

CACI's annual Convention July 8-14, 2018
Get Charmed in Charm City - Baltimore!
*"...the Coolest City on the East Coast"**
Post-Convention July 14-17, 2018

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Panorama of the Baltimore Harbor

Baltimore has 66 National Register Historic Districts and 33 local historic districts. Over 65,000 properties in Baltimore are designated historic buildings in the National Register of Historic Places, more than any other U.S. city.

Baltimore - first Catholic Diocese (1789) and Archdiocese (1808) in the United States, with the first Bishop (and Archbishop) John Carroll; the first seminary (1791 – St Mary's Seminary) and Cathedral (begun in 1806, and now known as the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - a National Historic Landmark).

O! Say can you see...

Home of Fort McHenry and the Star Spangled Banner

A monumental city - more public statues and monuments per capita than any other city in the country
Harborplace – Crabs - National Aquarium – Maryland Science Center – Theater, Arts, Museums
Birthplace of Edgar Allan Poe, Babe Ruth – Orioles baseball

Our hotel is the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor



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For exploring Charm City, you couldn't find a better location than the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor. A stone's throw from the water, it gets high points for its proximity to the sights, a rooftop pool and spacious rooms. The 14-story glass façade is one of the most eye-catching in the area. The breathtaking lobby has a tilted wall of windows letting in the sunlight. The 488 rooms are generously sized, many with views of sailboats gliding across the Inner Harbor. The latest amenities are all here, from docking stations for your iPod to flat-panel TVs with movies on demand, and complimentary

broadband WiFi. A lushly landscaped rooftop pool and sundeck are popular destinations, especially with their sweeping views of the harbor. The exercise room is filled with all the latest equipment.

On the western edge of the Inner Harbor, the Hyatt Regency is across the street from Harborplace, a dream destination for foodies and fashionistas. The hotel is 10 miles from Baltimore-Washington Thurgood Marshall International Airport (BWI), and less than 2 miles from Baltimore’s Penn Station (Amtrak).



Atrium Lobby



Rooftop Pool

Discover Baltimore

The Hyatt Regency Hotel is a 5-10 minute walk to multiple attractions, including

- National Aquarium
- Maryland Science Center (including Imax, Planetarium)
- Historic ships
 - USS Constellation
 - USS Torsk (WWII submarine in the Pacific)
 - USCGC Taney (1930s Coast Guard Cutter)
- Oriole Park, Camden Yards
- Babe Ruth Birthplace and Museum
- Top of the World Observation Center

Still nearby – easy by Charm City Circulator (free) or “Water Taxi” (some are 15-20 minute walk)

- Federal Hill
- Visionary Arts Museum
- Museum of Industry
- Fort McHenry (National Monument; Star Spangled Banner; War of 1812)
- Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Museum
- Star Spangled Banner Flag House
- Baltimore Basilica (America's first Cathedral)
- Edgar Allan Poe's grave
- Little Italy
- Fells Point
- The Walters Art Museum

Getting to/from or around Baltimore

- FREE Charm City Circulator – the Orange, Purple, and Banner routes all stop within 1 block of hotel
- “Water Taxi” to multiple points around the Inner Harbor
- Baltimore Light Rail – (to/from BWI airport, and many points in Baltimore) – nearest station is at Camden Yards, about 2-3 blocks from hotel – (\$1.80 to/from BWI)
- MARC Commuter train to/from DC (\$8), and points in between
 - Camden Line (2-3 blocks from hotel)
 - Penn Line (1.6 miles from hotel) – same as Amtrak station

Learn more, at

<http://www.baltimore.org>

<http://www.harborplace.com>

<https://mta.maryland.gov/light-rail>

<http://www.charmcitycirculator.com>

- Visit Baltimore

- Harborplace – the area near our hotel

- Baltimore Light Rail

- Charm City Circulator

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 or call Visit Baltimore at 1-877-Baltimore (1-877-225-8466)

TOURS - Several tours are planned – Charm City Tour, Baltimore Basilica tour, Catholic history tour, a Harbor Cruise, Star Spangled City Tour, a day trip to Annapolis (with multiple stops), Oriole Park at Camden Yards historic ballpark tour, and an Orioles-Yankees baseball game.



The Baltimore Basilica, America’s first Cathedral (1821) built for the nation’s first diocese is now officially known as the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The new nation’s first bishop, John Carroll, wanted the new cathedral to match the neoclassical architecture of the new “federal city” in Washington. In the 19th century, the famous Baltimore Catechism was commissioned by a Council of Bishops in meetings at the Basilica. We will attend Mass and tour the Basilica on Tuesday afternoon.

On Sunday evening, we will have a speaker on the history and science findings of the *Shroud of Turin*, including a full-sized replica of the Shroud.



On Sunday and again on Monday, we will offer a “Charm City tour” to include visits to Edgar Allan Poe’s gravesite and to neighborhoods such as Fells Point, Mt. Vernon, with a stop at the iconic Belvedere Hotel, visited by several former Presidents. The Belvedere was featured in the social and political life of Baltimore for half a century.

A “Star Spangled City Tour” will include the Fort McHenry Historic Shrine, and the Flag House and Star Spangled Banner Museum. It was the American flag flying over the fort near the end of the Battle of Baltimore during the War of 1812 that inspired Francis Scott Key, a young attorney who observed the flag from a ship in Baltimore Harbor, to write the words to what would become our national anthem, “The Star Spangled Banner.” The Flag House is the 1793 home of Mary Pickersgill where she sewed the flag that flew over Ft. McHenry during the Battle of Baltimore.

A tour offered on Wednesday will be a special visit to Annapolis and the US Naval Academy, the Maryland State House (since 1772 the oldest state capitol in continuous legislative use), the Carroll House (learn about the one of the most prominent Catholic families in the English colonies) and St. Mary’s Church (among the largest and most impressive historic sites in Annapolis).



Post-Convention: A post-convention trip (Saturday, July 14, through Tuesday, July 17) will include a day at the Gettysburg Battlefield National Park in Pennsylvania and the nearby Elizabeth Seton Shrine in Emmitsburg Maryland, and two days in Washington DC to include the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, St. John Paul II National Shrine, Old Post Office Tower, Library of Congress, Arlington National Cemetery, Ford’s Theater, and more! Contact Mike Kappel (618-397-2320, mikek21798@aol.com) or Betsy Pohlhaus (301-943-1858. betsyp@verizon.net) for more information.

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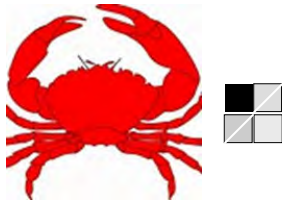
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