

2018 School Programs and Tours

SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Now through February 11, 2018:

Vietnam: Social Protest

Grade Levels: 7 – 12

Program Length: 2 hours

This special program is being offered in conjunction with our changing exhibit, *Louder than Words: Rock, Power, and Politics*. Students will explore a variety of protests including song lyrics and demonstrations.

Coming in Spring 2018:

Presidential Decision-Making: Vietnam, Eisenhower through Ford

Grade Level: 10th - 12th

Program Length: 2.5 – 3 hours

Our Presidential Decision-Making Series utilizes our exhibits and classroom activities to allow students to delve into major decisions about U.S. involvement in Vietnam made by President Ford and his predecessors. Students explore original source materials drawn from the Gerald Ford Presidential Library, as well as the Eisenhower, Kennedy, LBJ, and Nixon Libraries, to learn about how our involvement in Vietnam evolved and difficult decisions required of Presidents from both parties.

Betty Ford: Woman of Action

Grade Level: 4th – 12th

Program Length: 1.5 – 2.5 hours (*additional time required for permanent exhibit tour*)

Learn about this active, informed, and articulate woman who said, upon becoming First Lady, *I do not believe that being First Lady should prevent me from expressing my views ... Why should my husband's job or yours prevent us from being ourselves? Being ladylike does not require silence*. In celebration of the Centennial of Betty Ford's birth students will tour our special exhibition, ***In Step with Betty Ford***, then participate in activities that explore one of the major topics in her life: Breast Cancer, the Equal Rights Amendment, Women's Advocacy, Dance and the Arts, or Entertaining at the White House.

To Schedule a School Program Contact:

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School Admission Policy and Scheduling Information

Admission Fees

- One teacher per class admitted FREE
- 3rd – 12th grades: One chaperone for every ten students required and admitted FREE
- Pre-K – 2nd grades: One chaperone for every five students required and admitted FREE
- Admission for additional adults is \$8.00 per person

Information

- ALL school programs and guided tours must be scheduled a minimum of two weeks in advance.
- Bus parking is on Scribner, NW located directly west of the Museum.
- Helpful hints for chaperones can be found at:
https://www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov/museum/EduCenter09/visit_chaperonereq.html

Docent-Guided Tours

- Guided tours of our permanent exhibits are offered weekdays, during the school year. Advance scheduling a minimum of two weeks in advance is required.
- **Self-Guided Tours**
- For groups larger than 75 students, we encourage you to divide into smaller groups and stagger your arrival times by at least one hour.

- **To Schedule a Guided or Self-Guided Tour Contact:**

- Desiree' Ruhland: 616.254.0367

- **E-mail:** send school group reservations to: desiree.ruhland@nara.gov