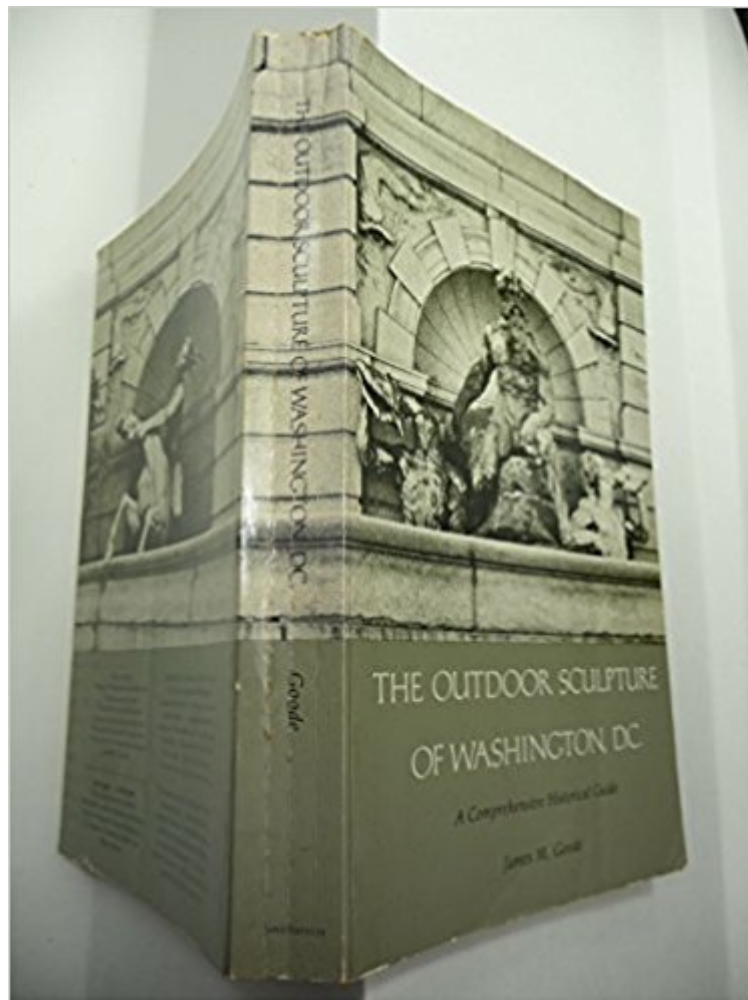


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I bought this book as a gift for a friend of mine who travels to Washington, D.C. frequently and always seems to enjoy himself and appreciates the city. I was born and raised in Washington, D.C. and still love my old 'hometown'. But even I was surprised by the hidden treasures I discovered in this book (I looked it over before I gave it to him). Many of the sculptures I was familiar with, but there were also MANY that I was totally unaware of. I'll warn you that this is NOT a NEW book (published in 1974, I believe). The monuments and statues are identified basically almost street-by-street throughout the city. The book is very easy-to-read, insightful, and very informative --- for the traveler, D.C. fan, or just the casual or first-time visitor to our Capitol. I'm probably going to break down and try to get myself a copy.

The best reference I have found for the sculpture of D.C. One of the flaws is that it doesn't include the appendix that comes in the hardcover edition, so it's missing a few statues that were being repaired while it was being compiled. It's also missing the monuments that were erected after it was written, but that can't be helped.

You got to be a little weird to want a book on the outdoor sculptures in Washington D.C. In my case I have a great grandfather who was an architect and one of his lesser known works is a statue based memorial sponsored by the Grand Army of the Republic. The book is, as far as I can tell, quite complete and offered interesting information on my great grandfathers work. The photographs are all in black and white and the works organized by street. The index offers names of the artists making the sculpture as well as the name of the monument although architects are only mentioned on the page of the memorial. There are a number of useful maps. Anyone who is following historical monuments or the art of sculpturing should be pleased with the book.

DC here I come. Great book and it provides a history lesson with each page.

Great book on topics most guides don't cover or know about anymore.

very inclusive book and I did not finish it yet. a must buy for those people who want to know what the memorial represents.

It is a must have book that got damaged in a apartment flood a few years ago. I have been meaning to replace it and found it quite inexpensive on the site. Very satisfied.

Goode is a renowned authority on the classical art/architecture of the nation's capital city. This book demonstrates this fact. It is an essential compendium of the famous sculptural works in the district with the vital information about them as well as an analysis of the style they were modeled upon as well as great B&W photographs of each work. It explores the obviously important sculptures in D.C., but also addresses some of the less-known works. It is a must for anyone interested in enriching their understanding of D.C. sculpture.

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