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Don't Pick A Cherry Blossom ... Make One!

The Crime Museum in Downtown DC welcomes Spring with Origami Demonstrations

Washington, DC – Did you know that it is illegal to pick a cherry blossom? Instead of joining the criminal ranks, the **Crime Museum** invites guests, both local and those visiting D.C. for the National Cherry Blossom Festival, to attend an origami cherry blossom demonstration and learn how to create their very own beautiful - and perfectly legal - souvenir.

“We’re especially excited to celebrate cherry blossom season in D.C.,” said Janine Vaccarello, Chief Operating Officer of the museum, “and particularly for the opportunity to revel in the return of Spring after such a long, cold winter!”

The Crime Museum’s Origami Cherry Blossom demonstrations begin Friday, March 21 at 11 am, and continue every Friday and Sunday during the festival, through April 13. Demonstrations are free and will take place in the museum’s lobby.

Additionally, the Crime Museum encourages guests to help make a difference when visiting the museum between March 21 and April 13. For only \$1 visitors can purchase a handmade origami cherry blossom to be displayed in the museum’s front window, with 100% of proceeds donated to the Natalee Holloway Resource Center (NHRC).

The museum is located less than a block from Metro’s Gallery Place station (Arena exit), at 575 7th Street, NW, and on the web at www.crimemuseum.org. For ticket and facility rental information, call (202) 393-1099.

About the Crime Museum

Crime Museum’s mission is to provide guests of all ages with a memorable insight into the issues of crime, crime fighting, and the consequences of committing a crime in America, through a captivating interactive, entertaining and educational experience. The museum is located on 7th Street NW between E and F Streets in downtown Washington, D.C. at the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro (Arena exit). For more information, visit www.crimemuseum.org or follow the museum on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).