patriotic organization, founded in 1783 by officers of the Continental Army and their French counterparts who served together in the American Revolution.

Contact: Caren Pauley / (202) 785-2040 / www.thesocietyofthecincinnati.org
2118 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20008

Sewall-Belmont House

The Sewall-Belmont House & Museum celebrates women's progress toward equality – and explores the evolving role of women and their contributions to society – through educational programs, tours, exhibits, research and publications.

Contact: (202) 546-1210 / info@nationalwomansparty.org / www.sewallbelmont.org
144 Constitution Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002

Tudor Place

Tudor Place Foundation operates a historic property located in the heart of Washington's Georgetown area. Firmly rooted in the community, Tudor Place Foundation's mission is to educate the public about American history and culture. Volunteers are needed as shop staff, garden assistants, and docents.

Contact: Hillary Rothberg, 202-965-0400 / education@tudorplace.org
www.tudorplace.org 1644 31st Street NW, Washington, DC 20007