

## FAMILY ACTIVITIES NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

### Country Music Hall of Fame



Open daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m

<http://countrymusicHalloffame.org/>

615-416-2001

The Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum has been the home of America's music since 1967. The Museum's vast collection illustrates country music's story as told through the turns of two centuries. A treasure trove of historic country video clips and recorded music, dynamic exhibits and state-of-the-art design, regular menu of live performances and public programs, Museum Store, on-site dining, and fabulous public spaces all contribute to an unforgettable museum experience.

Adult: (ages 18+) \$21.99      Youth: (ages 6-17) \$14.99

### The Parthenon

<http://www.nashville.gov/parthenon/>

615 862-8431

Centerpiece of Centennial Park, Nashville's premier urban park. The re-creation of the 42-foot statue Athena is the focus of the Parthenon. It also serves as the city of Nashville's art museum.

Open Tuesday - Saturday, 9:00 - 4:30. Sundays, 12:30 - 4:30

Park is free. Admission: Adults - \$6.00; Children 4-17 - \$4.00

Group Tours at the Parthenon for groups of 10 or more

Group rates are 50¢ less.



### Ryman Auditorium



<http://www.ryman.com/>

615 889-3060

National Historic Landmark and former home of the Grand Ole Opry. Open daily from 9 am to 4 pm. Tours showcase the legendary stars who have graced her stage, from the biggest names in music to Mae West, Rudolph Valentino, and W.C. Fields. Evening performances showcase many shows and concerts scheduled year-round.

Standard Tours: Adults \$13.00 • Children 4-11 \$6.50

Guided Backstage Tours: Adults \$17 • Children 4-11 \$10.50

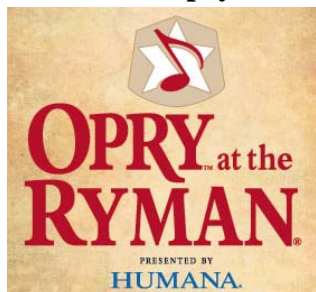
Groups Rates for 20 or more (Adult rates)

Standard Tours: \$11.70    Guided Backstage Tours: \$14

### Grand Ole Opry at the Ryman

<http://www.ryman.com/>

615 889-3060



- June 11 3:00 pm      This is THE Grand Ole Opry  
Tickets are \$55    \$43    28.50
- June 13 7:00 pm      Owl City with Mat Kearney  
Tickets are \$28
- June 17 7:30 pm      Always...Patsy Cline  
Tickets are \$36.50    \$29.50

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### The Grand Ole Opry (at Opryland)



<http://www.opry.com>

615 871-6779

What began as a simple radio broadcast in 1925 is today a live-entertainment phenomenon. Dedicated to honoring country music's rich history and dynamic present, the Grand Ole Opry showcases a mix of country legends and the contemporary chart-toppers who have followed in their footsteps.

The Opry, an American icon and Nashville, Tennessee's number-one attraction, is world-famous for creating one-of-a-kind entertainment experiences for audiences of all ages.

It's been called the "home of American music" and "country's most famous stage." Every year, hundreds of thousands of people make pilgrimages across town or around the world to the Opry Complex to see the show live. Millions more tune in to Opry broadcasts on television.

**Shows.** Ticket prices and times vary. Order online. Group prices are available. Contact Wayne A. Chandler, CTP 615-882-5435 or [wchandler@gaylordentertainment.com](mailto:wchandler@gaylordentertainment.com)

**Tours.** Available seven days a week depending upon other Opry House commitments. On evenings in which there is only one Opry performance, tours are also available immediately after the show. Tours can be booked up to two weeks in advance at <https://www.getgaylordtickets.com/Online> or 800-SEE-OPRY. Tickets for tours are also available at the Opry House Box Office.

### Grand Ole Opry Museum

<http://www.opry.com>

615 871-6779

Relive the memories as you view tributes to the great stars of country music. Exhibits honor such music legends as Patsy Cline, Tex Ritter, Roy Acuff, Marty Robbins, Minnie Pearl, George Jones and Jim Reeves. You can also browse through a dozen exhibits on current artists like Reba McEntire and Garth Brooks. Displays feature special audio and video electronic effects and interactive devices so you can hear the music as you relive the history of country music. The museum is located in the Opry Plaza area near the Grand Ole Opry House.

Open Sun - Thurs. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Call for prices and availability

### The Frist Center for the Visual Arts

<http://www.fristcenter.org/site/default.aspx>

The Frist Center for the Visual Arts is a nonprofit art-exhibition center with approximately 24,000 square feet of gallery space dedicated to presenting the finest visual art from local, state and regional artists, as well as major U.S. and international exhibitions.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Thursday and Friday: 10:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Sunday: 1:00–5:30 p.m. (Café opens at noon on Sunday)

**Phone:** (615) 244-3340

**Admission:** Adults \$18 Students (18 and under) Free

Group rates for 10 or more participants with reservations.



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### Upper Room Chapel & Museum



<http://www.upperroom.org/chapel> 615 340-7200

The Upper Room Chapel hosts over 25,000 visitors each year. The focal point of the Upper Room Chapel is a woodcarving of Leonardo da Vinci's painting "The Last Supper", sculpted by Ernest Pellegrini. Visitors also enjoy the Upper Room Museum, whose permanent collection reflects an international, interracial, and interdenominational nature.

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Admission is free. \$4.00 donation encouraged.

### Tennessee State Museum



<http://www.tnmuseum.org/>

615 741-2692

The Tennessee State Museum is one of the largest state museums in the nation with more than 60,000 square feet of permanent exhibits and a 10,000 square foot changing exhibition hall. The museum's interpretive exhibits begin 15,000 years ago and continue through the early 1900s interpreting Tennessee's history. The Military Museum is located in the War Memorial Building, across the street from the main facilities. Exhibits deal with America's overseas conflicts, beginning with the Spanish-American War in 1898 and ending with World War II in 1945.

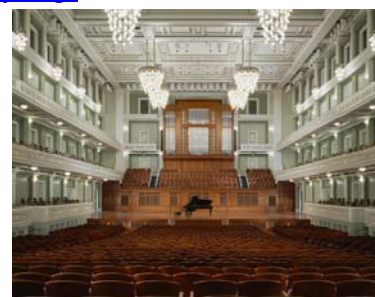
Open: Tuesday - Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday: 1 to 5 p.m.

Admission is free.

### Schermerhorn Symphony Center <http://www.nashvillesymphony.org/>

615 687-6580

Named in honor of the late Maestro Kenneth Schermerhorn, who led the Award-winning Nashville Symphony for 22 years, is home to the Nashville Symphony. The hall features a custom-built concert organ comprised of 3,568 pipes. The building also has a public garden and cafe, enclosed by a colonnade, which is open to the public throughout the day and during concerts. Fifty-minute tours led by knowledgeable, highly trained volunteer docents are offered free of charge on Wednesdays and Saturdays, promptly at 1 p.m. in the West Atrium. There are no events scheduled during our stay at this time.



### Tennessee Central Railway Museum



<http://tcry.org>

615 244-9001

The Tennessee Central Railway Museum is dedicated to the preservation of Tennessee's railroad heritage. Our Nashville facility is home to a unique collection of historic equipment. The museum also operates passenger excursions in Middle Tennessee, providing a unique opportunity for everyone to experience the joys of rail travel.

Monday through Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm



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### Adventure Science Center

<http://www.adventuresci.com/>

615 862-5177

Family Adventure/Learning Center includes hands-on exhibits, Blue max flight simulator, observation tower, and planetarium.

	General Admission	Planetarium	BlueMax
Adults/Teens	\$12	\$6	\$5
Youth (3-12)	\$ 9	\$6	\$5

Group rates for a minimum 15 people are \$2 less for General Admission and \$1 off for the Planetarium. One chaperone per every five children is required. One week advance registration is required to receive group discount.

HOURS
<b>Mon-Sat</b> 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b> 12:30-5:30 p.m.



### Tennessee Agricultural Museum

<http://tnagmuseum.org/>

615 837-5197



An extensive collection of home and farm artifacts from the 19th and early 20th centuries. Exhibits include textiles, a woodworking collection, buggies, wagons, a McCormick reaper, and a Jumbo steam engine are exhibited in a renovated plantation barn. Log cabins, a small farm house, a renovated plantation barn, kitchen/herb garden, perennial garden and nature trail are also part of the museum tour. Admission is free. Hours are weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### Bicentennial Capitol Mall Park

<http://www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/Bicentennial/>

Park features include: Tennessee Map Plaza, a 200-foot granite state map highlighting the major roads, 95 counties, rivers, interesting geographic formations and details of each county; the Rivers of Tennessee Fountains; a 1,400-foot Wall of History engraved with historic events that have occurred over the past two centuries; a 2,000-seat amphitheater with dramatic views of the State Capitol building. Has picnic tables, restrooms, and vending machines. Admission is free.



### Nashville Zoo

<http://www.nashvillezoo.org/>

615 832-1534



Your ticket to African elephants, giraffes, poison arrow frogs, zebras, red pandas, Bengal tigers, gibbons, meerkats and much more! In between your animal adventures, be sure to take a spin on our Wild Animal Carousel, monkey around our 66,000-square-foot Jungle Gym, or even step back in time at our Grassmere Historic Home and Farm. Open: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m

Admission: Adults \$14 Children (2-12) \$9  
Group Rate (20 +) Adults \$12 Children (2-12) \$8

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### **Belle Meade Plantation**

<http://www.bellemeadeplantation.com/>

615 356-0501

The 5,400 acre plantation began in 1807 and became an internationally renowned Thoroughbred farm and showplace. In 1953, Belle Meade Mansion and eight outbuildings on 30 acres were deeded to the Association for the Preservation of Tennessee Antiquities. Today, the Belle Meade Plantation is one Nashville's most popular attractions and managed by the Nashville chapter of the Association.



Belle Meade Plantation highlights include the 1853 Mansion (restored to the sumptuous elegance of the Victorian era), the 1890 Carriage House and Stable, and the 1790 Log Cabin, one of the oldest housed in Tennessee.

ADMISSION: Adults \$16.00 Students (13-18) \$10.00 Youth (6-12) \$8.00 Seniors \$14.00

REGULAR GROUP TOURS: 45 minute guided tour, 75 minute self-guided tour and Winery  
2011 Group Tour Price: \$12.00 per guest - with a 15 count minimum

GROUP LUNCH TOURS: 45 minute guided tour, 75 minute self-guided tour, 1 hour meal.  
2011 Group Tour Price: \$28 -\$41 per guest - with a 20 count minimum

### **Belmont Mansion**

<http://belmontmansion.com/>

615 460-5459



Belmont Mansion is the largest house museum in Tennessee and one of the few nineteenth century homes whose history revolves around the life of a woman: Adelia Hayes Franklin Acklen Cheatham. Listed as one of Nashville's top twenty tourist attractions, Belmont Mansion attracts visitors from all over the country, as well as from countries such as Canada and the United Kingdom. Its meticulous restoration and unique role in the history of Nashville and the South draw visitors eager to hear its story.

Open for tours Monday thru Saturday from 10 until 4

Regular Admission \$10 Adult \$ 3 Children (6 thru 12) \$9 Seniors

Group Rate \$8 (15 or more people with reservation)

The Curator's tour, an hour and a half experience led by our Curator of Collections: \$15.00 per person

### **Fort Negley**

<http://www.nashville.gov/parks/historic/fortnegley/>

615 862-8470

Adjacent to Adventure Science Center. Includes Visitors Center and the film "The Fall of Nashville." Largest of a group of forts built by the Union, and the largest inland masonry fort built during the Civil War, it covered four acres of land. It was built by both free blacks and conscripted slaves. Enter the fort ruins through the sally port used by Union troops, gaze to the south from the observation deck, and imagine the lives of the men who worked and fought here.

Tuesday-Friday: Noon to 4 pm. Free Admission.





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### The Hermitage

<http://www.thehermitage.com/>

615 889-2941



The Hermitage mansion has been meticulously restored to its 1837 appearance and today looks much as it did when Andrew Jackson returned to it after finishing his second term as President. Costumed historical interpreters greet you and prepare you for your tour. Inside historical interpreters stationed throughout the house tell you about Jackson, his family, and his home. Tours last about twenty minutes. Self-guided tours of The Hermitage grounds have much to offer including the Hermitage garden, Jackson's tomb, and the Beyond the Mansion tour of sites related to slavery, farming, and nature at The Hermitage.

Open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$17 Students (13-18) \$11 Children (6-12) \$7

Group Rates 15 or more adults \$12 Students \$8.00 Children \$5.00

### Cheekwood Botanical Garden and Museum

<http://www.cheekwood.org> 615 356-8000



The former estate of the Cheek family (think Maxwell House coffee fortune) perches on a hill surrounded by splendorous Warner Parks. The Georgian mansion houses Nashville's premier art museum, including regular collections of paintings, silver and porcelain. Outside, the sprawling botanical gardens include a Japanese garden, an herb garden, two perennial gardens, a color garden, water garden, seasons

garden and wildflower garden.



CLOSED MONDAY. Open Tuesday - Saturday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

ADMISSION PRICES: \$12 Adults \$5 Youth (6-17)

Group rates available. Call (615) 353-9827 for more details.

### Travellers Rest Plantation

<http://www.travellersrestplantation.org>

615 832-8197

Travellers Rest, built in 1799, is one of the only colonial-style homes you can tour in Nashville. Gen. John Hood made Travellers' Rest his headquarters during the weeks leading up to the Battle of Nashville.

Gates open Monday thru Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00pm.

Prices:

Adults \$10.00 Students (13-18) \$5.00 Youth (6-12) \$3.00

Groups Rate: (with experience tailored Antebellum or Civil War presentations) \$8.00 for 12 and older.

Magnolia Lunch and Tour - southern-style lunch on the gallery with tour. Groups of 12 or more \$22.



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### Lane Motor Museum

<http://lanemotormuseum.org/>

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615 742-

Features the largest collection of European vehicles in the United States: approximately 150 cars and motorcycles not typically seen in the U.S. are on display. Housed in a former 132,000 square foot bakery. Monday & Thursday 10-5 Admission Adults \$7

Youth (6-17) \$2

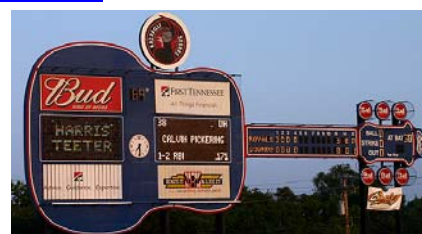
### The Nashville Sounds

[www.nashvillesounds.com](http://www.nashvillesounds.com)

615 690-4487

The Nashville Sounds are a minor league baseball team and are the Triple-A affiliate of the Milwaukee Brewers. The team plays their home games at Herschel Greer Stadium. Greer is the only stadium in the country with a guitar-shaped scoreboard.

Home games are scheduled for 7:05 pm Monday through Thursday during our convention. General Admission Tickets are \$10 day of game and \$8 in advance. Reserved seats are \$2 more.



### Nashville Shores Waterpark

<http://www.nashvilleshores.com/>

615 883-0413



Nashville Shores is a 385-acre family recreation destination. The water park includes eight waterslides, three pools, Kayak Cove, Parker Sandbox, an Aqua Park, thousands of feet of white, sandy beach, and a Giant Bucket of Fun that pours hundreds of gallons of water on kids of all ages. Nashville Shores also offers free lake cruises onboard the Nashville Shoreliner, miniature golf, volleyball, and much more.

Open 10 am - 6 pm

General Admission adults - \$28.99

"Kid's Price" - \$23.99

Internet Price: all tickets \$23.99

### General Jackson Showboat

<http://www.generaljackson.com/>

615-458-3900

You'll have an unforgettable time aboard the historic 300-foot-long General Jackson Showboat. You'll cruise the Cumberland River and enjoy a seated dinner and stage show aboard the largest showboat in the world. Cruise Length: 3-4 hrs.

Show: Country Music USA

Evening Cruise: 6:15 board. Adult \$87.95 \* Child 4-11 \$57.95

Lunch Cruise: 11:30 board. Adult \$56.67 \* Child 4-11 \$35.69

Group rate for 20 or more 10% off



**For More Information Go To:**

<http://www.visitmusiccity.com>

<http://nashvilletravelvideo.com>

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### SHOPPING

**Opryland Hotel** <http://www.gaylordhotels.com/opryland-home.html> 615 889-1000  
From dancing fountains to cascading waterfalls, this vast hotel maintains its water theme. There's even a river running through the Delta, the hotel's expansion. The hotel boasts a staggering 600,000 square feet of meeting space, including the Ryman Exhibit Hall, the nation's largest single-level, self-contained exhibition facility in a hotel. There are numerous restaurants inside.



### Opry Mills



[www.oprymills.com](http://www.oprymills.com)

Opry Mills is closed following unprecedented flooding in the Nashville area. Construction is tied up in lawsuits that make it questionable if and when the mall would reopen.

[www.basspro.com](http://www.basspro.com)

However, the 150,000-square-foot Bass Pro Shops is open.



<http://www.hickoryhollowmall.com>

Hickory Hollow Mall is a shopping center in the Nashville (Antioch), Tennessee area and features food, entertainment, and shopping for the entire family. Enjoy the Carmike Cinemas movie theater, Macy's and Sears department stores, Bath and Body Works, EyeMasters, Charlotte Russe, Wet Seal, Kay Jewelers, Sport Seasons, and over 80 unique specialty shops.



<http://www.coolspringsgalleria.com>

CoolSprings Galleria is the premier shopping center in the Nashville (Franklin), Tennessee area and features over 150 specialty stores including Belk, MacAuthority, Macy's, and Lenscrafters. Enjoy an array of restaurant options including J. Alexander's, Macaroni Grill, Logan's, Stoney River and more.

**12 South District.** Several fun (though pricey) vintage stores, including Katy K's Ranch Dressing (awesome country-western outfits), Savant, and Local Honey (on a side street, also has clothing by local designers). Also home to the Art House gallery.

**East Nashville/5 Points** - Head to Hip Zipper for vintage clothing, The Turnip Truck for health food, or Art and Invention Gallery for fine art and handmade jewelry.

**Hillsboro Village** - Short section of 21st Ave. just south of Vanderbilt. Home of Nashville's most popular used bookstore, BookMan/BookWoman; A Thousand Faces (jewelry and local art); Pangaea (quirky gifts); and a well-stocked kitchen goods and coffee store.