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Join us for a special program, “On Hallowed Ground: The Story of Arlington National Cemetery”

Arlington House will host a special lecture by historian Robert M. Poole on Saturday, November 7th, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Poole’s new book on the history of Arlington National Cemetery is the most complete and thorough history of this great shrine ever published. The book, [On Hallowed Ground: The History of Arlington National Cemetery](#), will be released on Veteran’s Day, November 11.

For this event it will be possible to drive into the cemetery and park at the Arlington House. Parking at Arlington House is available **only** with a reservation. Reservations must be made by Friday, November 6. Call 703-235-1530. Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial is a unit of the George Washington Memorial Parkway. Additional information is available at www.nps.gov/arho or 703-235-1530.

Built in 1802 by George Washington Parke Custis, Arlington House was home to the Robert E. Lee family for over thirty years and to over 60 enslaved people. Arlington House was the scene of R. E. Lee’s fateful resignation from the U.S. Army at the beginning of the Civil War. The house and grounds were seized by the federal government during the war and soon after Arlington Cemetery was established.

Open every day from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial is accessible by Metro on the Blue line at the Arlington National Cemetery stop. A fifteen-minute, vigorous uphill walk through the Cemetery’s North gate brings you to Arlington House. Arlington House is also accessible from the George Washington Memorial Parkway; park at the Arlington National Cemetery, and walk or take the Tourmobile shuttle bus. Admission to Arlington House is free; there is a charge for parking and the Tourmobile.

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