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NATIONAL GALLERY ANNOUNCES EARLY OPENING TIME FOR USSR EXHIBITION APRIL 29

WASHINGTON, D.C. April 24, 1973. The National Gallery of Art's special exhibition "Impressionist and Post-Impressionist Paintings from the USSR" will open one hour early at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 29 instead of the usual Sunday opening hour of 12 noon, J. Carter Brown, Director of the National Gallery announced today. "In view of the fact that April 29 will be the last day to see the Soviet loan exhibition in Washington and that we must close the exhibition at 6:00 p.m. Sunday to facilitate its installation in New York only three days later," said Mr. Brown, "this extra hour is added to the regular Sunday viewing hours to help accomodate the expected crowds." However, the National Gallery's permanent collection, as well as the "Far North" exhibition, will open at 12 noon on Sunday and will remain open until 9:00 p.m.

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