



2016 AERA Annual Meeting & Exhibition and NCME Annual Meeting

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Headquarter and Session Hotels:

For the 2016 Annual Meeting, AERA will be using the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, and two headquarter hotels for their sessions. The hotels are the Marriott Marquis Washington, DC, and the Renaissance Washington, DC Downtown Hotel. NCME events will be held at the Renaissance. Registration will be located in the Convention Center, Street Level, East Salon ABC. The exhibit hall will also be located in the Convention Center, Level Two, Exhibit Hall D, and will be open Saturday, April 9 – Monday, April 11.

Accessibility Rooms and Shuttle Service:

ADA rooms are available on a request basis, but are not guaranteed. AERA will be providing a shuttle service for persons with disabilities. Shuttles will travel between the Marriott Marquis, and Renaissance Downtown Hotel. Shuttles will depart approximately every thirty minutes, and will loop continuously throughout the day.

Basic Washington, DC Information:

Total Tax:

14.5% (Subject to change).

Time Zone:

Washington, D.C. is in the Eastern Time Zone.

Weather & What to Wear:

On average, the April temperature in Washington D.C. will be between 60 and 70 degrees Fahrenheit. There still may be colder days, and it is recommended that you bring a coat, or jacket especially for nights, and mornings. You can expect to see beautiful spring blossoms, and an array of color, as spring time in Washington D.C. begins around this time. Keep in mind, DC's rainfall is moderate in April, and it is recommended that you bring a raincoat, or umbrella.

International Travelers:

Passports:

Regulations require all persons traveling to the U.S. by air, land, or sea must present a passport, or other valid travel document to enter the United States. For more information, please contact the US Department of State (www.travel.state.gov), or the US Department of Homeland Security (www.dhs.gov).

Visas:

Many citizens of Canada, and of the countries, that participate in the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) can travel to the U.S. for up to 90 days, without obtaining a visa, as long as they meet all requirements.

If you are not a citizen of these countries, or are not eligible to participate in the VWP, please visit the US Department of State website mentioned above, to find out how to obtain a visa. If you do not have access to the Internet, contact your nearest U.S. Embassy, or Consulate for further information.

Transportation:

Whether you are flying, taking the metro, driving, or riding; Washington DC has many varieties of transportation for you to choose from.

Area Airports:

With three international airports, and more than 2,200 daily flights to, and from Washington, DC, traveling to the nation's capital via air is a convenient option. Washington, DC's three major airports are Reagan National Airport, Dulles International Airport, and Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport. All are full-service airports, offering an array of amenities. For more information on transportation, from the airports, please see the sections below.

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport

Arlington County, Virginia

Washington Dulles International Airport

Dulles, Virginia

Located 25 miles (40 km) west of the central business district of Washington, D.C.

Baltimore/Washington International Airport

7050 Friendship Road BWI Airport, Maryland 21240-0766

Airport Transportation:

For airport transportation assistance upon arrival, please go directly to the nearest Airport Information Booth where the most suitable form of transportation will be recommended. Airport information booths are located on the lower levels of the domestic terminals, and on the upper and lower levels of the International Terminal.

Metro Transportation:

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority operates an expansive Metrorail, and Metrobus system, in the Washington, DC region. Washington, DC's subway system is the second largest heavy rail transit system in the United States. It is also one of the country's cleanest, safest, and most efficient Metro systems. Visitors will find that [Metrorail and Metrobus](#) are a convenient way to navigate the city, with rail stops, and bus stops dotting the region's major attractions.

Metro Fares:

Metrorail and Metrobus work on a farecard system. Each person must have their own farecard to ride Metro. Farecards can be purchased in all Metrorail stations, at fare vending machines. Most machines accept credit cards, debit cards, and cash. You may also pre-purchase farecards worth \$10 or \$20 online, and have the cards mailed to you. Farecards are paper, and can be reloaded at vending machines throughout your trip.

While farecards are available and accepted, most locals use electronic SmarTrip® cards, and visitors are encouraged to do the same. These plastic cards are loaded with a computer chip, and keep track of the value of your card. These are available for purchase at vending machines in all Metro stations where parking is also available. Please note, SmarTrip® cards are the only accepted form of payment for parking at Metro parking lots. You can also pre-purchase SmarTrip® cards [online](#).

One day passes can also be purchased for \$14 and include unlimited trips. If you need help determining how much fare you'll need, use [Metro's Trip Planner](#).

Safety Advisory: Ignore offers of ground transportation from solicitors, inside the terminal buildings. While these solicitors may look, and sound official, they are not authorized to solicit passengers, and are breaking the law.

Taxi:

DC's taxi cabs have recently transitioned from a zone system, to a meter system. Fares begin at \$3, plus 27 cents per each additional 1/8 mile. If you are taking a taxi van, and have additional passengers, there is a \$1 additional charge for each additional passenger (up to three people, or \$3 max). Luggage is 50 cents per piece, but only for what the driver places in the trunk. For a list of taxicab fares, company information, and other information, click [here](#).

Shuttle Service:

There is a great shuttle service called SuperShuttle/Execucar, which can offer pair fares, and group discounts. They can also offer customized reservation portals for your group. Individual transport would most likely be more expensive through this service but if you are traveling in a group, you could save money.

[\(800\) BLUE VAN \(258-3826\)](#)
<http://www.supershuttle.com/>

Car Rental at the Airport:

Enterprise Holdings

Enterprise Holdings, and its affiliates, own, and operate over 1.5 million cars and trucks. Enterprise Holdings is the largest car rental service provider in the world, measured by revenue, employees and fleet.

<https://www.enterpriseholdings.com>

Choose from

- [Alamo Rent a Car](#)
- [Enterprise Rent-A-Car](#)
- [National Car Rental](#)

Neighborhoods/Attractions:

National Mall

Situated, on the banks, of the Potomac River, the National Mall is a two-mile swath of land bound, by the U.S. Capitol to the east, and the Washington Monument, to the west. Visitors to "the Mall" will find a wide, pedestrian-friendly, tree-lined boulevard with moving monuments, memorials, world-famous museums, and impressive federal buildings along Constitution Avenue.

U.S. Capitol Building

www.visitthecapitol.gov

E. Capitol St. NE & 1st St. NE, Washington, DC 20004

202-226-8000

Washington Monument

One of the nation's most recognizable structures located, at the center of the National Mall.

Korean War Memorial

Located on a 2.2-acre site adjacent to the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool

World War II Memorial

The memorial sits along the central vista, of the National Mall, at the east end of the Reflecting Pool.

Thomas Jefferson Memorial

The memorial is located in West Potomac Park, on the shore of the Potomac River Tidal Basin, at the southern end of the National Mall.

Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial

Situated on a four-acre site along the Tidal Basin, adjacent to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, and sharing a direct line of sight between the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials.

The Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

Sprawling over seven acres, the monument is divided into four outdoor "rooms", signifying FDR's four terms in office.

The Lincoln Memorial

This grand monument overlooks the Reflecting Pool, the Washington Monument, and the U.S. Capitol. Inside, the 19-foot marble statue, of the 16th president, is flanked by inscriptions of his Second Inaugural Address, and the famous Gettysburg Address.

Smithsonian Institution

The Smithsonian Institution—the world's largest museum, and research complex—includes 19 museums and galleries, and the National Zoological Park. Most Smithsonian museums, and the National Zoo are free, and open every day of the year. <http://www.si.edu/>

National Gallery of Art

Permanent collection of European and American paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, and works on paper, plus changing exhibitions of art from around the world. Open Mon - Sat 10am - 5pm, Sun. 11am - 6pm. free admission. Group tours are made, by appointment only.

4th St. & Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20565

(202) 737-4215

Smithsonian American Art Museum

The Smithsonian American Art Museum, the nation's first art collection, is an unparalleled record of the American experience from the colonial period to today. The museum is the home to one of the largest and most inclusive collections of American art in the world. Open 11:30 am - 7 pm daily.

F and 8th St. NW, Washington, DC 20004
(202) 633-8534

United States Botanic Garden Conservatory

Established by the U.S. Congress in 1820, the U.S. Botanic Garden is one of the oldest botanic gardens in North America. This living plant museum informs visitors about the importance, and often irreplaceable value, of plants to the well-being of humans, and to earth's fragile ecosystems.

100 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20001
(202) 226-8333

National Museum of American History

The National Museum of American History collects, and preserves more than 3 million artifacts—all true national treasures. Taking care of everything from the original Star-Spangled Banner, and Abraham Lincoln's top hat, to Dizzy Gillespie's angled trumpet and Dorothy's ruby slippers.

14th St. & Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20013
(202) 633-1000

The Newseum

The Newseum's mission is to champion the five freedoms of the First Amendment through exhibits, public programs and education. The dynamic, engaging and interactive Newseum allows visitors to experience the stories of yesterday and today through the eyes of the media while celebrating the freedoms guaranteed to all Americans by the First Amendment.

555 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20001
(202) 292-6100

Big Bus Tours

Explore the Nation's Capital on the Big Bus Open Top Sightseeing tour. The official tour of the National Mall visiting the City's iconic landmarks. Click [here](#), or call the number below for more information.

50 Massachusetts Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20002
(202) 469-3443

Fiat Luxe Tours

In addition to taking you around DC's oldest neighborhood, the private tour company also conducts popular tours in museums, on the National Mall or custom-made. They work with you to create a custom tour that fits your personal interests and your budget. <http://www.fiatluxetours.com/>

2901 Q St. NW, Washington, DC 20007
(818) 288-7590

Old Town Trolley Tours

Conducting tours in Washington, DC for more than 30 years, this orange and green trolley entertains its riders with humorous stories and fascinating trivia as it travels to 20 different stops along three different routes. Daily two-hour narrated tours leave every 30 minutes starting at 9 am. <http://www.trolleytours.com/>

50 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20002
(202) 832-9800

Restaurants and Food Vendors:

Stylish restaurants, celebrity chefs and fresh local fare are all on the menu in Washington, DC, a city whose dining scene is no longer known primarily for power lunches and elegant State dinners.

Al Crostino (1926 9th St NW)

\$\$-Italian

Owned by a mother-daughter team, Al Crostino is an intimate Italian restaurant located in Washington D.C. that exudes a 'la famiglia' atmosphere. This Neapolitan family offers a collection of flavorful dishes, priding themselves on their homemade pasta and their assortment of exquisite Italian wines.

Website: <http://www.alcrostino.com/>

Blue Duck Tavern (1201 24th St NW)

\$\$-American

Inside Blue Duck Tavern's open kitchen with custom-designed Molteni range, the Executive Chefs bring sharply focused and bold flavors to the table through simple, time-honored cooking methods and modern technologies. Savor delicious slow-roasted cuisine from the restaurant's wood-burning oven, capturing the flavors of America's simple, wholesome foods.

Website: www.blueducktavern.com/

Cork Wine Bar (1720 14th St NW)

\$\$-American

Cork Wine Bar and Cork Market & Tasting Room are the creations of Logan Circle residents Diane Gross and Khalid Pitts. The wine bar offers at least 50 wines by the glass and 250 bottles from small producers around the world. It is an affordable, casually elegant place that demystifies the world of wine by giving you real descriptions of what you are drinking and suggestions for pairing their wines with their offerings of plates to share. Cork is not merely a place to enjoy food and wine, but a place to discover and share information about wine.

Website: <http://www.corkdc.com/>

Estadio (1520 14th St NW)

\$\$-Spanish Restaurant

Estadio, which means "stadium" in Spanish, is a contemporary Spanish restaurant located in Washington, DC's fashionable Logan Circle neighborhood. The menu offers a creative take on traditional Spanish cuisine, complemented by an approachable wine list and inventive beverage program.

Website: <http://estadio-dc.com/>

Founding Farmers (1924 Pennsylvania Ave NW)

\$\$-American

The name "Founding Farmers" is a nod to our Founding Fathers, many of whom were devoted farmers long before they became trailblazers for our country. Founding Farmers has proven one of the Washington, D.C. area's most innovative and successful culinary ventures. The restaurant is referred to as "true food & drink" because the food is made from scratch in their kitchens every day.

Website: <http://www.wearefoundingfarmers.com/>

Ghibellina (1610 14th St NW)

\$\$-Italian

Ghibellina is located on 14th St NW between Q and Corcoran. The lively 14th St corridor is home to some of the best bars, restaurants, furniture stores, and clothing boutiques in the city. Ghibellina is conveniently located between 3 metro stops: Dupont Circle (Red Line), Shaw/Howard (Green/Yellow Line), and McPherson Square (Orange/Blue Line).

Website: <http://ghibellina.com/>

LINCOLN (1110 Vermont Ave NW)

\$\$-American

LINCOLN Restaurant is located in the heart of Northwest Washington DC, convenient to the K Street business corridor, many of the city's finest hotels, theaters, interesting boutiques, nightlife and the Washington DC Convention Center. LINCOLN is an expression of artistic collaboration in gastronomy, mixology & design. Savor their seasonal American small plate menu crafted from fresh, local ingredients. Join them for one of the best Happy Hours in Washington, DC.

Website: <http://lincolnrestaurant-dc.com/>

Old Ebbitt Grill (675 15th St NW)

\$\$-American Grill

Established in 1856, the restaurant's decor is comprised of a Beaux-Arts facade, mahogany and velvet booths, and bars set in marble, brass, and beveled glass. Old Ebbitt serves a diverse selection of food. Open early for breakfast and weekend brunch, and serving lunch, dinner and a late-night menu. Private and semi-private dining rooms including a rooftop overlooking the monuments and The White House.

Website: <http://www.ebbitt.com/#> =

POSTO (1515 14th St NW)

\$\$-Italian

Serving classic and modern Italian dishes, this downtown restaurant is the perfect place to drop in for a cocktail and a quick bite, or a multi-course meal shared with friends. They are located in a beautiful, century-old building (which at one time was a car dealership!) on the reenergized 14th Street Corridor – right next door to The Studio Theater, and just steps away from P Street and its hubbub of activity.

Website: <http://www.postodc.com/>

Proof (775 G St NW)

\$\$\$-American

Proof is a Penn Quarter dining destination that exudes both contemporary chic and rustic warmth. Proof has been awarded 3 Stars from the Washington Post and the #10 rank in Washingtonian Magazine's 100 Very Best Restaurants. Proof's menu provides an eclectic selection of creative modern cuisine, and its wine list contains over 40 by-the-glass selections and 1,000 different bottlings, a combination that appeals to novices and aficionados alike.

Website: <http://proofdc.com/>

Rice (1608 14th St NW)

\$\$-Thai Restaurant

Sak Pollert has collaborated with their 2 chefs, Lekki and Zatang, to create a menu that offers both traditional and contemporary Thai cuisine in a very simple setting with minimal decor in the Logan Circle neighborhood of Washington, DC.

Website: <http://www.ricorestaurant.com/>