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Washington DC's only presidential museum is the home of Woodrow Wilson (1856-1924)—educator, president, and world statesman—who founded the League of Nations and shaped the modern US presidency. His public career and his life as a private citizen are traced in an impressive collection of White House objects, elaborate gifts of state from around the world, family items, and personal mementoes. Furnished as it was in Wilson's time, the fashionable 1915 house just off Embassy Row is a living textbook of modern American life in the 1920s.

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The Woodrow Wilson House is pleased to present this cell phone audio tour of Embassy Row. Narrated by acclaimed journalist and best-selling author Cokie Roberts, this tour provides an inside look at the history and cultural diversity of this magnificent neighborhood. You will also hear special commentary from those who know Embassy Row best: the diplomats, historic site representatives, and residents who live and work here.

To take the tour, all you need is your cell phone and this guide. Use the map and instructions inside to navigate the historic sites of Embassy Row.



Narrated by Cokie Roberts

To download a free podcast version of this audio tour, visit www.EmbassyRowTour.org

Tell us what you think. To leave your feedback on this tour, please dial **202-595-1841**, press **0#**, and record your message.

Key Terminology:

Kalorama: Greek for “beautiful view,” the Kalorama neighborhood lies directly north of Massachusetts Avenue and extends northwest to Rock Creek.

Beaux-Arts: This architectural style originated at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris and was popular in the United States during the early



Historic Dupont Circle

20th century. Key characteristics include symmetry, detailed sculptural decoration, hierarchy of space, precision, and a synthesis of multiple historic architectural styles.

Ambassador: With a full title of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, this is the highest ranking diplomatic

representative at an embassy, serving as a spokesperson for his or her native country.

Ambassadorial residence: The home of the ambassador, which may or may not be part of the embassy.



Emblematic Embassy Row

Chancery: The office building that houses a diplomatic mission and its staff.

Consulate: Subordinate to an embassy, and dealing directly with individuals and businesses. A nation may have multiple consulates throughout a foreign country, but only one embassy.

Diplomatic immunity: Embassies and their officials have diplomatic immunity, meaning that they are exempt from local laws and are under the jurisdiction of their home country. This allows

diplomats to carry out legitimate official duties without interference.

Embassy: Serves as the representation for a foreign country within the host country, protecting the interests of the foreign nation and its nationals. The term is also used to refer to the compound of buildings housing a foreign nation's offices and staff.

Legation: Formerly legations were representations for nations not recognized by the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, but the distinction between a legation and an embassy was dropped after World War II.



The Library at Woodrow Wilson House



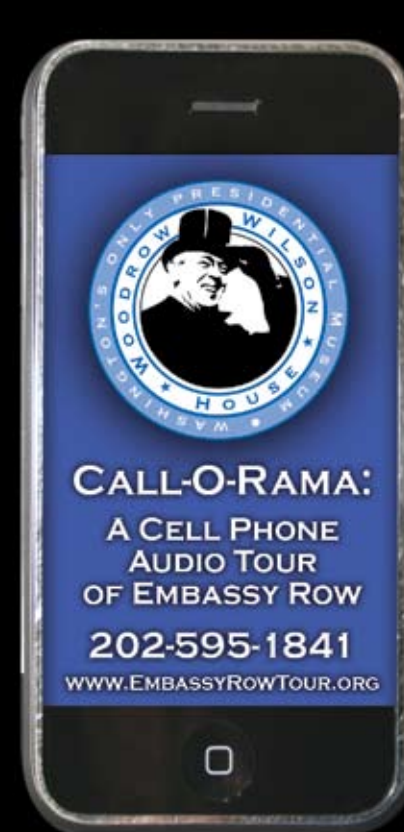
President Wilson on S Street in 1922

Photo: Todd A. Smith

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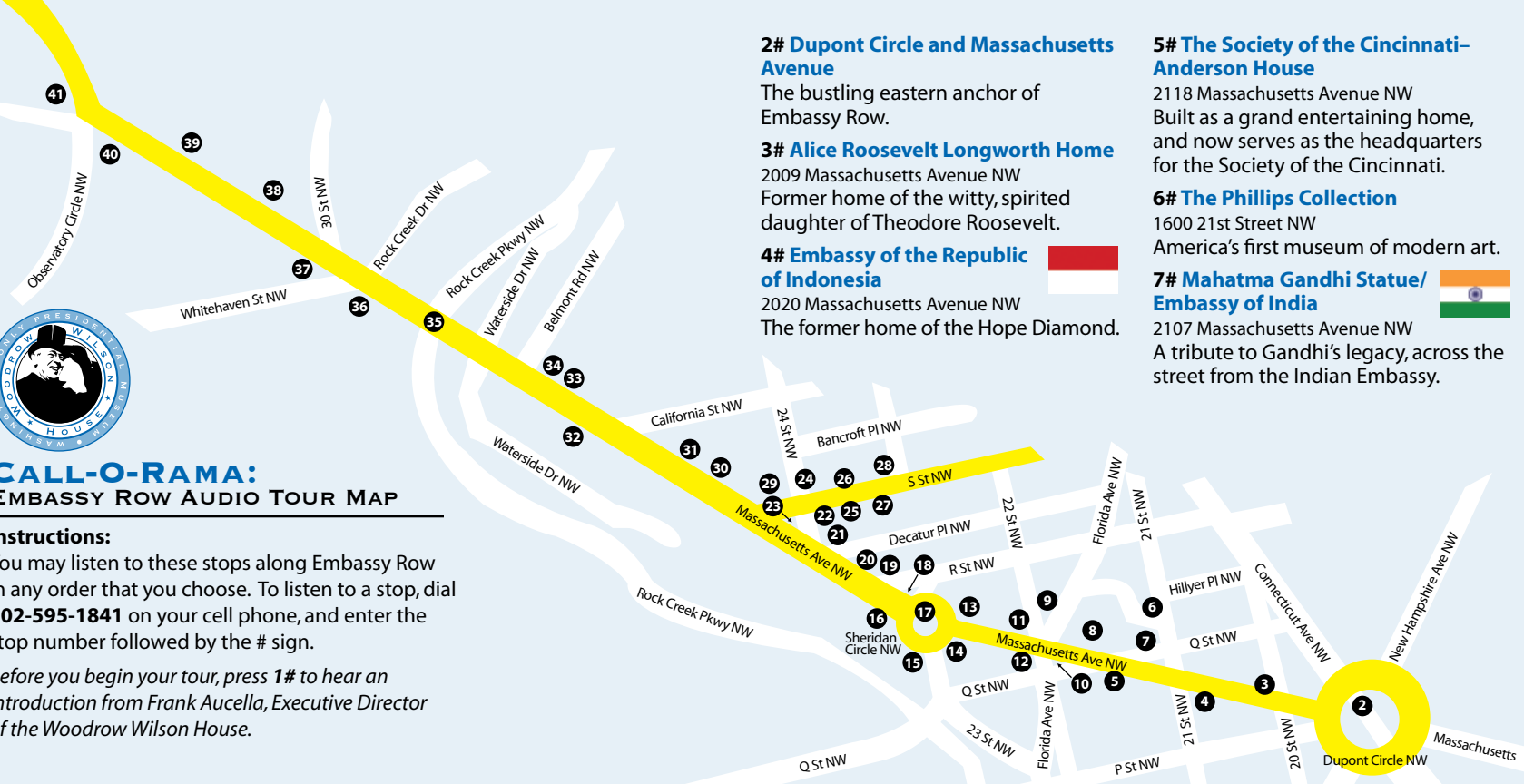


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Instructions:

You may listen to these stops along Embassy Row in any order that you choose. To listen to a stop, dial **202-595-1841** on your cell phone, and enter the stop number followed by the # sign.

Before you begin your tour, press **1#** to hear an introduction from Frank Aucella, Executive Director of the Woodrow Wilson House.



2# Dupont Circle and Massachusetts Avenue

The bustling eastern anchor of Embassy Row.

3# Alice Roosevelt Longworth Home

2009 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Former home of the witty, spirited daughter of Theodore Roosevelt.

4# Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia

2020 Massachusetts Avenue NW
The former home of the Hope Diamond.

5# The Society of the Cincinnati-Anderson House

2118 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Built as a grand entertaining home, and now serves as the headquarters for the Society of the Cincinnati.

6# The Phillips Collection

1600 21st Street NW
America's first museum of modern art.

7# Mahatma Gandhi Statue/ Embassy of India

2107 Massachusetts Avenue NW
A tribute to Gandhi's legacy, across the street from the Indian Embassy.

8# The Cosmos Club

2121 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Designed by leading Beaux-Arts architects, now home to an exclusive private social club.

9# Estonian Embassy

2131 Massachusetts Avenue NW
An unusual flatiron that remarkably withstood a potentially devastating fire.

10# T.G. Masaryk Memorial Park

A tribute to the founding father of free Czechoslovakia, who was inspired by America's great leaders and ideals.

11# Damon Cordon Oral History

A first-hand account of a young boy who collected stamps along Embassy Row during WWII.

12# Embassy of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

2200 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Formerly home to Luxembourgian royalty, in exile during World War II.

13# Embassy of Greece

2221 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Purchased by a Greek-American businessman as a gift to his native country.

14# Embassy of Romania

1607 23rd Street NW
Owned by Romania since 1921, built as an entertaining home for an attorney during the winter months.

15# Residence of the Ambassador of Turkey

1606 23rd Street NW
Designed for the inventor of the bottle cap, with serendipitously Turkish elements.

16# Embassy of Latvia

2306 Massachusetts Avenue NW
The former studio of an acclaimed artist and leader in the campaign to make Washington DC a cultural center.

17# Sheridan Circle

One of the last remaining residential traffic circles in Washington.

18# Restore Massachusetts Avenue

A local environmental group's efforts to recreate and maintain the original landscape of Sheridan Circle.

19# Residence of the Ambassador of Egypt

2301 Massachusetts Avenue NW
A grand home outside and in, filled with Egyptian antiquities.

20# Residence of the Ambassador of Chile

2305 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Designed by a prominent architect for his cousin, the widow of the founder of a major pharmaceutical company.

21# Embassy of the Republic of Croatia

2343 Massachusetts Avenue NW
A purchase funded by the Croatian-American community, with a statue of St. Jerome sitting in front.

22# Embassy of the Republic of Cameroon

2349 Massachusetts Avenue NW
A romantic French Renaissance style chateau, built for a Norwegian diplomat.

23# Emmett Park

A memorial to a leader in the fight for Irish independence, inspired by American democratic ideals.

24# Residence of the Ambassador of the Netherlands

2347 S Street NW
Considered one of the finest private homes in Washington, now filled with Dutch treasures.

25# Woodrow Wilson House

2340 S Street NW
Washington's only presidential museum, and the final home of Woodrow Wilson.

26# Death of Woodrow Wilson

A cub reporter and a servant girl relay the news of Woodrow Wilson's death.

27# The Textile Museum

2320 S Street NW
A center for the exhibition, study, collection and preservation of textiles from around the world.

28# Joel Barlow

One of the neighborhood's very first residents, who christened it "Kalorama."

29# Mary Elizabeth Drabkin Oral History

Neighborhood memories from a long-time Kalorama resident.

30# Restore Massachusetts Avenue

The lawn of the Embassy of Zambia serves as an example of the initiative to restore and preserve the historic landscapes of Embassy Row.

31# Residence of the Ambassador of Venezuela

2443 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Built specifically for the Venezuelan Ambassador and furnished in Latin American décor.

32# Embassy of Japan

2520 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Home to a formal Japanese tea garden and tea house.

33# The Islamic Center

2551 Massachusetts Avenue NW
DC's first mosque, built in a collaborative effort by every Islamic nation.

34# Art on Call

Police and fire call boxes throughout Kalorama have been restored as neighborhood artistic icons by Cultural Tourism DC.

35# Rock Creek Park and Charles C. Glover Memorial Bridge

Designed by the founder of American landscape architecture and spanning over twice the size of Central Park.

36# Embassy of Italy

3000 Whitehaven Street NW
Combining Italian style with Pierre L'Enfant's city plan of Washington.

37# Brazilian Embassy

3000-3006 Massachusetts Avenue NW
A residence and chancery with two distinctly different architectural styles stand side by side.

38# Embassy of the Republic of South Africa

3051 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Designed with an exterior influenced by South African architecture and an interior paneled in a rare exotic wood.

39# Khalil Gibran Memorial Garden

A memorial to the third best selling poet in history.

40# British Embassy

3100 Massachusetts Avenue NW
The first on Embassy Row, with immaculate gardens and a statue of Winston Churchill.

41# Observatory Circle

Home to the Vice President and the US Naval Observatory.