

Please Save the Date...

...for a Cherry Blossom Princess Reception

Sponsored by

The Missouri State Society of Washington, D.C.

In honor of this year's Missouri Cherry Blossom Princess,

Miss Meredith White

**When: Monday, March 30, 2009
5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**Where: 601 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Suite 780
Washington, D.C.**

Light appetizers and refreshments will be provided.

Please let us know if you plan to attend by emailing us at missouristatesociety@gmail.com by March 29th.

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Cherry Blossom Festival Events Sponsored by National Conference of State Societies (NCSS):

Lantern Lighting Ceremony

Who: The NCSS, NPS, Japanese Ambassador, D.C. Mayor Fenty
What: Lighting of the 355-Years Old Stone Lantern
When: Sunday, March 29 at 2:30 p.m.
Where: Tidal Basin
Notes: Free Admission, Live music by Toho Koto Society of Washington, Cardinal Choir

Fashion Show Luncheon

Who: The NCSS
What: The Russian-Inspired "Passion Runway" Fashion Show
When: Tuesday, March 30, 2009 from Noon to 2:30 p.m.
Where: Fort McNair Officers' Club, Bld 60, at 4th & P St., SW
Notes: Tickets \$65 Each, Email missouristatesociety@gmail.com or ncssevents@comcast.net for Ticket Information

NCSS President's Congressional Reception

Who: President's of the State Societies, Members of Congress, Cherry Blossom Princesses
What: Reception Honoring 2009 Cherry Blossom Princesses
When: Wednesday, April 1 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Where: Senate Hart Building, Room 902, 9th Floor
Notes: Reservation Required, Business Attire

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Grand Ball and Sushi Reception

Who: 2009 Cherry Blossom Princess, Dignitaries
What: Coronation of the 2009 U.S. Cherry Blossom Queen
When: Friday, April 3 from 6:00 p.m to Midnight
Where: Grand Hyatt, Washington Center, 1000 H St., NW
Notes: Black-tie, \$150 per Ticket, Email missouristatesociety@gmail.com or ncssevents@comcast.net for Ticket Information

Cherry Blossom Parade

Who: 2009 U.S. Cherry Blossom Princess, Japan Counterpart, U.S. & International Princesses
What: Parade Featuring Giant Balloons, Floats, & Bands
When: Saturday, April 4 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon
Where: Constitution Avenue, NW
Notes: Grandstand Tickets Available at www.Ticketmater.com, Free Curbside Viewing

Sakura Matsuri Festival

Who: U.S. and International Princesses
What: Festival Featuring Japanese Food, Beverages & Entertainment
When: Saturday, April 4 from Noon – 4:00 p.m.
Where: Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Notes: Free Admission, More Information Available at www.us-japan.org/dc

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For more information about the Missouri State Society of Washington, D.C. and the Cherry Blossom Princess Program, please visit: www.missouristatesociety.com.