

Obama becomes 44th President of the United States

Organizers are expecting record crowds to descend on Washington DC for the inauguration of the country's first African-American president, with estimates of up to two million on the streets for a parade and outdoor swearing-in ceremony

INAUGURATION PROGRAMME

■ **Barack Obama** attends morning worship – tradition that began with **Franklin D. Roosevelt** in 1933

■ Obama and President **George W. Bush** meet at White House before going together to U.S. Capitol

■ **10.00am:** Festivities begin on west front of U.S. Capitol. Musical selections include singer **Aretha Franklin**, composer **John Williams**, and violinist **Itzhak Perlman**

■ **11.30am:** Vice president-elect **Joe Biden** sworn in

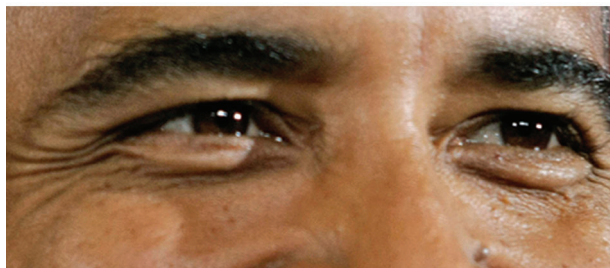
■ **12.00pm:** Obama takes oath of office using President **Abraham Lincoln's** inaugural Bible. He then gives inaugural address

■ Obama escorts President Bush to departure ceremony

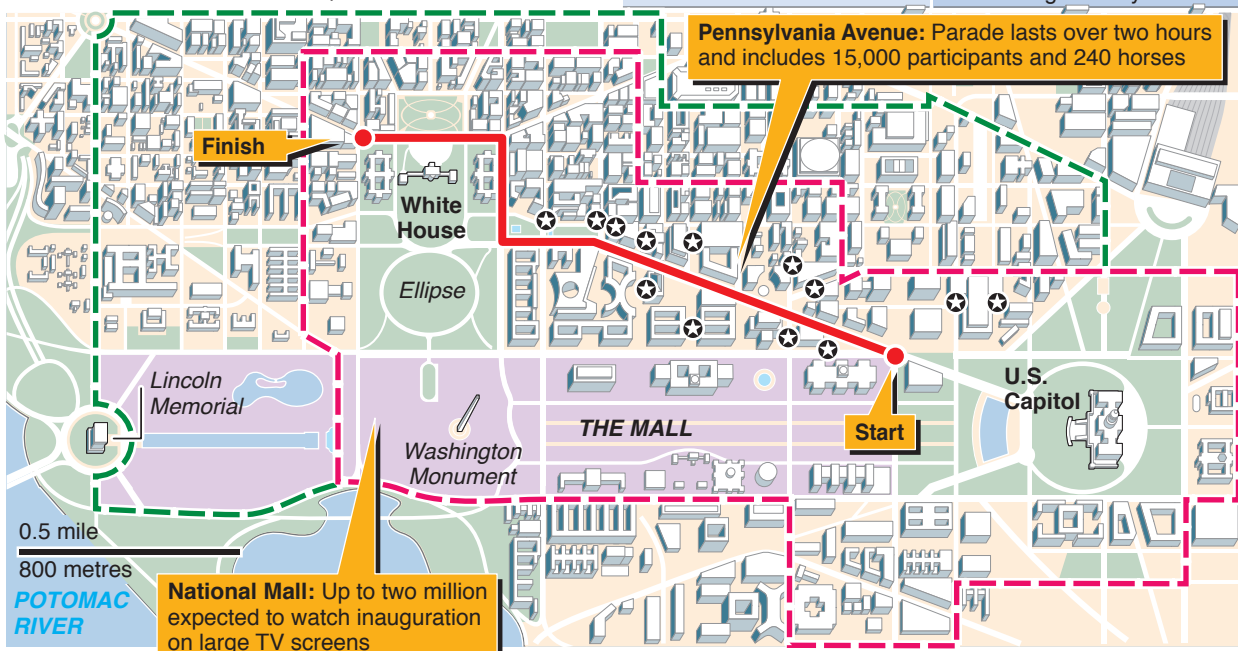
■ Obama, Biden and their families attend luncheon in **Statuary Hall** of U.S. Capitol

■ **2.30pm:** 56th Inaugural Parade travels down Pennsylvania Avenue to White House

■ Obama and wife **Michelle** attend 10 official inaugural balls throughout city



— Vehicle access restricted to residents ✱ Checkpoints for public
- Closed to vehicles without police escort



SECURITY

■ Some 4,000 city police officers and 4,000 others from 96 law enforcement agencies across country to be deployed

■ About 7,500 active duty U.S. military and about 10,000 National Guard personnel, plus Secret Service, FBI and Capitol Police also on duty



■ All 240,000 ticket holders attending swearing-in ceremony to be screened by walk-through or hand-held metal detectors

Ticket areas

■ Standing
■ Seating

✱ Gates for ticket holders

National Museum of the American Indian

