

Berlin Brats Washington, D.C. Regional

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Where were you when the Wall fell?

20 Years of Freedom has Made the Trabant a Celebutante!



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It's been 20 years since the Berlin Wall tumbled down, but one Cold War icon is still chugging away: the Trabant. Despite their performance and smoky two-stroke engines, these little cars are now affectionately regarded as a symbol of East Germany and the fall of communism. Trabants are quite rare in the U.S., but on November 7th, 20 of these communist-bloc cars will converge on the International Spy Museum to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Wall. Come view the vintage cars, which will be parked in front of the Museum on F Street, NW, and win a ride in a Trabant. While the cars are on display, experts will be on hand to answer questions about Trabants, the Cold War, and Communism, while the Blaskapelle Alte Kameraden German Band provides festive music.

The International Spy Museum is located in Downtown, Washington, DC within the Pennsylvania Quarter neighborhood and stretches the entire city block between 9th and 8th Streets at 800 F Street, NW — one block from the Gallery Place/China Town Metrorail Station and the MCI Center.

<http://www.spymuseum.org/plan/directions.php>

Itinerary:

10:00am - Meet at entrance of the International Spy Museum to tour the permanent collection.

(Cost \$18 per person/\$16 if we have 20 or more participants)

If you are unable to join us for the tour of the museum, meet us at 1:15pm on the F Street side for group photos using the Trabants as our back-drop.

2:00 pm – **Café Berlin**, Capitol Hill, for a late lunch/early dinner and plenty of “Berlin” socializing.

Leave with us from the Spy Museum by hopping on the Metro.

Take Metrorail Red Line train toward Glenmont from Gallery Place/Chinatown two stops to Union Station. Walk southeast on Massachusetts Avenue (keep to the left side of the street) to the restaurant.

Bring your appetite!



Cafe Berlin
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**Menu will be an offering of 3 of their most popular dishes for
a flat rate of \$21 per person.**

Cost includes entrée, non-alcoholic beverage, taxes and gratuity.

We need a head count to reserve our space so please

RSVP by October 30th

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