

Visitors to Inauguration Can Find Housing at AirBedandBreakfast.com

New Travel Website Lists Washington, DC Accommodations from Couches to Entire Homes

SAN FRANCISCO, California -- December 2, 2008 -- AirBedandBreakfast.com today announced their Inauguration Housing Guide, an economical solution to the Washington, DC housing shortage for people attending President-Elect Obama's Inauguration. Over 200 DC residents have already listed their available spaces.

Through the automated service, residents can easily rent out an airbed, couch, private bedroom, or entire place. Travelers can quickly browse through photos, owner profiles, and book a room directly online at <http://www.airbnb.com/inauguration-guide>.

"With over one million people traveling to Washington, DC for this historic event, residents are opening their homes in an unprecedented fashion," said Brian Chesky, AirBed & Breakfast's co-founder. "Not only is this a great way for hosts to make extra bucks during these tough economic times, but it's also a great way to meet people and share your local knowledge."

Unlike other web sites, AirBed & Breakfast does not charge to list; renters can post a room for free. DC Mayor Adrian Fenty recently waived rental taxes for residents renting rooms during the Inauguration to provide incentive to list on sites such as AirBed & Breakfast. AirBed & Breakfast's booking process is fully automated, with monetary transactions handled through the site in a streamlined process for guest and host. AirBed & Breakfast pays the host the entire rental amount (minus a 3% fee) at the end of the stay.

Denver, CO, faced a similar dilemma in August when hotels sold out for the Democratic National Convention. Despite the housing shortage, blogger Bryan Sykora and hundreds like him turned to AirBedandBreakfast.com. "I booked a place 8-9 miles from the convention and had a great exchange with my host," said Sykora.

According to co-founder Joe Gebbia, "We saw the effects of Barack Obama's grassroots campaign when we previously provided housing during the DNC in Denver. We expect to connect even more supporters in Washington DC this coming January".

About AirBed & Breakfast:

AirBedandBreakfast.com is the leading online marketplace for booking rooms with locals, by providing listings in 576 cities and 67 countries. The peer-to-peer travel site has connected travelers with hosts all around the world for an economical and localized experience not found in guide books or expensive hotels. Designed for simplicity, Airbnb conveniently and securely facilitates the transaction online, making it easy to reserve rooms. Hosts can list extra space such as a spare bedroom, couch, or even their entire place, in a matter of minutes. The site's growing community also integrates rich user profiles and online reviews improving the experience for both guests and hosts.

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