

## Discover Cincinnati

### Cincinnati's More Famous Offerings:

Cincinnati Zoo	<a href="http://www.cincinnati-zoo.org/">www.cincinnati-zoo.org/</a>
Newport Aquarium	<a href="http://www.newportaquarium.com/">www.newportaquarium.com/</a>
Cincinnati Ballet	<a href="http://www.cballet.org/">www.cballet.org/</a>
Playhouse in the Park	<a href="http://www.cincyplay.com/">www.cincyplay.com/</a>
Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra	<a href="http://www.cincinnati-symphony.org/">www.cincinnati-symphony.org/</a>
Cincinnati Opera	<a href="http://www.cincinnatiopera.org/">www.cincinnatiopera.org/</a>
Cincinnati Shakespeare Company	<a href="http://www.cincyshakes.com/">www.cincyshakes.com/</a>
Krohn Conservatory	<a href="http://cincyparks.com/krohn-conservatory/">http://cincyparks.com/krohn-conservatory/</a>
Cincinnati Art Museum	<a href="http://www.cincinnatiartmuseum.org/">www.cincinnatiartmuseum.org/</a>
Broadway in Cincinnati	<a href="http://cincinnati.broadway.com/">http://cincinnati.broadway.com/</a>

### Performing Arts and Fine Arts:

Ensemble Theatre	<a href="http://www.ensemblecincinnati.org/">www.ensemblecincinnati.org/</a>	
Know Theatre	<a href="http://www.knowtheatre.com/">www.knowtheatre.com/</a>	
Exhale Dance Tribe	<a href="http://www.exhaledancetribe.com/">http://www.exhaledancetribe.com/</a>	<i>Contemporary Jazz Dance</i>
MamLuft&Co.	<a href="http://www.mamluftcodance.org/about">http://www.mamluftcodance.org/about</a>	<i>Modern Dance</i>
Art Academy of Cincinnati	<a href="http://www.artacademy.edu/about/galleries/">http://www.artacademy.edu/about/galleries/</a>	
Contemporary Art Center	<a href="http://contemporaryartscenter.org/">http://contemporaryartscenter.org/</a>	<i>Free from 2/14/16 for at least 3 yrs</i>
Taft Theater	<a href="http://www.tafttheatre.org/">http://www.tafttheatre.org/</a>	
Clifton Cultural Arts Center	<a href="http://www.cliftonculturalarts.org">www.cliftonculturalarts.org</a>	
	<i>Golden Ticket, Summer Concert Series, Art Exhibitions, Dance Performances</i>	
Clifton Performance Theatre	<a href="http://cliftonperformancetheatre.com/">http://cliftonperformancetheatre.com/</a>	
	<i>A neighborhood theatre that offers classes, workshops, plays, musical &amp; artistic events to children &amp; adults.</i>	
Cincinnati Music Theatre	<a href="http://www.cincinnati-music-theatre.org/">http://www.cincinnati-music-theatre.org/</a>	
	<i>One of Cincinnati's oldest and most successful community theaters, CMT presenting popular, large scale, award-winning musicals to enthusiastic audiences from across the Greater Cincinnati area.</i>	
The Children's Theatre	<a href="http://www.thechildrenstheatre.com/">http://www.thechildrenstheatre.com/</a>	
	<i>Children's Theatre of Cincinnati brings art to life for children and the young-at-heart through performances, education, and outreach.</i>	
Summerfair Cincinnati	<a href="http://www.summerfair.org/">http://www.summerfair.org/</a>	
	<i>Festival of fine arts and crafts at Coney Island held annually in June.</i>	
Winterfair	<a href="http://www.winterfair.org/">http://www.winterfair.org/</a>	
	<i>Festival of fine arts and crafts in Northern Kentucky held annually right after Thanksgiving</i>	
21c Museum Hotel	<a href="http://www.21cmuseumhotels.com/cincinnati/">http://www.21cmuseumhotels.com/cincinnati/</a>	
	<i>A contemporary art museum open to the public free of charge, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week – combined with a boutique hotel</i>	
Linton Chamber Music	<a href="http://lintonmusic.org/">http://lintonmusic.org/</a>	
	<i>Have Peanut Butter &amp; Jam educational, interactive programs for children</i>	

### University of Cincinnati

CCM (College Conservatory of Music)	<a href="http://ccm.uc.edu/">http://ccm.uc.edu/</a>	<i>Music, Dance, Theater</i>
Communiversity	<a href="http://www.uc.edu/ce/commu.html">http://www.uc.edu/ce/commu.html</a>	
	<i>Enrichment and Personal Development courses for the community</i>	

### NKU Arts

Visual Arts	<a href="http://art.nku.edu/galleries/index.php">http://art.nku.edu/galleries/index.php</a>
Theater and Dance	<a href="http://artsience.nku.edu/departments/theatre/boxoffice.html">http://artsience.nku.edu/departments/theatre/boxoffice.html</a>

### Historic and Educational Sites:

Taft Museum	<a href="http://www.taftmuseum.org/">http://www.taftmuseum.org/</a>	<i>Free on Sundays</i>
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William Howard Taft National Historic Site <http://www.nps.gov/wiho/index.htm> No Fees  
Harriet Beecher Stowe House <http://stowehousecincy.org/>  
Dinsmore Homestead <http://www.dinsmorefarm.org/>  
*Historic site, depicting rural life in the 19th and early 20th centuries; hiking trails; artists can sketch and paint; antiques and historic interiors with original belongings of five generations of the Dinsmore family.*  
Cincinnati Observatory [www.cincinnatiobservatory.org/](http://www.cincinnatiobservatory.org/)  
Drake Planetarium <http://www.drakeplanetarium.org/>  
National Underground Railroad Freedom Center [www.freedomcenter.org/](http://www.freedomcenter.org/)  
Cincinnati Museum Center [www.cincymuseum.org/](http://www.cincymuseum.org/)  
Fire Museum of Greater Cincinnati <http://www.cincyfiremuseum.com/>  
Greater Cincinnati Police Museum <http://www.gcphs.com/>  
Libraries: <http://www.cincinnati.library.org/>;  
<http://www.usa.com/butler-county-oh-public-library.htm>

### Urban Activities:

#### Downtown/Over-the-Rhine

##### MusicNow Festival

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

*MusicNOW invites contemporary music and artists that take risks and do not fit neatly into categories.*

##### Midpoint Music Festival

<http://mpmf.com/>

*Music festival focused on helping emerging artists gain exposure at multiple venues in OTR and downtown.*

##### Bunbury Music Festival

<http://www.bunburyfestival.com/tickets>

*Indie/ alternative music at Sawyer Point*

##### Cincinnati Blues Fest

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

*at Sawyer Point*

##### Cincinnati Music Festival

<https://www.cincymusicfestival.com>

*R&B, jazz, soul, hip-hop*

##### Cincinnati Fringe Festival

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

*During the festival local, regional, national and international artists invade downtown Cincinnati for 12 days of artistic celebration in both traditional and non-traditional spaces. These artists represent a variety of media including theatre, dance, music, poetry, visual art, film and beyond.*

##### Oktoberfest

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

##### Italian Fest

Cincinnati:

[www.cincitalia.org/](http://www.cincitalia.org/)

Newport, KY:

[http://newportky.gov/inner\\_main.php?secid=149](http://newportky.gov/inner_main.php?secid=149)

##### Taste of Cincinnati

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

##### Bockfest

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

*A celebration of Cincinnati's brewing heritage. First weekend in March.*

##### Cincy Beerfest

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

##### Events on Fountain Square

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

*Trivia Night, Movie Night, Salsa Night, PNC Summer Music Series*

##### Party in the Park

[www.party-in-the-park.com/](http://www.party-in-the-park.com/)

*Yeatman's Cove Park down by the Serpentine Wall. Free.*

##### Second Sundays on Main

<http://secondsundayonmain.org/>

*Second Sunday on Main is a hip, eclectic neighborhood event, presented by the Over-the-Rhine Chamber of Commerce. The event takes place on the second Sunday of every month from Noon – 5 p.m. in historic Over-the-Rhine on Main Street and 13th Street. The event is free and open to the public.*

##### Final Fridays

[http://www.pendletonartcenter.com/cincinnati\\_oh.html](http://www.pendletonartcenter.com/cincinnati_oh.html)

*Last Friday of each month, 6-10 pm Monthly gallery hop in historic Pendleton and on North Main Street, that continues throughout the year on the last Friday of every month. Followed by 2<sup>nd</sup> Look Saturday*

*\*\*\*Also happens in Oakley on the final Friday of each month – [www.Oakleynow.com](http://www.Oakleynow.com)*

##### Findlay Market

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

*Open year-round, Findlay Market is Ohio's oldest continuously operated public market and one of Cincinnati's most cherished institutions. From fresh fish, baked goods, jams, jellies and specialty items,*

*Findlay Market offers a variety of items from local merchants and farmers. Farmer's Market also available seasonally.*

**Queen City Underground Tours** <http://www.americanlegacytours.com/?q=tours/queen-city-underground/>  
*Tours start at Cincy Haus, 1218 Vine St. Enjoy a stroll through the Gateway District, home to America's largest set of historical landmarks. Visit buildings that were home to over 130 saloons, bars and beer gardens, and theaters that hosted iconic entertainers Charlie Chaplin and Wild Bill Hickok.*

**Architreks Tours** <http://www.cincinnati-walks.org/>  
*Every Saturday at 10 am, May 1-October 30 Guided walking tours of the city and near suburbs, including Over-the-Rhine, Findlay Market/Brewery District, and Civil War tours.*

**Prohibition Resistance Tours** <http://www.cincinnatibrewerytours.com/>  
*Saturday and Sunday -1 pm. Over-the-Rhine is home to one of the largest collections of pre-Prohibition brewery architecture. Explore the heart of Cincinnati's Brewery District.*

**Segway Tours of Cincinnati** <http://www.segwayofcincinnati.com/what-we-do/tours>

**World Choir Games** <http://2012worldchoirgames.com/>

**Horseshoe Casino** <https://www.caesars.com/horseshoe-cincinnati>

**CityFlea** <http://www.thecityflea.com/>

*An urban flea market. Browse through vintage clothing, band posters, handcrafted goodness or sipping coffee along with something yummy to eat from food trucks and other artisan style foods.*

**Urban activities around the city:**

Clifton <http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/news.cfm>

*CliftonFest, Burnet Woods, The Esquire Movie Theatre*

Northside <http://www.northside.net/>

*Fourth of July Parade, Farmers Market, Second Saturdays*

Blue Ash [http://cms4.revize.com/revize/blueashevents/events\\_calendar/index.php](http://cms4.revize.com/revize/blueashevents/events_calendar/index.php)

*Taste of Blue Ash, Red White and Blue Ash, Concert Series*

Lebanon Blues Festival <http://lebanonbluesfestival.org/> Lebanon

Coney Island <http://www.coneyislandpark.com/> Anderson

EnterTrainment Junction [www.entertrainmentjunction.com/](http://www.entertrainmentjunction.com/) WestChester

River Downs <http://www.riverdowns.com/> Anderson

Riverbend Music Center <http://www.riverbend.org/> Anderson

Turfway Park [www.turfway.com/](http://www.turfway.com/) Florence, KY

Anderson Ferry (west side of town) <http://www.andersonferry.org/>

Kentucky Speedway [www.kentuckyspeedway.com/](http://www.kentuckyspeedway.com/)

Jungle Jims [www.junglejims.com/](http://www.junglejims.com/)

Great Wolf Lodge [www.greatwolf.com/](http://www.greatwolf.com/)

GameWorks <http://www.newportonthelevee.com/gameworks#general>

Dave and Buster's <https://www.daveandbusters.com/springdale>

Sky Zone <http://www.skyzone.com/springdale/>

Web Extreme <http://www.funattheweb.com/>

Go Kart Racing [www.cincykarting.com/](http://www.cincykarting.com/)

TopGolf <https://topgolf.com/us/west-chester/>

Paintball <http://www.paintballcountryohio.com/PaintballCountry/paintball.html>

Rollergirls <http://cincinnatiollergirls.com/> Cincinnati Gardens

Rabbit Hash, KY <http://www.rabbihashusa.com/>

Burlington Antique Show <http://www.burlingtonantiqueshow.com/> 3rd Sunday (May-Oct)

Cooking classes at Cincinnati State <http://culinary.cincinnatiastate.edu/eat-create-enjoy/creations-cooking-classes>

Kings Island <https://www.visitkingsisland.com/> Mason

The Beach Waterpark <http://www.thebeachwaterpark.com/> Mason

Belterra Park Gaming and Entertainment Center (Horse Racing) <http://www.belterrapark.com/> Anderson

Break Out Cincinnati <https://breakoutcincinnati.com/>

Cincinnati Escape Room <http://www.cincinnatiescaperoom.com/> east Westwood

Houdini's Room Escape <http://www.houdinisroomescape.com/> *Montgomery*  
Escape the Room Challenge <http://escapetheroomchallenge.com/> *West Chester*  
Outlet Malls in Monroe <http://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/cincinnati> *Monroe, OH*  
Trader's World <http://www.tradersworldmarket.com/>

### **Sports:**

Baseball: Cincinnati Reds  
    *Florence Freedom (Frontier League)*  
Football: Cincinnati Bengals  
Tennis: <http://www.cincytennis.com/> *Western and Southern Open*  
Hockey: Cincinnati Cyclones  
Soccer: Cincinnati Kings <http://www.arenaleague.com/teams/15335784/10855487-15335785/TEAM.html>  
    *Premier Arena Soccer League (PASL)*  
    FC Cincinnati <https://www.fccincinnati.com/>  
    *United Soccer League (USL) club*

### University Sports

University of Cincinnati Bearcats  
Xavier University Musketeers

### **Newport/ Bellvue:**

Live at the Levee <http://www.newportonthelevee.com/events/>  
BB Riverboats <http://bbriverboats.com/>  
Newport Gangster Tour <http://www.americanlegacytours.com/?q=tours/newport-gangster-tour/>  
Ride the Ducks <http://newport.ridetheducks.com/home.aspx>  
Bellvue <http://www.shopbellvueky.com/index.php> *everything to do in Bellvue*  
Kentucky Symphony Orchestra <https://kyso.org/>

### **Covington:**

Covington Arts [http://www.covingtonarts.com/list\\_return.php?TYPE=ARTSCULTURE](http://www.covingtonarts.com/list_return.php?TYPE=ARTSCULTURE)  
Baker Hunt [www.bakerhunt.org/](http://www.bakerhunt.org/)  
Mainstrasse [www.mainstrasse.org/](http://www.mainstrasse.org/)  
    *Mainstrasse Car Show among many other events – including Oktoberfest*  
The Carnegie Center <http://www.thecarnegie.com/about.php>  
    *The largest and only multidisciplinary arts venue in Northern Kentucky, with The Carnegie Galleries, the Eva G. Farris Education Center and the Otto M. Budig Theatre housed together under a landmark dome.*  
St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption <http://www.covcathedral.com/frame1.htm>  
Behringer-Crawford Museum [www.bcmuseum.org](http://www.bcmuseum.org) *In Devou Park*  
    *One Sunday a month the BCM will host a day free to the public. The events' themes highlight and celebrate the arts and culture of the Ohio River Valley, such as celebrating the bicentennial of steamboats & local folk art.*  
Totterotterville <http://www.johnnystoys.com/tottermain.html>  
    *Totter's Otterville is an educational entertainment center geared towards children ages 10 and under.*  
Steppin Out Dance Studio <http://www.stepnoutstudio.com/>

### **The Great Outdoors:**

Cincinnati Parks: [www.cincyparks.com](http://www.cincyparks.com)  
Hamilton County Parks: <http://www.greatparks.org>  
    *International Friendship Park/ Purple People Bridge; Sawyer Point; Eden Park; Ault Park; Mt. Airy; Sharon Woods; Smale Riverfront Park; Washington Park, Withrow Nature Preserve, Glenwood Gardens, Lake Isabella, Winton Woods (includes Parky's Farm), Miami Whitewater Forest*  
Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum <http://www.springgrove.org/> *A US National Historic Landmark*

- Cincinnati Nature Center <http://www.cincynature.org/locations.html> Milford OH and Goshen OH  
Hueston Woods <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/tabid/745/default.aspx>  
East Fork Lake <http://parks.ohiodnr.gov/eastfork>  
Little Miami Scenic River <http://watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/Portals/watercraft/pdfs/maps/srLittleMiami.pdf>  
Grailville <http://www.grailville.org/>  
Voice of America MetroPark <http://www.westchesteroh.org/CSParksVOAPark.cfm> WestChester  
Loveland Bike Trail <http://www.lovelandbiketrail.com/>  
Lunken Airport Bike Path [www.trailink.com/trail/lunken-airport-bike-path.aspx](http://www.trailink.com/trail/lunken-airport-bike-path.aspx)  
Public Golf Courses <http://www.cincygolf.org/>  
Civic Garden Center [www.civicgardencenter.org/](http://www.civicgardencenter.org/) (includes the Hauck Botanic Garden)  
*The Civic Garden Center is a non-profit horticultural resource dedicated to "building community through gardening, education and environmental stewardship".*  
Perfect North <http://www.perfectnorth.com/> Skiing and more  
Skydiving <http://www.startskydiving.com/>  
Big Bone Lick State Park <http://parks.ky.gov/parks/recreationparks/big-bone-lick/default.aspx>  
Boone Cliffs Park <http://www.boonecountyky.org/parks/ParkInfo/19>  
*74 acres of old growth forest; Unpaved Walking Trails (2.4 miles); Wildflowers; 20-40 foot Cliffs*  
Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park <http://www.pyramidhill.org/>  
Sun Rock Farm <http://www.sunrockfarm.org/>  
*A hands-on educational farm*  
Pumpkin Patches, Corn Mazes, and more Fall Fun  
<http://www.pumpkinpatchesandmore.org/OHpcinc.php> - a listing of all such activities in the Cincinnati/Dayton area (not Kentucky)  
<http://www.mcglassonfarms.com/> (on Route 8, Hebron, KY)  
<http://www.kinmanfarmsfallfest.com/> (on Burlington Pike, Burlington, KY)  
<http://www.lebanonrr.com/applefest.html> Lebanon County Apple Fest – train rides and more  
<http://www.bloomsandberriesfarmmarket.com/> Fresh fruits, flowers, and farm fun (Loveland, Ohio)  
Farms for berry picking  
<http://www.pickyourown.org/OHcinc.htm>  
<http://www.cincinnati.com/top5/top-5-u-pick-farms-for-strawberry-picking/>  
<http://cincinnati.com/u-pick-it-blueberries/>  
Church festivals <http://www.thecatholictelegraph.com/calendar>  
All festivals in the Cincinnati area <http://ohiofestivals.net/schedule/>

**Useful Book:** 60 hikes within 60 miles of Cincinnati <http://www.amazon.com/Hikes-Within-Miles-Cincinnati-Including/dp/0897327055>

**If you are willing to drive a little:**

- The Wilds in Zanesville [www.thewilds.org/](http://www.thewilds.org/)  
*The Wilds Mission is: To advance conservation through science, education and personal experience.*  
National Museum of the US Air Force <http://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/> Free Admission  
Kentucky Horse Park <http://kyhorsepark.com/> working horse farm & educational theme park  
My Old Kentucky Home <http://parks.ky.gov/parks/recreationparks/old-ky-home/> Bardstown KY  
Kentucky Bourbon Trail <http://kybourbontrail.com/>

**Independent and Drive-in Movie Theaters:**

- Clifton - The Esquire <http://www.esquiretheatre.com/>  
Mariemont – Mariemont Theatre <http://www.mariemonttheatre.com/>  
Kenwood – Kenwood Theatre <http://www.kenwoodtheatre.com/>  
Amelia – The Starlite Drive-in <http://www.starlitedriveinohio.com/>  
Hamilton – The Holiday Auto Theatre <http://www.holidayautotheatre.com/>



**Listing of all the theaters in the greater Cincinnati area:**

<http://www.cinstages.com/Theatres/index.asp?Sort=All>

**Listing of things to do in the greater Cincinnati area:**

<http://cincinnatiusa.com/events> Official Travel Guide of Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky

<http://news.cincinnati.com/section/ENT/Things-To-Do>

**Websites to find all sorts of kid-friendly activities in the Greater Cincinnati area**

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

<http://familyfriendlycincinnati.com/>

**Singles:**

**DISCLAIMER – I do not have any experience with using these sites, provided as a guide more than a recommendation!!**

[http://www.cincymagazine.com/Main/Articles/Single\\_In\\_Cincy\\_2933.aspx](http://www.cincymagazine.com/Main/Articles/Single_In_Cincy_2933.aspx)

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

Cincinnati Reds Free Agent Fridays

<http://www.amazingsingles.com/cincinnati.html>

<https://www.eventbrite.com/d/oh--cincinnati/singles-party/>

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

Welcome House <http://www.welcomehouseky.org/>

Cincinnati Youth Collaborative [www.cycyouth.org/](http://www.cycyouth.org/)

Big Brother/Big Sister [http://www.bigsforkids.org/site/c.buIUJgNUKjL6G/b.6412363/k.EF05/Home\\_Page.htm](http://www.bigsforkids.org/site/c.buIUJgNUKjL6G/b.6412363/k.EF05/Home_Page.htm)

Santa Maria Community Services – Greater Price Hill <http://www.santamaria-cincy.org/>

CoreChange <http://www.corechangecincy.com/>

Village Life Outreach <http://www.villagelifeoutreach.org/>

Project Connect <http://www.cps-k12.org/Academics/ProjConnect/ProjConnect.htm>

Faces without Places <http://www.faceswithoutplaces.org/>

Matthew 25: Ministries <http://www.m25m.org/>

Tender Mercies: <http://www.tendermerciesinc.org/> *organizing the taste of OTR*

City Link Center <https://citylinkcenter.org/>

Red Cross <http://www.redcross.org/local/oh/cincinnati/volunteer>

**Cincinnati's Food Scene:**

**Downtown Eating** <http://www.downtowncincinnati.com/index.html>

*August 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> – Restaurant Week*

**Other Foodie Links:**

[http://citybeat.com/cincinnati/article-34326-best\\_bites\\_of\\_2015.html](http://citybeat.com/cincinnati/article-34326-best_bites_of_2015.html)

<http://flavors.visittheusa.com/chef-todd-kelly-goes-inside-cincinnati-food-scene>

<http://experience.usatoday.com/food-and-wine/story/best-of-food-and-wine/2014/03/11/small-cities-big-food-scenes/6187081/>

<http://www.foodandwine.com/slideshows/cincinnati-in-10-plates>

<http://business.otrchamber.com/list/ql/restaurants-food-beverages-22>

**Craft Breweries in Cincinnati:**

<http://cincinnatiusa.com/article/craft-breweries-cincinnati-usa>

<http://www.pastemagazine.com/articles/2015/10/craft-beer-guide-to-cincinnati-ohio.html?a=1>

<http://www.bizjournals.com/cincinnati/blog/2015/02/here-are-all-the-new-breweries-coming-to.html>

**Wineries in Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky:**

<http://cincinnatiusa.com/article/sip-and-savor-these-5-local-wineries>

<http://www.localwineevents.com/resources/show/3/21/cincinnati-dayton-southwest-oh-wineries-and-vineyards>

<http://cincinnatiusa.com/bars-and-nightlife/wineries-and-vineyards>  
<http://nightshiftlimousine.com/nkywinetrail/>

**Sustainable Living:**

Cincinnati Public Library

<http://www.cincinnati.library.org/features/goinggreen.html>