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# Historic Sites

## 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](http://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](mailto:gwmp_superintendent@nps.gov) [www.nps.gov/arho](http://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](mailto:volunteer@culturaltourismdc.org) / [www.culturaltourismdc.org](http://www.culturaltourismdc.org)  
700 12<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto:library@historydc.org) or [info@historydc.org](mailto:info@historydc.org) / [www.historydc.org](http://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](mailto:LincolnsCottage@savingplaces.org) / [www.lincolncottage.org](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.nmai.si.edu/home)  
 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto:info@nationalwomansparty.org) / [www.sewallbelmont.org](http://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.

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