



## The Best of Fredericksburg and Richmond:

*History, Art, Architecture, Entertainment; Mamma Mia!!!*

**Thursday and Friday, March 1-2, 2018,**

**Minimum 40; Maximum 50**

**Double Occupancy \$275 (VMFA Member, \$260)**

**Single Occupancy \$325 (VMFA Member, \$310)**

Bargain Price includes transportation, lodging, meals, dinner theater, snacks, taxes, and tips; excludes alcohol

**Depart TH, 3/1/18, 6:30 am**, Target, 1245 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk

**Return FRI, 3/2/18, Est. 7:30 pm**

Join us for an exciting and educational adventure through the heart of Virginia beginning in Fredericksburg, a charming, quaint city on the picturesque Rappahannock River. This trip will touch your heart and soul as an **expert guide accompanies us** and provides commentary on our **Fredericksburg Highlights Tour including:**

The city's most visited tourist attraction, the **Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Battlefield** that commemorates battles of the Civil War. "No place more vividly reflects the Civil War's tragic cost, in all its forms." Operated by the National Park Service (NPS) **since 1927!**

**Lunch in the "Pavilion"** followed by a docent-led tour of **Gari Melcher's Home and Studio, Belmont**. Absorb the unique, graceful, historic home, gardens, studio and art galleries of a world-renowned artist, an unexpected treasure in a region that typically attracts visitors in search of the spirits of presidents and Civil War soldiers.

We'll visit the magnificent Georgian Mansion, **Chatham Manor and its exquisite grounds**, completed in 1771, and consider history from THREE centuries, plus enjoy an exceptional panoramic city view.

Guided Bus tour of **Fredericksburg's designated Historic Districts**. **Watch history come alive!** See superb examples of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Century residences and shops; hear stories from the 1600s to now.

Top the day off with a *rousing and uplifting*, funny and sunny production of **Mamma Mia!** at the Riverside Center Dinner Theater. It is the ultimate feel-good, unforgettable show!

**Friday, depart Fredericksburg** approximately 9:15 am for **Richmond, The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts (VMFA)** and their exceptional exhibit **Terracotta Army: Legacy of the First Emperor of China** led by docent or by audio guide. "Discovered in 1974 by farmers in China, an underground army of nearly 8,000 life-size terra cotta figures is known as one of the greatest archaeological finds of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century." More than 40 objects in the exhibition have never been on view in the U.S. We also have a **docent-led Tour of Highlights of VMFA's Main Exhibits** scheduled. **Lunch** will be at the VMFA.

In the afternoon, explore The Story of Virginia from its earliest history to the present at the **Virginia Historical Society's Award Winning Exhibition**, next door to the VMFA. We also have tickets for the VHS's special exhibit, **World War I in America**, featuring objects, multi-media and interactive experiences focusing on WW I as a transformational event.

**Trip Activity Level: Moderately Active.** Walking on uneven ground, stairs (no elevator) at the Fredericksburg Battlefield, Chatham and Belmont; the VMFA requires a lot of walking.

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**Traveler Questionnaire and Information Form**: Complete **Front and Back** for **each** trip participant and submit at the same time as the other trip paperwork.

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Legibly PRINT** Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** H: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ **TEXT?** YES NO

YES NO Is it o.k. to leave messages on answering machine/voice mail?

### **Boxed Lunch, Belmont, Thursday, March 1, 2018 (choose one)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Hummus, Avocado and Roasted Veggie wrap, potato salad, chips, cookie

\_\_\_\_\_ Grilled Tuscan Chicken Breast on Foccacia, potato salad, chips, cookie

\_\_\_\_\_ Turkey and Sharp Cheddar on Kaiser Roll, potato salad, chips, cookie

\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Caesar Salad, roll with butter, cookie

**Special Dietary Needs** (Vegetarian; Vegan; Gluten Free etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

**ILR is paying for each participant to have a personalized tour of the Terra Cotta Army Exhibit: Individual Audio Cassettes or Docent Tour (group of 15).**

**Indicate your preference, if any:**

\_\_\_\_\_ No preference

\_\_\_\_\_ Audio Cassette Tour of Terra Cotta Army (limited to 20)

\_\_\_\_\_ Docent Tour of Terra Cotta Army (limited to 30)

**Current VMFA members receive a \$15 trip reduction.** If you are a VMFA member, indicate your VMFA **Membership #** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Single (King) or Double Room (2 Queen Beds): Comfort Suites, Fredericksburg**

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to room alone, **Single Room** (\$325 [\$310 with VMFA membership])

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to share a **Double Room** (\$275 per person [\$260 with VMFA membership] )

My roommate is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Pls initial. Roommate requests are honored if both parties have submitted paperwork by the Sign-up Deadline, and before a wait-list begins. If the roommate does not work out, I will be responsible for the \$50 difference in cost between a single and double room.

**Please Turn Over and Complete the Reverse Side**

**Type of Room preference (will try to accommodate if possible).**

\_\_\_No preference \_\_\_King \_\_\_Double (2 Queens) \_\_\_handicapped accessible

**Circle One**

**YES NO** Are you interested and/or willing to be a **volunteer photographer** for the ILR newsletter/archives?

**YES NO** Are you interested and/or willing to be our “**embedded journalist**,” to write a summary of our trip experience for the ILR newsletter?

**Emergency Contact information**

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact phone number/s: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dinner** at the Riverside Center on Thursday evening will include 4 menu choices for each guest to be selected at the theater. Indicate any special dietary needs on the front of this form. Our group will sit at tables of 4 or 6, on tiers A and B (elevated), in the center section of the theater (great seats!).

**Lunch** on Friday at the VMFA is: chicken salad croissant, fruit, dessert, beverage. Indicate any special dietary needs on the front of this form.

**Meals include non-alcoholic beverages.** Beer and/or wine are a personal option and may be purchased independently by you at the Riverside Center Dinner Theater before and during dinner.

**Lodging** will be at the Comfort Suites, 541 Warrenton Rd., Fredericksburg, VA 22406 (near the Riverside Center). Breakfast on Friday is included.

**Trip Schedule:** A detailed travel schedule will be available at departure. We will do everything possible to maintain the integrity of the trip, as advertised.

**Gratuities** are included in the cost of the trip: bus driver, restaurant servers and hotel housekeeping staff. Additional “gifts” are a private and personal choice.

**Museum Stores:** Fredericksburg Battlefield, Belmont, VMFA, VHS

**Questions?** Please contact any of the **Best of Fredericksburg and Richmond Travel Committee members, not the ILR Office:** Arlene Ingram ([ajingram42@verizon.net](mailto:ajingram42@verizon.net), 481-0505), Ingrid Leland ([lexleland3@cox.net](mailto:lexleland3@cox.net), 482-0508); Barclay Brown ([barclayab@me.com](mailto:barclayab@me.com), 757-479-3771) and Pat Dryer ([pdryer1@cox.net](mailto:pdryer1@cox.net), 757-755-6229)



# Travel Committee Trip Disclosure Form

This form clarifies the policies of ILR and the commitment of the trip participant

**The Best of Fredericksburg and Richmond**  
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**Overnight Trip: Thursday and Friday, March 1 and 2, 2018**  
**Sign-up Deadline: Friday, January 12, 2018**  
**Minimum: 40 participants; Maximum: 50 participants**

If interested in this outstanding trip, do not wait until the sign-up deadline to submit paperwork. Spaces are filled in the order of receipt. Once the maximum is reached, a numerical *wait list* is kept based on submission date of completed paperwork. If you are traveling with a friend, make certain that your paperwork is submitted simultaneously, otherwise travel for both is not guaranteed.

To secure your reservation/s for this ILR Member Trip, return this signed **Trip Disclosure Form, Traveler Questionnaire and Information Form, Class Registration Form and Check, payable to ILR.**

Please initial each statement below. If a **couple** (i.e. husband and wife) are traveling together, **both** need to initial and sign this document. Copy for your records.

\_\_\_\_\_ ILR reserves the right to cancel a trip if the minimum numbers are not met. Money will be refunded.

\_\_\_\_\_ If a member cancels after the Sign-up Deadline (1/12/18) and a replacement from the office *wait list* is secured, a full refund is issued.

\_\_\_\_\_ If a member cancels after the Sign-up Deadline (1/12/18), and there is ***NO wait list***, ILR does not issue refunds; however, the member may secure his/her replacement with an ILR member, making financial arrangements with the replacement and notifying the ILR office no later than Feb 16, 2018.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Wait List Policy:** If you are on the *wait list*, ILR will notify you as cancellations are received. Those who are still on the *wait list* at the time of the trip will be issued a full refund check.

\_\_\_\_\_ For Singles only: the single price is the appropriate fee for a single traveler without a roommate. If a member wants a roommate, ILR Trip Chair **may** have the name of another single traveler looking for a roommate. If there is a match, a refund will be issued.

\_\_\_\_\_ ILR does not offer trip insurance nor does it recommend any particular trip insurance agency.

\_\_\_\_\_ Primary communication with trip participants will be by E-mail.

Signature/s: PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY AND SIGN

PRINTED NAME

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only: Date Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Trip \$ Pd \_\_\_\_\_ Ck. No. \_\_\_\_\_