

Thank you for your interest in the 57th Presidential Inauguration, which will be held on Monday, January 21, 2013 in Washington, DC. Additional information about the ceremony can be found on the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies' [website](#) and the committee's [Facebook page](#) .



Tickets for the Swearing-In

Tickets for the Inaugural swearing-in ceremonies will be distributed in January 2013 by both Senators and Representatives of the 113th Congress. Please be aware that each Member of Congress will receive a very limited number of tickets to distribute.

Residents of Virginia's 3rd Congressional District who are interested in attending the Inaugural Ceremony must submit a request by clicking on the Ticket Request button below.

Tickets for this event are in high demand and limited supply. In an effort to afford the greatest number of constituents an opportunity to participate in the Inauguration, applicants must:

- Be residents of Virginia's 3rd Congressional District (non-3rd District Residents should

contact their [Representatives](#) and/or [Senators](#));

- Request no more than 2 tickets; and
- Submit complete contact information on the form provided by Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 11:59 P.M.

Please be aware that not all who request tickets will receive them, but my office will be in touch with everyone that places a request. At this time, we do not know how many tickets we will receive. We will receive our tickets in January.

If you are selected to receive tickets, you will be required to pick up the tickets in person prior to the ceremony.

These tickets are free to the public and not intended for sale. We reserve the right to refuse tickets to anyone determined to be selling them.



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Who will receive tickets to the Inauguration?

As a Member of Congress, my office receives a limited number of tickets to distribute to my constituents who plan on visiting Washington, D.C. for this event. Unfortunately, given the high demand for tickets, it is impossible to accommodate every request.

Do I have to be a resident of the 3rd Congressional District to receive tickets to the Inauguration through your office?

My office is only available to distribute tickets to residents of Virginia's Third Congressional District. If you do not live in the 3rd Congressional District of Virginia, you can request tickets through your [Representative](#) or [Senators](#) .

How do I request tickets to the Inauguration from your office?

Tickets must be requested via the online webform at <https://forms.house.gov/bobbyscott/webforms/inauguration.html> . If you are a resident of Virginia's 3rd Congressional District and do not have access to the Internet, please call any of my offices to submit your request. My Newport News Office number is (757) 380-1000; my Richmond Office number is (804) 644-4845; and my Washington, DC Office number is (202) 225-8351.

How will you determine who receives a ticket?

Tickets will be distributed by random selection to valid requests submitted by **Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 11:59 p.m**
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NOT

be distributed on a first come, first serve basis. Each request will be limited to two tickets regardless of how many tickets are requested.

When will I find out if I received a ticket?

You will be contacted by email or phone in early January if you were assigned tickets through the selection process. Please do not make your travel plans contingent on receiving tickets.

How will I receive my ticket if selected?

All tickets must be picked up in person. A photo ID will be required to pick up tickets. They will not be sent electronically or through the mail. Ticket recipients will be notified in January when tickets can be picked up at my office.

If I receive a ticket, where will I be for the swearing-in ceremonies?

Tickets will most likely be for standing room only areas along the National Mall. Due to crowds, security procedures and the length of the ceremonies, ticket holders should expect to be standing outside in winter weather for several hours.

What if I don't get a ticket? Can I still attend the Inauguration?

A ticket is not required to view the Inaugural swearing-in ceremonies, only to enter the cordoned ticketed areas. While a ticket may place you physically closer to the swearing-in itself, the majority of people will view the Inauguration from the National Mall. The National Park Service oversees the National Mall and is working to coordinate Inauguration Day logistics. Please check back closer to Inauguration Day for more detailed information or visit <http://www.nps.gov>

The Inauguration is a National Special Security Event (NSSE) and the Inaugural tickets are printed with embedded security features. No one will be admitted access to the ticketed areas of the swearing-in ceremonies at the U.S. Capitol without an authorized Inaugural ticket.

Can I buy a ticket to the Inauguration?

Tickets are free of charge and are not for sale. Be skeptical if someone offers to sell you a ticket - online or in person - to the Inaugural swearing-in ceremonies. Tickets will not be distributed to Congressional offices until January; if you see that tickets are being sold before January 2013, you can assume they are fraudulent.

If I receive a ticket to the Inauguration, can I sell it?

You should not attempt to sell, swap, or trade your ticket. It may soon become illegal to do so,

and it is against the spirit of the event.

Can I bring my children to the Inauguration?

Event organizers discourage bringing young children to the Inaugural ceremonies due to weather conditions, the length of time you will spend standing and limited access to restroom and dining facilities. If you do decide to bring your child(ren), please keep in mind that all children old enough to walk must have their own ticket and strollers are not allowed in any ticketed areas.

Is the Inauguration accessible for visitors with disabilities?

All entrances into ticketed areas are accessible. Please note that each person, including aides, must have a ticket. While traffic around the Capitol will be severely restricted, drop-off locations as close as possible to the ceremonies will be designated by Capitol Police as Inauguration Day approaches. Sign language interpreters will be posted at specified locations within most ticketed sections. In addition, jumbo-trons with open captioning may be placed in various locations. If you have questions regarding accessibility, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

What about tickets to the Inaugural parade?

My office only distributes tickets to the Inaugural swearing-in ceremonies at the U.S. Capitol. The Inaugural parade is organized by the Presidential Inaugural Committee (PIC), which is formed by the President/President-elect following the election. If you are with an organization that is interested in participating in the 2013 Inaugural parade, please contact the Presidential Inaugural Parade Management Joint Task Force - National Capital Region (<http://www.2013inaugurationparade.mil>).

Please note if your group is selected to participate in the parade or other inaugural events, you will be responsible for all logistics, funding, and costs associated with participation including transportation, lodging and meals.

How do I get tickets to one of the Inaugural balls?

My office can only distribute tickets to the Inaugural swearing-in ceremonies at the U.S. Capitol. The official Inaugural balls are organized by the Presidential Inaugural Committee (PIC), which is formed by the President/President-elect following the election. For more information, please visit the Presidential Inaugural Committee's website at www.2013pic.org .

Can I tour the U.S. Capitol on Inauguration Day?

Due to security procedures, public tours of the U.S. Capitol will not be available on Monday, January 21, 2013.

How do I get to the Inauguration?

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro) will provide extended transit service on Inauguration Day, beginning at 4:00 a.m. on Monday, January 21, 2013 through 2:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 22, 2013. For more information, please visit <http://www.wmata.com/>

How many people are expected to attend the 2013 Inauguration swearing-in ceremonies?

Metro planners are estimating a crowd of 500,000 to 800,000 for the 2013 Inauguration festivities. In 2009, crowds were estimated at 1.5 million attendees.

What will the weather be like on Inauguration Day?

January is historically cold and wet in Washington, D.C. If you attend the Inaugural ceremonies as a ticketed guest or along the National Mall, please be prepared to be outside in the cold for several hours.

Where can I find additional information about the Inauguration?

My office will continue to update our website as more details regarding the 57th Presidential Inauguration become available. The Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (JCCIC) is the official entity responsible for the Inaugural Ceremonies, and I encourage you to visit them online at:

- <http://www.inaugural.senate.gov>
- <http://www.facebook.com/JCCIC>
- <http://www.2013pic.org>

The Presidential Inaugural Committee (PIC) is a non-profit, private organization working on behalf of the President/President-elect and is tasked with the responsibility of organizing all Inaugural events, including the Inaugural parade and the official Inaugural balls. For more information about the Presidential Inaugural Committee, please visit: www.2013pic.org

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