

Media Advisory



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UNBOUND, the Walk to Stop Modern Slavery, Relocated from National Mall to President Lincoln's Cottage Due to Shutdown

WHEN: Saturday October 5, 2013 from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm (RSVP requested by October 5, 2013)

WHERE: President Lincoln's Cottage. Entrance located at the intersection of Rock Creek Church Rd NW and

Upshur St NW (GPS 140 Rock Creek Church Road NW).

WHAT: UNBOUND, a rallying point in Washington, DC to unite the movement to end modern slavery, is

relocating from its original location at the Washington Monument to President Lincoln's Cottage, the Cradle of the Emancipation Proclamation, due to the federal government shutdown. Over 600 abolitionists will join forces for a rally and walk to raise awareness of and support for the anti-slavery movement in the United States and around the world. UNBOUND is presented by Stop Modern Slavery.

President Lincoln's Cottage is a National Monument and site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, a private, non-profit organization. The National Trust for Historic Preservation stewards President Lincoln's Cottage for the public benefit on behalf of the Armed Forces Retirement Home. President Lincoln's Cottage is the only National Monument in the country that receives no federal operating support. Because it is privately funded, President Lincoln's Cottage is able to continue operations during the federal government shut down. The Armed Forces Retirement Home is not affiliated with this event.

9:30 am – Exhibitor fair opens

10:00 am – Musical performance by Sahmuel

10:30 am – Official program begins.

Speakers

Becky McDonald, Founder and President of Women At Risk, International Withelma "T" Ortiz Walker Pettigrew, Survivor Leader and Advocate

Keynote: Martina Vandenberg, Founder & President at The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center

Performances

"UNBOUND" song by Sahmuel

SoulCry!, Dance Performance inspired by the story of a survivor

Batalá Washington Percussion Band

Other

Law Enforcement Award: Detective Bill Woolf

Walker Prizes

Warm Up

12:30 pm – Survivor-led walk begins.

About President Lincoln's Cottage: 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.

About the National Trust for Historic Preservation: 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.