



# THE WORKHOUSE ARTS CENTER



Once a reformatory, the Workhouse Arts Center is now home to more than 90 of the region's finest professional and emerging artists. Set on 55 acres of land, the DC Workhouse and Reformatory's story began over 100 years ago, when President Theodore Roosevelt sought ways to train prisoners and make them more self-sufficient following their release. In 1917, 72 members of the National Women's Party were incarcerated at the Workhouse for advocating for women's right to vote. Today, this one-of-a-kind arts center offers essential visual and performing arts, studios and exhibition spaces, and engaging art education programs for people of all ages and artistic abilities. The Workhouse Arts Center's artists make it easy to come home with the perfect memento of your trip.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover your inner Picasso! Artists share their talents through a variety of workshops and classes throughout the year.
- Enjoy one of the 300+ concerts, theatrical performances and events throughout the year.
- Explore the Workhouse Prison Museum, which presents an overview of the facility's history, including the suffragists who were arrested for picketing at the White House for women's rights.
- The Workhouse is the perfect place to find that one-of-a-kind souvenir of your trip to the National Capital Region!

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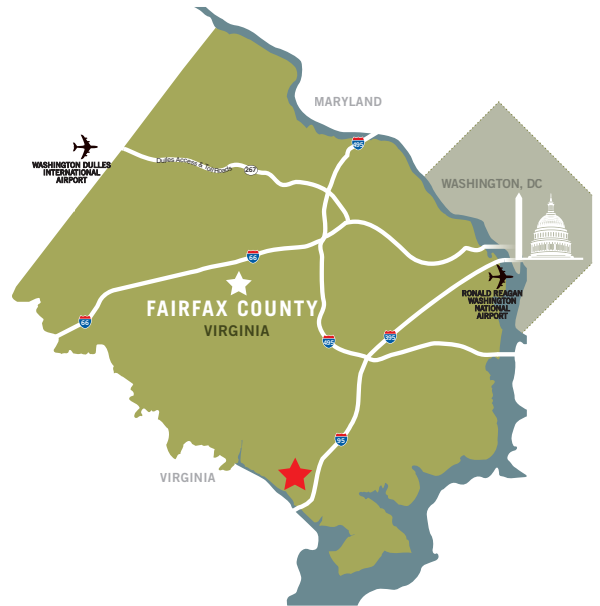
Phone: 703-584-2900

Web: [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org)

Hours of Operation: Artist studios and gallery buildings are open Wednesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sunday from Noon to 5 p.m. The Workhouse Prison Museum is open Wednesday through Friday from Noon to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m.

### ONSITE FACILITIES/ACTIVITIES:

- Artists' Studios
- Educational Workshops
- Gift Shop
- The Workhouse Prison Museum
- W-3 Theatre



### UNIQUE EXPERIENCES AT THE WORKHOUSE:

- **Attend an Event:** Over 300 concerts, theatrical performances, and various other events take place throughout the year. Visitors enjoy performances from comedy shows to jazz recitals and everything in between.
- **Celebrate:** The Workhouse hosts a number of annual special events including the Carnival & Arts Party, Independence Day, and the Madhaunter's Madhouse (Halloween).
- **Visit With Artists:** The Workhouse is home to over 90 artists working onsite throughout the campus. Unlike many galleries, visitors to the Workhouse are encouraged to interact with the artists in their studios to discuss their passions and inspirations.
- **Visit the Prison Museum:** The Workhouse has one of the most fascinating backstories out of all the attractions you'll find in Northern Virginia.
- **Take a Class:** If you want to expand your creativity, get in shape, learn to cook, or even take a stab at glass-blowing, then the Workhouse is the place for you!
- **Take a Tour:** In-depth, guided tours of the campus, including a behind-the-scenes look at different studios, are available for groups.

### MEETING/EVENT FACILITIES:

Rizer Pavilion

McGuire Woods Gallery

Vulcan Muse

W-9A

W-3 Theatre

Classrooms

#### MEETING

varies

200

50

12

100

varies

#### BANQUET

300

120

50

n/a

50

varies

#### RECEPTION

300

200

100

n/a

100

n/a

### OTHER INFORMATION:

- Complimentary parking is available.
- Artwork is available for purchase in individual studios as well as the Workhouse Gift Shop.
- A variety of special and seasonal events take place throughout the year. See the events calendar for a list.

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