

The National Park Hospitality Association invites your participation in its 2019 Annual Meeting:

Improving Park Visitor Experiences

Date: March 18-20, 2019

Location: Intercontinental Washington at the Wharf, 801 Wharf St. SW Washington,

D.C. 20024, 1-202-800-0844

Theme: Improving Park Visitor Experiences will facilitate discussions among

national park concessioners, the NPS, Congress and others regarding new and better ways to enhance the experiences of national park visitors

while balancing visitation to national park units across the country.

Sessions will include:

▶ In-depth conversations with Interior Department and NPS officials

▶ Discussions with key Congressional staff and other special guests, including leaders of NPCA, the National Park Foundation and more

Discussions of association goals and priorities

Details:

Our meeting will begin on the afternoon of Monday, March 18, with the NPHA annual meeting, key issue briefings and time with guests from the Department of the Interior. We'll cap off the day with a reception for NPHA members and special guests at one of Washington's best locations, overlooking the Potomac River. Tuesday, March 19, will start with breakfast and will include meetings with a variety of NPS officials, as well as lunch. Then we are off to the Hill to meet long-time friends, some new Members and some friends in new important places. After the meetings, we'll host a reception where we will celebrate the broad and bipartisan support for national parks. Our final day, Wednesday, will focus on ways NPHA can help support progress through partnerships in parks and on other public lands and waters, to expand opportunities for Americans and our visitors to benefit from these special places for generations to come.

Lodging is available at the new and exciting Intercontinental Washington at the Wharf, 801 Wharf St. SW Washington, D.C. 20024, during the meeting. The hotel is rated by Conde Nast as the #1 hotel in DC. NPHA members and meeting participants are offered a special rate of \$359 plus taxes and fees. The rate includes WiFi, the 24-hour fitness center, Nespresso machines, access to the rooftop bar and pool and more. Reservations must be made by **February 18.** Call toll-free 1-833-249-1029 and use the

group code NPH, or use this link to access the online reservation center: National Park Hospitality Association. Room availability in DC for our dates is limited. Act now.

Transportation: Excellent transportation access to the Intercontinental Washington at the Wharf is available through Ronald Reagan Washington National (4 miles), Washington Dulles (30 miles) and Baltimore-Washington International (35 miles) Airports. METRO is nearby, and the Wharf District provides free shuttle service to nearby Metro stations on the National Mall and at L'Enfant Plaza as well as to East Potomac Park for golf and tennis. Water taxis are available to reach Old Town Alexandria, Georgetown and National Harbor.

Registration Fee:

\$500 for NPHA Regular Members - initial participant

\$450 for NPHA Regular Members - subsequent participants

\$500 for NPHA Associate Members

\$300 for guests and spouses attending only social functions

\$800 for non-members

\$150 for Federal employees (limited meals)

Registration form and additional information are at www.parkpartners.org. Send registration form and payment by check payable to: National Park Hospitality Association (Registration by credit card can be arranged – administrative fee applies). Please send to: National Park Hospitality Association, 1200 G Street, N.W., Suite 650, Washington, D.C. 20005

The deadline for registration is Friday, March 8, 2019. Registrations after that date, or changes to registrations after that date, are subject to a \$100 surcharge. Questions – call 202-682-9530.

Attire: Business attire for all functions. March weather in D.C. is variable but

anticipate highs in the 50s and lows in the 30s and a reasonable chance

of rain during portions of our meeting.

Displays: Arrangements for displays should be made through the National Park

Hospitality Association at 703-624-0495.

Questions: For additional information, go to www.parkpartners.org or call/email

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