



VVA “Massing of the Colors” Veterans Day 2022 ★ 1200 – 1530 TIPS & INFORMATION

ARRIVAL: Plan to arrive at the VVA Check-In Area on the East Knoll at least 30 minutes EARLY – 12:15 p.m. D.C. traffic is unpredictable. **Arrival no later than 12:15 p.m.**

DROP-OFF: Drop off is at the intersection of Constitution Avenue & 21st Street (see map on next page).

PARKING: There is no available parking.

FAMILY: If a family member or other companion(s) are attending, they will be seated separately. Have them reserve seating by October 31st at the VVMF website: <https://www.vvmf.org/veteransday2022/?landing-section=2>

DRESS CODE: There is no formal VVA dress code.

RESTROOMS: The two closest restrooms are marked on the map provided. They are each roughly 5-10 minutes from where the Color Guards congregate.

CHECK-IN: On the East Knoll, find VVA’s group and look for **Dennis Howland** who will be handling the check-in process. Check-in is required for reimbursement to state councils.

LINE-UP: After check-in, look for **Grant Coates**, who is leading the Massing of the Colors. He will direct the Color Guards for line-up. **Step-off time is 12:45 p.m.**

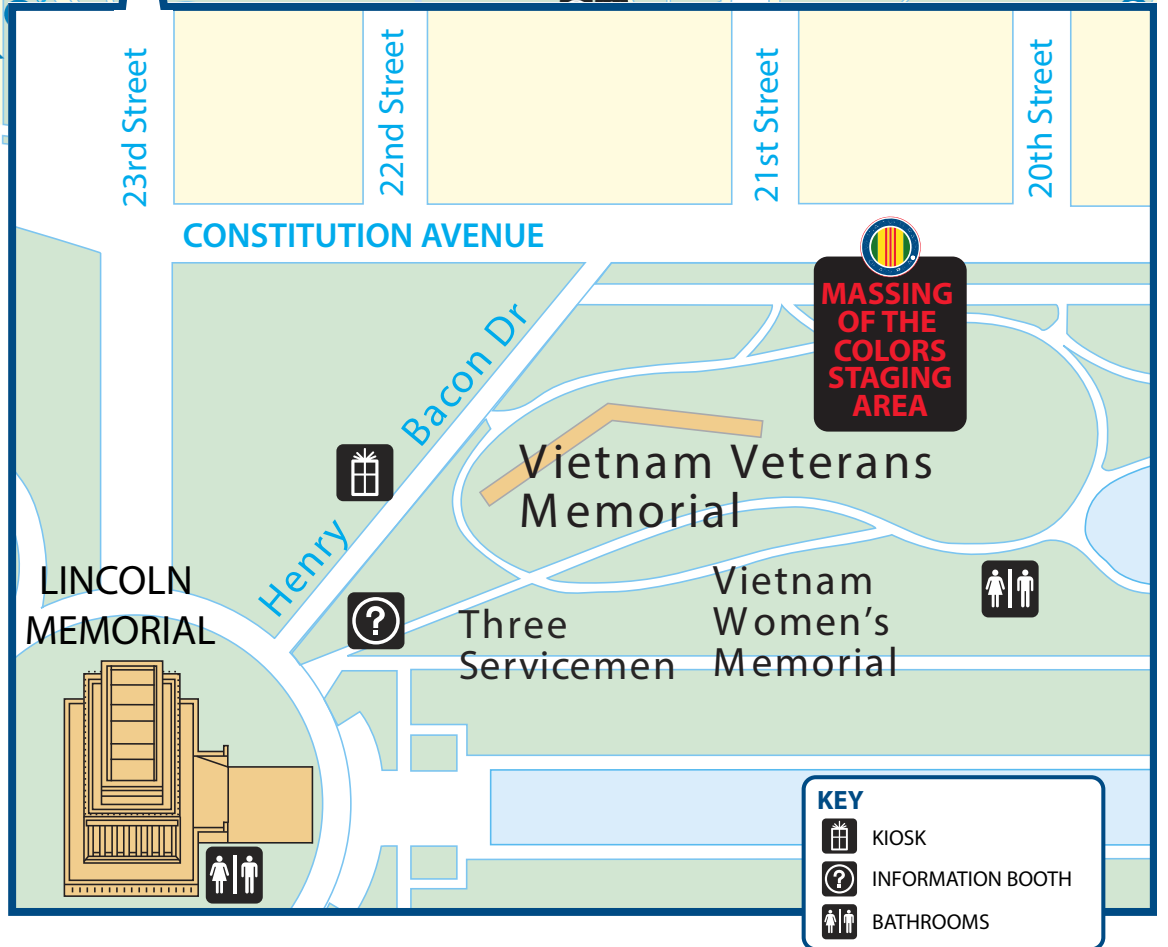
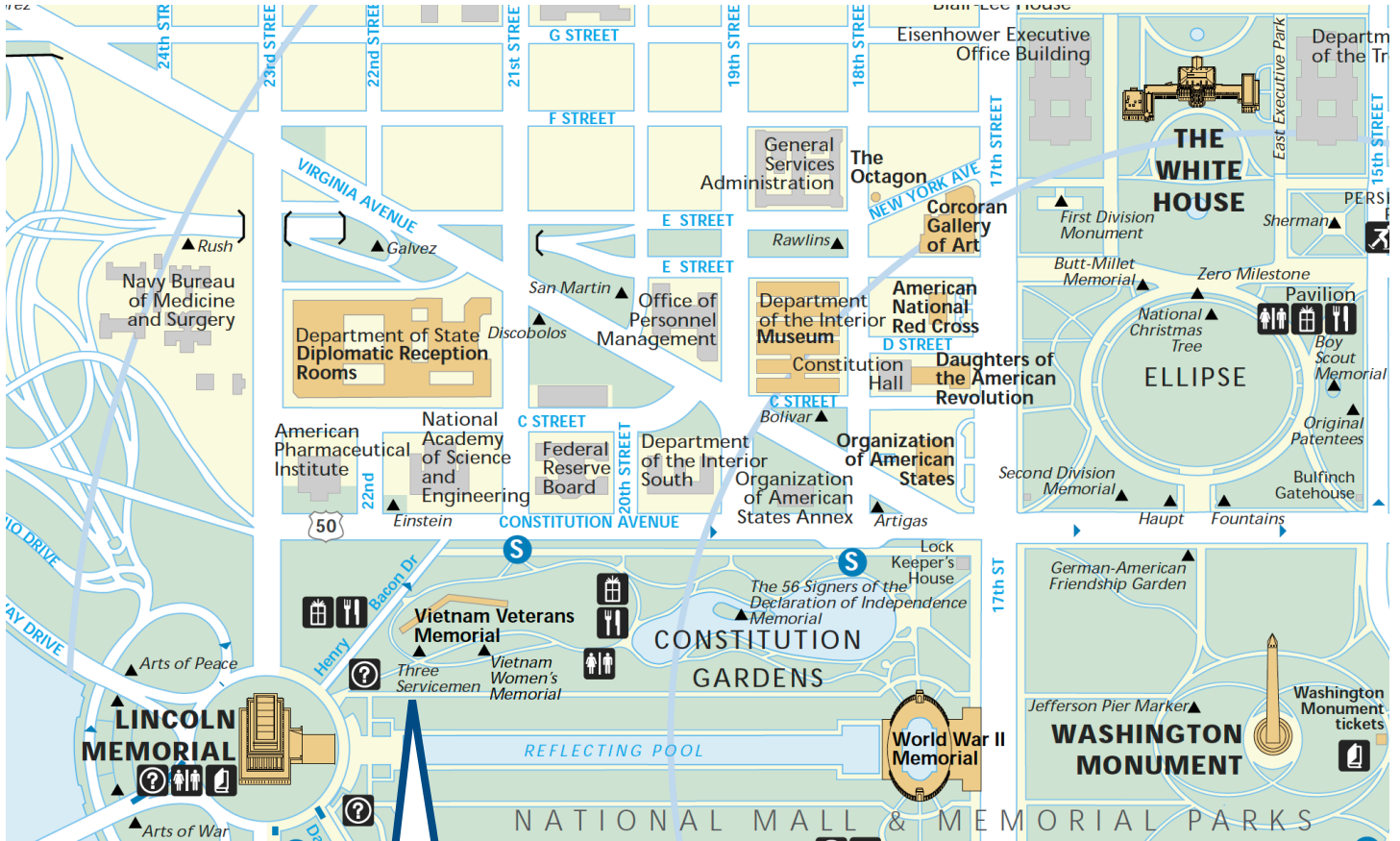
NO STORAGE: There is no place to leave flag holders, cases, bags, etc. Please do not bring unnecessary items.

MARCH: The march is **route-step**. This is **not** a formal Parading of Colors. The length of the route is 100-125 yards, roughly the length of a football field.




INVITATION POST-EVENT: After the ceremony, we invite all the Color Guards, family, and friends to come to VVA National Office in Silver Spring for a **Welcome Home Reception in your honor**. Food, drinks, and camaraderie. Join us from **4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at 8719 Colesville Road, Ste. 100, Silver Spring, MD 20910**.

CONTACT: Grant Coates: 607-434-9884 with questions about the Massing of the Colors.

Event Area Map



MASSING OF THE COLORS STAGING AREA

- KEY**
-  KIOSK
 -  INFORMATION BOOTH
 -  BATHROOMS