**Free or Almost Free things to do in DC/MD/VA**

**Light City Baltimore**

Mar 31 - Apr 8, 2017 | Baltimore, MD | Unique

Location

Baltimore City - Inner Harbor|Baltimore Inner Harbor and Downtown Baltimore, MD

**Federal Hill Jazz & Blues Festival**

Jun 4, 2017 | Baltimore, MD | Music

Location Unconfirmed

Federal Hill|1065 S. Charles Street Baltimore, MD

**EBLO LatinoFest**

Jun 2017 Dates Unconfirmed | Baltimore, MD | Cultural

Location Unconfirmed

Patterson Park|27 S Patterson Park Ave Baltimore, MD

**Baltimore African American Festival**

Jul 2017 Dates Unconfirmed | Baltimore, MD | Cultural

Location Unconfirmed

Camden Yards Sports Complex|1101 Russell Street Baltimore, MD

**Baltimore/Washington One Caribbean Carnival**

Jul 2017 Dates Unconfirmed | Baltimore, MD | Cultural

Location Unconfirmed

Clifton Park|2701 Saint Lo Drive Baltimore, MD

**Artscape Festival**

Jul 21-23, 2017 | Baltimore, MD | Art

Baltimore City |Mt. Royal Avenue and Charles Street Baltimore, MD

**(Latino Festival)** Timonium, [Festival Latino de Maryland](http://www.marylandfest.com/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank), Maryland State Fairgrounds, Aug. 2017

**FREE THINGS TO DO IN DC**

**APRIL 2017**

* [**D.C. United vs. Philadelphia Union**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e501829.htm). MLS Soccer Game
*April 1*
* [**Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e511539.htm). It's time for your family to be amazed by all the X-TRAORDINARY things you know and love about America's favorite live family...
*April 1, April 2*
* [**Hamburg Ballet: The Little Mermaid**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512914.htm). Returning for the first time in 13 years, the company performs the D.C. premiere of John Neumeier's adaptation of the Hans...
*April 1, April 2*
* [**Fourplay**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512892.htm). Performing live in concert
*April 2*
* [**Washington Nationals vs. Miami Marlins**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e507169.htm). MLB Baseball Game
*April 3, April 5, April 6*
* [**American Experience's "The Great War" Preview and Discussion**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e513022.htm). A special preview of American Experience's upcoming miniseries, The Great War. A panel discussion with special guests...
*April 3*
* [**Washington Wizards vs. Charlotte Hornets**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e500130.htm). NBA Basketball Game
*April 4*
* [**Chicago - The Musical**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512523.htm). This Tony-Award winning musical *April 4, April 5, April 6, April 7, April 8, April 9, April 11, April 12, April 13, April 14, April 15, April 16*
* [**Washington Capitals vs. New York Rangers**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e509581.htm). NHL Hockey Game
*April 5*
* [**Amy Grant**](http://www.washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512893.htm). Performing live in concert
*April 5*

**MAY 2017**

* [**connect: ID 2017**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512974.htm). Dedicated to all aspects of human identity technology and its implementation in the digital, mobile, and physical domains...
*May 1, May 2, May 3*
* [**Washington Nationals vs. Arizona Diamondbacks**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e507163.htm). MLB Baseball Game
*May 2, May 3, May 4*
* [**10,000 Maniacs**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512907.htm). Performing live in concert
*May 4*
* [**D.C. United vs. Montreal Impact**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e508397.htm). MLS Soccer Game
*May 6*
* [**Najee**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512908.htm). Performing live in concert
*May 6*
* [**Washington National Opera: Madame Butterfly**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512922.htm). In this eye-popping staging of Puccini's immortal tragedy, a dashing American naval officer chooses a naïve young geisha...
*May 6, May 7, May 8, May 9, May 10, May 11, May 13, May 14, May 15, May 17, May 18, May 19, May 20, May 21*
* [**PRS' Raising the Stakes Kentucky Derby Event**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e513011.htm). Guests in their Derby attire will enjoy watching the 143rd Run for the Roses, eating hors d' oeuvres, sipping mint juleps...
*May 6*
* [**Washington Nationals vs. Baltimore Orioles**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e507165.htm). MLB Baseball Game
*May 10, May 11*
* [**Christopher Cross**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512909.htm). Performing live in concert
*May 10*
* [**Washington Nationals vs. Philadelphia Phillies**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e502719.htm). MLB Baseball Game
*May 12, May 13, May 14*

**JUNE 2017**

* [**2017 Marketing and Public Policy Conference**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512938.htm). The AMA's annual Marketing and Public Policy Conference offers a broad range of sessions highlighting the intersection...
*June 1, June 2, June 3*
* [**D.C. United vs. Los Angeles Galaxy**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e502245.htm). MLS Soccer Game
*June 3*
* [**Washington Mystics vs. Atlanta Dream**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e503334.htm). WNBA Basketball Game
*June 4*
* [**New York City Ballet: Two Programs of Contemporary Works & Balanchine Classics**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512917.htm). The acclaimed company's annual visit brings two programs featuring works by today's hottest choreographers--Justin...
*June 6, June 7, June 8, June 9, June 10, June 11*
* [**Washington Mystics vs. Minnesota Lynx**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e503340.htm). WNBA Basketball Game
*June 9*
* [**Washington Nationals vs. Texas Rangers**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e510205.htm). MLB Baseball Game
*June 9, June 10, June 11*
* [**Washington Mystics vs. Indiana Fever**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e508357.htm). WNBA Basketball Game
*June 11*
* [**Washington Nationals vs. Atlanta Braves**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e507164.htm). MLB Baseball Game
*June 12, June 13, June 14*
* [**The Sound of Music**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512525.htm). A heartwarming story, it is based on the real life story of the Von Trapp Family singers
*June 13, June 14, June 15, June 16, June 17, June 18, June 20, June 21, June 22, June 23, June 24, June 27, June 28, June 29, June 30*
* [**Hedwig and the Angry Inch**](http://washington.dc.eventguide.com/events/e512528.htm). This genre-bending, fourth-wall-smashing musical sensation, with a pulsing score and electrifying performances...
*June 13, June 14, June 15, June 16, June 17, June 18, June 20, June 21, June 22, June 23, June 24, June 27, June 28, June 29, June 30*

**Washington D.C.
Attractions**

[**Basilica - National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v102361.htm)

Each year, hundreds of thousands from all over the world visit the country's patronal church and Marian Shrine to attend mass and confession, or just to see the magnificent 150-year-old shrine and national treasure.
400 Michigan Avenue, NE. Phone: (202) 526-8300.

[**B'nai B'rith Klutznick National Jewish Museum**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g102379.htm)

Numerous cultural programs and exhibitions are presented at the B'nai B'rith national museum, open every day except Saturday.
2020 K Street, N.W. Phone: (202) 857-6513.

[**Capital Children's Museum**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g100466.htm)

Children can learn how to make Mexican cocoa, see science presentations, learn animation techniques and experience exhibits designed to expand the five senses and provide a deeper appreciation of the world in which we live.
800 3rd Street, NE. Phone: (202) 675-4120.

[**Eastern Market**](http://washington.dc.retailguide.com/data/m102377.htm)

One of the oldest indoor - outdoor markets in the country, the Eastern Market is comprised of the North, South and Central Halls, plus the [Market 5 Gallery](http://washington.dc.retailguide.com/data/s102378.htm) which offers not only a venue for artists from all over the world to exhibit and sell their works, but also is where children and adults can learn to paint, sculpt, dance and work with crafts.
7th and C Street (North Carolina Avenue), SE. Phone: (202) 544-0083.

[**George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v100461.htm)

Tour George Washington's home and grounds, preserved as it was, explore the gift shop and enjoy a genuine 18th century American dinner.
George Washington Parkway, South End. Phone: (703) 780-2000.

[**Hillwood Museum and Gardens**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101908.htm)

Explore the largest collection of 18th and 19th century Russian art outside of Russia, a beautiful collection of 18th century French art and the azalea and orchid collections of the gardens preserved as they were when Marjorie Post first founded the museum.
4155 Linnean Avenue, NW. Phone: (202) 686-5807.

[**International Spy Museum**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101951.htm)

See the largest collection of artifacts and memorabilia related to spies and espionage in the world, housed in one of the older buildings in Washington, D.C. where the American Communist Party was originally headquartered. The kids will love this museum, as many of the exhibits are interactive.
800 F Street. Phone: (202) EYE-SPY-U.

[**Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101970.htm)

A unique member of the National Parks system along the Anacostia River, the Aquatic Gardens is devoted entirely to the cultivation of aquatic plants. Started privately in the late 19th century by W.B. Shaw, a Civil War veteran, and taken over by the U.S. in the 1930s, this beautifully preserved natural marsh area is home to all kinds of flowering plants, butterflies, turtles, frogs and many other creatures, and is now in the Register of Historic Places. The adjacent Kenilworth Park is a great place to have a picnic with the kids, where they can enjoy a variety of recreational equipment and natural wide open spaces.
Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, N.E., westernmost end. Phone: (202) 426-6905.

[**Laogai Museum**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g108429.htm)

Managed by the Laogai Research Foundation and sponsoed by the Yahoo! Human Rights Fund, the museum is the culmination of democracy activist Harry Wu's efforts to increase awareness of China's gulag, and chronicles the history and activities of the Laogai labor reform system in the People's Republic of China, a penal system created by Mao Zedong to house political dissidents and reform them while providing a low cost labor force for the country, generating scrutiny of consequent human rights violations by the international community.
1109 M Street Northwest. Phone: (202) 408-8300.

[**Library of Congress**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v100452.htm)

Take a tour of Congress's own library, the nation's repository of copyrighted works, the federal administrative arm of U.S. copyright laws, and its many cultural programs and galleries of art and photography memorabilia that preserve and illuminate sometimes lesser known but fascinating events, places and people in American and world history.
101 Independence Avenue, SE. Phone: (202) 707-5000.

[**National Air and Space Musuem**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g101906.htm)

Part of the [Smithsonian Institution](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101763.htm), the National Air and Space Museum houses the largest collection of air and spacecraft in the world.
7th and Independence Avenue, NW. Phone: (202) 357-1400.

[**National Gallery of Art**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g101772.htm)

The vast collection of America's outstanding art museum and internationally famous Sculpture Garden includes paintings, sculpture and graphics by notable artists from Medieval times to the present.
Between 3rd and 9th Streets at Consitution Avenue, NW, in the National Mall. Phone: (202) 737-4215.

[**National Geographic Society Explorers' Hall**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101900.htm)

Numerous cultural programs and exhibitions are presented at the Society's museum, and travelogs and other lectures are presented in the museum's Grosvenor Auditorium, throughout the year. Call to see what is happening while you are in town.
17th and M Streets, N.W. Phone: (202) 857-7588.

[**National Mall**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101775.htm)

The center of American government and culture is symbolized and celebrated by this national park, commissioned originally by George Washington and on the itineraries of all who visit the nation's capital.
Between Independence and Constitution Avenues. Phone: (202) 485-9880.

**The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial is located in West Potomac Park in Washington, D.C., southwest of the National Mall.**

[**National Museum of Crime & Punishment**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g108219.htm)

Explore the technology and science behind fighting and solving crimes, discover the heroes of law enforcement, and venture into the dark side of the criminal mind through this intensely interactive experience. The National Museum of Crime & Punishment, a Washington DC museum, includes a crime scene lab and the filming studios for America's Most Wanted with host John Walsh.
575 7th Street between E and F Streets Northwest. Phone: (202) 393-1099.

[**National Museum of the Marine Corps**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g108206.htm)

Visit state of the art interactive exhibits of technology and Marines history, and tour the 118,000 square foot museum next door to the Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Virginia. Free car and bus parking.
18900 Jefferson Davis Highway, Triangle, VA. Phone: (877) 635-1775.

[**National Museum of Women in the Arts**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g101866.htm)

Devoted exclusively to the works of women artists, this museum also sponsors many theatrical and literary performances. Spend a few leisure hours here, and have lunch in the cafe surrounded by works of art.
1250 New York Avenue, NW. Phone: (202) 783-5000.

[**National Zoo**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101967.htm)

Part of the Smithsonian Institution, home to the giant pandas Tian Tian and Mei Xiang and hundreds of other species, the best veterinary hospital and endangered species research field station in the country, the National Zoo should not be missed on your next visit to the nation's capital.
3001 Connecticut Avenue, NW. Phone: (202) 673-4800.

[**On Location Tours**](http://yellowpagesguide.com/washington_dc/data/y108876.htm)

Bus tours led by local actors and actresses leave daily to visit more than 30 locations from over 50 sites of TV programs and movies, including Independence Day, Wedding Crashers, Bones, West Wing, Transformers, and more. Advance tickets are required.
1090 Vermont Avenue, NW. Phone: (800) 979-3370.

[**The Phillips Collection**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g101762.htm)

Nicknamed "America's first museum of modern art," this exceptional gallery also hosts many cultural programs, social hours with live music, refreshments and a gift shop.
1600 21st Street, NW. Phone: (202) 387-2151.

[**Sandy Spring Museum**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g100463.htm)

This museum, just a short drive outside of Washington, D.C., has preserved the town's Quaker and early American roots in its exhibitions and in the original equipment and customs still in use throughout the town.
17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring, MD. Phone: (301) 774-0022.

[**Sewall-Belmont House**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101907.htm)

Many famous events in American history, including the Louisiana Purchase and Equal Rights Amendment, were planned and drafted in this house, purchased by the National Woman's Party in 1929 and now a museum devoted to the artifacts and memorabilia of women's rights and suffrage.
144 Constitution Avenue, NE. Phone: (202) 546-1210.

[**Smithsonian Institution**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101763.htm)

1. Known variously as the "nation's attic" and the "national museum of American history," the Smithsonian fills these roles and so much more. Explore the many museums, take one of the many tours and enjoy some of the many cultural programs presented there during your visit.
1000 Jefferson Drive, SW. Phone: (202) 357-2700. [**National Museum of African American History and Culture - Official Site**](http://nmaahc.si.edu/)

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National **Museum** of **African American History** & Culture. Explore. How to Get **Museum** Passes. About Visiting The **Museum** ... The 1941 March on **Washington**. EXPLORE ALL POSTS.

[**MOCHA - Museo de Culturas y Herencias Americanas**](https://mochamuseumdc.org/)

2110 R St NW, Washington · (202) 483-2777

**Children and Youth Art Educational & Cultural Enrichment Programs**

**Our *free, bilingual* art education and cultural enrichment programs for children and youth (grades 6-12)** will involve museum and in-school workshops and activities, with artist participation. They will be held both locally, and nationally in connection with toured art exhibits.

For example, connected to our local January, February and March 2017 exhibits **“La Gloria de Tejas y Califas”** and **“Asian American Artists: An Introduction,”** MOCHA will offer children and youth programming **in DC** and, through outreach programs, in **Maryland and Virginia** (home to 820,000 Latinos).  When “La Gloria de Tejas y Califas” travels, from April 2017 through March 2018, and “Asian American Artists” travels from April to December 2017, children and youth programing will be extended to **3-5 South Texas cities (major Mexican American populations), 2 cities in California (major Mexican American and large Asian American populations) and** **Chicago** (major Mexican American and significant Asian American populations).  (Additional exhibits focusing on other cultures are in planning.)

These children and youth programs will incorporate art, music, film and video and touch upon poetry, dance, history and geography.  Junior art exhibits, will also be held, and awards given. The programs will aim at nurturing pride in the participants own ancestral roots and heritage, and fostering creativity and innovation, to help strengthen communities.

[**Tudor Place Historic House and Gardens**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101901.htm)

The first mayor of Georgetown, and his wife who was the granddaughter of Martha Washington, built this neoclassic mansion. The spacious gardens and internal furnishings, artifacts and memorabilia have all been preserved faithfully. Enjoy a tour of this amazing property, and step back into old Washington, D.C.
1644 31st Street, NW. Phone: (202) 965-0400.

[**U.S. Capitol**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v100426.htm)

Tour this symbol of democracy, recognized all over the world, and see American legislators in action within this architectural marvel.
Between Independence and Constitution Avenues. Phone: (202) 225-6827.

[**U.S. National Arboretum**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101903.htm)

Many species of trees and other plants are grown and studied at this magnificent national outdoor museum, where something is always in bloom. The arboretum is open every day, and provides a cafe and gift shop, so you can take your time and make a day of it.
3501 New York Avenue, NE. Phone: (202) 245-2726.

[**Veramar Vineyard**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101971.htm)

The Blue Ridge Mountains are just about an hour's beautiful drive north of Washington, D.C., where you will find many golfing and mountain hiking opportunities, and one of the better regional wineries stretching along the banks of the Shenandoah River. Enjoy a tasting and a tour of the grounds while you are in the area.
905 Quarry Road, Berryville, VA. Phone: (540) 955-5510.

[**Washington Monument**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101777.htm)

Explore the monument, which can be seen from every corner of Washington, D.C., that stands in tribute to George Washington, the "Father of His Country," who helped determine how America's three branches of government would work together and with the President.
900 Ohio Drive SW. Phone: (202) 426-6841.

[**White House Visitor Center**](http://venueguide.com/washington_dc/data/v101896.htm)

A museum of American history as well as the Presidential residence, the White House tour is highly recommended on your next visit to the nation's capital.
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. Phone: (202) 456-1414.

[**Woodrow Wilson House**](http://artguide.net/dca/data/g101897.htm)

Visit the house in which Woodrow Wilson spent is post-presidential years, and explore the art and artifacts of the 1920s era.
2340 S Street, NW. Phone: (202) 387-4062.