

West Virginia University Retirees Association presents...

America's Music Cities

April 21 – 28, 2024



Book Now
& Save
\$100
Per Person

For more information contact
Collette
1-800-852-5655
Please refer to booking #1172207



8 Days • 10 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... French Quarter, Choices on Tour, Swamp Tour, Mardi Gras World, Jazz Revue, Graceland, West Delta Heritage Center, Ryman Auditorium, Grand Ole Opry Show, Country Music Hall of Fame, Historic RCA Studio B, Hands-on Chocolate-making Lesson

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1 – 3 Sheraton New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana
Days 4, 5 The Guest House at Graceland, Memphis, Tennessee
Days 6, 7 Gaylord Opryland Resort, Nashville, Tennessee
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Sunday, April 21, 2024 New Orleans, Louisiana - Tour Begins Step back in time on a cultural getaway that opens in the “Jazz Capital of the World,” New Orleans! This soulful city abounds with rich history, mouthwatering Cajun and Creole cuisine, and of course, an incomparable soundtrack. Take in the sights, flavors, and sounds of New Orleans on your own before meeting your group in the morning.

Day 2: Monday, April 22, 2024 French Quarter It’s your choice! Embark on a walking tour of New Orleans’ famous French Quarter, viewing St. Louis Cathedral, the bustling French Marketplace, Pirates Alley and more. Afterwards, set out on a panoramic motor coach tour of New Orleans with a local guide, seeing the famous St. Louis Cemetery #3 and stunning mansions. This afternoon, you have time to explore the city, or you may opt to join an optional tour for a jazz brunch at one of New Orleans’ most famous restaurants, followed by a leisurely cruise aboard a steamboat. Tonight, get to know your travel companions at a festive New Orleans-style welcome dinner. (B, D)

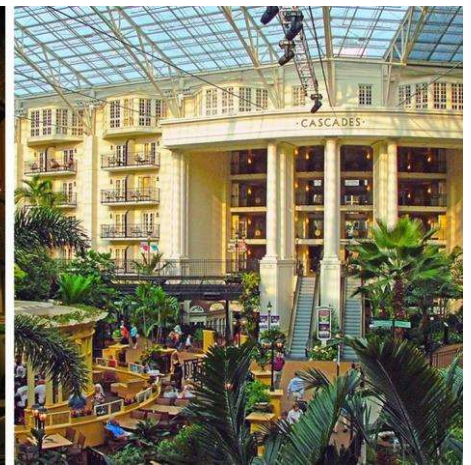
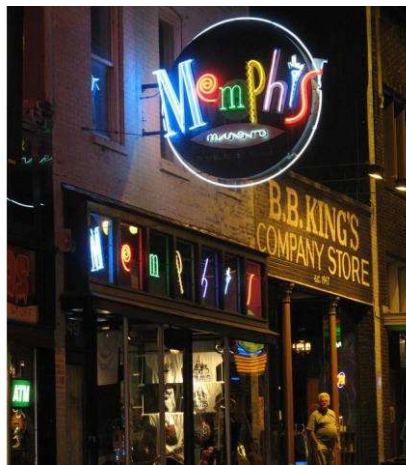
Day 3: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 New Orleans Journey through Louisiana’s swamp on a cruise* narrated by the captain himself. Learn about the ecosystem’s history and ecology while keeping an eye out for wildlife including bald eagles, herons, turtles and alligators. Then, celebrate New Orleans’ festive side at Mardi Gras World, the working warehouse where artisans create the floats for the famous parades, and get a tasting of king cake. Tonight, enjoy dinner on your own before meeting your fellow travel companions at Maison Bourbon, a live jazz club in the French Quarter. (B)

Day 4: Wednesday, April 24, 2024 New Orleans - Memphis, Tennessee Travel north to Memphis, the birthplace of the Blues, Rock ‘n’ Roll, and Soul. Enjoy Southern hospitality at your hotel just steps away from the iconic Graceland. (B, D)

Day 5: Thursday, April 25, 2024 Memphis This morning, **it’s your choice!** Jive along to “Jailhouse Rock” as you visit Graceland, the stately mansion of the “King” himself, and tour Elvis’ 14-acre estate, home, private jets and Meditation Garden **-OR-** embark on a Civil Rights tour and follow the route of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s last march by coach, stopping at Mason Temple where he gave his famous “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop” speech the night before he was assassinated. Enjoy free time to grab lunch on your own before hopping back on the coach with some local musicians, who explain why Memphis embraces its title as the “Home of the Blues.” The remainder of the day is yours. You may opt to join a Memphis Musical History Tour with included dinner, or simply absorb the city’s vibrancy at your own pace! (B)

Day 6: Friday, April 26, 2024 Memphis - Nashville Roll along Music Highway to Nashville – the “Music Capital of the World.” Along the way, stop in Brownsville at the West Delta Heritage Center to discover the roots of the country blues sound and the hometown of Tina Turner – the Queen of Rock. Arrive in Nashville and tour the historic Ryman Auditorium,** the original home of the Grand Ole Opry. What began as a building where a local radio broadcast show aired once a week in 1925 has grown to become an entertainment complex that attracts music fans from all over the world. This evening, take your reserved seat at the renowned Grand Ole Opry.*** (B)

Day 7: Saturday, April 27, 2024 Nashville Explore the Country Music Hall of Fame, the world’s largest museum of popular music, and check out the vast collections of memorabilia, costumes, recordings, and instruments. Tour RCA Studio B and gain an insider’s look at Nashville’s oldest remaining recording studio, where Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton, and Charley Pride once recorded classic hits. You may even have the opportunity to record your own hit! Then, test your culinary skills at a hands-on chocolate-making lesson



Book Now & Save \$100 Per Person:

Double \$3,599; **Double \$3,499***
 Single \$4,499; **Single \$4,399;**
 Triple \$3,549 **Triple \$3,449**

For bookings made after Oct 21, 2023 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Pittsburgh Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$349 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from PIT

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

at the iconic Goo Goo Candy Shop. Later, gather for a memorable farewell lunch. (B, L)

Day 8: Sunday, April 28, 2024 Nashville - Tour Ends Your rockin' musical journey comes to a close today. (B)

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Oct 21, 2023, valid on air inclusive packages only.

IDENTIFICATION

Travel within USA

For travel completed by May 6, 2025, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.

Effective for travel May 7, 2025 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: <https://www.dhs.gov/real-id>

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

*The swamp tour is subject to change due to severe inclement weather. These changes may include items being missed during the trip; however, every effort will be made to substitute for another attraction if possible.

**On some dates, the Old Ryman Auditorium may be closed for special events.

***The Grand Ole Opry may move to the Ryman Auditorium during the months of November and December and throughout the year during special events.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. You feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestone streets to easy pathways; a couple of hills or a few flights of stairs. You're comfortable walking a few city blocks at a time but need some time to unwind and relax. Due to local regulations in keeping motor coaches out of the French Quarter, some inclusions in New Orleans will require 10-15 minutes of walking.

Experience It! The Ryman Auditorium

The “Mother Church of Country Music,” the “Carnegie Hall of the South,” the “Soul of Nashville”...welcome to Ryman Auditorium, a 2,000-plus seat venue in the heart of Nashville with a history as deep as country roots. Named for its founder, a wealthy riverboat owner, the Ryman first opened its doors in 1892 as the Union Gospel Tabernacle, but what many folks don't know is that the Ryman was the original home of the Grand Ole Opry. In fact, the Opry's formative years were spent on Ryman's stage, having featured the debuts of music titans Earl Scruggs and Hank Williams, and hosting the very first meeting between Johnny Cash and June Carter. Even Patsy Cline became a member of the Opry at the Ryman in 1960. And while the Grand Ole Opry has lived at a new venue since the seventies, the Ryman remains a vital music venue on the Nashville circuit, and is a designated National Historic Landmark thanks to its pivotal role in the popularization of country music. See it for yourself when country music comes to life in the Ryman's exhibit, “The Soul of Nashville,” and let the Mother Church move you!

For more information visit

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1172207>



162 Middle Street
 Pawtucket, RI • 02860
 Phone: 1-800-852-5655 Fax: 1-401-727-9014

If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to Collette. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

BOOKING NUMBER: 1172207 TOUR: America's Music Cities featuring New Orleans,
 Memphis & Nashville
 DEPARTURE DATE: April 21, 2024 GROUP NAME: West Virginia University Retirees
 Association

Name of Passenger:
 Salutation: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____ Suffix: _____
 (Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print as it appears on drivers license) (Jr., Sr.)

Cardholder Name: _____
 (Please print as it appears on your Credit Card)

Cardholder Address: _____
 (as it appears on your credit card statement)

Cardholder Phone: _____

Credit Card Type: ___ American Express ___ Discover ___ MasterCard ___ Visa

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Amount to be charged: \$ _____

Cardholder's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept Collette cancellation policy, terms and conditions.

Participating credit card companies are now requiring a billing address and phone number for **FRAUD PREVENTION**. All information **MUST** be provided. Thank you for your cooperation!
 If using your credit card for payment, please return this Authorization Form by mail to:

Collette
 Attn: Accounts Receivable
 162 Middle Street
 Pawtucket, RI 02860

Above credit card information has been called in to Collette.



162 Middle Street
 Pawtucket, RI • 02860
 Phone: 1-800-852-5655 Fax: 1-401-727-9014

BOOKING NUMBER: 1172207

TOUR: America's Music Cities featuring New Orleans,
 Memphis & Nashville

DEPARTURE DATE: April 21, 2024

GROUP NAME: West Virginia University Retirees
 Association

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

New Orleans, LA

New Orleans Jazz Afternoon

\$90 USD

This afternoon, enjoy a jazz brunch at one of New Orleans' most famous restaurants, The Court of Two Sisters. Relax and enjoy the live jazz music as you soak in the centuries-old atmosphere and the largest courtyard in the French Quarter. Indulge in the expansive brunch buffet, with over 60 items available, including made to order omelets and Eggs Benedict. After lunch, embark on a leisurely cruise aboard the traditional Steamboat Natchez, iconic in New Orleans. The ambience will transport you back in time to the 19th century when steamboats were the mode of transportation of choice to travel along the Mississippi. Sit back and take in your surroundings during your narrated harbor tour, listening to stories of days gone by along the way. As your paddlewheel boat makes its way back, it is time for a lively jazz band to take the stage for some toe-tapping fun! *Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Memphis, TN

Memphis Musical History Tour with Dinner

\$99 USD

Begin with a visit to Sun Studio, perhaps the most famous recording studio in the world. A guided tour will introduce you to the location that began the careers of musical legends such as Johnny Cash, B.B. King, Jerry Lee Lewis, and of course, Elvis Presley. It was here at Sun Studio in 1954 where Elvis first began recording commercially, changing the music world forever. View the priceless memorabilia, listen to audio clips from recording sessions, and visit the record store and soda shop at this iconic recording studio. Next, visit the Rock N' Soul Museum, located on the famous Beale Street. Explore the museum at your own pace, with a self-guided audio tour that highlights Memphis' musical journey. Then, pop next door to the Memphis Music Hall of Fame to see rare memorabilia, video performances and interviews of some of the greatest musicians of all time. Complete your tour with dinner at a local restaurant. *Duration: Approximately 5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

PASSENGERS NAME: (Please submit a separate form for each passenger)

Salutation: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____ Nickname: _____
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print EXACTLY as it appears on the government issued travel identification) (Jr., Sr.)

✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
✓	New Orleans Jazz Afternoon	90.00
✓	Memphis Musical History Tour with Dinner	99.00

Please make checks payable to Collette and send to:

Collette
 Attn: Accounts Receivable
 162 Middle Street
 Pawtucket, RI 02860



TRAVEL DATE: 4/21/2024 TERRITORY: E9
RES#: 1172207

America's Music Cities featuring New Orleans,
Memphis & Nashville

For Reservations Contact: Collette 1-800-852-5655, Please refer to booking #1172207

Collette, 162 Middle Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of October 14, 2023 are based upon availability. Final payment due by February 21, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until October 21, 2023.

YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) **as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.**

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: () Male () Female Date of Birth: month _____ day _____ year _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____ Email Address: _____

Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not traveling with you): _____ Phone: () _____

ROOMING WITH: Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

AIR GATEWAY: Departure airport for this tour: _____

Air Seat Request: () Aisle () Window () Next To Traveling Companion

Collette cannot guarantee your seat preference. If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times. Please be advised, when travelling as part of a group, many airlines do not provide seat assignments. Preferred seating may be available for an additional charge.

"Federal law forbids carriage of hazardous materials such as aerosols, fireworks, lithium batteries & flammable liquids aboard the aircraft in your checked or carry-on baggage. A violation can result in 5 years' imprisonment and penalties of \$250,000 or more. Details on prohibited items may be found on TSA's "prohibited items" web page: <http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items>."

TRAVEL PROTECTION: () Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$349 () No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour activities

Please Choose One:

- () Panoramic Motorcoach Tour of New Orleans
- () French Quarter Walking Tour

Please Choose One: *(subject to availability)*

- () Gaylord Opryland Resort – Standard (included)
- () Gaylord Opryland Resort – Superior (additional charge of \$75.00 double, \$150.00 single required)

Please Choose One:

- () Graceland
- () Memphis and the Civil Rights Movement including the National Civil Rights Museum

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Collette () Check () Credit Card

Waiver/Insurance Amount: \$ _____ Deposit Amount: \$ _____ Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Cardholder Name (if paying by Credit Card): _____

Cardholder Billing Address: Check if address is the same as above _____

Cardholder Phone: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Credit Card Number: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Expiration Date: _ _ / _ _ / _ _
M M Y Y

SIGNATURE REQUIRED for acceptance of the below conditions and agreement to credit card use:

Date: _____

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept the cancellation policy, terms and conditions. See <http://www.gocollette.com/about-collette/terms-and-conditions> for full terms and conditions of your purchase.

Important Conditions: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees.