

Let's Visit Mount Vernon



A social narrative for visiting George and Martha Washington's Estate

When I get to Mount Vernon, we will walk on a bumpy brick path from the parking lot to the entrance.



I will go past the main entrance gate and straight to "The Shops" entrance

During my visit, I will see adults who work at Mount Vernon. These adults are here to help me learn and keep me safe.



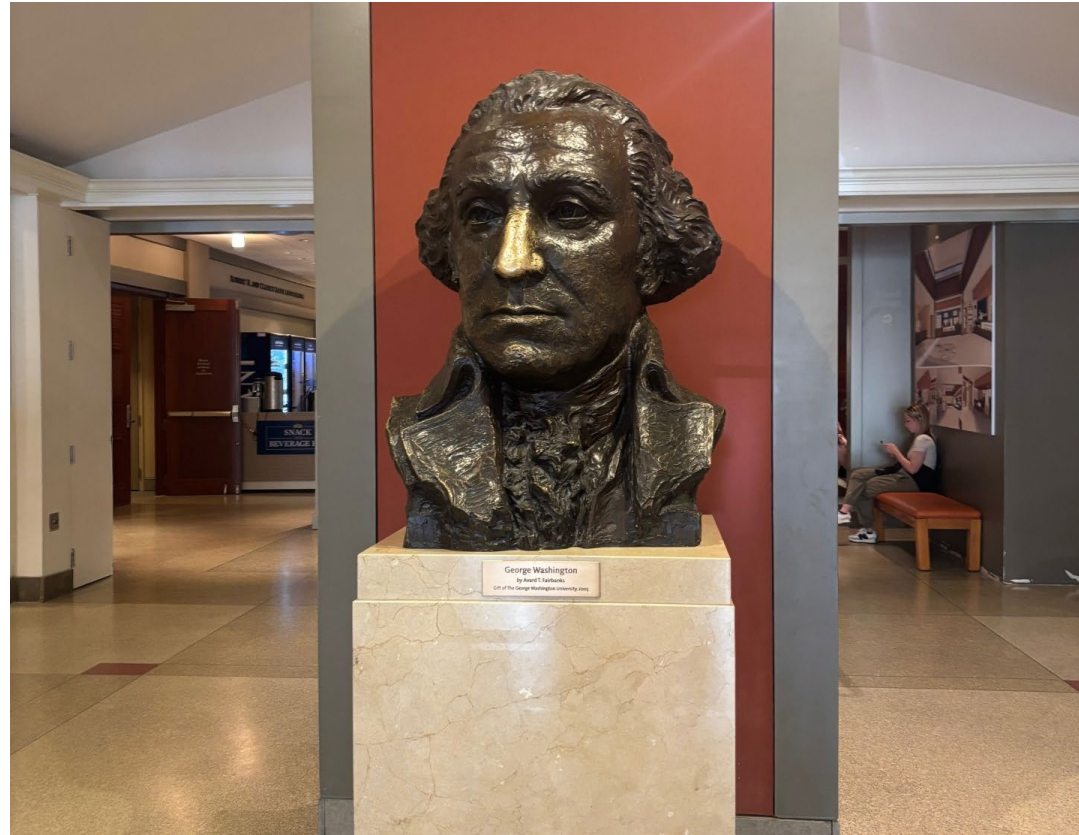
They wear a red lanyard, and a special uniform.

Some employees dress like they are from George Washington's lifetime.



They will help me learn about everyday life at Mount Vernon.

After I walk through the Gift Shop doors, I will see a big statue of George Washington.



His nose is a different color from the rest of him!

If I want to, I can watch the Revolutionary War Movie.
The volume has been turned down.



I can watch this movie in the lobby before heading to the museum. A Mount Vernon staff member can help me find it.

At the back of the lobby, I will see a desk. A Mount Vernon staff member will greet me and tell me where to go next.



I can pick up my sensory friendly bag here too.

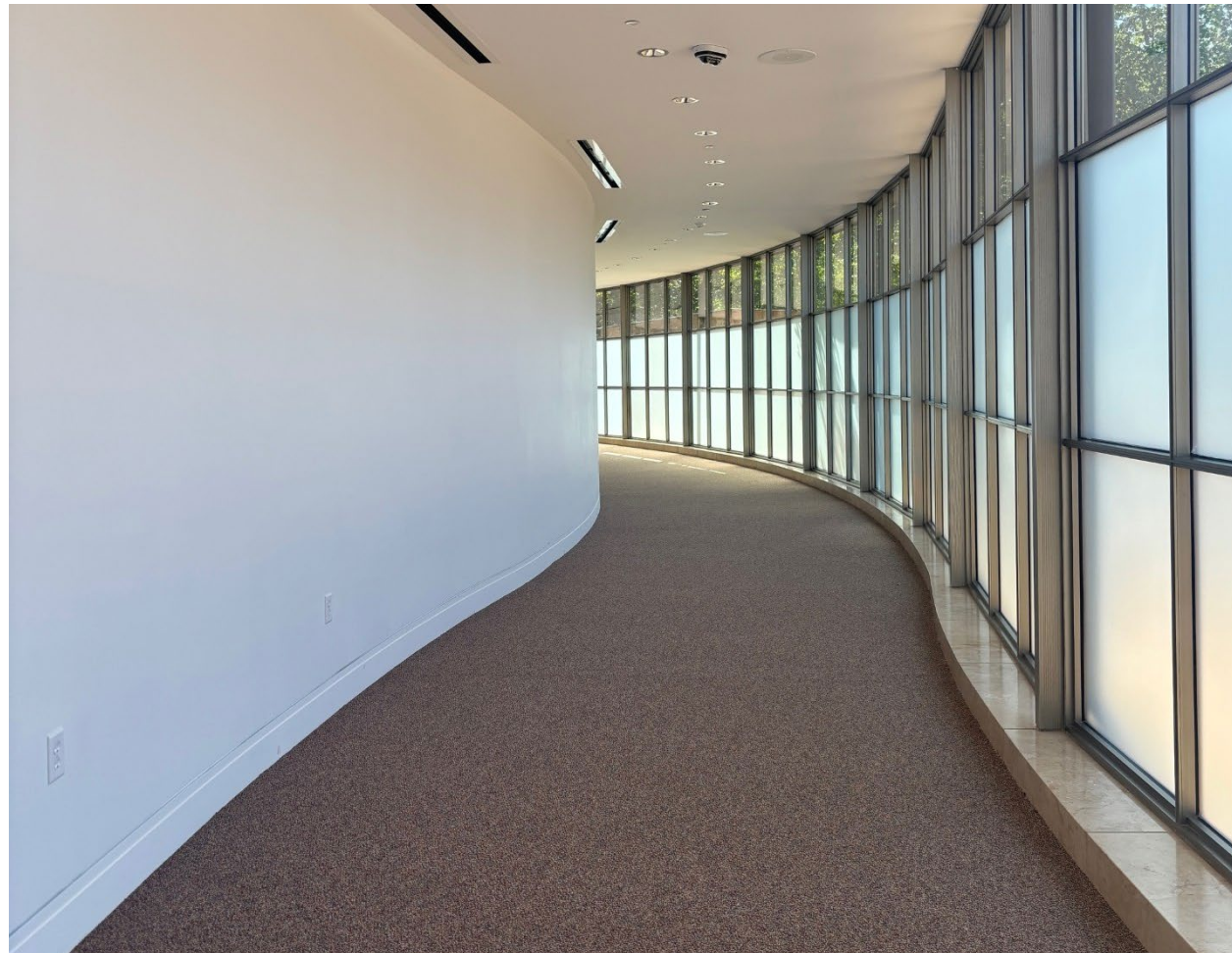


I will walk through the security scanner. It is there to keep us safe.



It does not feel like anything, but it may beep. I will follow the instructions of Mount Vernon staff.

I will walk down a long hallway. I will see lots of windows.



When I get to the end of the hallway, I will see two entrances.



On the right is the George Washington, a Revolutionary Life Exhibit. There are lots of things to touch, see and hear inside.

In this exhibit, I will see “The Great Hall”. From here, I can choose to go into different galleries on my left and on my right.



There are lots of lights, sounds, and pictures to see, and I might feel a little overwhelmed.

If I need to take a break, that's okay. A staff person can take me to the take-a-break room.

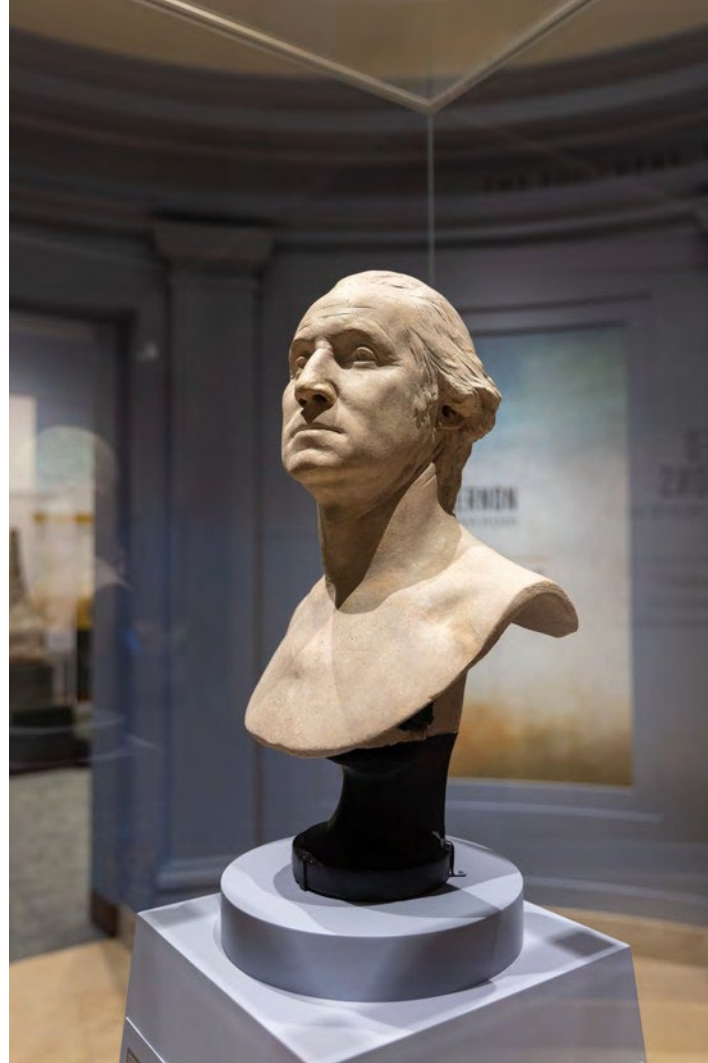


The room looks like this.

If I want to see more, I can explore the “Mount Vernon: An American Icon” exhibit.



Here I can see artifacts from the eighteenth century.



I can also learn about the Mansion and the Mount Vernon Ladies Association.



When I am all done, I will use the exit at the end of “The Great Hall”.



Or I can go back through the hallway with lots of windows to exit.



With either exit, I will pass the same desk I saw when I first arrived.

I will leave through the Gift Shop doors I came in through.



See you again next time!