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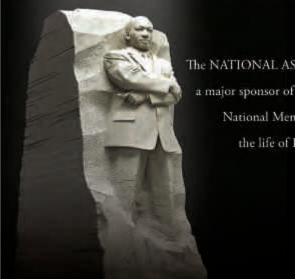
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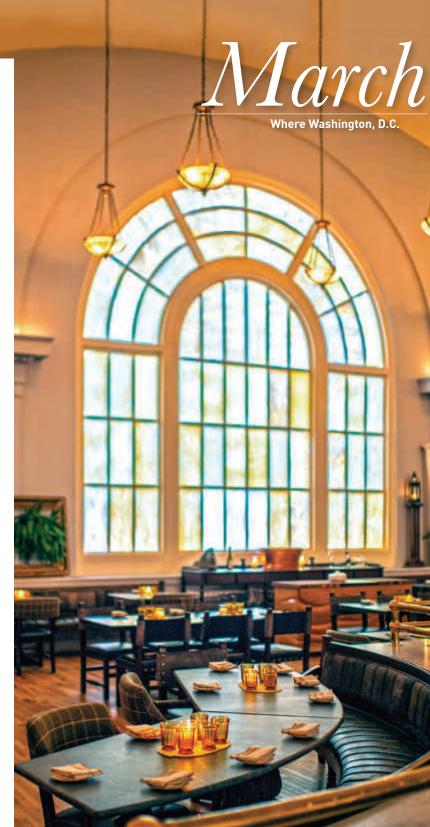
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The goddess Mut was considered the Queen of the Gods in ancient Egypt's New Kingdom. See Mut and other artifacts at "Queens of Egypt." The exhibition is produced by Pointe-à-Callière, Montréal Archaeology and History Complex, in collaboration with Museo Egizio, Turin, and in partnership with National Geographic Society, Washington, D.C.



A Rake's Progress at The Line Hotel



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Wanna see even more creativity in the city? Tucked-away Blagden Alley in Shaw is known for its foodie hot spots, but it also curates an outdoor art museum with vibrant murals like "Meditation" by D.C.'s own Aniekan Udofa. wheretraveler.com/ seizethestay. ......



Many associate Washington, D.C., with highpowered politicos, briefcase-toting lobbyists, and by-the-book government worker bees. And while those pros will always be mainstays, others with a more artsy vibe contribute to the city tapestry, too. Dancers, muralists, and designers add texture to this marbled city, offering plenty of ways to get away from the hustle and bustle. Get to know these capital creatives on page 12.

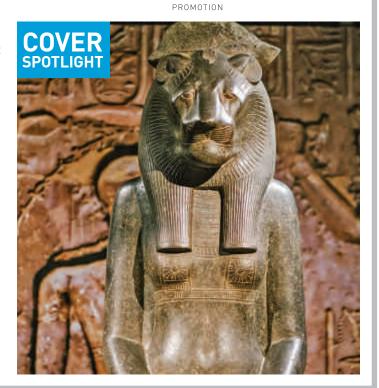
This month, you'll also want to add a few other items to your must-do lists, including catching a film festival, lifting a pint for St. Patrick's Day, and experiencing a new art installation. So turn the page, and let's get going!

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## TRAVEL BACK IN TIME

some 3,500 years to ancient Egypt at the National Geographic Museum's new exhibition, "Queens of Egypt," in Washington, D.C. Get to know legendary queens such as Nefertiti and Cleopatra, walk among monumental statues and impressive sarcophagi, see more than 300 prestigious artifacts, and embark on a 3-D tour of one of the most lavishly decorated tombs in the Valley of the Queens. Learn more at natgeomuseum.org.



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#### **Earth Watch**

The Environmental Film Festival (March 14-24) ushers in spring with thought-provoking -and stunningcinema (pictured).



The promise of milder temps spurs wardrobe updates from upscale shops and indie boutiques.



#### **Green Scene**

In this hard-working town, St. Patrick's Day offers respite from the grind, with locals letting down their hair at Irish pubs from Georgetown to Capitol Hill.

Boutique classes pledging to work health nuts to the bone fuel D.C.'s fitness obsession.



#### Farm Fresh

Denizens descend on outdoor markets for locally grown—and made-food.



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# **CALENDAR**

March at a Glance

Through March 3

# "The Sleeping Beauty"

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's romantic music, gorgeous sets and The Washington Ballet's elegant dancers breathe life into this classic fairy tale about a young princess, cursed to slumber for eternity until her true love's kiss sets her free. \$25-\$160. The Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW, 202.467.4600, kennedy-center.org



March 20-April 14

# **National Cherry Blossom Festival**

The capital blooms with a parade (left), musical performances and more in tribute to Japan's centuries-old gift of cherry trees. Most events free. Venues vary, 877.442.5666, nationalcherry blossomfestival.org

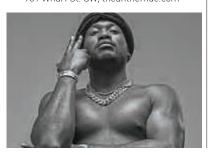
For a full calendar of events, go to wheretraveler.com/washington-dc/local-events

"Mirror Mirror"

With a history dating back to the 1700s, elegant colonial architecture and redbrick sidewalks lined with boutiques, Old Town Alexandria in Virginia charms. Now, a redeveloped waterfront park and an annual series of temporary art installations promise to amp up the attraction. The first work, SOFTLab's "Mirror Mirror," takes inspiration from nearby Jones Point Lighthouse, with a curve of prismatic mirrors that change in reaction to movement and sound. Free. King Street Park at the Waterfront, King and Strand sts., alexandriava.gov

### March 21 Meek Mill

The Philadelphia-born rapper, who penned a New York Times op-ed on the need for prison reform, gets capital crowds going with his "Motivation Tour." \$49.50-\$73. The Anthem, 901 Wharf St. SW, theanthemdc.com



#### **LET'S DO THIS**

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#### IN MARCH

#### Mardi Gras March 2

The Big Easy rolls into the Southwest Waterfront with brass bands and those ubiquitous beads. Free. www. thewharfdc.com

## "American Girl Live"

Five young campers learn to overcome their fears thanks to their American Girl dolls. \$30-\$76. www.strathmore.org

#### "Confection" March 4-24

Audiences go on an immersive theater experience through the Folger Shakespeare Library, sampling petite desserts along the way. \$40-\$60. www.folger.edu

#### Where to Next? Race March 16

Teams race through town in a competition combining a scavenger hunt, an escape room. and a tour. \$80-\$108. www. wheretonextrace.com

#### **Travel & Adventure Show** March 16-17

Celebrities, experts, entertainment, and virtual reality stir up some serious wanderlust. \$18. www.travelshows.com

#### Shamrock Fest March 23

Everyone is Irish at this party toasting St. Paddy's Day and the Emerald Isle. Check website for updated prices. www. shamrockfest.com

#### "A Bronx Tale" March 26-31

The hit musical, about a young boy caught between his mob dreams and his family, lights up the National stage. \$54-\$114. www.thenationaldc.org

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# **HAUTE STUFF**

In Washington, D.C., vegan goes glam

WASHINGTON WILL ALWAYS have its steakhouses, but plant-based spots have set down roots in D.C., too. And we're not talking salads. Think elevated tasting menus with courses like ravioli with smoked paprika "cheese" and sous vide cured quinoa at Elizabeth's Gone Raw (1341 L St. NW, 202.347.8349), a hub for vegan haute cuisine in an elegant restored 19th-century townhouse. Industrial-chic environs await diners at **Fancy Radish** (600 H St. NE, 202.675.8341), the D.C. counterpoint to owners Richard Landau and Kate Jacoby's haute vegan Philly hub, Vedge. Naturally, the menu changes with the seasons, but one fan favorite? The stuffed avocado with cauliflower "fried rice" and black salt. At **Equinox** (818 Connecticut Ave. NW, 202.331.8118), James Beard nominee Todd Gray champions the Mid-Atlantic in dishes like Chesapeake Bay hearts of palm cakes referencing the region's iconic crustacean.

Plants growin' on ya? Try these casual spots, too.



José Andrés dishes DIY bowls and a namesake beefsteak tomato burger (see what he did there?). 1528 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202.986.7597



This farmers market staple now plates its popular farm-to-taco creations from lightfilled historic digs in Georgetown. 3207 Grace St. NW, 202.333.5277



A griddled-to-order veggie burger stuffed into a pita is just one of many tasty Middle Easterninspired dishes to get at this hip fast-casual. 655 K St. NW, no phone

For more great **food** in the city, visit wheretraveler.com

### Eat

This historic corridor just a stone's throw from Dupont Circle draws the city's food-obsessed. Many know Obama favorite Ben's Chili Bowl, but few may know Ben's Next Door, the upscale branch opened by the Chili Bowl owners' children. Compass Rose plates global street food for a lively crowd, while Le Diplomate focuses its flavors on classic French cuisine.

- Ben's Next Door
- 1211 U St. NW, 202.667.8880
- Compass Rose 1346 T St. NW, 202.506.4765
- Le Diplomate 1601 14th St. NW. 202.332.3333

### Shop

Music lovers dig for treasures at vinyl must-stop Som Records. Gypsy de la Lune also mines vintage gold in the form of women's clothing and accessories & Poets, but the original has the largest collection of titles and founder Andy Shallal's best-known mural,

Som Records 1843 14th St. NW, 202.328.3345

Records; Le Diplomate; 9:30 Club: Barcelona Wine Bar







#### Drink

The capital's first speak-easy, The Gibson, continues to draw locals to its unmarked doorway for some of the tastiest cocktails in town. Barcelona Wine Bar transports drinkers to Spain with a lovely space for sipping vino and nibbling tapas. Newly reopened Prospect revs up the crowds with sports memorabilia, big-screen TVs, and taps for top beers and even cider.

- Barcelona Wine Bar 1622 14th St. NW.
- 202.588.5500
- The Gibson 2009 14th St. NW, 202.232.2156
- The Prospect 1214 U St. NW, 202.450.4130

### Play

The 9:30 Club showcases top bands, while Duke Ellington fave Lincoln Theater now hosts indie rockers and comedians. The African American Civil War museum (and memorial across the street) pays tribute to the more than 200,000 members of the United States Colored Troops.

- 9:30 Club 815 V St. NW, 202.265.0930
- African American Civil War Museum

1925 Vermont Ave. NW. 202.667.2667

Lincoln Theater 1215 U St. NW, 202.888.0050

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Capital Creatives

Among the lawyers and lobbyists, D.C.'s free spirits take flight.

By Jennifer Barger



#### **DANCERS, PAINTERS & CREATORS**

"D.C.'s arts and creative scene isn't what people think, and it's often surprising," says longtime Washington Ballet dancer Sona Kharatian. "You can go to a big Broadway show or to see a completely unknown dance company." Case in point: You can catch Kharatian in the ballet's staging of "Sleeping Beauty" March 1-3 at the Kennedy Center (2700 F St. NW, www. washingtonballet.org) or head to the alternative Dance Place (3225 8th St. NE, www.danceplace.org) for Los Angeles' Latino-fusion troupe Contra-Tiempo March 15-16.

In an urban area so jazzed on both high culture (the National Gallery of Art, Kennedy Center) and up-and-coming efforts, it's easy to find and interact with some of the capital city's edgiest creatives in other ways.

For visual arts, hit the streets, checking out the mural-strewn walls and buildings of the Shaw neighborhood. Highlights include the alley next to Ben's Chili Bowl (1213 U St. NW, www.benschilibowl) with paintings of famed African-Americans including Jesse Jackson, the Obamas and Prince, and Blagden Alley (between 10th and 11th streets NW and M and N streets) hosts multiple images on garage doors and brick walls in what's known as the DC Alley Museum. "And I love going to Union Market," adds Kharatian. "The food inside is as inspiring as the murals outside."

Local creative powers also headline at Washington's buzziest restaurants. Take architect Eric Gronning, whose ability to meld good design with good eating spaces shows up in hot spots like Spring Valley's new Pizzeria Paradiso (4850 Massachusetts Ave. NW, www.eatyour pizza.com), with its interior trellises and Miro-esque, primary-hued wall mural, and Penn Quarter's temple to Span-

ish tapas, Jaleo (480 7th St. NW, www. jaleo.com), the flagship of another D.C. original, celebrated celebrity chef José Andrés. At Jaleo, you can chow down at foosball dining tables under outsized, are-we-in-Barcelona? bright hex tiles. "I don't know that we have a D.C. design style," says Gronning. "I think of it as more international. We're a port city, with a lot of people coming in and out and a lot of ideas flowing."

Petworth upholstery designer Nicole Crowder also draws energy from what she sees at local dining spots. "There's so much bold use of color, like at The Line Hotel in Adams Morgan, there are these unexpected pops of wallpaper," she says. "A big part of my aesthetic is mixing prints on chairs, so it's nice to see other people doing it."

Crowder, who just launched her eponymous furniture, fabric and art showroom (3015 Georgia Ave. NW, www. nicolecrowderupholstery.com), is one of a burgeoning tribe of visual and design entrepreneurs opening new spaces despite the District's Washington Monument-high rents. Among her faves: local designer Ron David's women's clothing and handbags in a snug space at the Four Seasons in Georgetown (2800 M St. NW, www.shoprondavid.com) and the new, nearby flower and gift boutique She Loves Me (808 Upshur St. NW, www.shelovesmedc.com).

"There are a lot more creatives in this city than outside people understand," says local suit designer and showroom owner Sim Kahn, who puts local guys in custom, far-from-frumpy suits at his appointment-only Brimble & Clark atelier (811 4th St. NW, Loft 719, www.brimbleandclark.com) in the Mt. Vernon Triangle neighborhood. "There are so many entrepreneurs and people interested in design."







#### RESIDENT ARTISTS

(From top) Sim Kahn (right); Nicole Crowder; Sona Kharatian; (Opposite) Eric Gronning's work at Jaleo in Penn Quarter

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#### ModCloth

With a stop-you-in-your-tracks "millennial" pink storefront, this popular online retailer heralds the arrival of its first brick-and-mortar presence in D.C. to full effect. Inside this "FitShop," shoppers find racks of vintageinspired women's clothing in today's sizes—from XXS to 4X—with helpful stylists to ensure the perfect fit. But instead of leaving the shop with new purchases, shoppers place orders with clipboard-wielding sales staff, who then ship items (for free!) straight to homes. 1924 8th St NW #130, 202,804,5589, modcloth.com

#### **SHOPPING CENTERS** CITYCENTERDC

Luxury complex for coveted labels including Hermes, Louis Vuitton, Dior, Vince, plus restaurants Daniel Boulud's DBGB Kitchen and Bar, Momofuku, Centrolina and Fig & Olive. Tesla dealership. Hours vary. 10th St. NW (Between H and I), 202.289.9000 Metro: Metro Center or Gallery PI-Chinatown

#### FASHION CENTRE AT PENTAGON CITY

Light-filled mall with Nordstrom and Macy's, 170-plus shops (Forever 21, J. Crew, Roots, Sephora, Superdry, Zara). Food court, M-Sa 10 am-9:30 pm, Su 11 am-6 pm. 1100 S. Hayes St., Arlington, Va., 703.415.2401 Metro: Pentagon City

#### TYSONS CORNER CENTER

Largest mall in the metropolitan area has 300-plus shops, restaurants and a cineplex. Bloomingdale's, Nordstrom, L.L. Bean, Lego, West Elm and Zara. M-Sa 10 am-9:30 pm, Su 11 am-

7 pm 1961 Chain Bridae Road. Tysons Corner, Va., 703.893.9400 Metro: Tysons Corner

#### TYSONS GALLERIA

Neiman Marcus, Macy's, Saks Fifth Avenue plus 100 other upscale shops (Chanel, Gucci, Louis Vuitton, Michael Kors) in addition to restaurants (Legal Sea Foods) and upscale food court (third floor), M-Sa 10 am-9 pm, Su noon-6 pm, Exit I-495 at 46A. 2001 International Drive. McLean, Va., 703,827,7730

#### APPAREL-MEN

#### ONWARD RESERVE

Georgia-based designer's store for outdoorsy looks in a glam hunting lodge-like space. Accessories, decor, gifts. Bar. M-Sa 10 am-8 pm, Su noon-6 pm. 1063 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202.838.9365

#### READ WALL

Local founder with knowledgeable staff helping with "natural shoulder" tailored suits and bespoke. Also shirts, pants, etc. By appointment.

1875 Connecticut Ave. NW. 10th floor, 202,733,1913

#### **APPAREL-MEN &** WOMEN

#### OUTDOOR VOICES

Recreational active wear specialist's local outpost with nostalgia-fueled decor. M-Sa 10 am-8 pm, Su 11 am-7 pm. 3025 M St. NW, 202.851.4963

#### PROPER TOPPER

Berets to derbies, cloches and fascinators. Also gifts, clothes, jewelry, accessories. Hours vary by location. 1350 Connecticut Ave. NW, 202.842.3055 Metro: Dupont Circle (South); 3322 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202.321.7499

#### **APPAREL-WOMEN** RELISH

Minimal, contemporary styles handpicked by owner Nancy Pearlstein, Dries van Noten, Marni, Jil Sander, Marc Jacobs. M-Sa 10 am-6 pm, 3312 Cady's Alley NW, 202.333.5343

Hip shop for on-trend looks at affordable prices. Personal styling available. M-Sa 10 am-8 pm. Su 11 am-6 pm. 1924 8th St. NW, Suite 115, 202.621.9225 Metro: U Street-Cardozo

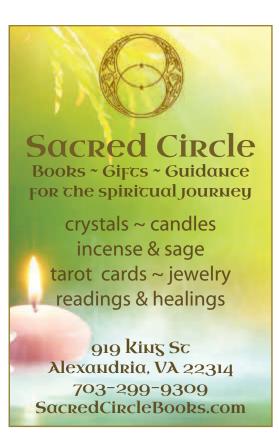
#### **BEAUTY**

#### BELLACARA

Angela Sitilides' spot for luxury skincare, beauty and haircare. Bumble and Bumble. Butter London, Dermalogica, Kai, Skinceuticals, all tested by Sitilides herself. M-F 11 am-6 pm, Sa 10 am-6 pm, Su noon-5 pm. 1000 King St., Alexandria, Va., 703.299.9652

#### IVY WILD

Locally owned boutique for non-toxic "clean" beauty and skincare. Hard-to-find indie brands, plus familiar natural lines. Tu-F 11 am-8 pm, Sa 10 am-8 pm, Su 10 am-6 pm. 1328 Florida Ave NW, Lobby #2, 202.804.5441







#### KRAMERBOOKS & AFTERWORDS CAFE

Newly expanded indie bookstore with full-service restaurant and bar since 1976. Events, live music, patio. Su-Th 7:30 am-1 am, F-Sa till 3 am. 1517 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202.387.1400 Metro: Dupont Circle (North)

#### SOLID STATE BOOKS

Locally owned shop with deep collection of fiction, nonfiction titles, plus extensive children's/voung adult category. In-store events; wine/beer. Su-Th 8 am-10 pm, F-Sa till midnight, 600 H St. NE. 202.897.4201

#### **CRAFTS &** COLLECTIBLES

THE INDIAN CRAFT SHOP At Department of the Interior since 1938, outlet for American Indian artists to market their crafts. Basketry. weavings, carvings, kachinas, beadwork plus outdoor sculpture garden. Present ID to enter building, M-F 8:30 am-4:30 pm and the third Sa of each month 10 am-4 pm. 1849 C St. NW. 202.208.4056

#### LOOPED YARN WORKS

Well-organized home-like shop encouraging in-store knitting. More than 30 brands of yarns, patterns, and needles and notions. Weekly classes and events. Hours vary. Check website for latest. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW, 202.714.5667 Metro: Dupont Circle (North)

#### **HOME DECOR & GIFTS**

#### **HOME RULE**

Tiny but expertly curated den of kitchen and bath gear in bright hues. Essentials and fun accessories. M-Sa 11 am-7 pm, Su noon-5:30 pm, 1807 14th St. NW. 202.797.5544

#### STEADFAST SUPPLY CO.

Hip warehouse-turned-store showcasing indie. locally made goods from gifts to home decor, fashion accessories and clothing. (Entrance on Water St.) Tu-F 11 am-7 pm. Sa 10 am-7 pm, Su 10 am-6 pm. 301 Tingey St. SE #120, Navy Yard, 202.308.4441 Metro: Navv Yard

#### **JEWELRY**

#### KICHEKO GOODS

Hip, modern studio for unique jewelry designed in D.C. and handmade in Kenva. Proceeds helping to fund education for children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. W-F noon-7 pm, Sa 10 am-4 pm and by appointment, 716 Monroe St. NE, Studio #3, no phone Metro: Brookland-CUA

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#### **SPECIALTY**

#### LEICA

The German camera manufacturer's first U.S. outpost. Knowledgeable staff. On-site gallery features lectures, workshops and rotating photography exhibitions, M-W 10 am-6 pm, Th-Sa till 7 pm, Su 11 am-5 pm. 977 F St. NW. 202.787.5900 Metro: Metro Center

#### UNION MARKET

Local "artisan" vendors including Peregrine Espresso, Righteous Cheese Co. and Rappahannock Ovster Co., plus John Mooney's Bidwell restaurant. Wines, fresh bread, empanadas. Tu-F 11 am-8 pm, Sa-Su 8 am-8 pm, 6th St, and Neal Place NE 301.347.3998

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#### Little Pearl

This petite Capitol Hill gem comes from one of D.C.'s biggest culinary heavy-hitters. James Beard Award-winning chef Aaron Silverman's newest eatery is already getting high marks for its elevated casual cuisine. During the day, Hill denizens stop in for breakfast treats and lunch bites like roast pork tacos and a fried chicken sandwich with Yemeni hot sauce. At night, the cafe turns into a wine bar, serving a \$45 tasting menu with the option to pair intriguing wines. 921 Pennsylvania Ave SE, 202.618.1868, littlepearldc.com

#### 14TH & U CORRIDOR

#### BEN'S CHILI BOWL

Southern Former pool hall serving chili half-smokes. burgers, cakes to Obama et. al., since 1958. B (M-F); L, D (daily). 1213 U St. NW. 202.667.0909 Metro: USt.-Cardozo: 1001 HSt. NE. 202.733.1895: 1725 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va., 571.312.1091

Ethiopian Expat haven for communal-style, spice-rich kitfo, tibs, vegetarian dishes. VIP Bar with Ethiopian art, NFL on big-screen TVs. Live jazz. L, D (daily). 1114-1118 U St. NW, 202.667.8735

#### **GHIBELLINA**

*Italian* Sleek-meets-rustic "Italian gastro-pub" for Tuscan fare: seafood, veal, calamari. pizzas, pastas, porterhouse steak. Beers, cocktails, wines. L (Th-F), D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 1610 14th St. NW. 202.803.2389

#### LE DIPLOMATE

French Stephen Starr's red banquettes, zinc-topped bar and "garden room" for steak frites, foie gras "parfait," lamb stew with fennel and oranges. D (daily), Br (Sa-Su), 1601 14th St. NW. 202.332.3333

#### ADAMS MORGAN, D.C. **BROTHERS AND SISTERS**

American/Asian James Beardnominated Erik Bruner-Yang's

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#### LAPIS AFGHAN BISTRO

Afghan Comfort foods like mantoo (dumplings), bolani (stuffed flat breads), grilled kabobs, vegetarian dishes (sabzi, sauteed spinach; samarok, sauteed mushrooms). Airy space with family portraits, antique rugs. Patio. D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 1847 Columbia Road NW. 202.299.9630

#### MINTWOOD PLACE

American Cedric Maupillier's classy comfort food: deviled pickled eggs, duck and pork cassoulet, parmesan leek risotto, key lime pie, Cocktails, beers on tap. D (Tu-Su), Br (Sa-Su). 1813 Columbia Road NW, 202.234.6732

#### TAIL UP GOAT

American Up-and-comers with lauded resumes in a laidback Michelin-starred spot. Inventive twists on classics: smoked potato ravioli, lamb ribs. D (daily), 1827 Adams Mill Road NW. 202.986.9600

#### ALEXANDRIA. VA. **COLUMBIA FIREHOUSE**

American Inside a former 19th-century fire house, a two-tiered brasserie/bar with glass atrium. Raw bar, small plates, burgers, steaks. L (Tu-F), D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 109 S. Saint Asaph St., 703,683,1776

#### HANK'S PASTA BAR

Italian Part of Jamie Leeds' ever-expanding Hank's empire, this one focusing on handmade pastas plus risotto, whole-roasted fish, lamb chops, L (M-Th), D (daily), Br (F-Su). 600 Montgomery St., 571 312 4117

#### LIVE OAK

Southern Chef Justus Frank's (Fiola) upscale shrimp and grits, smoked pork ribs, braised collard greens tortellini. Housemade ice cream. D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 1603 Commonwealth Ave 571.312.0402

#### NASIME

Japanese Cozy modern dining room on bustling main drag in Old Town. High-end tasting menu highlighting fromscratch dishes at an affordable price, D (daily), 1209 Kina St., 703,457,0146

#### RT'S RESTAURANT

Caiun/Creole Locals' spot with character and sounds from zydeco to blues. Jack Daniels shrimp, alligator stew, gumbos, po-boys, she-crab soup, crawfish étouffée. Cocktails, beers.

L (M-Sa), D (daily). 3804 Mount Vernon Ave., 703.684.6010

#### VOLA'S DOCKSIDE GRILL AND HI-TIDE LOUNGE

Seafood Named for the city's feisty first woman city manager. Fish and chips, crab cakes. fried chicken with water views. Hi-Tide Lounge for bar bites, frozen cocktails, beer, wine, L. D (daily), Br (Sa-Su), 101 N. Union St., 703,935,8890

#### **CAPITOL HILL** ACQUA AL 2

Italian Restaurant of chef-owner Ari Gejdenson with recipes like beef fillet with blueberry sauce, grilled eggplant, parmesan cheese appetizers plus soups and salads, L (Tu-Sa), D (daily), 212 Seventh St. SE. 202.525.4375

#### AMBAR

Balkan A Belgrade original in D.C. with copper-top bar. Slow-cooked meats and mezze, white veal soup and cheese pie. Balkan wines and beers, 30 varieties of Serbian Rakia. Bar late. Hours vary by location. 523 Eighth St. SE, 202.813.3039 Metro: Eastern Market: 2901 Wilson Blvd.. 703.875.9663 Metro: Clarendon

#### CHIKO

Asian D.C.'s Scott Drewno (The Source) and Danny Kim (Mandu) joining forces for

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for up to four (reserve online). D (daily). 423 8th St. SE, 202.558.9934 Metro: Eastern Market

#### GARRISON

American Culinary Institute of America-trained Robert Weland's seasonal cuisine: Whole-roasted vegetables, housemade pastas, locally sourced fish and meat. Cocktails, Euro-focused wines, D (Tu-Su), Br (Sa-Su), 524 Eighth St. SE, 202.506.2445

#### GOOD STUFF EATERY

American "Top Chef" contestant Spike Mendelsohn's specialty burgers, hand-cut fries, old-fashioned shakes, L. D (M-Sa); Airport B, L, D (daily). 303 Pennsylvania Ave. SE, 202.543.8222 Metro: Capitol South; 2110 Crystal Drive,

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### **DOWNTOWN**

#### AMERICANSON

American Tim Ma's all-day cafe serving up twists on American fare as seen through the eyes of an immigrant. Bone-in ribeve and Hudson Valley duck breast, but also tofu gnocchi and spaghetti squash "ssam" (wraps). B, L, D (daily). 1201 K

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#### MIRABELLE

French-American Blocks from the executive mansion, elegant dining room for dishes highlighting New England roots. Tasting menus. L (M-F), D (M-Sa), 900 16th St. NW. 202.506.3833 Metro: McPherson Square or Farragut West

#### OCCIDENTAL GRILL &SEAFOOD

American Legendary spot for duck breast, filet mignon, butternut squash ravioli, classic Maine lobster bisque. Wines,

craft beers, cocktails, L (M-F), D (M-Sa), 1475 Pennsylvania Ave. NW. 202.783.1475 Metro: Metro Center

#### PLUME

American Ralf Schlegel's Michelin-starred restaurant with luxe dishes à la Monticello's gardens inside elegant Jefferson Hotel. Prix fixe, chef's tasting. Free parking, D (Tu-Sa), 1200 16th St. NW. 202.448.3227

#### **DUPONT CIRCLE**

#### HANK'S OYSTER BAR

Seafood Chef Jamie Leeds with her famous "Meat and Two" (one protein with two sides). Wines and cocktails, L. D. Br. times vary by location. 1624 Q St. NW, 202.462.4265 Metro: Dupont Circle: 633 Pennsylvania Ave. SE. 202.733.1971 Metro: Eastern Market; 1026 King St., Alexandria, Va., 703.759.4265 Metro: Kina Street (about seven blocks): 701 Wharf St. SW. 202.817.3055 Metro: Waterfront

Seafood Robert Wiedmaier's handsome, quarters for pristine fish, plus wagyu New York strip, roasted duck, Classic cocktails/wine/beer. Pretheater menu. Live jazz Th-Sa pm. D (daily), Br (Su), 1515 Rhode Island Ave. NW. 202.521.7171

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#### FIOLA MARE

Seafood James Beard Awardwinner Fabio Trabocchi's lauded riverside spot for oysters, smoked cod, Maine lobster, Sardinian ricotta doughnuts. Cocktails and mocktails. L (Tu-F), D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 3050 KSt. NW, 202.628.0065

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#### PENN QUARTER/ CHINATOWN

#### OYAMEL

Mexican A José Andrés cocina with ceviche, tacos (mahi mahi, cricket), hot and cold antijitos. Margarita with salt "air," 50 tequilas. Night owl bar menu. L (M-F), D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 401 Seventh St. NW. 202.628.1005

#### RASIKA

Indian James Beard Awardwinner Vikram Sunderam serving barbecue, tandoori, curries. (Pre-theater), 100 wines, full bar. L (M-F), D (M-Sa). 633 D St. NW, 202.637.1222 Metro: Archives-Navy Memorial

#### SHAW

#### CHERCHER

Ethiopian Friendly, casual spot for authentic dishes like doro we't (chicken stew) and yebeg we't (lamb stew). Vegetarian options, Ethiopian coffee. Spices for sale. L, D (daily). 1334 Ninth St. NW, 202.299.9703; 4921 Bethesda Ave., Bethesda, Md., 301.652.6500

#### HAIKAN

Japanese Bright, modernist backdrop for Sapporo-style ramen, plus small plates (mapo tofu poutine, "pea-sar" Caesar salad). L (W-Su), D (daily). Bar late. 805 V St. NW., 202.299.1000 Metro: Shaw-Howard U

#### WATERFRONT

#### CHLOE

Global Lauded Haidar Karoum's global flavors: Cobia crudo, spiced beef hummus, roasted potato gnocchi. Chocolate sundae, cheese plate. Beer, wine, mocktails. L (Tu-F), D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 1331 4th St. SE, 202.313.7007 Metro: Navy Yard

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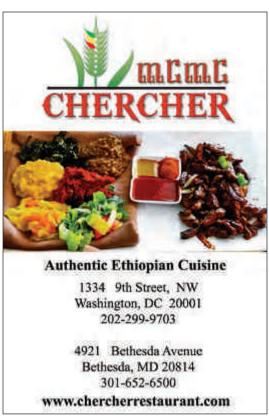
Seafood James Beard winner Fabio Trabocchi's soaring digs with wide-ranging menu from tapas to caviar, grilled seafood and family-style paella. Classic cocktails, mocktails, ciders. L. (Tu-F), D (daily), Br (Sa-Su). 791 Wharf St. SW, 202.525.1402 Metro: Waterfront

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Caribbean "Top Chef" alum and CIA/Hyde Park grad Kwame Onwuachi's Africanaccented flavors. "Torched" mackerel with jollof rice, burger with house-ground patties and jerk-spiced bacon. B, L, D (daily). The Wharf, 801 Wharf St. SW, 202.878.8566 Metro: Waterfront

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#### ART MUSEUMS

#### NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART/ EAST BUILDING

I.M. Pei-designed space holding modern and contemporary American and European paintings, sculptures, prints by Matisse, Stella, Warhol and Picasso. Roof terrace with sculptures and views of the Capitol. Villareal LED passage to West Building. M-Sa 10 am-5 pm, Su 11 am-6 pm. Free. Gift shop and cafes. Constitution Ave. NWbetween 3rd & 4th sts., 202.737.4215 Metro: Archives-Navy Memorial

#### NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART/ WEST BUILDING

One of the world's finest collections of American and European paintings and sculpture dating from the 13th century. M-Sa 10 am-5 pm, Su 11 am-6 pm. Free. Gift shop, cafés, sculpture garden. Constitution Ave. NW between 4th & 7th sts., 202.737.4215 Metro: Archives-Navy Memorial

# NATIONAL MUSEUM OF WOMEN IN THE ARTS

Pioneering museum dedicated to female artists with 4,500-plus works by, among others, Mary Cassatt, Frida Kahlo and Alma Thomas. M-Sa 10 am-5 pm, Su noon-5 pm. \$10, students/ seniors \$8, 18 and under free. Mezzanine Cafe. M-F 11 am-2 pm. New York Ave. & 13th St. NW, 202.783.5000 Metro: Metro Center

#### THE PHILLIPS COLLECTION

The country's first museum of modern art. Laib's Wax Room, beeswax-lined niche for two visitors at a time. Tu-Sa 10 am-5 pm, Th until 8:30 pm, Su noon-7 pm. Permanent collection free (Tu-F) with suggested donation. Weekends: \$10, \$8 students/seniors. Special exhibitions: \$12, \$10 students/seniors. Gift shop. 21st & Q sts. NW, 202.387.2151 Metro: Dupont Circle (North)

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George Washington's riverside estate, plus first couple's tomb, gardens, a blacksmith shop, reconstructed slave cabin. High-tech Ford Orientation Center and Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center. Website for seasonal hours. \$20, seniors \$16, children (6-11) \$9, under 6 free. 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Alexandria, Va. 703.780.2000

# PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S COTTAGE

Retreat where Lincoln drafted the Emancipation Proclamation. Education center with free exhibits. Guided tours only, reservations online. M-Sa first tour 10 am, last tour 3 pm. Visitor Center M-Sa 9:30 am-4:30 pm; Su 10:30 am-4:30 pm. \$15, military \$12, children (6-12) \$5. 140

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# THE PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON HOUSE

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#### **TUDOR PLACE**

Home of Martha Washington's granddaughter with 5.5-acre gardens and largest collection of George Washington's personal items outside Mount Vernon. Garden tours (\$3). Tu-Sa 10 am-4 pm, Su noon-4 pm. \$10, seniors/college students/military \$8, students (5-17) \$3, under 5 free. Self-guided garden-only tour \$3. 164431st St. NW, 202,965.0400

#### NATIONAL LANDMARKS

# AFRICAN-AMERICAN CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL AND MUSEUM

Bronzes depicting African-American Union soldiers and sailors; surrounding walls listing more than 200,000 etched names of soldiers and officers. M 10 am-5 pm, Tu-F 10 am-6:30 pm, Sa 10 am-4 pm, Su noon-4 pm. 10th St. & Vermont Ave. NW; museum at 1925 Vermont Ave. NW, M-F 10 am-5 pm, Sa till 2 pm, 202.667.2667 Metro: U St.-Cardozo

# ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

Interred here, thousands of veterans and government personnel. Changing of the quards every half hour. Kennedy gravesites, Tomb of the Unknowns, Iwo Jima Memorial, Women in Military Service for America memorial. Arlington House. Daily 8 am-5 pm. Self-guided tours free; bus tour \$13.50, seniors (65+) \$10. military/veterans with ID/ children (4-12) \$6.75, children with military \$3.75, military in uniform free. 214 McNair Road. Arlinaton, Va., 877,907,8585 Metro: Arlington Cemetery

#### FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL

A 7.5-acre landscaped park of waterfalls and tableaux, bronze sculptures and bas-reliefs of the 32nd president, wife Eleanor and dog Fala, plus scenes from the Depression through WWII. West Potomac Park along Basin Drive SW, 202.426.6841 Metro: Smithsonian (half a mile)

#### JEFFERSON MEMORIAL

At the Tidal Basin, John Russell Pope's neoclassical monument for the third



U.S. president and main author of the Declaration of Independence. Rangers every hour daily 9:30 am-10 pm. Bookstore, Parking (south side). South end of 15th St. SW. 202.426.6841

#### LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

World's largest library with more than 130 million books manuscripts objects Gutenberg Bible, Thomas Jefferson's founding collection. M-Sa 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Tours. Free. Jefferson Building, 10 First St. SE. 202.707.8000: James Madison Memorial Building, 101 Independence Ave. SE, 202.707.9779 Metro: Capitol South

#### MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. NATIONAL MEMORIAL

A nearly 30-foot-high statue of King emerging from a granite block, the Stone of Hope, and inscription walls bearing his eloquent words. Northwest corner of Tidal Basin at the intersection of West Basin Drive SW & Independence Ave. SW. 888.484.3373

#### NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The "Charters of Freedom"— Bill of Rights, U.S. Constitution, Declaration of Independence. Theater with free films. David M. Rubenstein Gallery, Visitor Orientation Plaza. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm (Last admission at 5 pm). Gift shop. Free. 700 Pennsylvania Ave. NW (enter rotunda on Constitution Ave. NW), 877,874,7616 Metro: Archives-Navy Memorial

#### NATIONAL MALL

Planner Pierre L'Enfant's grand landscape. All memorials free. 24 hours.

U.S. Capitol—Home of the U.S. Congress since 1800 (M-Sa 8:30 am-4:30 pm). See Visitor Centers listings for more info. 202.226.8000 Metro: Capitol South

Washington Monument— World's tallest freestanding masonry structure with elevator (closed until spring). 15th St. NW, 202.426.6841 Metro: Smithsonian Lincoln Memorial—Greek-

style temple with statue by Daniel Chester French.

Visitors center, Gift shop. South of Constitution Ave. NW at 23rd St., 202.426.6841 Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU (1 mile) Korean War Veterans

Memorial—The Pool of Remembrance, steel soldiers, granite relief. Independence Ave. & Daniel French Drive SW. 202.426.6841 Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU (1 mile) World War II Memorial—

Neoclassical plaza dedicated to 400,000 American lives lost. 17th St. NW between Constitution & Independence aves., 202.426.6841 Metro: Smithsonian (five blocks) Vietnam Veterans

Memorial — Maya Lin's memorial with more than 58.000 names of dead or missing soldiers. Sculptures honoring soldiers, nurses, Constitution Ave. NW between 21st & 22nd sts., 202.426.6841 Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU (1 mile)

#### PENTAGON

U.S. Dept. of Defense HQ and nerve center for command and control. On-site memorial (accessible 24 hours) dedicated to 184 lives lost there in the 9/11 attack. Tours M-Th 10 am-4 pm, F noon-4 pm. Reserve online at least two weeks prior. Group tours. Free. Army Navy Drive & Fern St., Arlington, Va., 703.697.1776 Metro: Pentagon

#### SUPREME COURT

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

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ahead. Tours Tu-Th 7:30 am-11:30 am, F-Sa 7:30 am-1:30 pm. See Visitor Centers listing for more information. 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW. 202.456.7041 Metro: McPherson Sq or Farragut West

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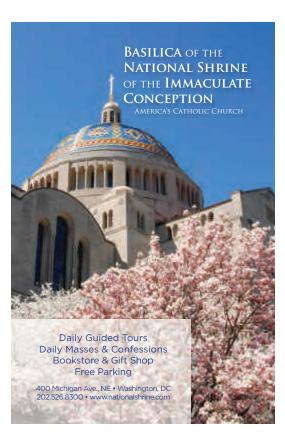
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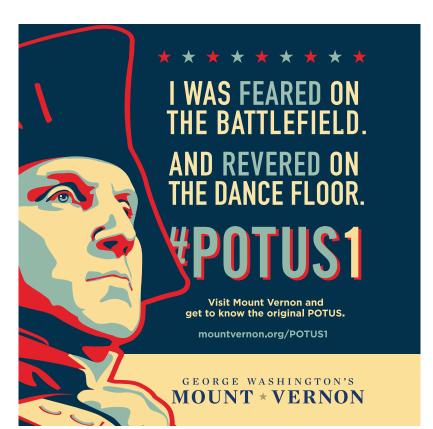
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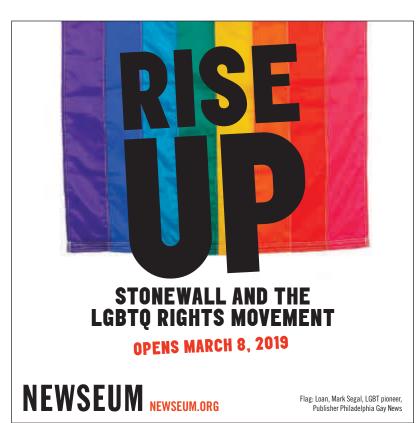
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National collections from folk art to LED installations and one gallery dedicated to video and time-based artwork. Daily 11:30 am-7 pm. Gift shop. Kogod Courtyard with Norman Foster-designed canopy, free Wi-Fi and a cafe until 6:30 pm. 8th & F sts. NW, 202.633.1000 Metro: Gallery Pl-Chinatown

#### AMERICAN HISTORY MUSEUM

Repository of cultural, scientific and technological heritage. Thomas Jefferson's desk. Julia Child's kitchen, restored Dorothy's ruby slippers. The Star-Spangled Banner gallery holding the restored flag. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Free. Gift shops, ice cream parlor, cafeteria. 14th St. & Constitution Ave. NW. 202.633.1000 Metro: Smithsonian

#### AMERICAN INDIAN MUSEUM

Curvilinear building of golden-hued limestone facing the rising sun in keeping with Native American tradition. Inside, tribal exhibitions, artifacts, plus an activity center

with hands-on projects like weaving a giant basket. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Free. Gift shops, theaters, Mitsitam Cafe. 4th St. & Independence Ave. SW. 202.633.1000 Metro: L'Enfant Plaza

#### ANACOSTIA COMMUNITY MUSEUM

Devoted to activism, urban communities and African-American heritage, with thought-provoking ongoing exhibits and events. Daily 10 am-5 pm. 1901 Fort Place SE,

#### ARTHUR M. SACKLER GALLERY

Recently reopened space featuring newly re-installed collections. In a dramatic underground building, Asian and Near Eastern artworks spanning 6,000 years. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Gift shop. 1050 Independence

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#### THE CASTLE

The first Smithsonian building with info center, cafe, James Smithson's crypt. Daily 8:30 am-5:30 pm, Haupt Garden (south side) daily 6:30 am-dusk. Free. 1000 Jefferson Drive SW. 202.633.1000 Metro: Smithsonian

#### FREER GALLERY

Recently reopened featuring reimagined spaces for displaying Eastern and South Asian and Islamic art in an Italian-style villa. James McNeill Whistler's Peacock Room restored to its original 1908 appearance, Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Films, gift shop. Jefferson Drive and 12th St. SW. 202.633.1000 Metro: Smithsonian

#### HIRSHHORN MUSEUM AND SCULPTURE GARDEN

Designed by Gordon Bunshaft, doughnut-shaped building holds Joseph H. Hirshhorn's gift collection plus later acquisitions. Works by Dubuffet, Picasso, Rothko, Calder, Warhol and current stars. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Sculpture Garden (7:30 amdusk). Tours weekdays at 12:30 and 3:30 pm. Seventh St. & Independence Ave. SW, 202.633.1000 Metro: L'Enfant Plaza-Smithsonian

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN ART

Sub-Saharan African art: masks, textiles, regalia, furniture, ceramics. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Gift shop. 950 Independence Ave. SW. 202.633.4600 Metro: Smithsonian

#### NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

Famed visages throughout U.S. history. Only complete collection of presidential portraits outside the White House. Daily 11:30 am-7 pm. Gift shop, cafe. Eighth & F sts. NW. 202.633.1000 Metro: Gallery Pl-Chinatown

#### NATIONAL POSTAL MUSEUM

Former main post office, now museum of artifacts multimedia stations and exhibits. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Free. Special workshops, welcome center, gift shop and post office. 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE, 202.633.1000 Metro: Union Station

#### NATIONAL ZOO

Founded in 1889, a 163-acre zoo with more than 2.000 animals including giant pandas Tian Tian and Mei Xiang and their cub Bei Bei. Asia Trail with giant sloths. American Trail with sea otters. Solar-powered carousel

(\$3). Check website for seasonal hours. Free entry; parking \$22,3001 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202.673.4888 Metro: Cleveland Park (downhill to zoo) or Woodlev Park-Zoo (uphill to zoo)

#### NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

Exhibits tracking the natural world since prehistoric time. In the Rotunda, taxidermic African elephant in a replica Angolan habitat, Hall of Geology, Gems and Minerals (Hope Diamond). Butterfly Pavilion (\$6, \$5.50 seniors, \$5 children: free, tickets required). Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Free. IMAX theater (\$8, seniors/children \$6.50), Cafe and gift shop, Constitution Ave. at 10th St. NW, 202.633.1000 Metro: Federal Trianale or Smithsonian

#### RENWICK GALLERY

Revamped Second Empirestyle museum across from White House designed by James Renwick Jr. in 1859. American fine crafts, plus modern works. Daily 10 am-5:30 pm. Gift shop. 17th St. & Pennsylvania Ave. NW. 202.633.1000 Metro: Farragut West

#### **VISITOR CENTERS** U.S. CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Entry to the U.S. Capitol (exhibits, artifacts, interactive kiosks). M-Sa 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Guided one-hour tours (M-Sa 8:50 am-3:20 pm) begin with a 13-minute film. Free. Admission to the House or Senate galleries by a constituent's representative or senator. Some same-day passes at the CVC information desks. Below the East Plaza of the Capitol between Constitution & Independence aves., 202,226,8000 Metro: Capitol South

#### WHITE HOUSE VISITOR CENTER

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### BARS & LOUNGES

#### BARMINI

Adjoining his experimental Minibar, celeb chef José Andrés' sleek cocktail spot with 100-plus original creations and fresh takes on classics. Reservations recommended. Tu-Sa from 5:30 pm. 501 9th St. NW, 202.393.4451 Metro: Archives or Gallery Pl-Chinatown

#### BARRELDC

Rustic space with two bar areas—main level, plus downstairs "Rum-DMV" space with rum-focused cocktails and hip-hop beats. Full menu of comfort foods. Open daily. 613 Pennsylvania Ave. SE, Capitol Hill, 202.543.3622 Metro: Capitol South

#### CAPTAIN GREGORY'S

Inside Sugar Shack Donuts, an intimate, rustic lounge with a seafaring theme for hand-crafted cocktails and bites. No phone. Reservations only via website. W-Th 5:30-11:30 pm, F-Sa till 1 am, Su till 10:30 pm. 804 N. Henry St. Alexandria, Va.

#### **COLUMBIA ROOM**

Spirits guru Derek Brown's acclaimed cocktail bar, featuring three different spaces. Tasting room (by reservation) with seasonal drinks and amuse-bouches, spirits library (a la carte menu) and terrace. Tu-Th 5 pm-12:30 am, F-Sa till 1:30 am. 124 Blagden Alley NW,

202.316.9396 Metro: Mt. Vernon Sa-Convention Center

#### COPYCAT CO.

On emerging H Street NE, a cozy, dimly lit cocktail bar where expert mixologists concoct drinks from the menu or according to patrons' cravings. Also short menu of Chinese dumplings and skewers. Daily 5pm-2 am. 1110 H St. NE. 202.241.1952

#### THE GIBSON

Hidden lounge brings a speakeasy vibe to 14th Street. Cozy ambiance, patio and housemade cocktails. Many seats held for reservations, so call ahead or reserve online. Tu-Su from 6 pm. 2009 14th St. NW, 202.232.2156 Metro: U St-Cardozo

#### RI RA IRISH PUB

Decor from Ireland and live band most nights contributing a lively atmosphere for pub fare. Guinness, whiskey bar. M-Th 11 am-2 am, F till 3 am, Sa 10 am-3am, Su 10 am-2 am. 3125 M St. NW, 202.751.2111

#### **ROUND ROBIN BAR**

In the Willard Hotel, upscale bar serves venerable drinks and 130 scotches. Henry Clay introduced the mint julep to D.C. here 200 years ago. Also find the Belmont gin fizz and Pimlico black-eyed Susan. M-Sa noon-1 am, Su noon-midnight.

1401 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, 202.628.9100 Metro: Metro Center

#### SPIN

D.C. outpost of NYC-based "social club" focused on ping pong (\$9 per hour/person). Full bar; menu of sliders, tacos, flatbreads. M-W 4-11 pm, Th till midnight; F-Sa noon-2 am; Su noon-8 pm. 1332 F St. NW, 202.517.1170 Metro: Metro Center

#### COMEDY

#### THE CAPITOL STEPS

Congressional staffers satirizing politics and life inside the Beltway. Shows at Ronald Reagan Building Amphitheater and International Trade Center. F-Sa at 7:30 pm. \$36. 1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, 202.312.1555 Metro: Federal Triangle

#### **CONCERTS & OPERA**

Select shows listed; see venue websites for full schedules.

#### CAPITAL ONE ARENA

Penn Quarter/downtown arena for sports (NBA Wizards, NHL Capitals) and shows. Fleetwood Mac, March 5; Travis Scott, March 12; Ariana Grande, March 25. 601 F St. NW, 202.628.3200 Metro: Gallery PI-Chinatown

#### KENNEDY CENTER

A living memorial to John F. Kennedy. National Symphony Orchestra: Eschenbach returns with Glorious Bruckner/ cellist Kian Soltani plays Haydn, March 7-9; NEA Jazz Master Dianne Reeves. March 8-9; Crossroads Club: Nate Smith + Kinfolk with Van Hunt, March 16: Washington Performing Arts presents: San Francisco Symphony, March 23. 2700 F St. NW. 202.467.4600 Metro: Fogay Bottom-GWU (free shuttle to/ from venue)

#### **MUSIC CLUBS**

Select shows listed; see venue websites for full schedules.

#### 9:30 CLUB

Frequent winner of nightclub of the year. Visit the Back Bar early for first entry into shows. Dirt Monkey, March 2; Chelsea Cutler, March 6; J Boog, March 11; Teenage Fanclub, March 16; Railroad Earth, March 22-23; Lil Mosey, March 27. 815 V St. NW, 202.265.0930 Metro: U St-Cardozo

#### THEANTHEM

Concert venue on The Wharf waterfront redevelopment for big-name rock/pop and indie stars. State-of-the-art sound system, multilevel tiers, bars. James Bay, March 8; Erykah Badu, March 16; Massive Attack, ©KEITH ALLISON/FLICKR, CREATIVE COMMONS

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Booking indie rockers for the upstairs Mainstage and the smaller downstairs Backstage (often local bands). Also DJ and theme nights, pinball machines, a bar and a cafe with vegan options. Janel & Anthony, March 1; Bayo, March 16; Homeshake, March 24. 1811 14th St. NW, 202.667.4490 Metro: U St-Cardozo

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Tucked in a Georgetown alley, legendary jazz supper club showcasing artists like Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Byrd since 1965. Joey DeFrancesco, March 1-3; The Bad Plus, March 8-10; Eddie Palmieri, March 14-17; Kevin Eubanks, March 21-24; Dayme Arocena, March 28-31. 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202.337.4141

#### MADAM'S ORGAN

Find live music nightly at this rowdy Adams Morgan bar where redheads get a half-price drink special. Pool tables, karaoke and rooftop bar. One Nite Stand (reggae, funk, R&B) every Monday, Clusterfunk Tuesday, The Human Country Jukebox country music W, The Johnny Artis Band Th. M-Th, Su 5 pm-2 am, F-Sa till 3 am. 2461 18th St. NW, 202.667.5370

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Lively, intimate space for established and emerging rock, country, folk, soul, bluegrass and R&B acts from Austin to Nashville and beyond. American diner fare (biscuits and gravy, sandwiches, salads, tater tots). Danielle Nicole Band, March 3: Andv Frasco & The U.N., March 15: The Jacob Jolliff Band, March 21: Mike and The Moonpies, March 27; Chopteeth, March 30: Lilly Hiatt, March 31. The Wharf, 33 Pearl St. SW. 202.380.9620 Metro: Waterfront

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#### RECREATION

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Teams of players testing their wits to escape locked rooms filled with clues, riddles and red herrings (in 45 minutes). Themes from spies to mummies. \$28. Reservations required. 2300 Wisconsin Ave. NW, 800.616.4880; 814 King St., 2nd floor, Alexandria, Va., 800.616.4880; 3345 M St. NW, 800.616.4880

### THEATER & DANCE

#### **ARENA STAGE**

Classic and contemporary productions in an architecturally striking complex by the water. Catwalk Cafe features dishes inspired by current shows. "The Heiress." melodrama about a young woman finding her voice, through March 10; "JQA," playwright Aaron Posner's imagined confrontations between the one-term U.S. president and key historical figures of his day, through April 14. 1101 6th St. SW, 202.488.3300 Metro: Waterfront

#### FOLGER THEATRE

At Folger Shakespeare Library, an Elizabethan-style theater presenting classic plays and concerts. "Nell Gwynn," an orange seller hits it big on stage and earns the admiration of King Charles II, through March 10. 201 E. Capitol St. SE, 202.544.7077 Metro: Capitol South

#### FORD'S THEATRE

Historic venue where Lincoln was assassinated. On-site museum opens one hour before curtain (and for daytime visits). "Into the Woods," Stephen Sondheim's dark and humorous musical take on classic fairy tales, March 8-May 22. 511 10th St. NW, 202.347.4833 Metro: Metro Center

#### KENNEDY CENTER

A living memorial to John F. Kennedy. The Washington Ballet Presents "The Sleeping Beauty," **through March 3**; Washington National Opera: "Eugene Onegin," **March 9**- 29; "The Watsons Go to Birmingham," March 15-24; WNO: "Faust," March 16-30; Bon Iver & TU Dance's "Come Through," March 25; Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Company: "Analogy Trilogy," March 28-30; "Sheer Madness," ongoing. 2700 F St. NW, 202.467.4600 Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU (free shuttle to/from venue)

#### NATIONAL THEATRE

Landmark playhouse opened in 1835, now with Broadway shows, musicals. "Finding Neverland," the Tony Awardwinning musical based on the film about Peter Pan, through March 3; "Jukebox Hero: The Musical," toe-tapping tale based on the music of the rock band, Foreigner, March 22-23; "A Bronx Tale," Broadway hit based on actor Chazz Palminteri's childhood, March 26-31. 1321 Pennsylvania Ave. NW,

202.628.6161 Metro: Metro Center

# SHAKESPEARE THEATRE COMPANY

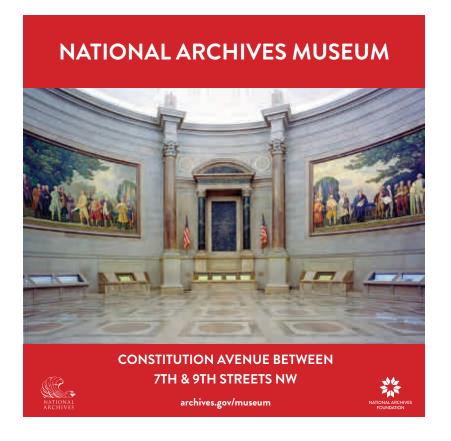
Led by artistic director Michael Kahn, this company has two downtown stages for works by the Bard and other playwrights. "Richard the Third," David Muse-directed drama about the murderous English leader, through March 10; "Vanity Fair," Kate Hamill's adaptation of the classic Thackeray novel, through March 31. Harman. 610 F St. NW, 202.547.1122 Metro: Gallery PI-Chinatown; Lansburgh, 450 Seventh St. NW, 202.547.1122 Metro: Gallery Pl-Chinatown

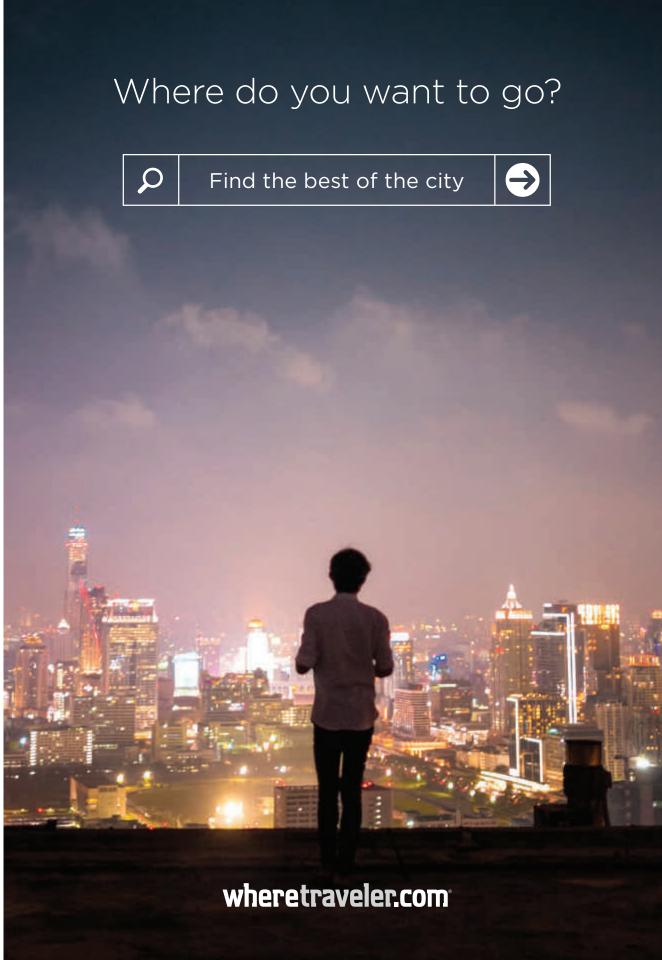
#### SIGNATURE THEATRE

Contemporary plays and musicals; winner of the 2009 Regional Theater Tony Award. "Ain't Misbehavin'," Tony Award-winning musical featuring the tunes of Thomas "Fats" Waller, through March 10; "Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity," three women trapped in a museum during a war tackle big issues while restoring a piece of art, through April 7. 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington, Va., 703.820,9771

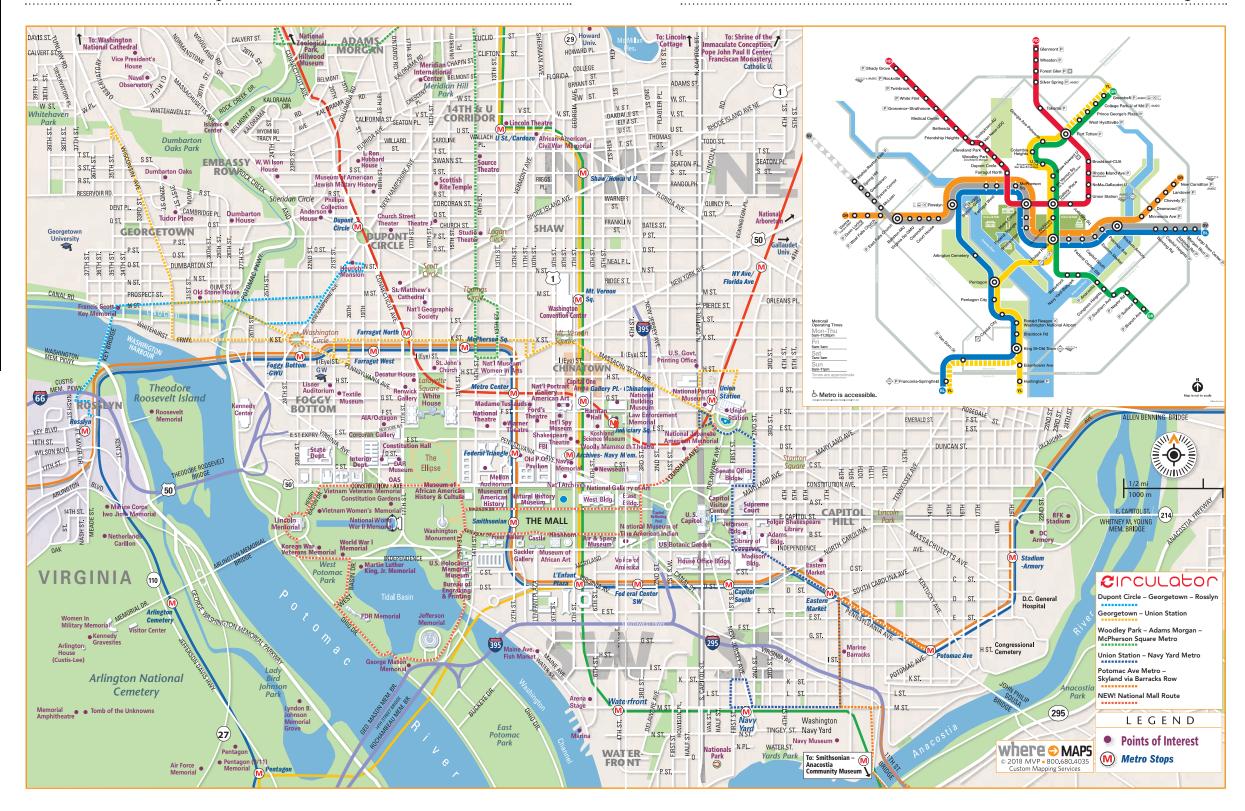
#### SYNETICTHEATER

Innovative storytelling (usually wordless) through movement, dance and mime. "Cyrano de Bergerac," Edmond Rostand's 1897 play about an unattractive man who helps his handsome friend woo the woman they both love, **through March 10**. 1800 S. Bell St., Arlington, Va., 703.824.8061 Metro: Crystal City









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