# EVENTS at President Lincoln's Cottage







President Lincoln's Cottage offers memorable event and meeting spaces for 10 – 750 people. Our various indoor spaces can accommodate meetings up to 40 people, dinners up to 120 and receptions up to 250. Our expansive lawn can be tented for gatherings of up to 750. Located in the trendy Petworth neighborhood of Northwest Washington, D.C. near DuPont and Logan Circles, President Lincoln's Cottage is just 15-minute ride from the Walter E. Washington Convention Center.

Located on a picturesque hilltop on the grounds of the historic Soldiers' Home, President Lincoln's Cottage offers a unique and inspiring setting for special events. During the Civil War, the president used this beloved home for important meetings, entertaining, and developing nation-changing documents such as the Emancipation Proclamation.









Our events team will connect you to award winning, professional vendors and assist in your event coordination. Our museum team will be onsite to answer guest's questions about the rich history of the campus. A National Monument and National Historic Landmark, our site offers 24-hour security, free onsite parking and exclusivity.

We invite you to book your event with us. Our team promises to help you through a smooth coordination process to ensure that your event is a success. The unique beauty and historical relevance of the Cottage is sure to impress your guests and provide a one-of-akind Washington, DC experience for local and out of town visitors alike. Think of us as your secret sure to "wow" your guests.

# PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S COTTAGE

Built in 1842 for banker George Washington Riggs, this 34room Gothic Revival-style mansion became a sanctuary for sitting U.S. Presidents in the 19th century. While in residence, Abraham Lincoln made momentous decisions that defined his presidency, such as the decision to create and issue the Emancipation Proclamation. Perfect for important meetings and retreats, seated dinners, cocktail receptions, and special programs, this inspiring home features handsome woodwork, marble fireplaces, an inviting veranda, and expansive lawn bordered by impressive trees including a large osage orange and magnolia.

Rental blocks include two hours of setup and one hour of breakdown time.









The South Lawn of the Cottage boasts one of the largest green spaces in Washington, DC. Situated on a picturesque hilltop with magnificent vistas, the landscape is perfect for corporate field days or large outdoor-tented events. If you are looking for a truly unique experience for your guests, this one is sure to make the grade. Tents may be reserved separately by our exclusive tenting provider.

> Capacity: up to 750 guests 10-hour Rental: \$25,000 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$22,500



#### EXCLUSIVE RENTAL

This option will provide your group with EXCLUSIVE use of the historic site. President Lincoln's Cottage, The Robert H. Smith Visitor Education Center, a historic beaux-arts building featuring an atrium, our museum galleries, and two meeting rooms, and the surrounding landscape will be CLOSED to the public for the duration of your event. Our team will be available to share the remarkable history of President Lincoln's time here. Tents may be reserved separately by our exclusive tenting provider.

Capacity: up to 300 guests (Have more guests? Reach out to our events team for additional pricing information.)

8-hour Rental: \$15,000 Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$13,500







# EMANCIPATION EXPERIENCE

President Lincoln drafted the Emancipation Proclamation his first summer in residence. Connect your event with this defining moment in history by picking the Emancipation Experience. Your guests will explore Lincoln's private life, presidency, and path to Emancipation through an innovative and engaging tour of President Lincoln's Cottage with our team. After enjoying a cocktail reception on the second floor, guests will enjoy a private tour of the first floor. Dinner is served in the largest room on the second floor, where many believe Lincoln spent much of his time drafting the Emancipation Proclamation."

Capacity: 60 Guests

7-hour Rental: \$6,500, Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$5,950

# COTTAGE FIRST & SECOND FLOORS

It may be called a "Cottage", but this spacious Gothic Revival home is a true Presidential retreat and features high ceilings, beautiful wood paneling, and period-style lighting. We suggest starting the evening with a cocktail reception on the first floor. Guests will be welcomed and invited to take a seat in the Drawing Room, enjoy drinks, and converse with our history guides. At the conclusion of the reception, guests may enjoy a seated dinner on the second floor.

Capacity: 250 Standing Reception / 120 Cocktail Reception and Seated Dinner

6-hour Rental: \$9,950, Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$8,950

# THE FIRST FLOOR

Perfect for receptions and dinners, the first floor features a collection of inviting drawing rooms and parlors and their adjoining outdoor spaces. The mature magnolia, beautiful landscaping, and vista provide a setting that even Mary Lincoln would approve of! Guests may enjoy drinks on the veranda, roam the rooms of this historic house, converse with experts on our museum team, or enjoy dinner in the same spaces used by the Lincolns over 150 years ago.

Capacity: 120 Standing / 55 Seated Indoors 6-hour Rental: \$5,500, Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$4,950



## TENTING & COTTAGE COCKTAILS

A very popular option for galas or large parties! Guests will enjoy sipping cocktails while exploring over a dozen rooms in the historic home. Following cocktails, guests will enjoy venturing out onto our serene lawn and indulging in an evening of dinner and entertainment under a tent. Tents may be reserved separately by our exclusive tenting provider.

Capacity: 200 guests

8-hour Rental: \$7,500 Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$7,000

## TENTING

For larger outdoor events, a tent may be erected on the lawn of the Robert H. Smith Visitor Education Center or an approved area adjacent to President Lincoln's Cottage. The pastoral grounds make for a charming backdrop while restrooms are conveniently located in nearby Beaux Arts -style Visitor Education Center. Tents may be reserved separately by our exclusive tenting provider.

#### Capacity: 300 Guests

6-hour rental: \$3,000 for up to 200 guests \$4,000 for up to 300 guests

Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$2,750 for up to 200 guests \$3,750 for up to 300 guests



# ADDITIONAL SPACES



## ROBERT H. SMITH VISITOR EDUCATION CENTER

Built in 1905 as the administration building for the Solders' Home, this magnificent Beaux-Arts style building features an impressive atrium, beautiful turn of the century tile floors, and hand carved oak woodwork. Ideal for standing receptions, this space includes access to the adjoining exhibit galleries, interactive community space, and museum store. Guided tours of President Lincoln's Cottage can be added for an additional fee.

Capacity: 100 Guests

6-hour Rental: \$3,250 Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$2,950



#### THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION

Called "The Governor's Mansion" because of its historical use, Quarters 1 was built as the residence of the military governors for the Soldiers' Home. When President Buchanan was invited to live at the Soldiers' Home in 1857, it's likely he lived in this residence and commented that he "slept much better than at the White House." Buchanan was the first of the 19th century presidents to spend the "hot season" at Soldiers' Home. Now available to the public for the first time, this stately home features carved marble mantelpieces, high ceilings, beautiful moldings, and a wrap-around porch. Guests will enjoy conversing in the parlors, taking in panoramic views, and reading the engraved names of dozens of famous generals who once called this place home. Guided tours of President Lincoln's Cottage can be added for an additional fee.

Capacity: 80 Standing/50 Seated

6-hour Rental: \$2,850 Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$2,500









# STANLEY HALL

For the very first time, this striking stone structure is available to the public for musical and theatrical performances, panel discussions, lectures, ceremonies, and memorial services. Built originally as the concert and recreation hall for the Soldiers' Home, the building was lovingly restored and then converted into a church in the 20th century. The building features a mammoth wooden vaulted ceiling, illuminated stained glass windows depicting military scenes, pew style seating, and a towering 1860's pipe organ bearing dozens of 19th century signatures carved into its woodwork.

Capacity: 250 Theater Style

5- hour Rental: \$3,000, Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$2,850

(\$1,500 when combined with any other offer)

# ROSE CHAPEL

Built in 1870, Rose Chapel is constructed of beautifully crafted Seneca sandstone and features a large vaulted ceiling and intricate stained glass. For the first time, the church is now available for ceremonies, musical performances, lectures, and memorial services.

Capacity: 100 Theater Style

5-hour Rental: \$1,500, Non-Profit/Government Rate: \$1,350

(\$1,000 when combined with any other offer)

# THE BANDSTAND

This charming structure was built at the turn of the 20th century as a performance space for the Soldiers' Home band and their weekly concerts. Today, the cast iron bandstand offers a shaded outdoor area with views of our historic campus, perfect for small luncheons and social events. Most of our guests enjoy pairing this with a private tour of the Cottage.

Capacity: 25 Guests

4-hour Rental: \$400

# **MEETINGS & RETREATS**



#### GROUP PROGRAM ROOM

Located on the garden level of our Visitor Education Center, the Group Program Room is an ideal space for comfortable meetings, classroom style workshops, working lunches, and leadership retreats. The room features private restrooms, Wi-Fi, and a Promethean board, perfect for various types of presentations. The space opens to the north lawn, which has an intimate outdoor amphitheater, mature trees, and several picnic tables. A guided tour of President Lincoln's Cottage may be added for an additional fee. A perfect way to get your attendees inspired!

Capacity: 36 Guests

4-hour rental: \$550 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$500

8-hour rental: \$950 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$500

#### THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION

Located adjacent to President Lincoln's Cottage, the historic Governor's Mansion provides a collection of gracious and elegant spaces for private meetings and retreats. Whether you're hosting a teambuilding retreat or a formal luncheon, the grand drawing room allows for a variety of setups based on your needs. Several parlors offer intimate breakout spaces, appointed with beautiful antique furniture. The large wrap around porch complete with rocking chairs is a guest favorite! Wi-Fi access and presentation capabilities are included.

Capacity: 40 Guests

4-hour rental: \$850 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$750

8-hour rental: \$1,500 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$1,200

#### PROGRAM GALLERY

Located on the main floor of the Robert H. Smith Visitor Center, the Program Gallery is an ideal space for both casual meetings and corporate retreats. The room features a wallmounted monitor with wireless microcomputer complete with internet access and built-in in speakers, WiFi and large windows for natural light. Whether team building or organizational planning, this room offers the perfect creative and uplifting atmosphere! Guided tours of President Lincoln's Cottage can be added for an additional fee.

Capacity: 24 Guests

4-hour Rental: \$550 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$500

8-hour Rental: \$950 Nonprofit/Government Rate: \$850





### STANLEY CONFERENCE ROOM

Located on the garden level of Stanley Hall, this space offers a comfortable and casual setting for lunches and meetings with minimal A/V needs. Conveniently located adjacent to visitor parking, the space is our most popular for group tours who would like to have lunch onsite.

Capacity: 55

2-hour rental: \$250 4-hour rental: \$400 8-hour rental: \$600



# TOUR OPTIONS

SIGNATURE TOUR \$12.50 per person (for groups of 10 or more)

The Signature Cottage Tour is an innovative guided tour of President Lincoln's Cottage in which our professional staff use interactive multimedia and traditional storytelling methods to bring President Lincoln to life for visitors of all ages. The vibrant, conversational tour provides new perspectives, gives space for self-reflection, and connects Lincoln's legacy to the fight for freedom.

> PREMIUM TOUR \$30 per person (for groups of 10 or more)

Designed for visitors seeking a private and personalized experience at President Lincoln's Cottage, the group is welcomed by the Director, followed by a signature tour with one of our museum educators. At the conclusion of the tour, guests enjoy an exclusive behind-thescenes experience.

#### FAVORS

Our Museum Store offers unique favor options so your guests will remember your meaningful event and this special place. From short biographies of Abraham and Mary Lincoln to personalized palm leaf fans, our Museum Store has the perfect gift to delight your guests. Ask our events team for additional information!





For additional information about spaces, availability, rates and amenities, please contact our events department at:

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