

If you haven't been on a **Washington Walk**, you haven't been to Washington.

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(Your guide will be wearing a *Washington Walks* badge.)

No reservations necessary. Simply show up! (Groups of 20 or more should notify us in advance.)

Each walk lasts approximately two hours unless noted.

\$10 unless noted. Kids 3 and younger free.

Walks are given rain or shine.

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sunday

Georgetown 10am April 1 through October 31 • **MEET OUTSIDE DUPONT CIRCLE STATION** [Dupont South exit by the pay phones] To put it simply, a walk through Washington's tony Georgetown neighborhood is a venture through time – of 200-year-old mansions and their eccentric owners, of fortunes in trade won and lost, of marvelous architecture from Federal to Victorian, of the once-bustling freedman community Herring Hill, of political intrigue, of green preservation and urban renewal. And of course no one can mention Georgetown without the Kennedys. In the 1950s John F. Kennedy and his wife Jacqueline almost single-handedly turned the neighborhood into the city's politically fashionable place to live. We'll point out the houses of the movers and shakers, as well as the remarkable historic properties here that are open to the public (and yes, *The Exorcist* steps!). This two-hour, two-mile tour winds up in Georgetown's shopping and restaurant district just in time for lunch. Or if you're on a roll, we can point you to the C&O Canal, the historic and bucolic waterway. (Be prepared to climb a hill or two.) *Led by Christy, Dwane or Shirley*

monday

I've Got a Secret 6pm April 1–October 31 • **Not offered May 29, September 4, October 9 or October 30** • **MEET OUTSIDE SMITHSONIAN STATION** [Independence Avenue exit] We weren't sure we wanted to offer this walk at all. Did we really want to share our secrets about America's capital city with everyone? But they're just too wacky and amazing to keep to ourselves. This walk is perfect for every smarty-pants suffering the delusion of omniscience about the nation's capital as well as those looking for Little Known Facts with which to impress friends and loved ones. We'll test your knowledge with fun-filled quizzes (prizes awarded for correct answers!) as we meander through one of DC's most familiar places: the National Mall. What could possibly be secret about it? Without giving anything away, we offer the following tidbits: a tree house on the National Mall, a castle's petulant ghost, a bordello under a museum, driving down a canal, and the severed leg of a Civil War general. *Led by Carolyn, Mary M. or Sarah*

wednesday

The Most Haunted Houses 6:30 pm April 1 through October 31 • **\$15 if Octagon House tour included** • **MEET OUTSIDE FARRAGUT WEST STATION** [17th Street exit] "I know not how it was – but, with the first glimpse of the building, a sense of insufferable gloom pervaded my spirit," wrote Edgar Allan Poe, describing the home of Roderick Usher. Imagine the observations Mr. Poe might have penned about the homes encountered on this walk and their various owners. Some, like the fictional house of Usher, have disappeared into the fissures of history. Others stand as reminders of the often harrowing events that transpired within. President Andrew Jackson, navy hero Stephen Decatur, man of letters Henry Adams and his wife Clover – these are only a few of the famous Washingtonians whose homes have tales to tell. You'll end this walk at the house considered the most haunted home in the city: The Octagon. If the spirits are willing (and Octagon staff available), you'll receive an interior tour of the building. As you move from room to room, no doubt you'll agree, to quote Mr. Poe, that "evil things, in robes of sorrow, assailed the monarch's high estate." *Led by Carolyn or Renee*

friday

Capital Hauntings 7:30pm April 1 through October 31 Also on October 28 and 31 • **MEET OUTSIDE MCPHERSON SQUARE STATION** [White House exit] Violent quarrels, vicious attacks, murder, suicide – why is it such turbulent events in Washington history seem concentrated around the seven acres of Lafayette Park? During the day, it bustles with White House staff, visitors and office workers. As evening descends, however, so does an almost tangible drape of stillness; it's not hard to imagine the park's inky expanse of yesteryear. Indeed, it is the most haunted site in the city. How the ghosts and spirits came into being is the subject of this eerie perambulation. You'll hear the tale of a wayward, larger-than-life congressman from New York, his beautiful and very young wife, and the son of the man who wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner;" of the night of April 14, 1865 and how the grim reaper stalked more than Abraham Lincoln; and how the White House could be enshrouded by "the Presidential Circle of Death" And that is just the beginning. *Led by Carolyn, Jordan or Renée*





saturday

Embassy Row 10am April 1–Oct 31, **MEET OUTSIDE DUPONT CIRCLE STATION** [South exit by the pay phones] The nouveau-riche crowd has made many an eyeball roll reflexively skyward. Call them robber barons or captains of industry, dub their heyday industrial or gilded, today we can revel in the Beaux-Arts grandeur of Washington's Massachusetts Avenue, better known as Embassy Row. We'll meet at Dupont Circle and introduce you to the families who decided to showcase their fortunes in the nation's capital: members of the first ranks of mining, railroads, banking, publishing, politicians and speculators in the 1880s and 90s. Spendthrift offspring, the Great Depression and other misfortune eventually drained the resources of many families. Only 50 years later, embassies, clubs and other institutions were buying up their mansions for as little as 10 cents on a dollar. But in between, the high life and high architecture has made for some great stories. Alice Longworth Roosevelt delivered her famous line here – "If you don't have anything nice to say, sit next to me" – and spirited chum Evalyn Walsh McLean lived a few doors up where she kept the Hope Diamond. Our walk ends outside the magnificent Phillips Collection museum, former residence of steel heir and avid art collector Duncan Phillips. *Led by Cyndi, Mary M., Mary O., Mary Anne or Shirley*

Before Harlem, There Was U Street 10:30am first and third Saturdays of the month April 1 through October 31 • **MEET OUTSIDE U STREET/CARDOZO STATION** [13th Street exit] Take a walk along Washington's "Black Broadway," where Duke Ellington grew up and was inspired, where musical greats such as Cab Calloway and Dizzy Gillespie played local clubs into the wee hours of the morning, and where movie palaces mingled with pool halls, restaurants and barber shops. Here in the shadow of Howard University, African Americans created a strong community that produced leaders for the city and the nation. You'll see the Lincoln Theatre, a 1922 movie palace, restored to its gilded glory; the Thurgood Marshall Center, a grand historic building that once housed the first full-service African American YMCA; and The African American Civil War Memorial, the only national monument to Black Civil War soldiers. SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON WALKS AND CULTURAL TOURISM DC *Led by Judith, Phyllis or Sandra*

Arlington Cemetery 10:30am second and fourth Saturdays of the month Memorial Day through Labor Day • **MEET OUTSIDE ARLINGTON CEMETERY STATION** Arlington Cemetery is alive with stories and we love to share them. Behind the cemetery's tranquil and reverent face pulses every gem, flaw and quirk of the human character. With us you'll find the graves of boxer Joe Louis, and hear about the friends who didn't forget; of schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe and her fellow Challenger astronauts; of Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James and his Tuskegee Airmen; of Cmdr. John Rodgers and his true-life tale of survival trying to become the first to fly to Hawaii; of actor Lee Marvin and of Audie Murphy, the Hollywood heartthrob who, at 5'5" and 110 pounds, was the most decorated serviceman of World War II. Our guides will go with you to watch the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and will show you the best place we know to view this venerable ceremony. We'll end the walk at John F. Kennedy's eternal flame, surrounded by the words of former president and of his brother Robert, and marvel at what is indeed a magnificent view. (Be prepared to climb hills and stairs.) *Led by Mary or Shirley*

Capitol Hill 1:30pm second and fourth Saturdays of the month April 1 through October 31 • **MEET OUTSIDE EASTERN MARKET STATION** Most people think of Capitol Hill as a place where business is done, laws are passed, and deals are sealed. But "the Hill," as locals call it, represents much more. A neighborhood that has been alive and kicking since the 18th century, it still has the houses to prove it. See the historic Marine Corps barracks and Commandant's home, an alley that once housed more than 100 people, a charming Gothic Revival church, and Eastern Market, a centuries-old shopping center, where you can grab a cannoli, crab cake sandwich, or just breathe in the sights and smells of fresh meat, cheese, pasta, and produce. SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON WALKS AND CULTURAL TOURISM DC *Led by Dwane or Sarah*

Moveable Feast 1:30pm first and third Saturdays of the month April 1 through October 31 • **Begins April 15** • This walk is \$15 and lasts three hours. • *Cost of snacks not included in walk fee.* • **MEET OUTSIDE ARCHIVES-NAVY MEMORIAL STATION** *Led by Carolyn or Sarah*

Memorials by Moonlight 6:30pm Memorial Day through Labor Day • **Spring Break Special! Also offered Saturday March 25, April 1 and April 8** • This walk is \$15 and lasts three hours. • **MEET OUTSIDE SMITHSONIAN STATION** [Independence Avenue exit] This is the classic Washington walk. You'll visit each of the city's famous memorials: the Washington Monument, the World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial, the Abraham Lincoln Memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. There's something for everyone – neoclassical architecture, modern sculpture, haunting remembrances of war, historical insights, and even funnytales. We'll start with the big picture, just east of the Washington Monument, where the view stretches unencumbered over two miles in the city's midst from Capitol to Lincoln Memorial. Then we'll head toward the evening sun. Along the way, our guides set the scene for the Federal City's original plans to memorialize its national heroes and how they've evolved with time. As we approach each memorial, you'll hear its particular story and then have time to look around yourself. By dark we'll be strolling the cherry-frosted shores of the Tidal Basin, watching the lights come up across the way. *Led by Christy, Mary O., Mary Anne, Renee, Sarah or Shirley*

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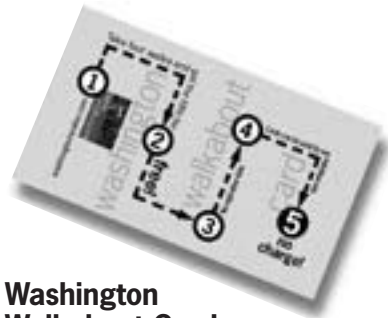
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In Fala's Footsteps: The Roosevelt Memorial

Fridays 7pm Memorial Day through Labor Day • Spring Break Special! Also offered Friday March 24, March 31 and April • Lasts one hour • MEET AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL BY THE BOOKSTORE There is no more vivid way to show your children what life was like in your own parents' time than to visit the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial. And to bring it home for kids, we'll explore it through the eyes of rascally and beloved Fala, the Scottish terrier who was never far from Roosevelt's side – indeed, he is the first arning about life at the Roosevelt White House, we'll use objects and stories to discover what it was like for kids and adults during the Great Depression and World War II. What was a Fireside Chat? Who had to stand in a bread line? Why did youngsters save the foil off their gum wrappers? And why did some moms become Rosie the Riveter? SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON WALKS AND CHILDREN'S CONCIERGE *Led by Joe, Mary Anne or Nicole*

The White House Un-Tour

Saturdays and Sundays 10am Memorial Day through Labor Day • Spring Break Special! Also offered Saturday March 25, April 1 and April 8; Sunday March 26, April 2 and April 9 • Lasts one hour • MEET OUTSIDE MCPHERSON SQUARE STATION [White House exit] Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, the Roosevelts Theodore and Franklin, John F. Kennedy: it's all about presidents and their families, forbearing and frolicking alike. We'll explore the ins and outs of the President's Mansion from the gentle brick paths, shade trees and fountains of Lafayette Park, the president's "front yard." On this tour, you'll get to be your own president, catch a scavenger hunt and collect fascinating insights into Washington's keystone of power. Which founding father anonymously entered the design competition – and lost? Just why was the now-famous West Wing added? And today it's the formal, exquisitely decorated audience room, but what did Abigail Adams first use the East Room for? What in the world was a pony doing in the elevator? And how much paint would a painter paint to make the White House white? SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON WALKS AND CHILDREN'S CONCIERGE *Led by Joe, Jordan, Nicole, or Sarah*



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Take four walks and get the fifth for free by purchasing this cute little card for \$40. Return the completed card to us and you'll be eligible for the Washington Walks-a-Thon Award given at the end of the walking tour season. No expiration date. Cards can be used by one individual only. See your guide to purchase.

Goodnight, Mr. Lincoln

Saturdays 7pm Memorial Day through Labor Day • Spring Break Special! Also offered Saturday March 25, April 1 and April 8 • Lasts one hour • MEET AT REFLECTING POOL AT THE FOOT OF THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL One of America's most revered presidents is honored in an imposing "temple" at the terminus of the National Mall. Since its dedication in 1922 the Abraham Lincoln Memorial has come to evoke the 16th president's association not only with the American Civil War, but also the quest for civil rights. This walk brings the man behind this legacy to life for children by taking a kid-eye-view of Mr. Lincoln and his place in our shared history. Stories, games and props describe young Abe's boyhood, touching on the qualities that inspired him to become president. You'll leave knowing why Mr. Lincoln grew a beard, the size of his humble log cabin, what his pajamas were like – and more! SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON WALKS AND CHILDREN'S CONCIERGE *Led by Christy, Jordan, Mary O. or Nicole*

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The Blossom Secrets Stroll 2pm Saturday, March 25 and April 1 and April 8; Sunday, March 26 and April 2 and April 9 • MEET OUTSIDE SMITHSONIAN STATION [Independence Avenue exit] Look for the guides with the blue parasols! The annual cherry blossom display is guaranteed to dazzle your senses. But have you ever wondered why the trees are planted along the Tidal Basin? Why cherry trees? Whose idea were they anyway? Hear the stories and secrets behind the delicate blossoms during a walking tour featuring not only cherry trees, but also noteworthy arboreal cousins. Learn about the woman whose cherry tree vision lives on today, a Japanese lantern older than the United States itself, and where you can discover even more pink and white blooms. OFFERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATIONAL CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL Led by Carolyn, Christy, Mary M. or Renée

Foggy Bottom 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 17 • MEET OUTSIDE FOGGY BOTTOM STATION [by the statue of George Washington] Thomas Jefferson once suggested the U.S. Capitol be placed in this river front neighborhood located between Georgetown and the White House. Originally a little port town called Hamburg, Foggy Bottom was later site of two breweries, a gas works and a naval observatory. While the neighborhood's industrial character has vanished, you can still explore Foggy Bottom's alleys and courts and discover the neat rows of houses blue-collar workers called home. Just steps away the Watergate, undoubtedly the most infamous office building in Washington, stands proudly along the Potomac River, as does the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, a living memorial to a slain president. The walk concludes here, offering visitors the chance to tour the arts center or enjoy lunch overlooking the beautiful river. Led by Carolyn

Logan Circle 11am Sunday, Sunday, August 6 • MEET OUTSIDE MCPHERSON SQUARE STATION [14th Street exit] Few Washington neighborhoods have witnessed such dramatic change and breathtaking renaissance as Logan Circle, the city's only unaltered Victorian residential district. It evolved from rural obscurity to an enclave of architectural splendor, home to wealthy white and later African-American residents. If you're a fan of Second Empire or High Victorian Gothic homes, this walk is for you. If you're fascinated by the dynamics of urban neighborhoods, consider the residents of Logan Circle: Their tenacity and vision preserved the historic district when it teetered on the brink of decline. Today it is one of the most sought-after addresses in Washington. Impressive restoration and renovation continue; cool restaurants and shops multiply. OFFERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL MID CITY DOGS DAYS OF SUMMER SALE WEEKEND. Led by Carolyn

Penn Quarter 11am Saturday, September 16 • MEET OUTSIDE ARCHIVES-NAVY MEMORIAL STATION "Penn Quarter" describes downtown's Seventh Street corridor, where the 19th-century meets the 21st. Hip hotels, restaurants and loft apartments continue to sprout up amidst attractions like the International Spy Museum, National Portrait Gallery, Shakespeare Theatre and National Building Museum. That most of these are housed in buildings constructed during the 1800s is what makes this walk an irresistible urban scavenger hunt to discover a bygone era—a time when Chinese, German and Italian immigrants lived and worked on and around Seventh Street. If you know where to look (and we do!) you can find the old U.S. Patent Office where newcomer Emile Berliner filed applications for the first microphone and disk record ever invented, where Italian stone carvers once worshipped (and where their ancestors still enjoy espresso after Sunday Mass), the ornate archway welcoming you to D.C.'s Chinatown, and the humble wooden synagogue that took an historic ride to avoid the wrecking ball. OFFERED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL ARTS OF FOOT FESTIVAL. Led by Carolyn

Grand Hotels 2pm Saturday, October 14 • MEET OUTSIDE ARCHIVES-NAVY MEMORIAL STATION They are more than just places to rest your head at night. Washington's historic downtown hotels represent both a vital link to the city's past and dazzling examples of a court trends in architecture, design and dining. Each property has a tale to tell whether it is the role its lobby played in coining a new term for political negotiating, an open bank vault in the dining room or the pet gold fish available from the front desk. From the boarding houses of the District's early years to the mid-century palaces that spared no expense, hotels in the nation's capital have always been intriguing worlds unto themselves. Take an afternoon stroll unveiling cool elegance, unique history and all the comforts of a luxury home. We'll provide tips on places for signature martinis, mint juleps and high tea. Led by Carolyn

A Nation's Capital Christmas 2pm Saturday, December 9 • This walk is \$15 and lasts three hours • MEET OUTSIDE MCPHERSON SQUARE STATION [White House exit] Although politics and the Redskins may be Washington's most well-known traditions, when it comes to Christmas, the nation's capital offers a festive array of annual events. Come along on this holiday walking tour and hear about Christmas at the White House, carols and pageants at the "Church of the Presidents," and why Washington's earliest residents never put up a Christmas tree. Get some gift buying done at the Decatur House Museum Shop (you can purchase the official White House Christmas ornament there) as well as at the Smithsonian's Renwick Gallery of Arts and Crafts. We'll also stop at the Daughters of the American Revolution Museum to view antique-filled period rooms decorated for the season. The walk will conclude at the White House Christmas tree, where you can see over 50 individually-decorated trees dedicated to each U.S. state and territory or warm yourself by the blazing Yule log. Led by Carolyn

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Bus, Camera, Action! Reel Washington

6:30pm Saturday August 19, September 16 and October 14 • \$30 per person; \$15 age 12 and younger • Lasts three hours and combines walking with transport via bus. • Reservations required: 202.484.1565 or info@washingtonwalks.com •  "Bikes,

Camera, Action!" a bike version of this tour, is offered by our partner Bike the Sites. 202.842.BIKE or tours@biketbsites.com for details/reservations. New York City may claim Woody Allen and Martin Scorsese; Los Angeles Walt Disney and Steven Spielberg. Washington, D.C.? Hey, we spawn U.S. presidents, not cinematic auteurs. But zoom in on our back lot. For decades film makers have descended upon America's capital to capture its monumental vistas, historic neighborhoods, and political players. *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington, The Exorcist, All the President's Men, No Way Out, Broadcast News, Independence Day.* You've seen the movies, now find out where – and how – they and others were filmed in D.C. We'll utter the famous lines, reveal the famous gaffes (Where is the Georgetown subway station?) and provide enough Washington film trivia to satisfy your favorite movie junkie. We'll even manage Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon. Think celluloid Washington's only talking heads on TV? "You can't handle the truth." Led by Carolyn

Eleanor Roosevelt's Washington

9:30am Saturday June 10, July 15 and August 12 • \$30 per person; \$15 age 12 and younger • Lasts three hours and combines walking with transport via bus. • Reservations required: 202.484.1565 or info@washingtonwalks.com • MEET OUTSIDE DUPONT CIRCLE STATION [Q Street exit] Eleanor Roosevelt reinvented the role of First Lady. She led women's organizations, fought for consumer welfare, civil rights, and improved housing. She has been called the eyes and ears of her husband, President Franklin Roosevelt. She lived in Washington, D.C. twice, first when her husband served as assistant secretary of the Navy and then as First Lady. Among the places you'll see are the home on a quiet street near Embassy Row where her world changed forever, the Dupont Circle office building where she briefly held a paying job, the White House, and DAR Constitution Hall, where singer Marian Anderson was denied a chance to perform and whose cause Roosevelt championed. The tour concludes with a guided visit to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, dedicated to the work of her husband, yet also featuring a statue of Eleanor Roosevelt herself – the only First Lady so honored. Led by Mary O.



Duke Ellington's D.C. 9:30am Saturday June 24, July 29 and August 26 • \$30 per person; \$15 age 12 and younger • Lasts three hours and combines walking with transport via bus. • Reservations required: 202.484.1565 or info@washingtonwalks.com • MEET OUTSIDE U STREET/CARDOZO

STATION [13th Street exit] Take a trip back to Washington's Black Broadway, boyhood home of jazz master Duke Ellington and, thanks to nearby Howard University, the heart of African American culture in the nation's capital. U Street once throbbled with nightclubs and theaters where the great African American entertainers headlined. The jazz scene continues to thrive on the "New U" and we'll show you where. In addition to the seeing the house where Ellington was born, we'll visit other elegantly restored landmarks, including the gilded Lincoln Theatre, the Thurgood Marshall Center for Service and Heritage (home of the nation's first black YMCA), and the only memorial to African American Civil War soldiers. Nearby is the home of the remarkable Mary McLeod Bethune, founder of the National Council of Negro Women. A National Park Service ranger will provide a guided tour of the site. SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON WALKS AND CULTURAL TOURISM DC Led by Judith or Phyllis



guides

CAROLYN moved to the District of Columbia to earn an M.F.A. in Acting at the Catholic University of America. When her husband proposed marriage at Constitution Gardens (located on the National Mall), she decided to make the nation's capital her home.

CHRISTY grew up in the DC area and spent her childhood exploring the National Mall with her grandfather, "Moredad." Upon graduating from Syracuse University, she couldn't imagine living anywhere but here doing two jobs that she loves: giving walking tours and working for the Discovery Networks.

CYNTHIA An award-winning actor and journalist, Cynthia was so dazzled by Washington years ago that she stayed on. An enthusiastic, veteran guide, she loves sharing fascinating facts and fiction about this beautiful, historic, humbling place. Ask how she peeked into the Oval Office!

DWANE is a reformed and retired tax lawyer who traded the tax code for a trumpet. If you're lucky, he'll serenade you during a walk! He can be seen on local theater stages, most recently as the Doctor in the Washington Opera's production of *Porgy & Bess* and is currently performing the one-man show, *Clarence Darrow*, at various venues around the Beltway.

JOE teaches middle school physical education and coaches high school baseball when not giving walking tours. A passion for history and the District of Columbia has brought him to Washington Walks. Born in Rhode Island, he has lived in the Washington area since 1984.

JORDAN After meeting the love of his life, Jordan followed his heart (and his beloved) to Washington DC. A professional storyteller, he loves doing highly interactive storytelling with children, as well as highly magical storytelling with anyone who will listen! Thus, he can't believe his good fortune in getting to tell such tales on Washington Walks tours.

JUDITH became a professional tour guide because of her abiding desire to relay Washington's stories to anyone who asks – and many who don't! Look for her at the Smithsonian Castle, where she is both a docent a member of the team that tapes Smithsonian publications for the visually impaired.

MARY M. is a writer, actress and singer who visited Washington with friends several years ago and became so enthralled with the place that relocated to the nation's capital. (She met her husband here, too!) She uses her love of performing and history to tell the tales of her newfound home, particularly the quirky bits.

MARY O. moved to the D.C. area to be close to family, but stayed because it is a vibrant, beautiful city and the heartbeat of the nation. She combines her interest and training in history and psychology by sharing the Washington story (and its myriad of intriguing characters) with anyone who will walk with her.

MARY ANNE a former travel writer who's convinced that Washington, D.C. is the most fascinating city she's ever covered. An incurable history and architecture buff, she blends knowledge of the two fields in all of her walking tours, as well as those she leads as a docent at the National Building Museum.

NICOLE moved to the Washington area to begin her teaching career. She met her husband, a native Washingtonian, and fell in love with D.C. thanks to the tour he gave her of Dupont Circle. Her favorite part of the day is making social studies come alive for her third-graders in Arlington, VA.

PHYLLIS A veteran teacher and professional musician, Phyllis left the Motor City to become an active part of the cultural life of Washington, D.C. She immediately traded her Mustang for a Metro fare card and has navigated the city on foot every since.

RENEE is a Washington-based actor, teacher and playwright. She teaches comedy improvisation at the Theatre Lab, performs with Dropping the Cow, and writes because she can't imagine not doing so. She's happily determined to make everyone adore Washington as much as she does.

SANDRA A Washington, D.C. native, Sandra has been entertaining tourists from around the world for 20 years, specializing in African American themes and sites.

SARAH came to Washington D.C. to study theatre at George Washington University and has been acting steadily ever since. Accustomed to forcing her friends to join her on walking tours of the District, she is grateful to have found a more captive audience through Washington Walks

SHIRLEY Although not a native Washingtonian, the nation's capital has been important in Shirley's life: her father began his career as the owner of a D.C. auto repair garage working on Model-Ts. Her favorite sites include the National Mall and Arlington House and Cemetery.

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