

ARTFUL ENTRANCES -- The entrance pavilions to the newest museums on the National Mall in Washington: the pyramid-topped Arthur M. Sackler Gallery for Asian and Near Eastern Art (87-1713-C) and the dome-topped National Museum of African Art (87-1714-C). The African museum, which has been in existence since 1964, now has five times the exhibition space it had in its previous quarters near the U.S. Capitol. The Sackler Gallery is brand new. The museums are essentially twins with 96 per cent of their space on three levels underground. Each has five flexible galleries. They are part of the Smithsonian Institution complex which now numbers 14 museums and galleries.

