

2008 NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY CHORAL FESTIVAL

Memorial Day Weekend - Washington, D.C.

Marking the 225th Anniversary of the American Revolution

Festival Tour Itinerary #2 (4 nights / 5 days)

Thursday, May 22

Afternoon arrival in Washington, D.C.

Meet your Tour Manager, who will escort you through the duration of your activities

Sightseeing may include a panoramic tour of the Capitol Hill area, the Supreme Court Building, and the Library of Congress

Check into Marriott hotel property, Hilton hotel property, or similar

Dinner at a local restaurant

Evening "War Memorial" walking tour of the Lincoln, Korean, World War II, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and Vietnam Memorials



Friday, May 23

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day morning tour of historic Mount Vernon and

Old Towne Alexandria

Lunch, on own

Tour to the Washington Monument and the World War II Memorial
*Performance at the National World War II Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, or the Lincoln Memorial**



Afternoon free to tour Embassy Row, Smithsonian Institute's American History, Natural History, or the Air & Space Museum

Welcome Dinner and introductions at a local restaurant

Evening Festival Chorus Rehearsal



Saturday, May 24

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning Festival Chorus rehearsal

Lunch, on own

*Tour of Arlington National Cemetery to participate in the special U.S. Military Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown, or participate in a special Wreath Laying Ceremony at one of the "War Memorials" on the National Mall **

Dinner at a local restaurant

Evening tour of the Jefferson Memorial and the Iwo Jima Marine Memorial



Sunday, May 25

Breakfast at the hotel

Festival Chorus dress rehearsal

Box lunch, provided

National Memorial Day Choral Festival Performance in the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

Reception following the performance to include local dignitaries

Dinner at a local restaurant

Attend the "National Memorial Day Concert" on the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol, featuring the National Symphony Orchestra broadcast live on PBS

Monday, May 26

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning check-out and board motorcoach

Perform as a Festival Chorus in the pre-Parade festivities at the National Archives Building prior to the start of the National Memorial Day Parade

Celebrate Memorial Day by attending the National Memorial Day Parade on historic Constitution Avenue

Optional: Select choirs sing and march in the National Memorial Day Parade

Following the parade, choirs are escorted to waiting motorcoaches where box lunch is provided

Depending on schedule, sightseeing may include one of the Smithsonian Institute Museums

Afternoon departure for home

**Subject to confirmation*

