



The Clarice Smith National Teacher Institutes Frequently Asked Questions

About the Museum

Where is the Smithsonian American Art Museum located?

8th and F Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

The Clarice Smith National Teacher Institutes take place in the American Art Museum's main building which is at the heart of a revitalized downtown arts district, known as the Penn Quarter.

A neighborhood map is available at:
www.americanart.si.edu/visit/images/saam_map.pdf

Where is the Renwick Gallery located?

1661 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (at 17th Street)
Washington, D.C. 20006

The Renwick Gallery, the Museum's branch location for contemporary American craft and decorative arts, is located steps from the White House in the heart of historic federal Washington.

A neighborhood map is available at:
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What are the hours of the American Art Museum and its Renwick Gallery?

The American Art Museum is open from 11:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily. The Renwick Gallery is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. Both are closed December 25.

What are the closest Metro stops?

The Museum's main building is conveniently located above the Gallery Place-Chinatown Metrorail station (Red, Yellow and Green lines). The Renwick Gallery is near the Farragut North (Red line) and Farragut West (Blue and Orange lines) Metrorail stations. Metro hours, fare information, and maps are available at www.wmata.com. The DC Circulator also serves the Museum's neighborhoods. Hours, fare information and maps are available at www.dccirculator.com.

Is parking available onsite?

There are several paid parking lots and garages near the Museum and the Renwick Gallery, and there is limited on-street parking at meters.

Travel to the Institute

What are the closest airports?

Baltimore/Washington International Airport – www.bwiairport.com

Located 30 miles north of Washington, D.C., with over 670 domestic and international flights. There are multiple ground transportation options to Washington, D.C., including train, taxi, SuperShuttle and BWI Express bus. One-way fares range from \$4.10 to \$45.

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport – www.metwashairports.com/reagan/reagan.htm

Located four miles south of the Smithsonian American Art Museum along the Potomac River and accessible on Metrorail's Yellow and Blue lines. Taxi fare to downtown ranges from \$12 to \$15.

Washington Dulles International – www.metwashairports.com/dulles/dulles.htm

Located 27 miles west of Washington, D.C., and offering a full range of domestic and international flights. Washington Flyer provides bus service to West Falls Church Metrorail Station (Orange line) with departures every 45 minutes. Taxi fare to downtown is approximately \$50.

What is the closest Amtrak train station?

Union Station – www.unionstationdc.com/

Located less than one mile east of the Smithsonian American Art Museum and accessible on Metrorail's Red line.

Local Travel Information

What dining options are within walking distance of the Museum?

The Museum's Courtyard Café is open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. There are also many excellent restaurants within a few minute walk of the Museum. Search by the "Penn Quarter/Chinatown" neighborhood to find nearby options.

www.washingtonian.com/RestaurantFinder.html

What hotels are within walking distance of the Museum?

Courtyard by Marriott	202-638-4600
Convention Center 900 F Street, N.W.	800-393-3063 (reservation line)
Grand Hyatt	202-582-1234
1000 H Street, N.W.	888-591-1234 (reservation line)
Hay-Adams Hotel	202-638-6600
800 16 th Street, N.W.	800-853-6807 (reservation line)
The Henley Park Hotel	202-638-5200
926 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.	800-222-8474 (reservation line)
Hotel Monaco	202-628-7177
700 F Street, N.W.	800-649-1202 (reservation line)

J.W. Marriott 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.	202-393-2000 800-393-2503 (reservation line)
Renaissance Washington, D.C., Hotel 999 9 th Street, N.W.	202-898-9000 800-393-2505 (reservation line)
Willard Inter-Continental Hotel 1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.	202-628-9100 800-496-7621 (reservation line)

What low-cost housing options exist?

Please email AmericanArtClariceSmithInitiative@si.edu for more information.

Where can I find more information about visiting Washington, D.C.?

Look at these websites to find out more about other attractions, events, and museums in Washington, D.C., during your visit.

www.culturaltourismdc.org/

www.museumspot.com/cities/dc.htm

Additional Information

What if I have other questions?

Please feel free to email your other questions to: AmericanArtClariceSmithInitiative@si.edu