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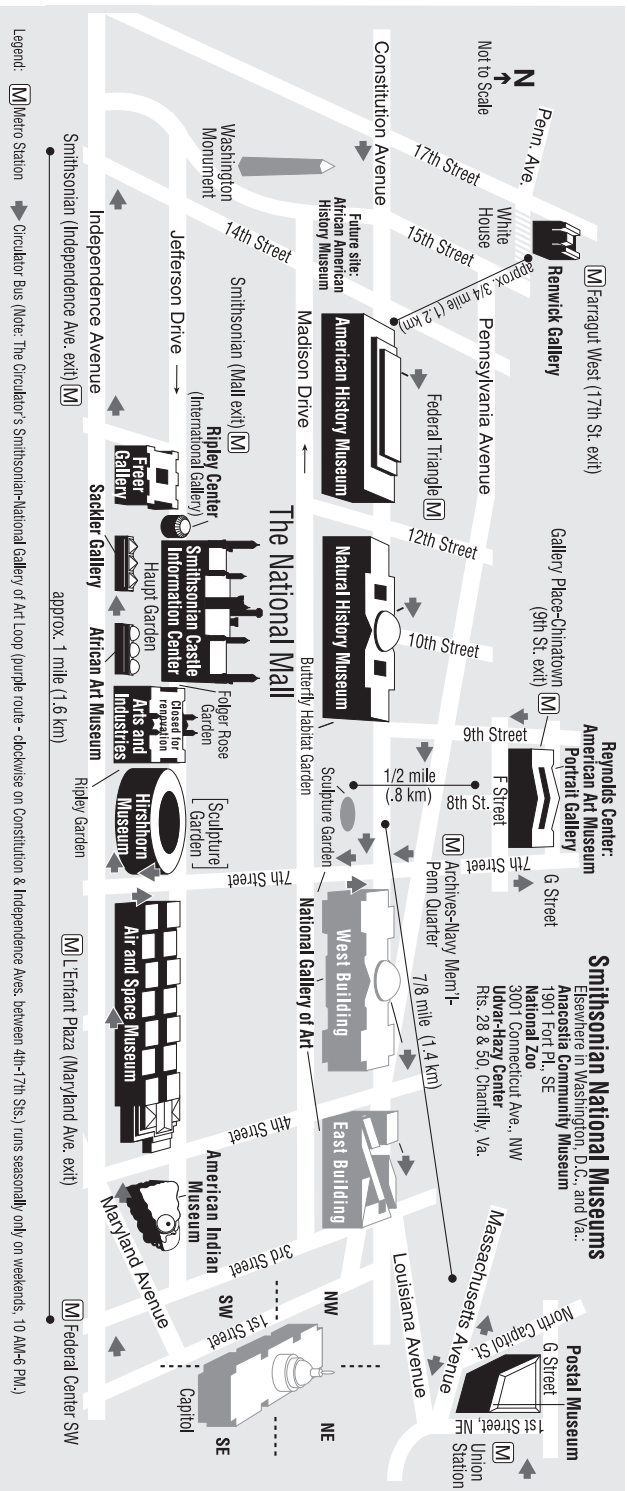
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Lincoln at 200

In commemoration of the bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth in 1809, the Smithsonian Institution presents a yearlong celebration offering visitors a series of exhibitions, programs, web sites, and tours that will present a new and intimate look at the life and times of the nation's most mythic and transformative president.



Directions to the National Zoo, Anacostia Community Museum, and Air and Space Museum's Udvar-Hazy Center: Check Web site at www.smithsonian.org or inquire at any Smithsonian museum information desk. For Metrorail station(s)  closest to the museums you wish to visit, see map of the National Mall.

The Smithsonian is the largest museum complex in the world, with 17 in the Washington metropolitan area. Whether you plan to spend one day or several days, there's much to see and do. To help you plan your **special itinerary to visit Smithsonian museums celebrating the legacy of Lincoln** and to make the best use of your time, refer to the museums and their exhibitions and programs below and on the opposite page and to the the map on the back.

Most museums are open daily, 10 AM-5:30 PM; all are closed December 25. The Smithsonian American Art Museum and the National Portrait Gallery are open 11:30 AM-7 PM. The Smithsonian Information Center in the Castle is open 8:30 AM-5:30 PM.

The events and exhibitions are subject to change; confirm by calling 202-633-1000 (voice/tape), 202-633-5285 (TTY) or checking the web at gosmithsonian.com/lincoln closer to the time of your visit. Connect to Lincoln by meeting with friends, scholars, and people all across the country to share ideas, thoughts, and more at www.gosmithsonian.com/siconnections.

Lincoln Itinerary

Smithsonian Castle: For the early bird, begin at the Smithsonian Information Center in the Smithsonian Castle to receive information from volunteer information specialists who will help you plan your Lincoln-related visit. Open 8:30 AM-5:30 PM.

National Museum of American History: See the special exhibition about Lincoln that includes many historical treasures associated with his life – from an iron wedge that he used to split wood to his famous top hat.

National Portrait Gallery and the Smithsonian American Art Museum: Step back in time to relive the revelry of Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural ball before heading down the grand corridors to see a couple of portraits of Lincoln, including the image used on the copper penny, in the *America's Presidents* exhibition. Be sure to see the Lincoln Gallery where Clara Barton nursed wounded Civil War soldiers. Open 11:30 AM-7 PM.

National Postal Museum: At this museum, located across the street from Union Station, see how many stamps you can find dedicated to Lincoln. Open 10 AM-5:30 PM.

Lincoln-Related Exhibitions

National Museum of American History, Kenneth E Behring Center:

- *Abraham Lincoln: An Extraordinary Life*, Jan. 16, 2009-Jan. 2011
- To see the Smithsonian uncover the secret message inside Abraham Lincoln's watch, go to www.youtube.com/watch?v=3hcMctdu-fs. To read more about this discovery, see the press release on the Web at americanhistory.si.edu/news/pressrelease.cfm?key=29&newskey=973.
- To read more about Lincoln, see related articles in the following issues of *Smithsonian* magazine:
 - September 2008, pp.61-66
 - February 2009, pp. 32-38
 - May 2009, p. 28 (a small article on his pocket watch)

National Postal Museum:

- *Abraham Lincoln Certified Plate Proofs*, on view in the Philatelic Gallery, November 15, 2008-October 2010 (TBA)

Lincoln-Related Events

 Programs are free, unless otherwise noted.

National Museum of American History:

- The Brass Letters of Citizenship: Lincoln, African Americans, and Military Service, panel discussion, February 11, 2010
- Elizabeth Brownstein: *Lincoln's Other White House*, book signing, Feb. 15
- Lincoln, Race and the American Presidency, panel discussion, February 18, 2010
- The War President: Lincoln and the Expansion of Presidential Power During Wartime, lecture & book signing, March 6
- From Man to Myth: Abraham Lincoln Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow, panel discussion, April 24, 2010

National Portrait Gallery:

- Docent's Choice Tours: Lincoln, Feb. 12, 2010

Resident Associates Program: For details, including cost, call 202-633-3030 or see the Web at www.ResidentAssociates.org.

- Lincoln's Civil & Political Washington, bus tour, February 7, 2010
- Booth's Escape Route, bus tour, April 3 & May 15, 2010

For more information on the Lincoln Bicentennial celebration nationwide, go to lincolnbicentennial.gov.