



GEORGE W. BUSH
PRESIDENTIAL CENTER

2024 SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS*

Open Daily	Laura W. Bush Native Texas Park Self-Guided Tours <i>Laura W. Bush Native Texas Park</i> The Native Texas Park, open year-round, reflects President and Mrs. Bush's love of the native Texas landscape. Visitors can explore 15-acres of native Texas environments such as Blackland Prairie, Post Oak Savannah, and Cross Timbers Forest. The Park is open daily for self-guided tours from sunrise until sunset. Guided tours will be available for free every Saturday at 10 a.m. starting March 23 through June 1, weather permitting. Reservations for guided tours and printable self-guided tours can be found here .
Fridays 10:00 a.m. CT	Storytime at the Bush Museum <i>George W. Bush Presidential Museum</i> Join us for storytime in the children's reading area of the Boeing Company Exhibition Gallery at the George W. Bush Presidential Museum. Each week, a Bush Center staff member will read aloud one of Mrs. Laura Bush's favorite picture books or from her recommended reading list. Afterward, attendees can explore the Bush Museum and our special exhibit <i>Freedom Matters</i> . This event is free with museum admission and recommended for ages five and under. Visit the Bush Center here for future events and information.
Saturdays and Sundays	The Situation Room Tour <i>George W. Bush Presidential Museum</i> The Situation Room is the nerve center of information for the President of the United States. Experience a deep dive into the history of The Situation Room and get a free tour. Tours are available on Saturdays at 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., and 2 p.m. and on Sundays at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. CT. Visit the Bush Center here for information and registration.
On view through December 31, 2024	<i>Freedom Matters</i> Special Exhibit on View <i>George W. Bush Presidential Museum</i> Explore the ongoing pursuit of liberty in this special exhibit. Featuring rare artifacts and interactive activities, <i>Freedom Matters</i> highlights the importance of freedom in building peaceful societies, how the work of freedom advocates has changed the lives of millions, and what we all can learn from the study of history. Government records, including a 14th-century copy of the Magna Carta and rare versions of the Declaration of Independence, Constitution of the United States, and Bill of Rights, will be on display as well as pivotal documents and objects from world history, including newspapers chronicling women's suffrage and rare books by thinkers from Jean-Jacques Rousseau to Martin Luther King, Jr. Visit the Bush Center here for more information and ticket purchases.



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March 18, 2024
1:00 p.m. CT

Book Signing with Author Anita McBride – *Remember the First Ladies*

George W. Bush Museum Store

Former Chief of Staff to Mrs. Laura Bush and author **Anita McBride** will be signing copies of her latest book, *Remember the First Ladies*, at the Bush Museum Store. This is a groundbreaking book showing the evolutionary role of the first lady and its historic importance on the American presidency. The book shines a light on the influential women who broke barriers and made a mark on our country and, at times, our world, during their tenures in the White House.

[Pre-order your copy today from the Bush Museum Store.](#) If you plan to attend the book signing event, please select the option to pick up your book in person at the Museum Store.

Visit the Bush Center [here](#) for more information about the book.

March 18, 2024
6:00 p.m. CT

A Conversation with White House Social Secretaries

Engage at the Bush Center, presented by NexPoint

George W. Bush Presidential Center

A panel of former White House social secretaries will share insights and behind-the-scenes stories about entertaining at the White House. From State Dinners to picnics on the South Lawn, the experts will discuss the importance of the White House as a stage for hospitality and diplomacy.

Anita McBride, former Assistant to President Bush and Chief of Staff to Mrs. Laura Bush, will moderate a conversation with **Jeremy Bernard**, former White House Social Secretary to President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama; **Gahl Hodges Burt**, former White House Social Secretary to President Ronald Reagan and First Lady Nancy Reagan; and **Amy Zantzinger**, former White House Social Secretary to President Bush and Mrs. Laura Bush.

Visit the Bush Center [here](#) for more information and ticket purchases.

March 18, 2024
7:00 p.m. CT

White House Dinner Experience

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Join us for a White House Dinner Experience following our *Engage at the Bush Center* event.

Underwriting commitment is required to attend. Please call 214.200.4391 for more information. Due to the nature of the event, space is very limited.

March 23, 2024
10:00 a.m. CT

Family Easter Celebration at the Bush Center

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Join us this spring season at the Bush Center for a joyful celebration of Easter spirit. The Family Easter Celebration offers egg hunts, a bunny petting zoo, and the chance to visit with the Easter Bunny himself! Don't miss the opportunity to participate in our spring scavenger hunt as you engage with our friendly Texas Master Naturalists to find signs of spring in the Laura W. Bush Native Texas Park.

Exclusively for Members and Donors. Register your attendance [here](#).



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April 8, 2024
12:00 p.m. CT

Great North American Eclipse Viewing in the Laura W. Bush Native Texas Park

Laura W. Bush Native Texas Park

Step into the heart of the Laura W. Bush Native Texas Park for a chance to see the Great North American Eclipse as it crosses Dallas on April 8. Texas Master Naturalists will offer tours of the park while we wait for the eclipse to reach totality around 1:40 p.m. Join us at the Bush Center to experience this rare and exciting event.

Note: This event is at capacity. Visit the Bush Center [here](#) for future events and information.

April 10, 2024

Free Admission to the George W. Bush Presidential Museum

George W. Bush Presidential Museum

In honor of the City of University Park's Centennial Celebration, the Museum will offer free admission to all visitors.

Visit the Bush Center [here](#) for future events and information.

April 11, 2024
5:00 – 8:00 p.m. CT

Bush Museum After Hours

George W. Bush Presidential Museum

Visit the Bush Museum during extended evening hours and experience all the museum offers – a moving exhibit on September 11, 2001, a replica Oval Office, and an interactive experience in presidential decision-making through the Decision Points Theater. The museum is also host to a variety of special exhibitions that delve deeply into unique topics and provide insights that only a presidential center can offer.

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April 17, 2024
5:30 p.m. CT

Forum on Leadership Gala and Dinner

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Join us for our seventh annual Forum on Leadership Gala and Dinner hosted by **President and Mrs. Bush**, where he will present the 2024 *George W. Bush Medal for Distinguished Leadership* to **Indra Nooyi**, former CEO of PepsiCo. As one of the world's most admired business leaders and strategic thinkers, she is a sought-after advisor to entrepreneurs, executives, and governments and a revered role model for women and immigrants. She will participate in a moderated conversation about her life, career, and unique perspective on the challenges in our world today. The *Trailblazer Citation* will also be awarded to an innovator who has effected change in the North Texas region, focusing on social welfare, health, economic empowerment, education, or has otherwise enriched the quality of life in North Texas.

Exclusively for the President's Council, Sustaining Benefactors, and Founding Donor Members. Registration is required and a formal invitation has been mailed.



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April 18, 2024
9:00 a.m. CT

Forum on Leadership

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The George W. Bush Presidential Center will host the seventh annual Forum on Leadership titled “**The Call of Freedom**” to highlight how the values that underpin democracy and human rights are not just American values but universal ones.

Freedom worldwide has declined for almost two decades, and powers in Beijing and Moscow have exploited the crisis. Many countries are contending with democratic backsliding, and authoritarian regimes are flexing their muscles in and beyond their borders. Now is the moment to reaffirm and expand America’s commitment to the democratic principles that have enshrined fundamental human rights in free societies. Such principles have fostered relative peace and prosperity for an unprecedented period throughout human history.

Prominent figures in the global community will discuss the state of freedom globally, threats to it, and how it is in U.S. national interests to encourage democratization and respect for human rights. The *George W. Bush Institute Citation* will also be awarded to a leader or organization who has made an impact in their community and has inspired others to take action to solve today’s most pressing challenges.

Exclusively for Leadership Circle, President’s Council, Sustaining Benefactors, Founding Donor, and Corporate Leadership Society members. Registration is required and a formal invitation has been mailed.

May 6, 2024 -
May 10, 2024

Teacher Appreciation Week at the George W. Bush Presidential Museum

George W. Bush Presidential Museum

Celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week at the Bush Museum. Beginning this week and moving forward indefinitely, **K-12 educators will receive free daily admission to the Bush Museum.**

Visit the Bush Center [here](#) for future events and information.

May 14, 2024

Young Professionals Networking Reception

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Young Professionals members are invited to a networking reception before the *Engage at the Bush Center*, presented by NexPoint program. The networking reception is complimentary and a benefit of membership. If you wish to attend the *Engage* program, a ticket purchase is required.

Exclusively for Young Professionals members, the Bush Center’s emerging professionals’ group. Registration is required, more details to come. Visit the [Young Professional](#) for information on joining.



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May 14, 2024
6:30 p.m. CT

Laura Bush Book Club with *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* Author Heather Morris
Engage at the Bush Center presented by NexPoint
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Mrs. Bush is excited to welcome **Heather Morris** to the Bush Center for the sixth “Laura Bush Book Club” edition of Engage. Morris is the author of three novels, including *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*, a No. 1 international bestseller that sold more than 12 million copies in 47 languages and will soon be an original series on Peacock.

It has been described as a “beautiful, illuminating tale of hope and courage...based on interviews that were conducted with Holocaust survivor and Auschwitz-Birkenau tattooist Ludwig (Lale) Sokolov—an unforgettable love story in the midst of atrocity.” **Anne Wicks**, the Don Evans Family Managing Director of Opportunity and Democracy at the Bush Institute, will moderate what is sure to be a memorable conversation.

Your ticket purchase includes entry to the event and conversation. Add-ons are available for purchase when you register for the event including a copy of the book, *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*.

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May 20, 2024

The Catalyst Webinar
Webinar Conference Call

The Catalyst: A Journal of Ideas from the Bush Institute is a quarterly publication that operates from the belief that ideas matter. They shape public policies, spur action, and lead to results. As we release issues of *The Catalyst*, join us for a webinar presenting contributors and other experts to address the central question.

The exact timing and details will be confirmed closer to the event.

May 22, 2024

Corporate Leadership Society Open House
George W. Bush Presidential Museum

CLS members across North Texas are invited for an employee-only evening at the Bush Center. This unique networking event will give business leaders and their employees an opportunity to hear from a Bush Institute expert on a leading issue and tour the Bush Museum after hours while enjoying cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

Exclusively for Corporate Leadership Society members. Registration is required, more details to come.

*Dates will be confirmed soon; details and format are subject to change.
For more information on any event, please email donorservices@bushcenter.org