Local Museum Shows and Discounts for ARLIS/NA Conference Attendants

This guide highlights the current exhibitions of each museum and library also offering ARLIS/NA discounts. An online version and a helpful map are available on our <u>Pinterest page</u> (http://www.pinterest.com/ArlisNa2014/local-guide-museum-shows/). Please show your badge for all discounts. Happy touring!

Dumbarton Oaks (1703 32nd St. NW)

❖ 30% off publications and 10% off other items purchased on the evening of May 2. 20% discount on select Dumbarton Oaks publications with a flyer from the DO booth in the conference exhibits. Flyer allows online or mail ordering after the conference is over.

An institute of Harvard University dedicated to scholarship in Byzantine, garden and landscape, and pre-Columbian studies. Tour the luscious grounds and gardens, the museum, and the rare book gallery and library, which recalls an 18th-century French reading room.

Hillwood Estate, Museum & Gardens (4155 Linnean Ave NW, closed Mondays)

❖ 10% gift shop discount

A decorative arts museum in the former residence of businesswoman, socialite, philanthropist, and collector Marjorie Merriweather Post. Focuses heavily on the House of Romanov.

What's on: Passion of the Empress: Catherine the Great's Art Patronage

Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden (700 Independence Ave SW)

One of the "big five" modern art museums in the U.S., the Hirshhorn was conceived as the United States' museum of contemporary and modern art. It is part of the Smithsonian Institution.

What's On: <u>Damage Control</u>; <u>Gravity's Edge</u>; <u>Directions: Jeremy Deller</u>; <u>Black Box: Santiago Sierra and Jorge Galindo</u>; <u>Barabara Kruger: Belief + Doubt</u>

Library of Congress (101 Independence Ave SE)

❖ 10% gift shop discount with registration packet coupon Founded in 1800, the LOC is the oldest federal cultural institution in the US. It serves as the research arm of Congress and is the largest library in the world.

Free guided tours offered several times a day include the Great Hall and, from the Visitors' Gallery located just off of the Great Hall, one can view the Main Reading Room from above. There are also self-guided tours if you prefer to wander on your own.

National Building Museum (401 F St NW)

❖ Free admission and 10% gift shop discount

Dedicated to exploring and celebrating architecture, design, engineering, and construction. The <u>Museum Shop</u> offers well-crafted and sustainable housewares, jewelry, toys, books, and more, and was named "Best Museum Store" in the country by Niche magazine.

What's on: <u>The Landscape Architecture Legacy of Dan Kiley; House and Home; Cool & Collected: Recent Acquisitions</u>

National Gallery of Art (6th and Constitution Ave NW)

❖ 10% gift shop discount

Our nation's art museum. The core collection was established in 1937 by Andrew W. Mellon and has been generously enhanced by philanthropists and endowments ever since.

What's on: <u>Garry Winogrand photography</u>; <u>Andew Wyeth: Looking Out, Looking In</u> (Opens May 4), In the Library: <u>Deforming and Adorning with Annotations and Marginalia From the Library: Grega and Leo A. Daly III Fund for Architectural Books</u>; <u>Modern German Prints and Drawings from the Kainen Collection</u>; <u>The Monuments Men and the National Gallery of Art</u>

National Portrait Gallery (800 F St. NW)

❖ 20% gift shop discount, cafe included

Housed in an 1836 Greek Revival building—one of Washington's oldest public buildings—this Smithsonian museum is dedicated to collecting portraits of individuals who have shaped America's culture and history.

What's on: Face Value: Portraiture in the Age of Abstraction; Yousuf Karsh: American Portraits; Dancing the Dream; One Life: Martin Luther King, Jr.; Meade Brothers: Pioneers in American Photography; American Cool; Theodore Roosevelt and the East Africa Safari, 1909-10; Mr. Lincoln's Washington: A Civil War Portfolio

National Museum of Women in the Arts (1250 New York Ave NW)

❖ Free admission and 10% gift shop discount

NMWA is the only major museum in the world solely dedicated to recognizing women's creative contributions. Over 1,000 artists are represented.

What's On: Meret Oppenheim: Tender Friendships. In the Betty Boyd Dettre Library and Research Center: Equal Exposure: Anita Steckel's Fight Against Censorship

Phillips Collection (1600 21st St NW, closed Mondays)

❖ Buy one admission, get one free. 15% discount in gift shop.

America's first museum of modern art, the Phillips Collection is an exceptional gathering of modern and contemporary art, from Renoir to Rothko.

What's on: <u>Made in the USA: American Masters from The Phillips Collection</u>, 1850–1970; <u>Intersections: Jean Meisel 50-65 Horizon Line</u> (closes May 4).

Smithsonian American Art Museum (800 F St. NW)

❖ 20% gift shop discount, cafe included

The other half of the National Portrait Gallery, SAAM is the country's first collection of American art, and is home to one of the largest and most inclusive collections in the world.

What's on: <u>Modern American Realism: The Sara Roby Foundation Collection</u>; <u>Watch This! New Directions in the Art of the Moving Image</u>; <u>Pop Art Prints</u>; <u>Ralph Fasanella: Lest We Forget</u> (opens 5/2)

Woodlawn and Frank Lloyd Wright's Pope-Leighey House (9000 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA 22309)

❖ 10% gift shop discount

The Pope-Leighey House is one of 100 Usonian homes designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Built in 1940, the house was designed to be affordable while embracing good design. The Woodlawn Plantation was originally part of George Washington's Mount Vernon estate, and is the first site operated by the National Trust. It was designed by William Thornton, architect of the US Capitol.