

SIGHTSEEING MEET-UPS (Free Tours with Other ASPET Attendees/Guests)

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY AND TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

When: Thursday, May 16 9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Meet in the hotel lobby at 9:30 am to head to Arlington Cemetery together.

Where: 1 Memorial Avenue, Arlington, VA (4.2 miles from Hyatt)

About: Info at: <u>https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Visit</u>

IMPORTANT: When visiting, everyone MUST have either a US state or government issued ID or a passport for international visitors for entrance!

Admission is free... no ticket required. Be prepared for lots of walking. Bring a water bottle.

Start at Welcome Center. Opened daily from 8am to 5pm. Things to see:

- Tomb of the Unknown Solder. Changing of the guard every ½ hour: <u>https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Explore/Changing-of-the-Guard</u>
- President John F. Kennedy's Gravesite: <u>https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Explore/Monuments-and-Memorials/President-John-F-Kennedy-Gravesite</u>
- Monuments and memorials at Arlington National Cemetery including, Space Shuttle Challenger, Pan Am Flight 103, Pentagon Group Burial Marker for 9/11, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and others: https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Explore/Monuments-and-Memorials
- Military Women's Memorial, https://womensmemorial.org/.
- Optional <u>tram tour</u> for \$19.50 (purchase at Welcome Center when you arrive at Cemetery)

<u>Tram Tours</u> depart from the Welcome Center every 20 minutes from 8:30AM to 4:00PM daily (livenarrated, hop on/hop off tour making 5 stops JFK Gravesite, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington House, lwo Jima Memorial and Coast Guard Memorial. <u>Tickets may be purchased inside the Welcome Center at the</u> <u>box office and outside in the tram circle at the marked podium</u>.

Map of the cemetery https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Portals/0/Docs/ANC-Map-2022.pdf.

How to Get There -- Arlington National Cemetery

Note: ASPET is not providing transportation to these activities.

You are responsible for your own transportation. You can gather with other attendees to walk or share rides if you wish. This is a great way to meet new people in your field and explore the city you're visiting.

Cab / Uber / Lyft Option

About 8 minutes by car Cost estimated at \$10.00 each way, varies depending on traffic

Metro (subway option)

About 20 minutes of walking plus 7 minutes riding subway – estimate 30-35 minutes total Cost about \$4.00 round-trip

Directions via Metro:

It is approximately a 16-18 minute walk to the **Crystal City metro station** at S. Bell Street & 18th Street South. **From the Hyatt lobby entrance**, make a left out the front door and an immediate left onto Crystal Drive. Walk about 0.7 miles to 18th Street and make a left. Go 1 block and make a right onto S. Bell Street and you'll see Metro entrance on your right.

Once on the metro, take the **Blue Line towards Largo** and get off 3 stops later at the **Arlington National Cemetery Metro station**. The metro ride takes about 7 minutes.

Below are some details for walking and Metro...

Walking distance to Crystal City METRO is <u>approximately 20 minutes walking</u> METRO Transit website: <u>https://www.wmata.com/service/rail/</u> How to purchase a Smart Trip Card <u>https://www.wmata.com/fares/Buy-SmarTrip.cfm</u>