



Night at the Tomb

7:00 p.m., April 21, 2011

Meet a National Park Service Ranger in the outdoor plaza in front of the memorial for an after hours visit by candlelight deep into the heart of the mausoleum as part of the sites observance of National Park Week 2011.

Stand before the great granite sarcophagi of Ulysses S. Grant and his wife, Julia.

While you're in the crypt, you just might find yourself exchanging glances with the busts of the five notable generals who watch over Grant's final rest.

This is not an ordinary tour of the memorial, but a unique opportunity to experience the essence of the building.

The NPS is conducting this special event in honor of Grant's contribution to the creation of the National Park System. In 1872, while he was President of the United States, Grant signed a law making Yellowstone the first official National Park.

This year's tour is made even more special by the 150th anniversary observance of the Civil War (2011-15), which offers the current generation of Americans the opportunity to understand, discuss and commemorate this country's greatest national crisis, while exploring its enduring relevance in the 21st century.

The NPS is the steward of more than 100 battlefields, historic homes and other original sites associated with the war and the resulting struggle for Civil Rights, including General Grant National Memorial. This responsibility uniquely positions the NPS to lead the commemoration of America's most defining national struggle and the impact of that struggle on present day America.



Plan Your Visit

General Grant National Memorial is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Ranger-guided tours are offered at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

General Grant National Memorial is located at 122nd Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan.

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