Washington, D.C. Music Itinerary with Festivals
3 Days 2 Nights
This is a Sample – All Itineraries are Customized Per Request

Day 1:

a.m.	**Arrive at your local airport**
	NOTE: It is important to arrive at least two (2) hours prior to the scheduled departure time to allow enough time for baggage check and security screening.
a.m.	**Flight to Washington, D.C.**
a.m.	**Arrive in Washington, D.C.**
a.m.	**Transfer to hotel**
p.m.	**Check into your accommodation and settle in**

p.m. **Visit the Smithsonian National Museum of American History**
Explore the "Musical Crossroads" and related exhibits to see iconic instruments, sheet music, and portraits of legendary musicians. From Sousa's marches to the sounds of jazz, rock, and hip hop, these displays show how music has shaped American culture and identity.

p.m. **Attend a workshop or rehearsal at the Kennedy Centre's Millennium Stage**
Observe or participate in a workshop or rehearsal at one of D.C.'s premier music venues. Depending on availability, your group may interact with local artists or see a performance in progress.

p.m. **Dinner at a local restaurant**
Enjoy a group meal at a student-friendly spot in Penn Quarter or near your hotel.

p.m. **Attend the Home Rule Music Festival – Youth Showcase: "Rooted in Rhythm" at Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company**
Experience a showcase of D.C.'s rising young musicians, featuring energetic performances and the city's signature Go-Go rhythms.

p.m. **Return to hotel and rest for the night**

Day 2

a.m. **Flow in for continental breakfast at the hotel**

a.m. **Explore the National Mall**
Visit landmarks like the Lincoln Memorial and Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial. Take time for group photos and reflection at these inspiring sites.

p.m. **Participate in the first mass rehearsal of the Nation's Capital Festival at National City Christian Church**
Join musicians from across the country for the opening rehearsal, led by renowned conductors. Begin preparing the festival repertoire and connect with your peers.

p.m. **Dinner at a local restaurant**
Enjoy a group dinner at a classic D.C. spot, such as Carmine's or Founding Farmers.

p.m. **Optional: Attend a performance at the Kennedy Centre or another local venue if schedules allow, enjoy an evening of live music or theatre in D.C.**

p.m. **Return to hotel and rest for the night**

Day 3

a.m. **Flow in for continental breakfast at the hotel**

a.m. **Visit the Smithsonian Folklife Festival on the National Mall**
Engage with the 2025 theme, "Youth and the Future of Culture," through performances and workshops led by young artists. Try hands-on activities and discover new musical styles. 2026 theme will be "Nation's 250th"

p.m. **Continue rehearsals for the Nation's Capital Festival**
Refine your performance with additional rehearsals at National City Christian Church and prepare for the culminating concert.

p.m. **Dinner at a local restaurant**
Gather for a final group meal and share highlights from your D.C. adventure.

p.m. **Attend an evening concert or participate in a cultural exchange with a local school or community group**
Experience D.C.'s vibrant music community, whether through a festival concert or a collaborative event with local students.

p.m. **Return to hotel and prepare for departure the next day**

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