General Grant

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General Grant National Memorial

The Presidency of U.S. Grant

Monday, Feb. 18, 2013, 11 a.m.

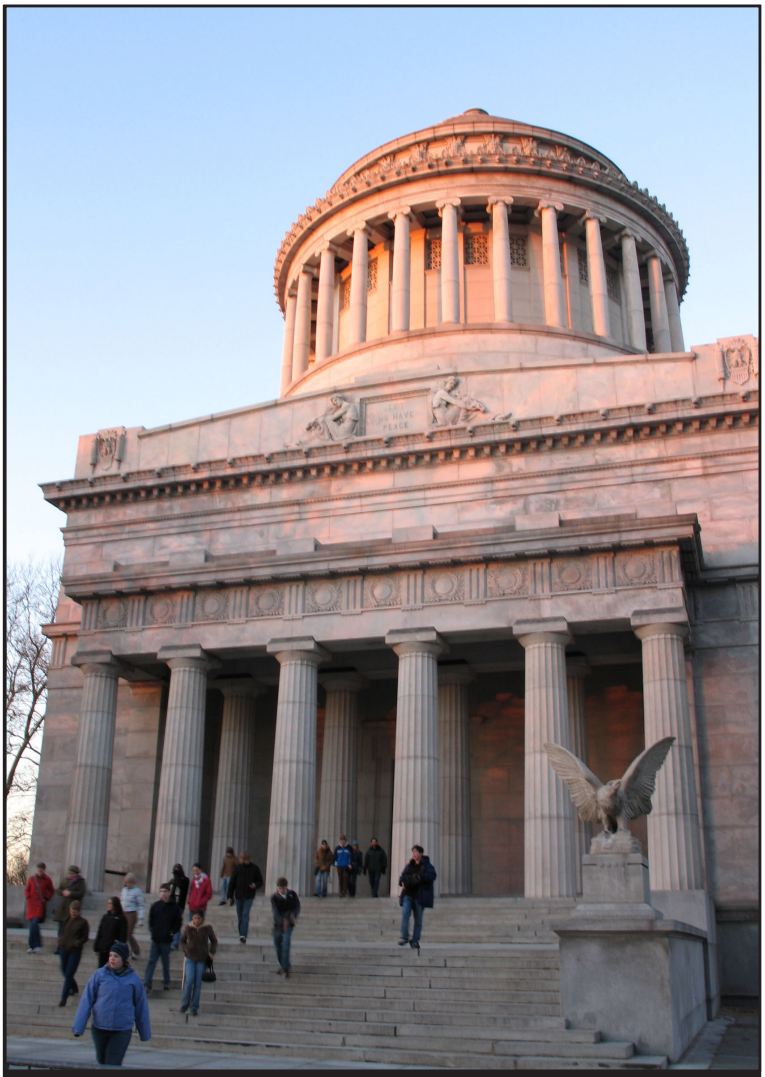
Join the National Park Service on Feb. 18 to commemorate President's Day with a special one-hour presentation by Frank Scaturro, president of the Grant Monument Association, on the presidency of Ulysses S. Grant.

U.S. Grant

After the Civil War, the nation was sharply divided over Reconstruction and began to face the industrial expansion that helped define modern America. In the face of these challenges, Grant served two terms as the 18th president of the United States between 1869 and 1877.

During his two terms, Grant fought to expand and protect the rights of the 4 million slaves who had recently been emancipated during the Civil War. He faced several international crises that raised the possibility of war. He confronted the fiscal and monetary questions raised by the post-Civil War economy. He also changed the government's policy with respect to Native Americans. Yet so much of his presidency was for years ignored or disparaged by historians during the 20th century, only to undergo a reappraisal in recent years. This program will explore Grant's record in office as well as reasons his presidency has been rising in the estimation of historians.

The presentation will be held at 11 a.m. in the General Grant National Memorial Visitor Center media room. The Visitor Center is located on Riverside Drive southbound at approximately 122nd Street, in Riverside Park. The entrance is below the overlook pavilion.Seating is very limited, please reserve ahead by calling 212-666-1640.



Plan Your Visit

General Grant National Memorial is open Thursday through Monday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

The mausoleum is only open during scheduled hours: 10-11 a.m., noon-1p.m., 2-3 p.m. and 4-5 p.m. Thursday through Monday.

General Grant National Memorial is located at 122nd Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan.

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