

Changing of the guard

Mr Donald Trump will be sworn in as the 45th president of the United States on Friday. The Sunday Times looks at what's lined up for the event.

Thursday

- Marching bands, choirs and other groups perform at Voices of the People, an event at Lincoln Memorial.
- Concert at Lincoln Memorial features country singers Toby Keith and Lee Greenwood, Broadway singer Jennifer Holliday, band 3 Doors Down, and others. Mr Trump delivers remarks that are broadcast live to the nation.

Friday

Morning, US time

- President-elect Trump spends the night at the exclusive Blair House, often used by visiting foreign leaders, and meets outgoing President Barack Obama for coffee.
- Mr Trump attends service at the Episcopal St John's Church, known as "the Church of the Presidents" and chapel to the White House for nearly two centuries.

11.30am

(12.30am, Saturday, Singapore time), west front of the US Capitol building



National Mall area: The 121ha stretch from the Capitol to the Lincoln Memorial can hold an estimated crowd of three million people. About 10,000 security officials will be deployed.

- America's Got Talent alumna Jackie Evancho sings the national anthem.
- Noon**
 - Mr Mike Pence sworn in as vice-president, then Mr Trump sworn in as president.
 - Mrs Hillary Clinton, who lost to Mr Trump, to attend with her husband, former president Bill Clinton, along with former presidents George W. Bush and Jimmy Carter.

Former president George H.W. Bush will be absent because of his health.

- The Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Radio City Rockettes perform.
- Exclusive VVIP lunch on the east front of the Capitol.
- Mr Obama and former First Lady Michelle Obama seen off by President Trump and First Lady Melania Trump, and depart in a helicopter for Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland.
- President Trump may sign executive orders at the Capitol itself.

3pm

- President Trump leads a parade up Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House, passing his own hotel Trump International. He may walk part of the way. At the White House, he will watch the parade from a reviewing stand.

7pm

- President Trump attends two black-tie balls, and appears at a third party for military, police and first responder groups.

NOTE: *Details are subject to change.

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