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OCTFME Recognizes the Mansion on O Street and the O Street Museum as the October 2017 Locations of the Month

30,000 square feet is a producer's dream



Washington, DC -- The Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment (OCTFME) recognizes <u>The Mansion on O Street</u> as the October 2017 Location of the Month. The Mansion, designed in 1892, is located on tree-lined O Street, NW in the District's DuPont Circle neighborhood.

The Mansion on O Street is an events venue, museum, and luxury boutique hotel occupying five brownstones and over 30,000 square feet of functional space. The venue is visually appealing with hand-carved wood banisters and Tiffany windows. It also boasts twisting staircases, over 70 secret doors, two elevators, and an array of chandeliers.

Filmmakers can utilize any of the 100 rooms in the Mansion, including 23 themed-guest rooms, 32 bathrooms, and 14 kitchens.

"All of the spaces and decors change, so it allows for great versatility," says Tracy Halliday, Executive Vice-President for Sales and Marketing at The Mansion and O Museum. "Our rooms are so diverse: a ballroom, an art deco penthouse, a log cabin guest room, an all white drapped John Lennon room, beautiful Victorian rooms ... we cultivate an air of enchantment, which would be a draw for directors and creative visionaries."

It should be noted that all of the antiquities, memorabilia, photography, art, sculpture, costumes, pop culture artifacts are all for sale or rental, often purchased by production companies looking for set props or wardrobe. Proceeds from these sales support their in-house Heros and Artists- in-Residence Programs.

The property's deep historical ties originated with its famed architect, Edward Clarke, who also designed the U.S. Capitol. Among its esteemed clientele were Civil Rights activist Rosa Parks and her Pathway to Freedom staff, as well as J. Edgar Hoover's "G Men."

The Mansion and O Museum is no stranger to broadcast production: from 1977 to 1990, "America's Black Forum" and "Sounds of the City" were recorded at this location. More recently, NPR streamed the Americana Music Award nominations. Lifestyle and travel programs have come to the Mansion and Museum to document the wonder (and eccentricity) of the property: ABC News, CBS's "Sunday Morning," Travel Channel and WETA, to name a few.

"We are a home to creatives as well as the creative process and each room conjures artistic inspiration for filmmakers," added Ms. Halliday.

The Mansion on O Street offers an excellent opportunity for commercial photography or filming. Please contact staff for an appointment at (202) 496-2020 or email inquiries@theomansion.com. For more information on the Mansion on O Street, visit the website: <u>http://www.omansion.com</u> and www.omuseum.org.

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The "*Location of the Month*" initiative is part of the agency's mission to market and support District locales as media production locations, and to bring attention to the wide range of cinematically compelling locations that are available to film and television productions.

Do you have a business or location you would like to have featured as the "Location of the Month"? If so, please forward your inquiry to entertainment@dc.gov

About OCTFME:

The mission of the Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment is to produce and broadcast programming for the District of Columbia's public, educational, and government access (PEG) cable channels; regulate the District of Columbia's cable television service providers; provide customer service for cable subscribers; and support a sustainable creative economy and job market in the District of Columbia.

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