EXCURSION SCHEDULE

The Museum Store Association is pleased to offer an extensive excursion schedule for the 2018 MSA Conference and Expo. Capitalizing on our location in Washington DC, these excursions will allow you, for a very small additional fee, to visit some of the premier institutions and museum stores in the area while networking with colleagues from around the country. To maximize your experience, we offer the following guidelines:

- **Excursions 1 and 2** are all day events. Cost is $65.00, and two institutions will be visited on each excursion. Lunch will not be served, but time will be allocated for you to have lunch on your own with your colleagues.

- **Excursions 3, 4, and 5** are half day events. Cost is $35.00. Lunch will not be served, so plan on lunch upon your return at 12:30. Each of these excursions visits one single location.

- **At the request of many attendees, excursions 6, 7, and 8** have been scheduled to accommodate those who wish to participate after the closing keynote. Schedule a late flight or stay over an additional night to participate in one of these events. Cost is $35.00. This is a great way to end your 2018 MSA Conference and Expo experience.

All excursions are anticipated to sell out. **Sign up early.** Registration will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis. In the event of heavy demand, a waiting list will be established and additional busses added where appropriate. If demand does not meet expectation on any particular excursion, MSA reserves the right to cancel that excursion and refund your excursion fee.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018**

*9:00 am - 4:00 pm (SOLD OUT)*

**Learning Excursion 1, cost $65.00 (Lunch on your own)**

**Hillwood Estate, Museums & Gardens**

Nested in the hills of Northwest Washington, D.C., Hillwood welcomes visitors from around the world with its gracious hospitality. Escape into an oasis only five miles from downtown Washington and explore the pristine mansion, dine at the café, and enjoy the beauty of the formal gardens.

**Tudor Place & Garden Georgetown Area**

Tudor Place is a Federal style mansion in Washington, D.C. that was originally the home of Thomas Peter and his wife, Martha Parke Custis Peter, a granddaughter of Martha Washington. Step-grandfather George Washington left her the $8,000 in his will that was used to purchase the property in 1805. The property, comprising one city block on the crest of Georgetown Heights, had an excellent view of the Potomac River. The gardens and the historic house museum’s collections are as rich and interesting as the home itself. A focal point is the collection of over 100 objects that belonged to George and Martha Washington. Over the years, both the home and gardens have been enriched by 180 years of Peter family ownership.
**Learning Excursion 2, cost $65.00 (Lunch on your own)**

**George Washington’s Mt. Vernon, VA**
Mount Vernon is an iconic American landmark - an enduring reminder of the life and legacy of the Father of Our Country. Once a vibrant plantation in the 18th century, the estate is now one of the nation’s most visited historic sites. Combining an authentically interpreted 18th-century home, lush gardens and grounds, intriguing museum galleries, immersive programs, and first-rate dining and shopping, Mount Vernon is an incomparable national treasure.

**Old Town Alexandria**
Alexandria is so close to D.C. that it actually used to be a part of D.C., yet it manages to feel as it belongs to another world… another era. Home to one of the oldest historic districts in America, Alexandria boasts a heavy dose of colonial charm. But, it’s still a living, breathing, functioning city creating new chapters stacked atop its storied past. Bisecting Old Town from west to east is King Street, a thoroughfare bustling with restaurants and cafes, bars and bistros, stands and shops.
FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2018

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

**Learning Excursion 3, cost $35.00** (Lunch on your own)

**United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC**

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is the United States’ official memorial to the Holocaust. Adjacent to the National Mall in Washington, D.C., the USHMM provides for the documentation, study, and interpretation of Holocaust history. The centerpiece of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is its permanent exhibition, simply titled The Holocaust. Covering three floors, the exhibit uses artifacts, photographs and film to provide a chronological telling of the tragedy, with each floor covering a different era. Along the way, you will see personal objects that belonged to survivors, as well as hear their eyewitness testimonies.

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**Learning Excursion 4, cost $35.00** (Lunch on your own)

**National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC (SOLD OUT)**

The National Gallery of Art, and its attached Sculpture Garden, is a national art museum in Washington, D.C., located on the National Mall, between 3rd and 9th Streets, at Constitution Avenue NW. The Gallery’s education division offers a variety of programming and resources for adult participants of all levels through lectures, seminars, gallery talks, tours, and studio art programs.

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**Learning Excursion 5**

**CANCELLED**
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**Learning Excursion 6, cost $35.00**  
**Library of Congress, Washington, DC**

The Library of Congress is the nation’s oldest federal cultural institution, and it serves as the research arm of Congress. It is also the largest library in the world, with more than 162 million items. The collections include books, sound recordings, motion pictures, photographs, maps, and manuscripts.

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**Learning Excursion 7, cost $35.00**  
**The US Supreme Court, Washington, DC**

The Supreme Court of the United States is the highest federal court of the United States. According to federal statute, the Court normally consists of the Chief Justice of the United States and eight associate justices who are nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

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**Learning Excursion 8, cost $35.00**  
**US Botanical Gardens, Washington, DC (SOLD OUT)**

The U.S. Botanic Garden is a museum with a difference - our artifacts are the living treasures of the world. As a living plant museum, our collections, including plants, their leaves, flowers, fruits and labels should not be removed or disturbed. We invite you to return again and again, to watch us grow and see our ever-changing exhibits.