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Visitors to "The Quest for Immortality: Treasures of Ancient Egypt" May Gain Free Entry on First-Come, First-Served Basis or Opt to Get Advance Passes at Ticketmaster

Washington, DC--Visitors to **The Quest for Immortality: Treasures of Ancient Egypt**, at the National Gallery of Art, may gain free entry on a first-come, first-served basis every day, throughout the exhibition, June 30 through October 14, 2002. Starting Friday, June 21, people may also order advance passes for the dates of July 6 through October 14.

Advance passes will be timed on the half-hour, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., on Sundays. The first public hour of each day will be reserved only for first-come, first-served visitors.

A maximum of six advance passes per order may be obtained at Washington area Ticketmaster locations and at Hecht's stores, for a service charge of \$2.50 per pass. They may also be ordered for a \$2.50 service charge per pass and a \$1.25 handling fee per order at www.ticketmaster.com or by calling Ticketmaster PhoneCharge at the following numbers:

Washington, D.C. (202) 432-SEAT

Baltimore, MD (410) 481-SEAT

Northern Virginia (703) 573-SEAT

Nationwide (for areas not listed above) (800) 551-SEAT

Admission to the National Gallery of Art is free of charge. The East Building is located at 4th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., on the National Mall. It is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For general information, call (202) 737-4215 or TDD (202) 842-6176, or visit the Gallery's Web site at www.nga.gov (<http://www.nga.gov/>) . Visitors will be asked to present all bags for inspection as they enter the Gallery. Luggage or garment bag will not be permitted in either building and may not be checked.

The exhibition is organized by United Exhibits Group, Copenhagen, and the National Gallery of Art, Washington, in association with the Supreme Council of Antiquities, Cairo.

The exhibition is supported in part by Chevy Chase Bank.

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General Information

The National Gallery of Art and its Sculpture Garden are at all times free to the public. They are located on the National Mall between 3rd and 9th Streets along Constitution Avenue NW and are open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Gallery is closed on December 25 and January 1. With the exception of the atrium and library, the galleries in the East Building will be closing gradually beginning in July 2013 and will remain closed for approximately three years for Master Facilities Plan and renovations. For specific updates on gallery closings, visit www.nga.gov/renovation (<http://www.nga.gov/renovation>) .

For information call (202) 737-4215 or the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (202) 842-6176, or visit the Gallery's website at www.nga.gov. Follow the Gallery on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NationalGalleryofArt and on Twitter at twitter.com/ngadc.

Visitors will be asked to present all carried items for inspection upon entering. Checkrooms are free of charge and located at each entrance. Luggage and other oversized bags must be presented at the 4th Street entrances to the East or West Building to permit x-ray screening and must be deposited in the checkrooms at those entrances. For the safety of visitors and the works of art, nothing may be carried into the Gallery on a visitor's back. Any bag or other items that cannot be carried reasonably and safely in some other manner must be left in the checkrooms. Items larger than 17 by 26 inches cannot be accepted by the Gallery or its checkrooms.

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