



## Schedule

Evening of Sunday, July 6 to Friday, July 11, 2025

### Sunday Evening, July 6: [President Lincoln's Cottage](#) (6:00 – 9:00 p.m.)

- Welcome dinner and institute overview
- Review of natural and built environment of Washington during the Civil War
- Introduction to Reflective Practice: how reflection promotes learning

### Monday, July 7: [Tudor Place Historic House and Garden](#) (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.)

- Using topography as a primary source: explore Civil War sites in Georgetown through a neighborhood walk.
- Examine truth in memory: tour Tudor Place and dig deep into the stories of Britannia Wellington Kennon.
- Practice historical empathy: unpack the life and death decisions enslaved people faced when considering self-emancipation.
- Ranger-led tour of the [National Mall and Memorial Parks](#) (6:30 – 8:30 p.m.)

### Tuesday, July 8: [The Frederick Douglass National Historic Site](#) (9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

- Explore Cedar Hill, Frederick Douglass' estate. Hear how the abolitionist, orator, writer, statesman and equal rights advocate spent the last seventeen years of his life. Get up close and personal with powerful items belonging to Mr. Douglass
- The Power of Oratory: Explore the art of oratory and how it helped to shape and strengthen Douglass' life
- Investigate the power of photography and track how Douglass and others used it to battle for progress. Examine what historical images and representations tell us about Douglass, Cedar Hill, and the area

### Wednesday, July 9: [Ford's Theatre](#) (12:00 – 7:00 p.m.)

- A living memorial: tour Ford's Theatre museum and Petersen House. Watch a play, *One Destiny*, in the theatre.
- A closer look with primary sources: President Lincoln's leadership and the United States Colored Troops
- Story-telling and Perspective-taking through historical drama: two plays, *One Destiny* and *Necessary Sacrifices*, by Richard Hellesten
- Close-reading of Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address and introduction to Ford's Approach to Oratory

### Thursday, July 10: [President Lincoln's Cottage](#) (9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.)

- Interactive tour of President Lincoln's Cottage
- Perspective-taking exercises: Lincoln's Toughest Decisions: Debating Emancipation
- Walking reflection on the Soldier's Home grounds
- Facilitated dialogue on the present-day legacies of slavery

### Friday, July 11: [National Museum of American History](#) and [Ford's Theatre](#) (9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

- Hands on History in the Lincoln Collection at National Museum of American History: engage with artifacts that are not on display to the general public.
- School-year planning and final reflection