



**20<sup>th</sup> Annual Cherry Blossom Freedom Walk**  
**Saturday – April 7, 2018**  
**National Japanese American Memorial**

**9:00 AM**  
**Check-in/Registration Opens**

**9:30 AM**  
**Performance**  
**Nen Daiko Japanese Taiko Drummers**

**10:00 AM**  
**His Excellency Shinsuke Sugiyama (invited)**  
*Ambassador of Japan to the United States*

**The Honorable Norman Y. Mineta (invited)**  
*Former Cabinet Secretary*

**Keynote Panel:**  
**Ms. Deepa Iyer, racial justice advocate, lawyer, writer**  
**Mr. David Inoue, Executive Director, Japanese American Citizens League**

**11:00 AM**  
**FREEDOM WALK**  
 Short, non-competitive symbolic walk to affirm our resolve to uphold the constitutional rights of all Americans. This family-friendly event is suitable for all walkers, runners, children, wheelchairs, and strollers.

**Location:**  
**National Japanese American Memorial to Patriotism During World War II.**  
**Intersection of D St., NW, New Jersey Ave, NW and Louisiana Ave., NW**

An official event of the National Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, DC, the family-friendly Cherry Blossom Freedom Walk is a historical and cultural event to raise awareness about the Japanese American experience during World War II and to highlight the vigilant role that American citizens must continue to play in preserving the Constitutional rights of all Americans. The Memorial was built as a lasting tribute to the more than 33,000 Japanese American soldiers who served with great distinction in the U.S. Military. The Memorial also pays tribute to the more than 120,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who were unjustly relocated in the American confinement sites during World War II and is also a testament to our nation's greatness that it does not fear to acknowledge its mistakes.

There is no charge to attend the Cherry Blossom Freedom Walk. Donations, however, are warmly welcomed and will help support the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation's nationwide educational and outreach efforts, including events such as the Freedom Walk and the Annual Day of Remembrance, a jointly sponsored program with the Smithsonian Institution to observe the signing of Executive Order 9066 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, which led to the imprisonment of 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry during World War II.

Other sponsors: National Japanese American Memorial Foundation, Japanese American Veterans Association, DC Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, and Ekoji Buddhist Temple.

The NJAMF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, and donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. For more information about the Memorial and the Foundation, please visit [www.njameorial.org](http://www.njameorial.org). For more information about the Freedom Walk, please visit [www.ncbfreedomwalk.org](http://www.ncbfreedomwalk.org).

**Registration Form – 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Cherry Blossom Freedom Walk on Saturday, April 7, 2018**

**Yes!** I/We will attend the 2018 Freedom Walk.       **No.** I/We can't make it but would like to make a donation.

Number of individuals in your party: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Donation to the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation (optional)

\$

Please make check payable to:  
**National Japanese American Memorial Foundation**

Please designate "Freedom Walk" on your check and send it and the completed form to:

Cherry Blossom Freedom Walk  
 c/o NJAMF  
 4200 Wisconsin Avenue, NW  
 #106-236  
 Washington, DC 20016

Please note that donations made via Paypal will be charged a Service fee.

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