



## ISMO June Newsletter

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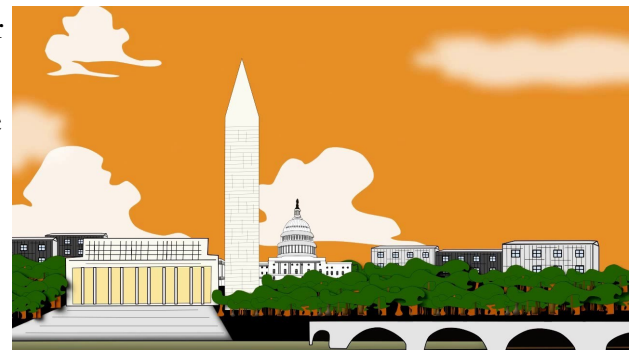
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## June at NDU

- 8 June - ISMO Virtual Graduation Celebration
- 10 June - NDU Virtual Graduation

## Enjoy your last weeks here in DC!

Take advantage of all that Washington DC has to offer by exploring museums, parks, and all the amazing restaurants. Take your own bike tour by picking up a bike through the [Capital Bikeshare](#). Catch an [outdoor film](#) on the west lawn of The National Building Museum, available every Tuesday and Thursday. Take a trip down the Potomac River in a [kayak](#).



As you plan activities be sure to check online for the changing COVID-19 regulations.

*If you have any suggestions or recommendations for next month's newsletter,  
email [ISMO@ndu.edu](mailto:ISMO@ndu.edu)!*

# MUSEUMS

Disclaimer: Due to COVID-19, many events might be canceled, postponed, or changed, sometimes with short notice. Please check with the event's website for the latest updates, as things change frequently.

Most museums require scheduling a visit ahead of time, however some release extra tickets the day of, check out the museum's website for more information

Below is a short list of only a few of the museums that are opening again. Check out the complete list [here](#).

## The National Archives

The Rotunda of the National Archives Building in Washington, DC, will open for viewing of the Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, and Bill of Rights with limited capacity from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturdays and Sundays starting 15 May, and including Monday, 31 May. Admission is free. More info [here](#)!

## The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

The US Holocaust Memorial Museum teaches millions of people each year about the dangers of unchecked hatred and the need to prevent genocide. The museum is adjacent to the National Mall. Extra tickets are released everyday at 11 am. Admission is free. More info [here](#)!

## The Smithsonian's National Zoo

The National Zoological Park, commonly known as the National Zoo, is one of the oldest zoos in the United States. Admission is free. More info [here](#)!

## George Washington's Mount Vernon

Mount Vernon is an American landmark and former plantation of George Washington, the first President of the United States, and his wife, Martha. The estate is on the banks of the Potomac River in Fairfax County, Virginia. Admission is \$28 for adults. Book your tickets [here](#)!

## Smithsonian Gardens & Hirshhorn Sculpture Garden

The Smithsonian Gardens, a division of the Smithsonian Institution, is responsible for the "landscapes, interiorscapes, and horticulture-related collections and exhibits", which serve as an outdoor extension of the Smithsonian's museums and learning spaces in Washington, D.C. The Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden is an art museum beside the National Mall. No tickets needed! More information [here](#).

This Month's neighborhood to explore is:

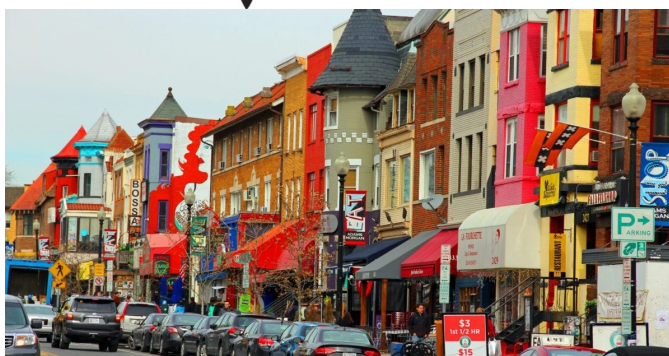
### Adams Morgan !

This culturally diverse neighborhood is known for its eclectic dining scene thanks to all the bars and restaurants dotting 18th Street. Also known for its street art and murals, Adams Morgan is located in the Northwest quadrant of DC.

**Places to eat:** The Federalist Pig, Julia's Empanadas, or Smoke and Barrel.

**Things to do:** Check out late night karaoke at [Muzette](#). Stroll through the streets during a free self-guided walking tour, here is the [link](#).

# EXPLORE



# The Return of the Cicada

Billions of cicadas that have been underground since 2004 have begun to emerge en masse and will blanket parts of the eastern United States with their song and, even-

## How many?

There is predicted to be about one million cicadas per acre. This would mean about 25 or 30 cicadas per square foot. Watch wear you step!

## Why are they so loud?

The high-pitched song is actually a **mating call** belted out by males. Each species has its own distinctive song that only attracts females of its own kind. This allows several different species to coexist.

## Are they harmful?

No. Cicadas cannot hurt you. They do not bite or sting. They are only above ground to mate and reproduce until they go below ground again for 17 years.



## Cicada Recipes

### Spicy Popcorn Cicadas

Check out the link to this recipe [here!](#)

### More Recipes

Check out this whole recipe book filled with different ideas on how to make these little buggers taste better! The link is [here!](#)



# Alumni Promotions



Miha Skerbinc, ES 2010 , has been promoted to Commander, Force Command of the Slovenian Armed Forces.



Ingvar Parnamae, ES 2015, has been promoted to Member of the Supervisory Board at Milworks



Major General Wolfgang Wien of the German Army, NWC 2013, has been promoted to his current position as Vice President and Senior Officer of the Bundesnachrichtendienst.



Brigadier General Ioannis Cheimarios of Greece's Army, NWC 2017, has been promoted to Brigadier General and position as Commander of the Army Aviation Training Centre.



Mr. Stefan Godzhevarov, CISA 2016, has been promoted to Advisor on Security and Defense to the President of the Republic of Bulgaria.

Andres Centino, ES 2013, has been promoted to Commanding General of the Philippine Army.

