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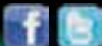
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So much to see, so little time! South Louisiana's appeal is a truly unique blend of the historic, the contemporary, the Southern and the downright beautiful. Check out the following sights and attractions to make your visit unforgettable.



Audubon Aquarium of the Americas

1 Canal St., New Orleans, (800) 744-7394, www.audoboninstitute.org. Tues.-Sun., 10 a.m.-5 p.m., subject to change. The underwater world

comes to life as you experience fish, birds and reptiles in their natural habitats, including sharks, stingrays and jellies! Immerse yourself in the BIG sensory experience at IMAX Theatre. Visit the new Audubon Insectarium! It's infested with fun! Ask us about Audubon Zoo! Buy the Audubon Experience ticket and get four great attractions for one low price! MC, V, AE, D; HC



Audubon Insectarium

423 Canal St., New Orleans, (504) 581-4629/(800) 774-7394. Tues.-Sun., 10 a.m.-5 p.m., www.audoboninstitute.org. New Orleans' newest attraction

is an interactive museum dedicated to the largest group of animals on the planet: insects! Visit Audubon Insectarium in the U.S. Custom House and be amazed, amused and surprised by the fascinating world of bugs. Experience up-close-and-personal live insect encounters and enjoy the tranquility of our Japanese butterfly garden.



Audubon Zoo

6500 Magazine St., New Orleans, (504) 581-4629/(800) 774-7394. Tues.-Sun., opens at 10 a.m. (closing times vary by season/day of week), www.audoboninstitute.org. Ranked as one of the top zoos in the nation,

it has more than 2,000 of the world's rarest animals, including White Tigers, displayed in natural habitats on 58 acres. At the Louisiana Swamp exhibit catch a glimpse of the world's only white alligators, while enjoying the music, food and culture of south Louisiana.



BREC's Baton Rouge Zoo

3601 Thomas Road, Baton Rouge, (225) 775-3877, www.brzoo.org. Daily, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. The zoo is a place where people connect with animals. Visit giraffes, rhinos, alligators, flamingos and otters. Check

out Realm of the Tiger, L'aquarium de Louisiane, the Safari Playground and the Cypress Bayou Railroad. MC, V

Celebration Station

10111 Gwenadele Ave., (225) 924-7888, www.celebrationstation.com. Call for hours of operation. Extended hours during school breaks and holidays. Enjoy a day of family, food and fun! Celebration Station has it all: video and redemption games, mini-golf, batting cages, go-karts and J.R. karts and more! Take a break in our restaurant after all the excitement. We host birthday parties and group events.

Louisiana Mud Painting

16950 Strain Road, Baton Rouge, (225) 275-5126, www.mudpainting.com. Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mud paintings

depict nostalgic Louisiana using mud and clay found in the state. This artist harvests his pigment from the earth of his homeland. The pallet is as unique as the artist. Neubig's knowing eye reveals Louisiana with eloquent simplicity. All major credit cards accepted.



Louisiana's Old State Capitol

100 North Blvd., Baton Rouge, (225) 342-0500, www.sos.louisiana.gov/osc. Tues.-Sat., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sun., noon-4:30 p.m. The 160-year-old

statehouse, a Gothic architectural treasure, overlooks the Mississippi River in downtown Baton Rouge. The building's history is brought to life through The Ghost of the Castle, a multisensory presentation. Other attractions include the Governors' Portrait Gallery and an exhibit showcasing the city's history. Show admission is \$3. MC, V, AE, D; HC

Louisiana State Capitol

State Capitol Drive, (225) 342-7317. Completed in 1932, this 34-story building overlooks the Mississippi River. Magnificent marble and bronze work inside. Observation deck on the 27th floor provides a panorama of the Mississippi River and surrounding area. Free admission.



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Shaw Center for the Arts

100 Lafayette St., (225) 346-5001, www.shawcenter.org. Mon., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Tues.-Sat., 9 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Contemporary visual and performing arts facility features LSU Museum of Art, Manship Theatre, LSU School of Art Glassell Gallery, LSU Museum Store and Arts Council's Community School for the Arts. Restaurant options include Tsunami, Capital City Grill, Stroubes Chophouse and PJ's Coffee. HC



State Capitol Raceway

11436 U.S. Highway 190 W., Erwinville, (225) 627-4574, www.statecapitolraceway.com. A division of the International Hotrod Racing Association (IHRA), the raceway holds races every Friday

night throughout the year, including several nationally recognized events in the spring and fall. HC



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MUSEUMS

Louisiana State Museum

660 North Fourth St., Baton Rouge, (225) 342-5428, www.lsm.crt.state.la.us. Presents Louisiana's rich history through thousands of artifacts. MC, V, AE; HC



Baton Rouge Gallery

1515 Dalrymple Drive, Baton Rouge, (225) 383-1470, www.batonrougegallery.org. Tues.-Sun., 12 p.m.-6 p.m. Located in BREC's Historic City Park, Baton Rouge Gallery has been an ever-evolving, dynamic force in Louisiana's contemporary art scene since 1966. The nation's longest-standing artist cooperative gallery, it continues to promote contemporary art and inventive programming while representing more than 50 award-winning artists working in a number of mediums. MC, V, D; HC



Enchanted Mansion Doll Museum

190 Lee Drive, Baton Rouge, (225) 769-0005, www.enchantedmansion.org. Thurs.-Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed Sun.-Wed. Tour the Enchanted Mansion and enjoy complimentary tea. Exceptional gift shop. A unique museum that entertains and informs its visitors through animation and spectacular exhibits. All proceeds are deposited into the T.D.S Memorial Foundation for the Handicapped, a nonprofit private foundation. MC, V, D; HC

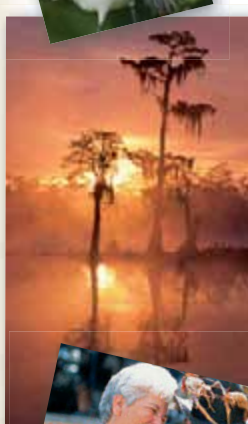


Louisiana Art & Science Museum

100 River Road South, Baton Rouge, (225) 344-5272, www.lasm.org. Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sun., 1 p.m.-4 p.m. The Louisiana Art & Science Museum features exhibitions of internationally renowned artists, innovative programming in the state-of-the-art Irene W. Pennington Planetarium, a 2,300-year-old mummy

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LSU Museum of Art

100 Lafayette St., Fifth Floor, Baton Rouge, (225) 389-7200, www.lsumoa.com. Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thurs., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sun., 1 p.m.-5 p.m.; closed Mon. The LSU Museum of Art

is located in the Shaw Center for the Arts downtown. The 4,500+ work permanent collection and rotating exhibitions are highlighted in 14 galleries. Visit us on Free First Sundays and bring the kids on Second Saturdays for a fun free day of art programs. Check the full calendar of exhibitions and events at www.lsumoa.com. MC, V, AE; HC

LSU Rural Life Museum

4560 Essen Lane, Baton Rouge, (225) 765-2437, www.rurallife.lsu.edu. Open daily, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. "Come to the Country" and enjoy the lifestyles and life-ways of the rural people of Louisiana. Provides insight into the largely forgotten lifestyles and cultures of 19th century Louisiana. An outdoor living history museum that also holds an extensive collection of tools, household utensils, furniture, vehicles and farming implements. Ranked one of the 10 best outdoor museums in the world by the British Museum.



National Hansen's Disease Museum

5445 Point Clair Road, Gillis W. Long Center, Bldg. 12, Carville, (225) 642-1950, www.hrsa.gov/hansens/museum. Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

MIRACLE AT CARVILLE: Museum on the site of only U.S. national leprosy quarantine hospital, established 1894. Patients, doctors, nurses, Daughters of Charity tell their remarkable stories through artifacts, documents, photographs and oral histories. Breakthrough medical treatment discovered here, 1940s. Guided group tours by appointment. Open to the public. Free. HC



West Baton Rouge Museum

845 N. Jefferson Ave., Port Allen, (225) 336-2422, www.westbatonrougemuseum.com. Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun., 2 p.m.-5 p.m. How sweet it is! The West Baton

Rouge Museum features a 6-acre campus with historic sugar plantation structures, and museum with south Louisiana history and art exhibitions, gardens and gift shop. The West Baton Rouge Museum is in Port Allen, just minutes from downtown Baton Rouge. Admission: \$4 adults; \$2 seniors, children, veterans, AAA members. HC

HISTORIC SITES

USS KIDD Veterans Memorial

305 South River Road, Baton Rouge, (225) 342-1942, www.usskidd.com. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Restored WWII destroyer. Veterans museum features ship models, artifacts, Louisiana Memorial Plaza, Hall of Honor, aircraft, exhibits and gift shop. V, MC, D, AE; HC



Old Governor's Mansion

502 North Blvd., Baton Rouge, (225) 387-2464, www.fhl.org. Open Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for guided tours; groups by appointment. Louisiana's White

House built by Huey P. Long in 1930. Home to nine governors and their families including Earl K. Long and Jimmie Davis. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Headquarters of the Foundation for Historical Louisiana, West Wing Gift Shop and a venue for special events. MC, V, D, AE. HC

The Shop at the Top & Louisiana State Museum Gift Shop

Louisiana State Capitol, 27th Floor, (225) 342-5914, and Louisiana State Museum, 1st Floor, (225) 219-0953. Located on the 27th floor of the State Capitol, The Shop at the Top provides a spectacular panoramic view of the Mississippi River and the Capital Cityscape. Free admission, open seven days a week. Additional gift shop location at the bottom of the LSM on Fourth Street. Offering great Louisiana and Baton Rouge souvenirs, and the perfect place to look for unique Louisiana gifts.

TOURS



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