

# 34 Popular Attractions to Explore

While enjoying your time at the Galesburg / Knoxville IL KOA Holiday



## Prairie Moon Farm

Lots of yummy treats and sweets! Donkeys, Alpacas and a Reindeer. You have to pay to see the Reindeer. They also had a foam area for some good clean fun! There is also a train ride for the kids! Choose pumpkins or gander at one of the vendors! Worth the stop! Address: 1467 IL-97, Knoxville, IL 61448 [prairiemoonfarm.com](http://prairiemoonfarm.com)

## The Orpheum Theatre

"Built as a vaudeville house, The Orpheum Theatre has stood proudly as "The Jewel of Galesburg" since 1916 Today, the Orpheum continues to reflect its former glory, bringing to the stage a diverse blend of the finest entertainment from renowned speakers, comedians, and musicians, to touring shows, films, children's productions, and much more. The theatre is also home to many local performing arts and non-profit organizations that bring music, movies, dance and theatre to the stage. We also host FREE historic tours where you can see our beautiful theatre and learn about it's rich history. There's always something happening at The Orpheum Theatre!"



Address: 57 S Kellogg St, Galesburg, IL 61401

## Galesburg Railroad Museum

"We are a railroad history museum. We provide tours of our cars outside weather permitting. The building is wheelchair access but the cars outside are not. We display memorabilia to show the history of railroading in our area." Address: 211 S Seminary St, Galesburg, IL 61401 Phone: (309) 342-9400



## National Railroad Hall of Fame

"This is the home headquarters for the National Railroad Hall of Fame. While we do not have a public museum yet, we do have a variety of railway-related educational resources that can be checked out by teachers for classroom use. These resources include our Trunks Through Time (pictured: transcontinental railroad worker), which are interactive exhibits including period-appropriate clothing and personal effects of characters from important periods in railroad history. Currently, we are not fully staffed on Thursdays and Fridays. Visits to acquire materials on those days should be scheduled in advance." Address: 161 S Prairie St Suite 206, Galesburg, IL 61401 Phone: (309) 368-7842



## Discovery Depot Children's Museum

"Hands on learning at this children's museum, complete with art studio, science classroom, outdoor playground and a real caboose."

Address: 128 S Chambers St, Galesburg, IL 61401 Phone: (309) 344-8876



### Carl Sandburg State Historic Site

Carl Sandburg State Historic Site was the birthplace and boyhood home of author Carl Sandburg in Galesburg, Illinois, United States. It is operated by the Illinois Historic Preservation Division

Address: 313 E 3rd St, Galesburg, IL 61401 Phone: (309) 342-2361

### Dickson Mounds State Museum

Dickson Mounds is a Native American settlement site and burial mound complex near Lewistown, Illinois. It is located in Fulton County on a low bluff overlooking the Illinois River. It is a large burial complex containing at least two cemeteries, ten superimposed burial mounds, and a platform mound.

Address: 10956 N Dickson Mounds Rd, Lewistown, IL 61542

Phone: (309) 547-3721



### Peoria Riverfront Museum

The Peoria Riverfront Museum is a non-profit multidisciplinary museum of art, science, history, and achievement that promotes itself as the only museum of its kind in the United States. It is located on the Illinois river in downtown Peoria, Illinois.

Address: 222 SW Washington St, Peoria, IL 61602 Phone: (309) 686-7000

### The Peoria PlayHouse

Colorful kids' museum featuring interactive exhibits & play areas relating to art, science & music.

Address: 2218 N Prospect Rd, Peoria, IL 61603 Phone: (309) 323-6900



### Caterpillar Visitors Center

Caterpillar diggers & tractors, plus trucks from vintage to modern & interactive exhibits. "Friendly and knowledgeable staff. Exciting exhibits and many interactive stations. Definitely recommend!!!" Good exhibits, and a large variety of interactive exhibits. Exceptionally clean and well kept."

Address: 110 SW Washington St, Peoria, IL 61602 Phone: (309) 675-0606





### **Rasmussen Blacksmith Shop Museum**

in Lewistown, Illinois The Rasmussen Museum is a nice attraction for the community. It has an interesting blacksmith exhibit as well as some other items and displays of historical interest.

Address: 300 S Main St, Lewistown, IL 61542

Phone: (309) 750-7237

### **Bishop Hill Heritage Association**

Bishop Hill Heritage Association is so cozy. The littles particularly enjoyed the train and I really enjoyed learning more about Bishop Hill and the founding Swedish families that came to Illinois.

Address: 103 Bishop Hill St, Bishop Hill, IL 61419 Phone: (309) 927-3899



### **Maureen's Sit-N-Knit Yarn Shop**

Maureen's Sit-n-Knit is a local treasure for anyone interested in yarn crafts, focused on knitting and crochet. She has a wide selection of yarns and good basic tools available on site. She will also custom order things for you.

Address: 236 E Main St, Knoxville, IL 61448 Phone: (309) 289-2379

### **Des Moines County Heritage Center Museum**

In the first floor we can see the story of the city from native to Burlington foundation, second floor the most famous people of the city and the last the story of person that write "Fly Me to the Moon" and the bar piano.

Address: 501 N 4th St, Burlington, IA 52601 Phone: (319) 752-7449



### **Quad City Botanical Center**

Wonderful exhibits, outdoor children's area very creative.

Address: 2525 4th Ave, Rock Island, IL 61201 Phone: (309) 794-0991





### American Pickers Show on History Channel, LeClaire, Iowa

Our two-story former fabrication shop is the hub for the American Pickers Show on History Channel. Discover vintage treasures, collectibles, and unique home decor handpicked by Mike Wolfe. Check out our new merchandise store for custom gifts and gear. Feel free to stop by, poke around, and make us an offer. Nestled in the picturesque historic town of LeClaire, Iowa, along the banks of the mighty Mississippi River. Known as the birthplace of Buffalo Bill, LeClaire sets the perfect backdrop for our store, where the spirit of exploration and discovery thrives. Address: 115 1/2 Davenport St, Le Claire, IA 52753 Phone: (000)000-0000



### John Deere Pavilion

You will find surprising, exciting, and engaging fun for the whole family. You'll also enjoy the John Deere Store!

Experience present and future innovations while appreciating the past's heritage. See vintage machines and climb aboard new ones. Explore exhibits on how technology helps people shape and care for the land. Right next door, you will also find the John Deere Store. The store is a one-of-a-kind retail center that stocks officially licensed, genuine John Deere clothing, toys, collectibles, novelties, and videos. It is also home to the largest collection of John Deere Ertl toys. This is the place to get your green on!

Address: 1400 River Dr, Moline, IL 61265 Phone: (309) 765-1000





## Putnam Museum and Science Center

The Putnam Museum and Science Center, originally Davenport Academy of Natural Sciences, is a museum of history and natural science with an interactive science center in Davenport, Iowa, United States. The museum was founded in 1867, and was one of the first museums west of the Mississippi River. Historic educational venue offers regional natural history & science exhibits, films & performances. Has quite a bit of hands on stuff for the kids.

Address: 1717 W 12th St, Davenport, IA 52804 Phone: (563) 324-1933

## Rock Island Arsenal Museum

Long-running Army museum devoted to the history of Arsenal Island, featuring Civil War artifacts

Address: 3500 North Ave,  
Rock Island, IL 61201  
Phone: (309) 782-5021



## Rhythm City Casino Resort

Relaxed casino offering accommodations, steakhouse dining & slot machines, plus music concerts.

Address: 7077 Elmore Avenue, Davenport, IA 52807

Phone: (563) 328-8000

## Celebration River Cruises

"Step aboard the Celebration Belle, the largest riverboat on the upper Mississippi River. Family-owned, based in Moline, has proudly been cruising the Mississippi for over 40 years. This impressive 750-passenger riverboat features four decks. Dine in comfort on two climate-controlled dining decks, or stroll the spacious outdoor observation decks to take in the scenic views. With several cruise options including lunch, dinner, sightseeing, themed cruises and all-day journeys from the Quad Cities to Dubuque, there is a cruise for everyone! Visit our website for our full cruise schedule. The Celebration Belle offers a fantastic riverboat experience, with freshly prepared meals onboard, talented entertainers, and exceptional staff. Join the fun!"

Address: 2501 River Dr, Moline, IL 61265 Phone: (309) 764-1952







## The Palmer Family Residence

"The Palmer Family Residence was home to Drs B.J., Mabel, and Dave Palmer. It was built in 1874, purchased by the Palmers in 1912 and is filled with items they collected from around the world. We are open M-F by appointment only- please call for a reservation! 563-884-5714"

Address: 808 N Brady St,  
Davenport, IA 52803



## Niabi Zoo

Niabi Zoo is a public Zoological Park in Coal Valley, Illinois, serving the Quad Cities Area. This 40 acre zoo is nestled inside its 287 acre forest preserve.

Address: 13010 Niabi Zoo Rd,  
Coal Valley, IL 61240  
Phone: (309) 799-3482

## Our Lady of Grace Grotto

Our lady of Grace Grotto was built by Benedictine monks in 1929 with rocks from the Holy Land and hundreds of geodes (Iowa's state rock). Inside the grotto the Blessed Virgin Mary is flanked by two seashells, one from the Atlantic Ocean and one from the Pacific Ocean. "So worth a visit no matter what religion." Coming from Geode State Park on US 34, St. Mary's Catholic Church & grotto is on your left in West Burlington. If you have yet to see a geode, you're about to be comforted.

The small complex was built in 1920-31 by Benedictine Fathers M.J. Kaufman and Damien Lavery. In 1973, pastor Jack Denning mobilized the parish to restore it. Atop what appears to be an artificial mound, the grotto faces a vast sunken lawn. Water flows from the geode-studded shrine to a fountain and pools.

Always open, the grotto is particularly beautiful just after sunset with its neon sign reflecting in the water. See also

Address: 500 W Mt Pleasant St, West Burlington, IA 52655 Phone: (319) 752-6733





## The World's Largest Truckstop

"Iowa 80 Truckstop is the World's Largest Truckstop. As a trucker or traveler you'll find everything you need to make you comfortable while on the road. 900 truck parking spaces, 20 pull-thru RV/trailer parking spaces and over 250 car parking spaces. 10 Restaurant options, convenience store, gas & diesel, laundry facilities, dentist, barber and so much more."

Address: 755 W Iowa 80 Rd, Walcott, IA 52773

Phone: (563) 284-6961



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## Peoria Zoo

The Peoria Zoo is a zoo located in Peoria, Illinois, in the United States. The zoo is owned and operated by the Peoria Park District and is open daily .

Address: 2320 N Prospect Rd, Peoria, IL 61603 Phone: (309) 686-3365



## Peoria Holocaust Memorial

The Peoria Holocaust Memorial is located outdoors on the campus of the Peoria Riverfront Museum, near the corner of Washington and Liberty Streets. The Memorial is on long-term loan from and cared for by the Jewish Federation of Peoria. Jewish Federation volunteers conduct tours of the Memorial by request and speak to school groups about the Holocaust and the Memorial during their field trip visits to the Museum.

We are honored to be home to the Peoria Holocaust Memorial, the only memorial of its kind in the world. Created by the Jewish Federation of Peoria, each of its 11 million buttons, collected by school children during the "The Button Project," symbolizes a life lost during the Holocaust.

The purpose of the Peoria Holocaust Memorial is to remember the 6 million Jews and 5 million enemies of the state who lost their lives during the Nazi Holocaust, and to help educate future generations about the importance of standing up to bigotry, prejudice and hatred wherever and whenever they occur.

2000 Pioneer Parkway, Suite 10B, Peoria, IL 61615 Phone: 309.689.0063



## Bradley University Peoria

Address: 1501 W Bradley Ave, Peoria, IL 61625

Phone: (309) 676-7611



## Menards Galesburg IL

If you're from the south or Canada and have never experienced a Menards, we have one right here.

Save BIG Money on your home improvement needs at over 300 stores in categories like tools, lumber, appliances, pet supplies, lawn and gardening and much much more.

Address: 2791 Veterans Dr, Galesburg, IL 61401

Phone: (309) 343-5410

## Skate Palace / All-Stars Sports Academy

Address: 1855 E Knox St Galesburg IL

Phone: 309-315-2921



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## Galesburg / Knoxville IL KOA Holiday—Family Friendly RV Park & Campground

1081 E US Highway 150 Knoxville IL 61448 309-289-2267





## The Galesburg Antiques Mall Co

Address: 140 S Prairie St, Galesburg, IL 61401

Phone: 309-342-8571

WEB: galesburgantiquesmall.com



## World Famous Judy's Family Café

"I'm Judy, I have BEST Pancake"

Address: 1195 N Broad St, Galesburg, IL 61401

Phone: 309-343-2066

WEB: judyscafegalesburg.com



Ryan Crane Photography



## The Downtown ESCAPE

Address: 64 S Prairie St Suite 331, Galesburg, IL 61401

Phone: 309-431-2272

WEB: thedowntownescape.com



### LOG CITY CABIN

2-6

60

Difficulty: 3/5

Archibald Goodell, the great-great-grandson of the arch-nemesis to George Washington Gale has hatched a plan to avenge his...

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### THE CARNIVAL

2-8

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Difficulty: 4/5

Now Open!!! The Carnival's Magic Come one, come all, step right up! The carnival has come to town! And a very special carnival...

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### THE TRAIN

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Difficulty: 4/5

Coming Soon!

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Phone: 309-

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Products for dogs, cats, and small animals.  
Self wash rooms  
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Grooming salon and education space