National Festival of the States in Washington, DC

An exclusive concert series for choirs



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The National Festival of the States is an annual concert series developed by Music Celebrations in various cities throughout the United States. These performance tours are supported by local government offices, community organizations, tourist boards, and the like. Such affiliations offer a more memorable musical, cultural and educational experience for recommended ensembles (both instrumental and vocal) to perform in different venues in the most historic cities and celebrate the founding, history, and institutions of the United States!

From its celebrated symbols of patriotism to its undiscovered neighborhoods, the sights and sounds of the nation's capital inspire millions of visitors every year. Packed with famous sights, free attractions, and an endless calendar of special events, Washington, DC offers year-round inspiring experiences.

Washington, DC is a town of much renown: it is a government town, a company town, a scandalous town and the political capital of the world. But Washington also has another significant distinction – it is a musical town. In a city that claims Duke Ellington, Pearl Bailey, Jelly Roll Morton and Shirley Horn, it is expected that jazz not only be appreciated, but showcased. John Philip Sousa, "The March King," was a native of DC

and conducted the U.S. Marine Band for a number of years. The city's proximity to the Appalachian Mountains led to bluegrass and country first finding a large forum in the Washington, DC area. The first nationally televised country music concert was broadcast from Constitution Hall in 1948. Opera and classical music is the entertainment for dignitaries, diplomats, the sophisticated and the romantic. Washington, DC is home to one of the best opera companies in the world, the Washington National Opera. The Washington, DC area is also the capital of choral music, with more than 70 choral groups throughout the region.

World War II Memorial

"WE LOVE MCI!!! We couldn't be more pleased with our recent trip to DC. We would never attempt a tour on our own. We have been on three tours with MCI, and everyone has been over the top amazing!! MCI staff are professional, experts and take care of every detail. We can't wait until our next experience with MCI."

Mike & Sally Brinton, Directors Sally Bytheway Chorale





"The tour was great! My interactions with my MCI are always super fantastic. Our local Tour Escort was WONDERFUL. My parent chaperons really appreciated her knowledge and insight. They asked lots of questions of her. She (as always) was amazing with the kids, getting them to take group pictures, and taking care of all the details for schedule which made the trip so easy for me. "

Linda Moore, Director Mount Baker High School

"We always seek a production company that will honor our students' efforts by providing an artistic experience of the highest quality, and an educational experience that can transform their lives. We have toured twice with MCI, and are impressed and convinced that this organization has both the hearts and minds to provide just what our students need - artistry, integrity, and value."

Robert Provencio, Director of Choral Studies California State University, Bakersfield

The MCI Difference

Music Celebrations International (MCI) provides customized tours (stateside & abroad), festivals, collaborations, world-class clinicians, premier venues, and so many exciting possibilities to explore for your ensemble!

Partnering with MCI will provide you and your ensemble with:

- 30+ years of experience
- The best trained and most knowledgeable staff in the industry who have produced over thousands of concert tours across the United States
- Dedicated Performance Specialists who coordinate all the venues and promotion so you can focus on the music!
- Offices and personnel throughout the United States
- · Staff comprised of musicians, music educators, and travel industry experts









sample performance itineraries in Washington, DC



Tour 1 -1 Night / 2 Days



Tour 2 -2 Nights / 3 Days



Tour 3 -3 Night / 4 Days



Tour 4 -4 Nights / 5 Days



Tour 5 -5 Nights / 6 Days

These and all other tours may be viewed on our website at www.musiccelebrations.com. Fully-customized tours may also be created to meet your specific needs and interests.

Contact one of our trained and experienced Tour Consultants to explore itinerary ideas and cost estimates.

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