It goes without saying that Washington, DC has an extraordinary selection of historical and cultural attractions to explore. Below are some activities and events you might consider for yourself, your family or children if they are traveling with you to the AATA conference. We are also listing some of the regular and “seasonal” attractions in Washington, DC. Please note that some of the listed activities are geared toward adults. You can also go to the “Visit DC” website for a complete list of attractions. https://washington.org/things-do-washington-dc.

**Conference Events/Activities**

**Thursday to Sunday - 7:30 am to 6:00 pm: Lactation Room.** We have secured a room near the conference meeting rooms to be used as a lactation room for those who are nursing or pumping. The room will have plug points and a mini-fridge and microwave. Please let us know if you plan to use the room so we can make sure your needs are met!

**Friday, October 30 - 4:00 to 5:00 pm: Seasonal Art-Making Event in the Open Art Studio.** Parents and children are invited to this session to participate in making seasonal art, and/or creating or enhancing Halloween costumes. Art supplies and materials will be available, and several art therapists will be on-hand to guide the activity. Please note that parents must attend this event with their children.

**Saturday, October 31 - 12:00 to 1:00 pm: Halloween Parade and Trick-or-Treating in the Exhibit Hall.** Parents and children are invited to join a parade in the exhibit hall, and trick-or-treat throughout the space. AATA will have a party bag for each participating child filled with goodies for the season!

**Events/Activities in Washington, DC**

- **19 Kid-Friendly Attractions and Hand-on Museums in Washington, DC.**
- **8 “Must See” National Monuments in DC.**
- **National Children’s Museum** - The National Children’s Museum is a children’s museum and science center in downtown Washington, D.C. It is intended to serve children up to age 12 and their families through interactive exhibits exploring science, technology, engineering, art, and math. [https://nationalchildrensmuseum.org/](https://nationalchildrensmuseum.org/)
- **Boo at the Zoo on Oct. 23, 24 and 25.** Kids can go trick-or-treating at the zoo, plus dance party and kids’ karaoke. [https://nationalzoo.si.edu/events/boo-zoo/](https://nationalzoo.si.edu/events/boo-zoo/)
- **Trick or Treat at Mt. Vernon –** A bit out of our conference location (estimated 30 to 40 minute drive depending on time of day/rush hour). But Mount Vernon is a very historical landmark in the DC Metro area. Trick-or-treat at Mount Vernon! The estate will again open its gates for Halloween fun and spook-tacular activities. [https://www.mountvernon.org/plan-your-visit/calendar/events/trick-or-treating-at-mount-vernon/](https://www.mountvernon.org/plan-your-visit/calendar/events/trick-or-treating-at-mount-vernon/)
- **Trick or Treat at Tudor Place in Georgetown.** The 2020 date is not yet posted. Family-friendly Halloween fun. Get into the Halloween spirit! Explore the Tudor Place garden as the seasons change, and trick or treat throughout the site. Decorate your own haunted house and make a spooky tree craft. Play traditional outdoor games, enjoy face painting, and paint your own pumpkin to bring home. Costumes suggested but not required. [https://georgetowner.com/event/trick-or-treat-at-tudor-place-2/](https://georgetowner.com/event/trick-or-treat-at-tudor-place-2/)

**ADULT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

- **Adult Activity: Night of the Living Zoo -** [https://nationalzoo.si.edu/events/night-living-zoo](https://nationalzoo.si.edu/events/night-living-zoo), on Oct. 30th (okay, this is for grown-ups): craft beer, fare from popular D.C. food trucks, a DJ dance party, a spooktacular costume competition
• **Adult Activity: 17th Street High Heel Drag Queen Race** - is an informal costumed drag queen race in Washington, DC. Typically held on the Tuesday before Halloween but they have not posted the 2020 dates yet. Thousands of spectators come to Dupont Circle to watch as 100 or so costumed drag queens show off their elaborate outfits and race down 17th Street. Bars and restaurants along the route prepare special drinks and dishes for the occasion. [https://www.gaytravel4u.com/event/washington-dc-high-heel-drag-queen-race/](https://www.gaytravel4u.com/event/washington-dc-high-heel-drag-queen-race/)

• **Adult Activity: Nightmare on the Street (adults)** – Bar crawl. (2020 event not yet posted.) Lindy Promotions Annual Nightmare on M Street Bar Crawl. Halloween with Lindy’s goes day and night around Dupont Circle. Prepare to people watch, because DC knows what it means to wear a costume, and they expect you to bring your best. You’ve heard the stories – now experience it for yourself and find out what it feels like to be on a heart-pounding, mind-thrilling bar hop through the most haunted city in the country. Spine-chilling cocktails and supernatural company await you, DC dwellers – ready to redefine All Hallows Eve? [https://www.groupon.com/deals/lindy-promotions-13](https://www.groupon.com/deals/lindy-promotions-13).