

National Festival of the States in
Washington, DC

An exclusive concert series for orchestras



Music Celebrations International
Concert Tours With Integrity



Schlesinger Concert Hall

An Exclusive Concert Series

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.

“This year marks my 26th year of touring with MCI. Throughout the years, MCI has supported my orchestras through great times and bad times. In my opinion, there is no better tour company for music organizations. MCI catered to every request I made and often enhanced my requests. Touring with MCI has been a highlight of my teaching experience.”

Nathan Artley, Director
Pine Forest High School Orchestra





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

“Over the years, I have traveled with many companies and I have never been afforded the quality service, respect, and collegiality found at MCI anywhere else. I see no need to look elsewhere. MCI, and this dynamic team of professionals, meets all our needs without question. I would encourage any ensemble director who feels that his/her performing ensemble is ready for world-class venues to pursue travel with MCI.”

Scott Woodard, Conductor
Charleston Chamber Orchestra

“I wanted to let you know that our trip to Washington DC went really well!!! The tour guide was excellent, and she really helped us out with logistics while we were on the trip. Both performances were very successful. We got a good-sized audience at both the Hermitage and at Union Station, and I'm very grateful that we were able to perform for decent-sized audiences. Everything went extremely well.”

Jessica Morel
Winston-Salem Youth Symphony





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**

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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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