

# National Gallery of Art

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### NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART SCULPTURE GARDEN

### ICE SKATING RINK OPENS IN NOVEMBER 2000;

### PAVILION CAFE AND CARTS OFFER LIGHT FARE

Washington, D.C. - The National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden ice skating rink will reopen on November 15, 2000, through March 15, 2001, weather permitting. The rink's sleek, modern design with clear glass dasher boards creates an open vista throughout the garden and offers skaters the unique experience of viewing magnificent works of sculpture.

A state-of-the-art compact disc music system, with twenty-four speakers installed on light poles encircling the rink, provides uniform sound to skaters, without distracting other visitors to the garden.

The hours for the ice skating rink are Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-11 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.

Admission:

Weekday, Adults      \$5.00  
Weekend, Adults      \$5.50 (Saturday and Sunday)

Weekday, Students    \$4.00 (children and students with student ID)  
Weekend, Student    \$4.50 (Saturday and Sunday)

Weekday, Seniors     \$4.00 (age 50 and over)  
Weekend, Seniors     \$4.50 (Saturday and Sunday)

There is a \$2.50 fee for skate rental and use of lockers.

The new Pavilion Café will serve specialty pizzas, sandwiches, salads, desserts, fresh-baked goods, coffee, hot chocolate, and beer and wine. There is a special menu for children. Refreshments and light fare are also available from carts on the café patios.

The National Gallery of Art and Sculpture Garden are closed on December 25 and January 1. For general information, call (202) 737-4215, the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (202) 842-6176, or visit the National Gallery of Art's Web site at [www.nga.gov](http://www.nga.gov). To receive the Gallery's free bimonthly Calendar of Events, call (202) 842-6662.

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