

1956 - 2026

Sister Cities International 70th Anniversary Homecoming

July 22 – 25, 2026 ● *Washington, D.C.*

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Our Purpose

To celebrate seven decades of citizen diplomacy and inspire a new era of global connection through storytelling, partnerships, and dynamic engagement. The 70th Anniversary marks both a homecoming and a launchpad— honoring the past while shaping the future of international friendship.





Our Vision

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Reignite global peace

movement by showcasing the power of people-to-people relationships that have advanced peace, prosperity, and cultural understanding since 1956.

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◆ EVENT HIGHLIGHTS ◆

2026 SCI Annual Awards



2026 SCI Annual Business Meeting



Citizen Diplomacy Educational Plenary Sessions



Embassy Visits (Thailand, Japan, & more)



SCI Outgoing & Incoming Board Meetings

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Event Agenda

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Wednesday, July 22, 2026

- 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM** **Africa Region Forum**
Location: George Washington University
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM** **Embassy of Thailand VIP Reception**
Location: Embassy of Thailand
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Thursday, July 23, 2026

- 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM** **Welcome Breakfast and Registration**
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC, Lobby
- 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM** **Outgoing Board Meeting & Breakout Sessions**
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC
- 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM** **Opening Ceremony & Keynote Speaker**
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC, Salon 1 & 2
- 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM** **Presidential Luncheon**
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC, Salon 1 & 2
- 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM** **Afternoon Programming**
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC, Salon 1 & 2
- 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM** **Embassy of Japan Reception**
Location: Embassy of Japan
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Friday, July 24, 2026

- 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM** **Arrival and Coffee Service**
Location: Organization of American States
- 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM** **Leadership Forum**
Location: Organization of American States
- 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM** **SCI Annual Business Meeting**
Location: Organization of American States
- 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM** **Networking Luncheon**
Location: Organization of American States
- 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM** **Closing Leadership Sessions**
Location: Organization of American States
- 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM** **Intermission**
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, DC

6:00 PM - 10:30 PM

70th Anniversary Gala Dinner and Black Tie Awards Ceremony

Location: Organization of American States

Reception and Cocktail Hour

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Formal Gala Dinner

7:30 PM - 9:15 PM

Annual Awards Ceremony and Anniversary Celebration

9:15 PM - 10:30 PM

Saturday, July 25, 2026

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Incoming Board of Directors Meeting and Lunch

Location: Army Navy Country Club, Nimitz Room

12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Optional Eisenhower Memorial Visit and DC Touring on Your Own