

89TH SHOCK AND VIBRATION SYMPOSIUM'S

GUEST PROGRAM



Best of Fort Worth & Dallas Cowboys Stadium Tour (Tuesday, Nov. 6)



Visitors and guests to Fort Worth can easily take advantage of learning the city's history, the depth of character and the wonder of its uniqueness. After its birth in the 1840's, and especially between 1866 and 1890, drovers ran millions of cattle through Fort Worth on to the Red River, winding their way north to the railheads in Abilene, Kansas via the Chisholm Trail. Reaching back into the past, when cowboys would stop at Fort Worth's "Hell's Half Acre" to rest and relax, guests today may glimpse this experience though visiting the Cattle Drive Visitor's Center that will lead on to The Stockyard Station (with many shops, restaurants, horseback riding, a vintage steam engine, and much more), The Horse and Mule Barn/Livery turned into the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame, The Cowtown Coliseum (built in 1908 and housing the first indoor rodeo 10 years later), and The Live Stock Exchange (the heart of the old livestock business).

Guests will be guided on a V.I.P tour of Cowboys Stadium. Guests on this tour will be shown the contours of this stadium, i.e. a private suite, print and radio media press boxes, Cotton Bowl offices, and the Dr. Pepper Star Bar, accessible to fans on the upper concourse at the East end of the stadium (one of 6 party decks). Additionally, guests will be introduced to the interactive Ford Motor Company Fountain, an interior fountain with lights and rapidly changing water flows for quite a performance. Following this part of the tour, guests will be guided down to the main level of the stadium, where they can walk out on the field . . . and for the ardent football fans, toss around a football, the foundation for later stories to the grandkids (and even take a picture or two). Added to this will be a Miller Lite Club tour, visits to the Cowboys and the Cowboy Cheerleaders' locker rooms, and even the space where post-game interviews are granted. The stadium tour is a must for football fans and for all guests interested in experiencing the life and times of the Dallas community.



Best of Dallas & JFK Assassination Tour (Wednesday, Nov. 7)



Perhaps the genesis of Dallas as a small trading post in 1841 seems incredulous as one now looks on one of the most beautiful cities in these United States. Dallas is indeed a city of international renown and boasts some marvelous landmarks. Guests to Dallas will want to give themselves plenty of time to take in the sights and sounds. The tour includes: Pioneer Plaza, Deep Ellum, The Art District (the largest in the world!), Dealey Plaza, Klyde Warren Park, Thanks-Giving Square, the City of Highland Park, the McKinney Avenue restaurant district, and much more.

For many, following the process, remembering the events, and pondering the theories and conclusions drawn about the assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy is as fascinating and captivating as it is educational. Knowing one's own whereabouts on that infamous day, November 22nd, 1963 is one thing . . . but actually being in the various places is quite something else. Featuring: The Old School Book Depository Building, Grassy Knoll, Dealey Plaza, The Kennedy Memorial, & Lee Harvey Oswald House. These are the venues where a visitor to Dallas can really get a feel for all that happened when Oswald allegedly shot JFK. And what about the murder of Dallas policeman JD Tippit by Oswald, who then sprinted to the Texas Movie Theater in a panic? Visiting this site, feeling the energy of the time, is quite the experience for those who want to think about and listen to the narrative of one of the great mystery stories of our nation.

