

OTHER PLACES OF INTEREST

(All times are subject to change)



FREDERICK DOUGLASS HOME

14th and W Streets, SE

Built about 1855, Cedar Hill is the fully restored home of Frederick Douglass, abolitionist, lecturer, writer, Presidential adviser, and a leading black spokesman in the United States and abroad for more than 50 years. Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

South on George Washington Memorial Parkway.

Of exceptional historic and architectural merit are: The Ramsay House, 221 King St.; Christ Church, Cameron and Columbus Sts.; and Old Presbyterian Meeting House, 321 S. Fairfax St.

BOTANIC GARDENS

First Street and Maryland Avenue, SW

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING

14th and C Streets, SW

Continuous tours, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Closed Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

17th Street and New York Avenue, NW

Tuesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 P.M.

DECATUR HOUSE

748 Jackson Place, NW

Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

9th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Guided tours, 9:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Closed Saturday, Sunday, and holidays. Contact FBI tour office for group reservations.

FOLGER SHAKESPEARE LIBRARY

201 East Capitol Street, SE

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed Sunday and holidays.

GEORGETOWN

Between Rock Creek Park and Georgetown University

Predating Washington, this early market town became the the eastern terminus of the C&O Canal. Houses open to the public are: Dumbarton House, 2715 Q Street, NW, and Old Stone House, 3051 M Street, NW

TOURMOBILE SERVICE

The National Park Service has concessioner-operated guided tourmobiles with unlimited reboarding privileges. Rates vary from 75 cents to \$3.50. Call 638-5371.

DIAL-A-PARK

Phone 426-6975 for recorded information on current activities and events in the National Capital Parks.

INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

International Visitors Service Council, at 801 19th Street NW, is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

First and B Streets, SE

Main exhibit hall: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday and holidays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN ART

316 A Street, NE

Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Pennsylvania Avenue at 7th Street, NW

Main exhibit hall: Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

NATIONAL COLLECTION OF FINE ARTS

NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

8th and G Streets, NW

10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK

3000 Connecticut Avenue, NW

Grounds open daily 6:30 a.m.; buildings 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

RENWICK GALLERY

17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Daily, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ROCK CREEK PARK

Klingle Road to D.C. Line, west of 16th Street, NW

Nature Center: (Glover Road near Military Road) Tuesday through Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. *Peirce Mill:*

(Beach Drive and Tilden Street) 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Closed Monday and Tuesday.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT ISLAND

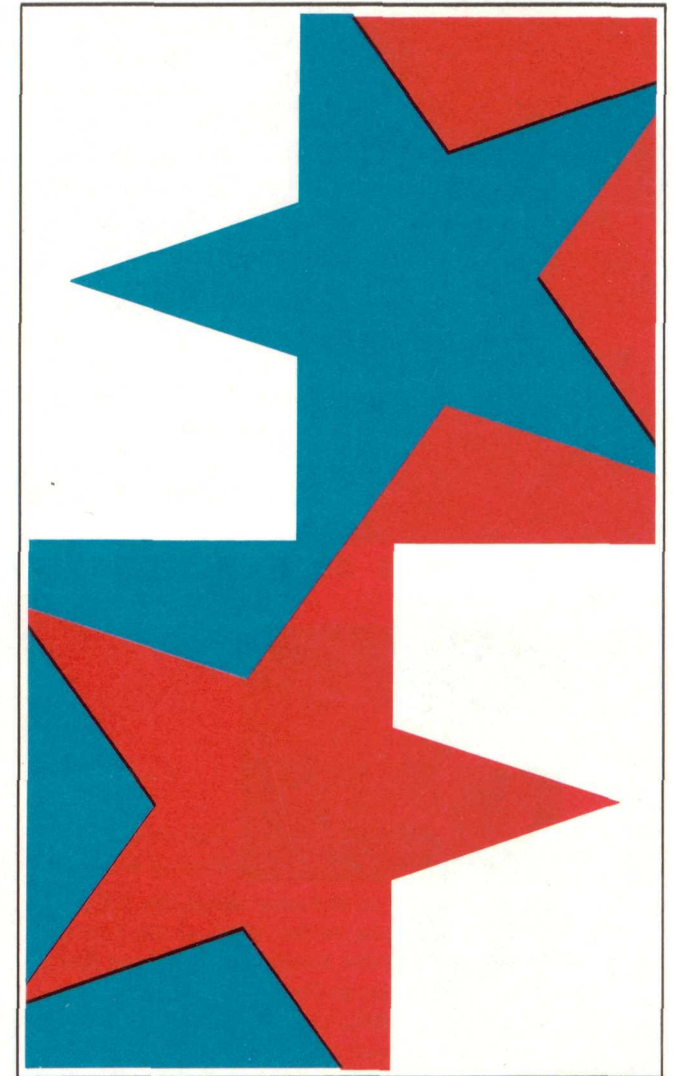
George Washington Memorial Parkway north of Roosevelt Bridge

Open daily 9:30 a.m. until sundown.

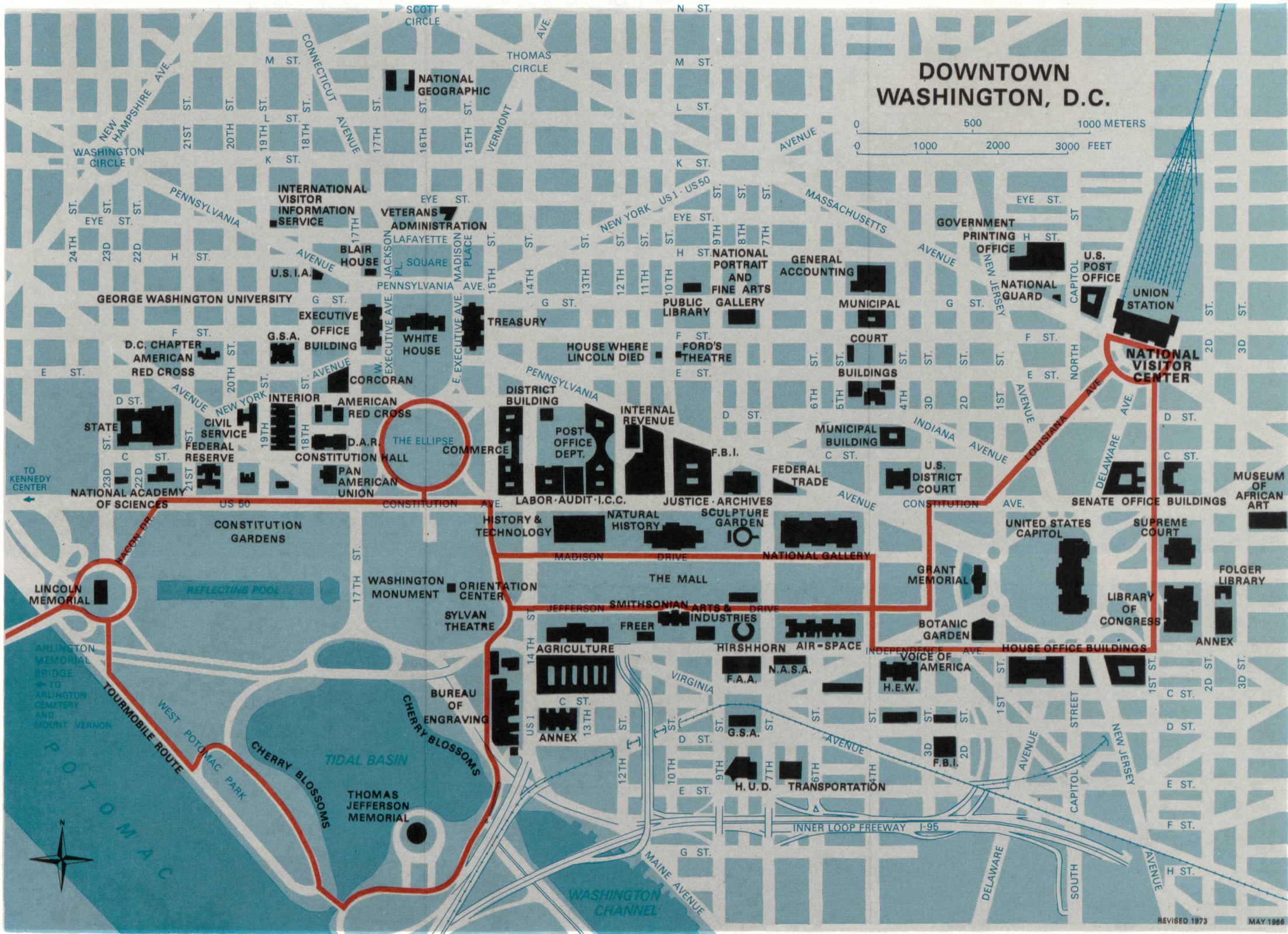
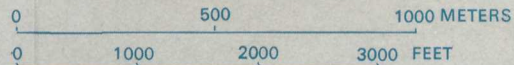
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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Welcome to Washington



DOWNTOWN WASHINGTON, D.C.



VISITOR SERVICES



NATIONAL VISITOR CENTER

Massachusetts Ave. at First St. NE

The best way to see and enjoy Washington is to plan ahead. The attractions of the Nation's Capital are so many and so varied that even an extended visit does not allow enough time for everything. The primary source of information on Washington and the place to begin your visit is the new National Visitor Center, which opened July 4, 1976, in the remodeled Union Station rail terminal near the Capitol Building. Trained information specialists can help you organize a visit tailored to your own interests. The Center has a fast-food restaurant, a bookstore, foreign language

services, and a Discover America Hall of States with information for those who expect to tour other parts of the country. A full range of information on Washington, from what to see to how to get there and where to stay, is available. A 30-meter (100-foot) photographic wall, using 80 rear-screen projectors, presents a stunning visual introduction to the city. Taxis, city buses, Tourmobile and the Metro subway all serve the National Visitor Center. *Open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.*

Foreign Language Services International Visitors Service Council (IVIS) offers special assistance to foreign visitors at both the National Visitor Center and at its own headquarters (see reverse). Brochures on the Smithsonian, The White House, and *Welcome to Washington* are printed in foreign language versions.

For the Handicapped New elevators have been installed in the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials for those who cannot use the memorial steps. Special parking is reserved near the entrance to each of the Mall museums and at the memorials. Brochures in braille can be obtained at the memorials, and sign language tours can be arranged at several sites.

Getting Around Parking is extremely limited in the downtown area. Public transportation is recommended. Tourmobile (see reverse) will take you to the major points of interest on the Mall and to Arlington National Cemetery. If you have time, a walking tour is one of the best ways to appreciate the city's beauty.

For Further Information A new National Park Service guidebook, *Washington, D.C.*, is on sale at the National Visitor Center. It has detailed maps, suggested walking tours, color photographs, and highlights and hours of the city's major attractions.

MONUMENTS, MEMORIALS, AND MUSEUMS



WASHINGTON MONUMENT

Constitution Ave. at 15th St. NW

In 1833, the Washington National Monument Society was organized "for the purpose of erecting a great National Memorial to Washington." The cornerstone was laid on July 4, 1848. After many difficulties and delays, construction was completed in 1884. Four years later the building was opened to the public. Visitors reach the 152-meter (500-foot) level by elevator and return by elevator, or by the 898 steps to view 190 memorial stones along the route.

Ten-cent elevator fee for persons 16 years or older. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

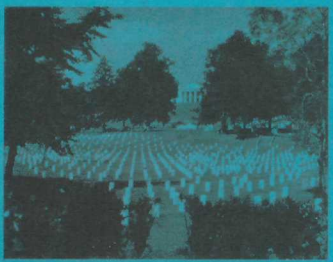


MOUNT VERNON

Southern end of George Washington Memorial Parkway, Va.

Mount Vernon, the splendid plantation estate of the first President of the United States, is located high on the Virginia bank of the Potomac River south of the District of Columbia. Faithfully restored to their 18th-century appearance, the main house and flanking service buildings inspire admiration for the past. The parkway, landscaped with native plants, follows the gentle bends of the Potomac for 24 kilometers (15 miles) as it broadens to form the vista General Washington knew.

Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fee.



ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

Arlington, Va., via Memorial Bridge

This national shrine, across the Potomac River from Washington, has received interments from all our wars and conflicts. Prominent among the many memorials is the Tomb of the Unknowns, ceremoniously guarded as a tribute to all the Nation's heroes. The cemetery is also the burial place for many distinguished Americans, including two former Presidents, William H. Taft and John F. Kennedy. Arlington House honors Gen. Robert E. Lee.

Open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Arlington House, open 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



THOMAS JEFFERSON MEMORIAL

South Bank of Tidal Basin

This memorial to one of the greatest figures in American history was dedicated on April 13, 1943, the 200th anniversary of Jefferson's birth. It was designed by the architectural firm of John Russell Pope in a style associated with Jefferson. Inside the memorial is a 6-meter (19-foot) bronze statue of Thomas Jefferson sculptured by Rudolph Evans. On the interior walls are carved four excerpts from Jefferson's writings.

Open 8 a.m. to midnight all year. Interpretive services during visiting hours.



THE MALL

Capitol to the Washington Monument between Constitution and Independence Avenues

A monumental greensward distinguished by regular rows of elm trees, the Mall preserves a key feature of Pierre Charles L'Enfant's plan for the Capital City executed in 1791. New footpaths and bikeways, information and map kiosks, and refreshment stands make the Mall an attractive space for outdoor activity. Buildings of major public interest border on both sides. Here are found the Department of Agriculture building, the National Gallery of Art, and eight of the Smithsonian Institution museums: Freer Gallery, Arts and Industries, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Air and Space, History and Technology, Natural History, and the "castle" headquarters of the Smithsonian. In winter the National Sculpture Garden is converted into an ice skating rink. At the east end of the Mall, the largest equestrian statue in the United States honors our Civil War general and 18th President, Ulysses S. Grant. A public parking garage is underneath the Air and Space Museum.

Smithsonian: open 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., daily. National Gallery: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday; noon to 9 p.m. on Sundays.



LINCOLN MEMORIAL

Foot of 23d St. NW

In 1867, two years after Abraham Lincoln's death, Congress organized the Lincoln Monument Association to plan a monument to his memory. Work finally started on February 12, 1914, and the cornerstone was laid a year later. Henry Bacon was the architect for the memorial, and Daniel Chester French sculptured the great marble statue of Lincoln as the War President. Carved on the marble walls are inscriptions of Lincoln's Gettysburg and Second Inaugural Addresses.

Open 8 a.m. to midnight. Interpretive services during visiting hours.



FORD'S THEATRE (LINCOLN MUSEUM)

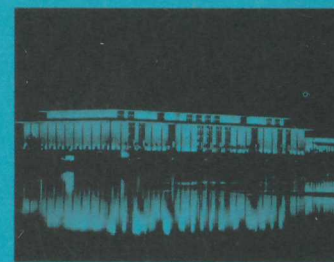
511 10th St. NW

HOUSE WHERE LINCOLN DIED

516 10th St. NW

Restored Ford's Theatre—scene of the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln on April 14, 1865—is maintained as a "living" memorial to the martyred President. Theatrical presentations are held throughout the year. Check local newspapers for times. The Museum in the basement depicts various phases of Lincoln's life. Tickets for plays are available at the box office.

The museum and house are open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The theatre closes 1 p.m., Thursdays and Saturdays.



THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER

New Hampshire Ave. at F St. NW

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts represents a growing appreciation for and interest in the cultural life of the country. The center's facilities include the Eisenhower Theater, the Opera House, the Concert Hall, and the American Film Institute Theater. The building also contains restaurants and an underground garage.

Guided tours 10 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Rooftop talks overlooking monumental Washington 1 p.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday; on the hour 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

THE THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT



U.S. CAPITOL

Capitol Hill

Symbol of the Federal Government, the Capitol building was started on the shores of the Potomac in 1793. President John Adams addressed the first joint session of Congress in the Senate Chamber on November 22, 1800, but the building was not finished until 1867. Through the halls of this magnificent structure have passed leading figures in American history—the elected representatives of the people.

Open 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Dec. 25, and Jan. 1.



THE WHITE HOUSE

1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW

Since 1800, the White House has been the home and office of the President of the United States. President George Washington selected the site, and the original design was by James Hoban, an Irish-born architect. Burned by the British in 1814, the President's House was restored and painted white.

Open 10 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Friday; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Closed for official functions; check Dial-a-Park, 426-6975.



U.S. SUPREME COURT

First St. and Maryland Ave. NE

The highest tribunal in the land was established by the Judiciary Act of 1789. Originally the Court was made up of the Chief Justice and five Associate Justices. Today the Court has nine members who annually hear arguments on some 170 cases out of almost 5,000 petitions. The Court moved into its present building in 1935 when Charles Evans Hughes was Chief Justice.

Open 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Closed Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.