



# The Heritage Tours

## SEPTEMBER 19 - 22 2024






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2nd Annual Better Together Leadership Development Tour

**COLUMBUS, OH** *to* **WASHINGTON, DC**

National Museum of African American History and Culture  
&  
Chinese American Museum

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS [FAQ'S]

FAQ		ANSWER
	<p><b>What is the departure location for the bus the morning of the Tour?</b></p>	<p>The departure location for the Tour is Ohio History Connection  800 East 17th Avenue Columbus, OH 43211</p>
	<p><b>What time will the bus depart?</b></p>	<p>The bus will load at 8:00 am on Thursday, September 19th. Please plan to arrive between 7:30 am and 7:45 am.  Passengers must be loaded on the bus by 8:00am. The bus will leave promptly. The goal is to arrive in DC with plenty of time for check-in and rest before the evening reception.</p>
	<p><b>When will the bus return to Columbus at the end of the Tour?</b></p>	<p>The bus will return to Columbus, Ohio close to 5:00 pm on Sunday, September 21st.  The bus return location is same as the departure location:  Ohio History Connection 800 East 17th Avenue Columbus, OH 43211</p>

## FAQ

## ANSWER



**When will the bus return to Columbus at the end of the Tour?**

If you would like, you can leave your car in our departure parking lot for the entire tour at the Ohio History Connection free of charge.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol's headquarters is located in the same lot as the Ohio History Connection. This lot is occasionally monitored. Note: OHC, Heritage Tours, Heritage Projects, its sponsors or affiliates are not responsible for lost or stolen items or damage to vehicles.

800 East 17th Avenue Columbus, OH 43211



**What clothes should I pack to wear on the Tour?**

It is recommended that you bring casual clothing and comfortable shoes suitable for walking.

We encourage you to check the weather for the week and pack accordingly.

On a daily basis during our 4 day 3-night tour, you will experience sitting on the bus, walking from venue to venue, and standing.

We suggest that you dress in layers as it will be early fall.

Remember an umbrella and jacket for rain.

**You may want to dress slightly fancy on Saturday evening.**

We have a surprise that you will probably want to be part of! #alittlefancy



**What meals and food will be provided?**

There will be coffee, tea and a complimentary hot breakfast included at the hotel each morning.

An assortment of snacks, water, and soda will be provided on the bus.

**Dinner will be provided on Saturday, October 7th.**

Reminder, you might want to dress a little nicer for this special evening. The location is a surprise!!



**For our guests who have dietary restrictions that leave them wanting, or if you simply prefer, we encourage bringing snacks that are pleasing to you.**

Lunch and dinner, aside from Saturday are on your own.

During travel from and to Columbus, the bus will make designated food stops.

## FAQ

## ANSWER



**What should I do if I have dietary restrictions?**

Anyone who informed us of their dietary restrictions has been duly noted. We are prepared to accommodate you.

We want you to be healthy and happy.

If you have additional needs or concerns, please notify your Tour Guide, Toni Bell via text at 614.595.0707



**What forms of payment should I bring?**

Most venues accept cash and credit card. Few, if any venues accept check.

Please bring payment to cover your lunch each afternoon and dinner for Thursday and Friday night.



**Please remember to tip the Coach Driver!**

**It is appropriate for us to tip the bus driver at the end of the trip. The customary amount is \$15.00 per person per day.**

We would greatly appreciate you providing a cash tip per person for the driver at the end of the tour.

Our Coach Driver is wonderful and highly requested. He is a donor to The Heritage Tours and makes it a point to be our driver whenever we travel.



**Lodging: Where will we be staying?**

**Marriott Courtyard Dunn Loring Fairfax  
2722 Gallows Road Vienna, Virginia, USA, 22180**

**What's nearby?**

There is a beautiful complex nearby that has approximately 29 retail stores, 37 dining outlets, and a cinema called the **Mosaic District**. It's a short 3-minute drive / 11-minute walk from the hotel.

You will have time on Thursday afternoon and evening and a little time on Friday afternoon to enjoy the Mosaic District on your own.



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**Is there any entertainment provided on the bus?**

As we travel, relevant movies will be provided.

Our docents aboard the bus will provide tips of history and information to prepare you for the upcoming stops along the way.

We often engage in reflection throughout the tour. Some of this conversation will occur on the bus.

You may consider bringing noise cancelling headphones if you need silent time; or earbuds for listening to cell phone music.



**Is the bus equipped with Wi-Fi?**

The Tour has requested a bus from Cardinal Transportation that will be equipped with Wi-Fi. Our experience is that the bus Wi-Fi can handle 3-5 connections. For this reason, we encourage you to depend upon your own Wi-Fi connections via cell phone or another source.

There are also a few power outlets on the bus.



**How much storage space will I have to bring items on the bus, not stored in my suitcase below?**

Storage on the bus is similar to an airplane. You will have a small amount of space under your seat and in an overhead.

There is enough room for each person to spread out. So, if you tend to travel with multiple carry-on items such as pillow, blanket, computer, and kitchen sink, we should be able to make room.

Of course, suitcases are stored beneath the bus.



## LEADERSHIP TOPICS COVERED: POST-TRIP FOLLOW-UP IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED

- › Empathy
- › Cultural Dexterity
- › Historical Perspectives
- › Courageous Conversations
- › Ethical Leadership
- › Storytelling and Communication
- › Legacy Building
- › Collective Economics