

## Virtual Tour of W1AW — The Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station with Joseph Carcia, NJ1Q, W1AW Station Manager and Trustee

Come inside the Maxim Memorial Station, the premier amateur radio station, operated by <u>ARRL</u>, the <u>national association for Amateur Radio</u> since 1938. Beneath the pediment on the iconic brick-faced building is the station's call sign, W1AW, a testament to the memory of ARRL's cofounder, Hiram Percy Maxim. If you are a radio amateur or simply interested in radio technology and radio communication, you will enjoy this insider's virtual tour of W1AW, led by Station Manager and Trustee, Joseph Carcia, NJ1Q.

Located in Newington, Connecticut, a suburb of Hartford, W1AW sits on the same 7-acre site where ARRL's headquarters was relocated in 1963. Outside, three large towers are stacked with antennas that serve both the station's bulletin transmissions and the operating studios that host visiting hams throughout the year. Inside, an operating console coordinates the transmissions sent by voice, digital modes, and Morse code across equipment racks and patch panels filled with radios and amplifiers. Three operating studios put visitors in the driver's seat of well-equipped stations and radios donated by many of amateur radio's top manufacturers. The station also includes a fully equipped workshop.

A visit to W1AW is a treat for ham and non-ham alike – an opportunity to explore radio and the passion of radio amateurs in their pursuit of discovery, skill, and service. You can submit in advance any questions you would like answered during the virtual tour to: nj1q@arrl.org.





