

# THE KIMPTON DONOVAN

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## **KIMPTON DONOVAN HOTEL DEBUTS NEW AND REDESIGNED MEETING SPACES**

*Downtown Washington, D.C. hotel unveils two redesigned event spaces and newly constructed meeting room with journalism-inspired décor*

**WASHINGTON (March 16, 2017)** – [Kimpton Donovan Hotel](#) in downtown Washington, D.C. has completed a redesign to all meeting and event spaces with a refined journalistic theme, including the addition of a brand new venue, the 550 square foot Bradlee Room. Located on the edge of bustling Thomas Circle and the trendy 14<sup>th</sup> Street corridor only five blocks from the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, the 193-room hotel is a metropolitan alternative to traditional Washington, D.C. hotels with sleek modern design, unparalleled views from popular rooftop bar and event venue [DNV Rooftop](#), and acclaimed Japanese izakaya-style restaurant, [Zentan](#), which provides catering for all meetings and events. With its redesigned Woodward, Bernstein, and newly added Bradlee meeting spaces, all slyly named after The Washington Post’s fearless editorial team during the Watergate era, Kimpton Donovan now plays host to more than 5,000 square feet of private indoor and outdoor function space, accommodating events of up to 100 guests.

For the new décor in its second floor meeting spaces, Kimpton Donovan tapped Washington, D.C. based interior design firm Monogram at BBGM to design spaces that conveyed to planners that the hotel is never business as usual. Taking inspiration from the hotel’s sleuth namesake Wild “Bill” Donovan, founder of what is now the CIA, and Kimpton Donovan’s location one block from The Washington Post’s former headquarters, the décor and meeting room names pay homage to the journalistic history of Washington, D.C. and more specifically the Watergate era. The new design of the Woodward, Bernstein and Bradlee Rooms feature neutral tones of blue, gold and white, industrial chic lighting, high tech additions and playfully journalistic accents such as newsprint wallpaper and custom artwork that references the gathering and processing of information.

The newly constructed **Bradlee Room**, named after The Washington Post’s executive editor during the Watergate scandal, is perfect for corporate events and can hold up to 40 guests with ease. The 550 square foot space is flooded with natural light from windows overlooking the picturesque Thomas Circle. Bradlee is accentuated with a bold, geometric blue and white carpet, a single stately gold and glass credenza, unique newsprint wallcovering, and a feature wall with a colorful word cloud collage overtop a playful yellow backdrop. Following the media theme, the word cloud features terms that describe the many aspects of journalism and roles within newsrooms. Bradlee is also outfitted with the latest technology designed to keep meetings running smoothly. All speakers and microphones are routed through the ceiling eliminating visible wires, and a 70-inch flat panel display and VDO360 pan-tilt camera provide instant video recall and the ability to have a meeting video feed follow a speaker or call lead in real time.

The signature 1,325 square foot **Woodward and Bernstein Room** is bathed in natural light and features similar décor to Bradlee making it ideal for receptions, social events and hosting groups and meetings of up to 100 guests. Upon entering, attendees' attention is immediately drawn to two custom art pieces by Kevin Barry, which separately display the iconic Jefferson and Washington Monuments in blue and white hues with historic news stories splashed across the canvas, causing the headlines to spell out, "WASHINGTON." The artwork, in addition to a textured wall covered entirely in wallpaper that mimics newsprint headlines, continues the journalistic themes throughout the space. For smaller groups, Woodward and Bernstein may also be split into two separate 700 square foot rooms accommodating breakouts or groups of up to 50.

To top off a meeting or event at Kimpton Donovan, guests can dine on catering exclusively provided by the hotel's Japanese izakaya-style restaurant, **Zentan**. Executive chef Yo Matsuzaki's creative menus allow for Zentan's locally-loved classics to be easily prepared for groups. From miso soup to maki rolls, braised pork belly and even ramen or curry bowls, each group's menus are customized and tailored to fit any event. Zentan not only provides delicious catering options, but also offers hands-on creative meeting breaks. Attendees can team build while learning to roll their own sushi or ponder meeting notes while sipping on Japanese whisky in a tasting with Zentan's lead bartender, Matt Allred. For any function, Kimpton Donovan's conference service professionals will create customized options and orchestrate packages tailored to each group for an unforgettable experience.

#### **ABOUT KIMPTON DONOVAN HOTEL**

Kimpton Donovan Hotel is a metropolitan alternative to traditional Washington, D.C. hotels, with a modern yet comfortable interior design, acclaimed Asian restaurant Zentan, and the stunning DNV Rooftop featuring a rooftop pool and bar with unrivaled views of Thomas Circle and 14th Street. Kimpton Donovan offers more than 5,000 square feet of newly renovated meeting and event space and 193 guest rooms, 15 of which are suites. The hotel makes for sophisticated stay - whether for work or play. Kimpton Donovan Hotel is located at 1155 14th St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005. For more information or to make a reservation, please call 202-737-1200 or visit [www.donovanhoteldc.com](http://www.donovanhoteldc.com).

#### **ABOUT KIMPTON HOTELS & RESTAURANTS**

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Kimpton is consistently ranked as one of the top companies in the Market Metrix Hospitality Index, Upper Upscale Segment, for Customer Satisfaction. The company is highly-regarded for its innovative employee culture and benefits and has been named a FORTUNE magazine "Best Place to Work" eight times since 2009. Kimpton is continuously growing and currently operates over 60 hotels and 70 plus restaurants, bars and lounges in 30 U.S. cities. In January 2015, Kimpton was welcomed into the InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) family of hotel brands, bringing together two special cultures and sets of values to create the world's largest boutique hotel business. For more information, visit [www.KimptonHotels.com](http://www.KimptonHotels.com).

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