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Field Trips from Field Trip

Field Trip app partners with President Lincoln's Cottage, sponsors free field trips for over 500 DC-area public school students

Washington, D.C. – DC Public School students and students at Title 1 schools in Maryland and Virginia will receive free field trips to President Lincoln's Cottage, thanks to a generous donation from Field Trip from Niantic Labs @ Google. Field Trip is a location-based app. Called the future of augmented reality" by *The Atlantic*, Field Trip is expanding its reach by partnering with President Lincoln's Cottage, the Cradle of the Emancipation Proclamation and the Lincoln family's seasonal retreat in Washington, D.C. Over five hundred area students will benefit from the bus scholarships and free educational programs courtesy of Field Trip.

"We are delighted to announce that Field Trip is sponsoring education programs at President Lincoln's Cottage for local public school students," says Erin Carlson Mast, Executive Director of President Lincoln's Cottage. "Field Trip is already connecting people to unique and interesting places through their app, and we are thrilled that they are extending that vision to our local students by providing them with an opportunity for meaningful, memorable learning experiences outside of the classroom."

President Lincoln's Cottage offers interactive guided tours and dynamic education exercises that bring Abraham Lincoln to life for K-12 students. Elementary school students hear about Lincoln's great ideas and develop their own through creative, hands-on activities, while older students learn about his wartime decision making and debate Lincoln's emancipation policy.

For more information on this and other school programs, contact <u>LincolnEd@savingplaces.org</u> or visit <u>www.lincolncottage.org/visit/education/.</u>

President Lincoln's Cottage, "the Cradle of the Emancipation Proclamation," is located on the grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington, DC. While living here for more than a quarter of his presidency, Abraham Lincoln bonded with soldiers and veterans, made crucial decisions about the Civil War, and, most notably, developed the Emancipation Proclamation his first summer in residence. His daily commute put him in regular contact with wounded soldiers and self-emancipated men, women, and children. Today, the site offers an

intimate, never-before-seen view of Abraham Lincoln's presidency and private life, and new perspectives on the influential ideas Lincoln developed while living here.

Hours of operation: The Robert H. Smith Visitor Education Center is open 9:30am-4:30pm Monday-Saturday and 10:30am-4:30pm Sunday. Cottage tours are on the hour, 7 days a week. For more information on President Lincoln's Cottage, visit: www.lincolncottage.org or call 202-829-0436.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation, a privately-funded non-profit organization, works to save America's historic places. President Lincoln's Cottage is a site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. For more information, visit: www.preservationnation.org.

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