



NATIONAL JUDICIAL INSTITUTE
ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

*A partnership of the Family Violence Prevention Fund,
the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, and the
U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women*

ENHANCING JUDICIAL SKILLS IN DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE CASES WORKSHOP

AUGUST 2-5, 2009
HYATT REGENCY BETHESDA
BETHESDA, MARYLAND

DECEMBER 6-9, 2009
LA FONDA ON THE PLAZA
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO



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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence (NJIDV), a partnership of the Family Violence Prevention Fund, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, and the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, offers three-day, hands-on, highly interactive workshops that will provide an essential foundation for new and experienced state court and tribal court judges to enhance their skills in handling civil and criminal domestic violence cases. Judicial participants will leave the workshop with greater knowledge and skills for handling cases involving domestic violence.

A Judge Participant in this Workshop Will Be Better Able to:

- Evaluate the impact of violence on adult victims and children exposed to violence.
- Identify the protection and restoration requirements of domestic violence victims.
- Describe patterns of batterer conduct, assess dangerousness of specific batterers, and impose effective intervention and accountability mechanisms for batterers.
- Resolve difficult evidentiary issues and apply an understanding of domestic violence to judicial fact-finding.
- Identify administrative and community barriers to accessing/achieving justice in domestic violence cases.
- Devise methods of overcoming barriers to justice, become motivated to work to remove barriers, and use information regarding available community resources to assist in removing barriers.
- Recognize and apply ethics rules that govern participation in extrajudicial activities, e.g., domestic violence councils, legislative proposals, local court rulemaking, and education programs of non-judge providers.
- Define culture and cultural competence, enhance respect for the dynamics of difference, and identify ways in which culture is relevant in the courtroom.
- Recognize cultural misinformation and avoid assumptions about a person or facts of a situation based on misinformation.
- Identify and evaluate potential biases that might influence courtroom demeanor or interpretation of facts and making of decisions in domestic violence cases.
- Identify common decision-making points where understanding domestic violence might affect how you make decisions and what you decide.
- Draft and issue effective orders that (a) stop violence, (b) protect adult victims and children, (c) require appropriate batterer treatment in criminal and civil domestic violence cases, and (d) facilitate enforcement in domestic violence cases.
- Assess the impact of domestic violence on cases involving sentencing, custody, and visitation issues.
- Evaluate batterer intervention programming and information regarding appropriate treatment/intervention options.
- Identify the potential benefits of conducting review hearings (in conjunction with probation services) to monitor batterer conduct in domestic violence cases.

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Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases

The workshop will address the topics described below, using hypothetical case problems, role-play exercises, small-group discussions, faculty demonstrations, and a working lunch. This highly interactive format enables judges from different jurisdictions and levels of experience to learn from one another.

Victim & Perpetrator Behavior

3.5 Hours

This segment will help participants understand the motivation and behavior of perpetrators and adult and child victims.

Fact-Finding

3.5 Hours

Participants will learn how to apply an understanding of domestic violence to judicial fact-finding and identify evidentiary issues that are of primary concern for judges.

Access to Justice and Judge's Role in Community Response to Domestic Violence

3.5 Hours

This segment focuses on identifying and overcoming barriers to achieving justice in domestic violence cases by focusing on the judge as a leader in the justice system and a coordinated community response to domestic violence.

Fairness and Culture Issues in Domestic Violence Cases

3.25 Hours

Participants will formulate definitions of culture and cultural competence, discuss the dynamics of difference, and identify ways in which culture is relevant in the courtroom.

Decision-Making Skills and Enforcement

3.25 Hours

This segment focuses on how judges can apply the law in their states to the facts in cases involving domestic violence, and how they can effectively enhance compliance with their orders.

Practical Courtroom Exercises

3 Hours

Participants will move among five breakout rooms to participate in a series of practical courtroom exercises designed to help them identify issues involving domestic violence.

FACULTY

The faculty team for each institute will include experienced judges and attorneys from diverse backgrounds and geographic locations, an expert in the dynamics of domestic violence, and a multicultural expert. The following is a partial list from which faculty will be drawn.

Hon. Ron Adrine
Cleveland Municipal Court
Cleveland, Ohio

Hon. Berryl Anderson
DeKalb County Courthouse
Atlanta, Georgia

Linda Baker, PhD
Centre for Children and Families
in the Justice System
London, Ontario, Canada

Hon. Sharon Chatman
Superior Court of California
San Jose, California

Hon. Mike Denton
County Court at Law 4
Austin, Texas

Terese Dick, JD
Wisconsin State Public Defenders Office
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Loretta Frederick, JD
Battered Women's Justice Project
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Barbara Hart, JD
Consultant
Georgetown, Maine

Peter Jaffe PhD, C Psych
University of Western Ontario
London, Ontario, Canada

Kristine Lizdas, JD
Battered Women's Justice Project
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Hon. Phyllis Kotey (Ret.)
Criminal Justice Clinic Director
Florida International University
Miami, Florida

Hon. Jeffrey Kremers
Milwaukee County Circuit Court
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Hon. Peter Macdonald (Ret.)
3rd District Court
Hopkinsville, Kentucky

Hon. Aleida Varona Mendez
Puerto Rico Court of Appeals
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Hon. Marshall Murray
Children's Court Center
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin

Hon. Victor Reyes
Pueblo County Judicial Building
Pueblo, Colorado

Hon. Leonard Saenz
Travis County District Court
Austin, Texas

Sujata Warriar, PhD
Consultant
Bloomfield, New Jersey

Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases APPLICATION FORM

(Late applicants will be considered as space allows)

Fax or Mail to:

National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
Judicial Institute Registrar, Family Violence Department
P.O. Box 8970 • Reno, Nevada 89507
Phone: (775) 784-1662 • Fax: (775) 784-6160

**Your application is not confirmed
until you receive an acceptance letter.**

To Register on-line please go to www.njidv.org

Name: _____ Title: _____

Court: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

I have the following special needs: _____

Please select which workshop you would like to attend:

August 2-5, 2009
Bethesda, MD _____

December 6-9, 2009
Santa Fe, NM _____

I agree to attend **ALL SESSIONS** of the Enhancing Judicial Skills workshop from Sunday at 1:00 p.m. through Wednesday noon and will make travel arrangements accordingly.

Applicant Signature (required) _____

I am located in a jurisdiction that receives funds under an OVW grant program (see "Who Is Eligible to Attend" on next page)

My participation is funded by (check all boxes that apply):

_____ Local OVW project funds _____ My court funds _____ My personal funds

COST & ACTIVITY FEE

The education program is provided free of charge. An activity fee of **\$75** will offset expenses that cannot be paid with grant funds. Once you have been accepted into the workshop, the registrar will contact you regarding your payment preference.

Please note that participants are responsible for their own lodging, travel arrangements, and costs.

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Who is Eligible to Attend?

Participation in each workshop is limited to 50 judges. All state court and tribal court judges are eligible to attend the workshops, but priority will be given to judges from jurisdictions currently receiving one of the following OVW Grants:

- (1) Grants to Encourage Arrest
- (2) STOP Violence Against Indian Women Grants, or
- (3) Rural Domestic Violence and Child Victimization Enforcement Grant Program

Priority is also given to OVW-funded jurisdictions that send more than one judge. The program is offered free of charge. A \$75 activity fee covers the cost of a reception, which cannot be financed with OVW grant funds. Some courts might cover their judges' travel and per diem costs. *All participants are responsible for their own travel and per diem costs.*

How do You Apply to Attend?

To apply for participation in a workshop, please complete, sign, and return the attached application form. Participation is limited to 50 judges and applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis subject to the eligibility guidelines outlined above. Partial coverage of travel expenses may be available to a limited number of participants with special funding needs. Please contact the registrar, Jenny Talancon at (775) 784-1662.

**Your enrollment is not confirmed until you receive an acceptance letter.*

Participants must make their own lodging and travel arrangements.

Hotel Information

Meeting dates: **August 2-5, 2009**
Rate: **\$165.00/night + tax**
Reservation cut off: **June 29, 2009**

**HYATT REGENCY BETHESDA
ONE BETHESDA METRO CENTER
BETHESDA, MARYLAND 20814
TEL: (301) 657-1234,
FAX: (301) 657-6478**

Meeting dates: **December 6-9, 2009**
Rate: **\$85.00/night + tax**
Reservation cut off: **November 16, 2009**

**LA FONDA ON THE PLAZA
100 E. SAN FRANCISCO STREET
SANTA FE, NM 87501
RESERVATION PH: (800) 523-5002 OPT. 3
RESERVATION FAX: (505) 995-2324
DIRECT PH: (505) 982-5511**

***Participation in All Sessions Is Mandatory. The Program Runs From 1:00 p.m. Sunday Through Noon Wednesday.**

Technical Assistance Available from the NJIDV

State judicial educators and others can obtain technical assistance from the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence to help plan and present regional and statewide programs based on the NJIDV's core curriculum.

Types of Assistance Available:

- Planning program content
- Incorporating NJIDV materials keyed to relevant state law
- Training faculty
- Having NJIDV faculty member teach with local faculty

To request technical assistance or make further inquiries, call (775) 784-6967 and ask for NJIDV Technical Assistance.

Reactions to Previous National Workshops

"Most effective domestic violence seminar in which I have participated. Judges assisting judges as opposed to academics 'speaking down' to participants was a welcomed change."

"The ability to interact with colleagues from across the country and learn from them! What a terrific opportunity."

"Experienced, common-sense approach."

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April 16, 2009

Your Honor:

On August 2-8, 2009, the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence (NJIDV) is pleased to offer three educational program options to help judges resolve cases involving domestic violence. The NJIDV will hold these programs at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda, a lovely hotel on the Metro red line just across the District of Columbia border. The program's early August timing permits participants to bring family members to enjoy the area's numerous attractions while judges attend classes.

Since 1998, NJIDV has delivered the popular foundational *Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases (EJS) Workshop*. This dynamic and highly interactive program has helped thousands of judges nationwide to examine and improve court practice in domestic violence cases. The EJS workshop has become the essential authoritative, practice resource for new and experienced state and tribal court judges nationwide.

To expand a judge's foundational toolkit for handling these challenging cases, NJIDV has also developed the *Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases (CJS) Program*. Building on the EJS Workshop, the CJS Program permits judges to choose among four concurrent, one-day "special topic" courses, followed by four, concurrent one and one-half day "court assignment courses."

As you consider the August 2-8 education options below, remember that NJIDV programs are highly interactive and engaging. Participation for the full week will be rewarding but challenging; choose the option that works best for your schedule and stamina:

- a) The EJS Workshop only (August 2-5, 2009); or
- b) The EJS Workshop PLUS a one-day CJS Program special topic course (August 6, 2009) (*see attached "Special Topic Course application for descriptions of each course"*); or
- c) The EJS Workshop PLUS the entire CJS Program (August 6-8, 2009), including a one-day special topic course PLUS a one and one-half day court assignment course (*see enclosed CJS Program brochure and application for more information*).

NJIDV is aware that travel to attend education can be cost prohibitive during these difficult economic times. A local, OVW-funded project might have TA resources to support judges' travel expenses to attend EJS and CJS education programs. Limited financial assistance may be available from NJIDV to defray part of your travel expenses.

We hope to see you at these educational events in the Washington, DC area!

Sincerely,

Michael W. Runner, JD
Director of Legal Programs
Family Violence Prevention Fund

Maureen Sheeran
Director, Family Violence Department
National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges



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Application for Special Topic Course
in the *Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases Program*
being held August 6, 2009, immediately after the ***Enhancing Judicial Skills In Domestic Violence Cases Workshop*** at the same hotel in Bethesda, Maryland.

The Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases (CJS) Program provides intensive, specialized courses for judges who have successfully completed the Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases Workshop. **ONE-DAY CJS SPECIAL TOPIC COURSES**, designed as seminars for 15 - 20 judges, address specific challenges in new or emerging complex topics facing the courts. Special topic courses meet on Thursday, August 6, 2009 from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm. Please indicate your first and second choice selections by numbering 1 & 2 in the spaces before the course titles below and **fax this application to the NJJDV registrar at (775) 784-6160.**

___ **IMMIGRATION & TRAFFICKING – Participants will be better able to:**

- Identify “red flags” that suggest the presence of immigration and trafficking.
- Assess the immigration implications of civil protection orders and criminal convictions.
- Enhance access to justice for immigrant victims of domestic violence and trafficking.
- Craft civil dispositions that enhance victim safety and autonomy while considering collateral consequences.
- Document facts in state court proceedings to preserve the victim’s immigration remedies.

___ **INTERSTATE & INTERNATIONAL CUSTODY – Participants will be better able to:**

- Analyze how and why domestic violence is relevant to adjudicating interstate and international custody disputes.
- Develop and promote practices and tools to resolve interstate and international custody disputes efficiently and safely.
- Determine when the court is authorized to take jurisdiction over an interstate custody case and how best to exercise any discretion it may have when domestic violence is present.
- Identify and access resources to help meet the judicial challenges presented by interstate and international disputes.

___ **EFFECTIVE BATTERER ACCOUNTABILITY – Participants will be better able to:**

- Create a courtroom culture that helps victims feel safe and affirms the judge as the established authority.
- Tailor interventions and court orders to increase safety and reduce recidivism.
- In light of the current research, examine the appropriateness and effectiveness of different Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) models and other forms of intervention and oversight.
- Establish BIP standards.
- Develop effective system coordination and program oversight mechanisms in collaboration with the community.

___ **SUPERVISED VISITATION & EXCHANGE – Participants will be better able to:**

- Identify risks to adult/child victims of domestic violence in the context of custodial access.
- Determine whether, when, and how supervised visitation or exchange should be ordered, modified, terminated, and/or reviewed.
- Interact effectively and ethically with supervised visitation and exchange programs and other service providers in managing individual access cases.
- Provide leadership in their communities to create and/or enhance supervised visitation and exchange services.

Name (Please Print): _____

Email & Phone: _____

**APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED ON SPACE-AVAILABLE BASIS. YOUR REGISTRATION IS NOT CONFIRMED
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CONTINUING JUDICIAL SKILLS IN DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE CASES PROGRAM

AUGUST 6-8, 2009
HYATT REGENCY BETHESDA
BETHESDA, MARYLAND



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JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES

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**Family Violence
Prevention Fund**

www.endabuse.org

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND SPECIAL TOPIC COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases (CJS) Program is specifically designed for judges who have successfully completed the Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases Workshop or an equivalent program. The CJS Program addresses judges' specific assignments at a more intensive level and introduces new topics of special interest. The CJS Program offers choices among four 1-day special topic courses and four 1.5-day court assignment courses. The Program begins Thursday at 8:30 a.m. and concludes on Saturday at noon.

SPECIAL TOPIC COURSES are designed as seminars of 15 - 20 judges to address specific challenges in new or emerging complex topics facing the courts.

Immigration & Trafficking–Participants will be better able to:

- Identify “red flags” that suggest the presence of immigration and trafficking.
- Assess the immigration implications of civil protection orders and criminal convictions.
- Enhance access to justice for immigrant victims of domestic violence and trafficking.
- Craft civil dispositions that enhance victim safety and autonomy while considering collateral consequences.
- Document facts in state court proceedings to preserve the victim’s immigration remedies.

Interstate & International Custody–Participants will be better able to:

- Analyze how and why domestic violence is relevant to adjudicating interstate and international custody disputes.
- Develop and promote practices and tools to resolve interstate and international custody disputes efficiently and safely.
- Determine when the court is authorized to take jurisdiction over an interstate custody case and how best to exercise any discretion it may have when domestic violence is present.
- Identify and access resources to help meet the judicial challenges presented by interstate and international disputes.

Effective Batterer Accountability–Participants will be better able to:

- Create a courtroom culture that helps victims feel safe and affirms the judge as the established authority.
- Tailor interventions and court orders to increase safety and reduce recidivism.
- In light of the current research, examine the appropriateness and effectiveness of different Batterer Intervention Program (BIP) models and other forms of intervention and oversight.
- Establish BIP standards.
- Develop effective system coordination and program oversight mechanisms in collaboration with the community.

Supervised Visitation & Exchange–Participants will be better able to:

- Identify risks to adult/child victims of domestic violence in the context of custodial access.
- Determine whether, when, and how supervised visitation or exchange should be ordered, modified, terminated, and/or reviewed.
- Interact effectively and ethically with supervised visitation and exchange programs and other service providers in managing individual access cases.
- Provide leadership in their communities to create and/or enhance supervised visitation and exchange services.

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COURT ASSIGNMENT COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

COURT ASSIGNMENT COURSES are designed as highly interactive small group seminars of 15 – 20 participants focused exclusively on one court duty assignment.

Family–Participants will be better able to:

- Evaluate whether domestic violence cases are appropriate for ADR processes in family courts, and, if so, develop safeguards to use in those cases.
- Promote safety and accountability in all family court-related interventions, such as custody evaluations and assignment of parenting coordinators, GALs, parenting education, supervised visitation, and arbitration.
- Craft effective parenting orders to match unique family circumstances and needs.
- Determine the appropriate role of the family court to monitor and review custody/parenting decisions.

Rural–Participants will be better able to:

- Identify physical, attitudinal, and systemic barriers that limit a victim’s access to justice.
- Coordinate existing resources and influence the development of new resources in domestic violence cases.
- Assess the lethality risk associated with access to firearms and apply state and federal laws despite competing cultural pressures in rural and tribal communities.
- Manage and resolve domestic violence cases safely and effectively despite the challenges appurtenant to life in rural communities.
- Develop a leadership philosophy to address the social, political, and cultural realities unique to the role of a rural judge.
- Cultivate a relationship between state and tribal court judges and enhance effective enforcement of valid protection orders across state and tribal lines.

Civil (Protection Order)–Participants will be better able to:

- Use risk and danger assessment tools when rendering decisions in domestic violence cases.
- Apply an understanding of domestic violence when issuing economic relief on behalf of victims and their children.
- Manage cases involving *pro se* litigants and recognize the ability to promote a *pro se* litigant’s access to justice within the ethical constraints of a judge.
- Identify the wide range of enforcement mechanisms available to ensure compliance with protection orders, including civil and criminal contempt proceedings.

Criminal–Participants will be better able to:

- Set bail, establish conditions of release, and structure sentences that reduce risk, promote victim safety and autonomy, and minimize economic deprivation, while accounting for collateral consequences.
- Conduct ongoing, relevant case evaluation, including dangerousness assessment, throughout a criminal case.
- Rule correctly on pretrial motions to exclude evidence after *Crawford* and its progeny.
- Manage the legal implications of victim recantation.
- Develop and implement appropriate procedures to obtain information necessary for valid judicial decision-making.
- Implement effective procedures for handling firearms issues at all stages of a case.
- Create effective on-going structures for maximizing compliance with post-disposition controls.

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Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases

Application Form

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**APPLICATIONS MUST
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JULY 10, 2009**

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Name: _____ Title: _____

Court: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

I have the following special needs: _____

I have attended the following EJS Workshop given by NJIDV on
(date): _____

I agree to attend ALL COURSE SESSIONS from Thursday morning through Saturday noon.

Applicant Signature (required): _____

WORKSHOP SELECTION

Please designate your course preference by inserting #1 in the box for your first choice and #2 in the box for your second choice course in each category.

Category: Special Topic Courses

Thursday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

(Please select your first and second choice)

- Immigration & Trafficking
- Interstate & International Custody
- Effective Batterer Accountability
- Supervised Visitation & Exchange

Category: Court Assignment Courses

Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm & Saturday 8:30 am - noon

(Please select your first and second choice)

- Family
- Rural
- Civil Protection Order
- Criminal

COST & ACTIVITY FEE

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Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases

Faculty

The faculty team for each course will include experienced judges, attorneys, and domestic violence experts from diverse professional backgrounds and geographic locations.

The following is a partial list of faculty:

Juan Carlos Areán
Family Violence Prevention
Fund
Boston, Massachusetts

Hon. Carl Ashley
Milwaukee County Circuit
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Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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Centre for Children and
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Gail Pendleton, JD
Consultant
Plymouth, Massachusetts

Hon. Victor Reyes
Pueblo County Court
Pueblo, Colorado

Hon. Lee Satterfield
Superior Court
District of Columbia
Washington, DC

Melissa Scaia
Advocates for Family Peace
Grand Rapids, Minnesota

Hon. Wadie Thomas
Juvenile Court of Douglas
County
Omaha, Nebraska

Hon. Victoria Van Meter
Second Judicial District Court
Reno, Nevada

Sujata Warriar, PhD
Consultant
Bloomfield, New Jersey

Hon. Glenn Yamahiro
Milwaukee County
Circuit Court
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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TOO HOT AND HUMID?

Why Don't You...

- Cool off in one or more of the Smithsonian Museums. Begin at 'The Castle', then explore the Museums of Natural History, American History, Air and Space, the National Gallery of Art and the Museum of the American Indian. All are free to the public and are within walking distance of the Smithsonian Institute Metro on the Blue Line.
- Once the sun goes down, why not stay on the Mall for a movie? 'Screen on the Green' happens every Tuesday and is free to the public.

ARE YOU A RETURNING VISITOR TO DC?

Why Don't You...

- Take in one of DC's newer museums? There's the Museum of Crime and Punishment, the Newseum, and the International Spy Museum, suitable for kids and adults. Tickets are \$13-\$20. All museums are metro-accessible.
- Check out the iconic Obama 'Hope' portrait now on display at the National Portrait Gallery.

Welcome
to
Washington!

IS THE WEATHER JUST TOO GOOD TO BE INDOORS?

Why Don't You...

- See Georgetown from the water? Thompson Boat Center offers Kayaks, Canoes and Sailboats for rent at \$8-\$10 per hour at 2900 Virginia Ave., NW
- Take in a tennis match at the Legg Mason Tennis Classic in beautiful Rock Creek Park. Go to www.leggmasonclassic.com for details.

FEELING THEATRICAL?

Why Don't You...

- Take in a play! Alice Walker's 'The Color Purple' is playing at the Kennedy Center August 1 and 7 at 1:30pm or 7:30pm. The Kennedy Center is located .7 mi. from the Foggy Bottom/ George Washington University metro station on the Blue/Orange Line.
- The Kennedy Center also offers free concerts daily at 6pm. Go to <http://www.kennedy-center.org/programs/millennium/schedule> for more details.



From left to right: The Smithsonian Information Center (The Castle); Georgetown Waterfront; International Spy Museum; the Washington Monument

WANT TO AVOID THE METRO?

Why Don't You...

- Enjoy Downtown Bethesda's art scene. More than a dozen galleries are within walking distance from the Hyatt Regency, most on Wisconsin or Woodmont Avenues.
- Get Imaginative! At Imagination Stage Children's Theatre, presenting 'Lyle the Crocodile', based on the popular children's book. Tues-Fri 10:30am. \$10-21 per ticket.
- Bowl a frame with the family! The Bethesda Strike, at 5353 Westband Ave, offers fun for everyone with \$6.25 games and \$5.00 shoe rentals. 21 and over only after 9pm.

BRINGING A SHOPAHOLIC?

Why Don't You...

- Visit Bethesda Row for: Apple, Urban Chic, Chico's, The Little Shoebox, Jos A. Bank, Aveda, Barnes & Noble, Ten Thousand Villages, the Mustard Seed, and World Market, among many others.
- Take a stroll through DC's historic Georgetown neighborhood. Shops include Anthropologie, Banana Republic, BCBG, Lacoste, Betsey Johnson, Coach, Lucky Blue Jean Co., Ralph Lauren, Nine West, Papyrus, Tugoo Toys, Kate Spade, Juicy Couture, Patagonia and many, many more!

Left to Right: The Carousel at Glen Echo Park; an elephant enjoying a summertime bath at the National Zoo; Downtown Bethesda; Georgetown Shops



TRAVELING WITH CHILDREN?

Why Don't You...

- Have a picnic at Glen Echo Park? Just 3 miles from downtown Bethesda, this family friendly national park boasts a working carousel, Adventure Theater, Discovery Creek Children's Museum, Puppet Company, and weekly dances in the Spanish Ballroom. Visit www.glenechopark.org for more information.
- Go Ape at the Zoo! See how sea lions are trained, how an elephant takes a bath, and what a giant octopus eats for lunch. These are just a few of the demonstrations and events offered daily at the National Zoo, located a few quick blocks from the Adams Morgan/ Woodley Park Red Line metro station. Admission is free.
- Fly your own plane! (Sort of). The National Air and Space Museum runs their flight simulator at 10am daily. While you're there, catch an IMAX movie in the Samuel C. Johnson Theater. Admission is free.