

BLUES and **GREENS:** *Asheville and Nashville*
Another Grand Ole Foodie Tour
from UW Colleges Southeast Region Continuing
Education
April 5 - 12, 2018

B= Breakfast L= Lunch D= Dinner S= Snack

Thursday, April 5 (S,D)

7:00 AM-----Depart from UW Waukesha

We'll take a comfortable and NEW coach bus through Wisconsin Coach Lines. While on the nine-hour trek, we'll stop for lunch, although carefully selected snack will be available. The time will fly as we play the iconic Family Food game, watch films, and get acquainted with our group.

5:30 PM-----Check into the Hutton Hotel

About the Hutton

The Hutton Hotel is ideally located in the Midtown, West-End area, only blocks from Music Row and minutes from the famous Ryman Auditorium and The Nashville Symphony. A music and film industry favorite where you might spot Gwyneth Paltrow in the lobby. The modern contemporary design makes the Hutton a unique and extremely comfortable choice. The hotel is committed to its extensive green program, which can be seen in details such as sustainable furniture, bamboo flooring, low-energy Eco Disc elevators and Lexus hybrid shuttle car. At 1808 Grille, the award-winning restaurant, Chef Charles Phillips focuses his New American menu on seasonal and locally-grown produce.

7:00 PM-----Dinner TBD

Friday, April 6 (B,D)

8:00 AM-----Breakfast at Hutton's 1808 Grille

9:00 AM----- Hatch Show Print Gallery Tour and Workshop

About Hatch Print

In operation since 1879, historic letterpress shop Hatch Show Print designs and prints 500 to 600 different posters a year, plus provides artwork for diverse projects. We'll have a chance to tour their gallery and even print the final color on a poster we can keep.

10:30 AM----- Country Music Hall of Fame

About the Country Music HOF

The museum, called the "Smithsonian of country music" because of its unrivaled collection, recently unveiled a \$100 million expansion, doubling its size to 350,000 square feet of dynamic state-of-the-art galleries, archival storage, education classrooms, retail stores, and special event space boasting stunning downtown views. Visitors are immersed in the history and sounds of country music, its origins and traditions, and the stories and voices of many of its honored architects. The story is revealed through artifacts, photographs, and text panels, with a rich overlay of recorded sound, vintage video, and interactive touchscreens.

12:30 PM -----Lunch (on own)

1:30 PM-----RCA Studio B Tour

About RCA Studio B

Historic RCA Studio B—once the recording home of popular music titans such as Elvis Presley, Chet Atkins, Eddy Arnold, and the Everly Brothers is both a classroom for Nashville area students and a popular cultural attraction. If you close your eyes, you can almost imagine them there: Dolly Parton arriving a bit breathlessly after a fender bender; Elvis strolling in way past midnight and making his way around the room to greet everyone; Jim Reeves recording, as always, in a sharp suit—part of the reason he is remembered as "Gentleman Jim." And, of course, you can hear the smooth, mythical finger-picking style of Chet Atkins, the man whose vision of the studio came to life from drawings on a napkin. You'll understand why artists like Marty Stuart, Carrie Underwood, Martina McBride, Wynonna, and many others have followed these legends into this magical space.

5:00 PM-----Dinner at 5th and Taylor

About 5th and Taylor

5th & Taylor believes the simple act of sharing a meal returns us to the days when what we have in common is more important than what separates us. Though we may come to the table with a variety of hopes and needs, we can relate through the universal necessity to nourish our bodies and connect with others. 5th & Taylor is Chef Daniel Lindley's homage to the American family meal. Inspired by Sunday dinners from his childhood, the menu features familiar yet refined expressions of traditional fare meant to foster a sense of community among guests.

Saturday, April 7 (B,D)

(this is a loooong day. We'll be gone from the hotel from morning to evening. We may opt to start later and drop the J.Cash Museum.)

8:00 AM-----Breakfast at Hutton

9:00 AM-----Johnny Cash Museum

About the Johnny Cash Museum

The Johnny Cash Museum features the world's largest collection of Johnny Cash artifacts and memorabilia in the world. We'll walk through the life of the Man in Black depicted in interactive exhibits, films and much more. Officially endorsed by the Cash Family, the museum recently received the coveted AAA GEM rating, the highest bestowed on an attraction.

10:00 AM-----Hop on Guide

A **singer/songwriter/travel guide** from Sweet Magnolia Tours will guide us to the Parthenon, Centennial Park, Music Row, and other Music City points of interest. This should be very cool.

1:00 PM-----Ryman Tour

About the Ryman Auditorium

As we walk through the doors of the historic Ryman Auditorium, we'll immediately note that this isn't just another nightly music venue, and it's so much more than a daytime tourist stop. This place is hallowed ground. This is the exact spot where bluegrass was born, where Johnny Cash met June Carter. Our tour will highlight the place where country music found an audience.

3:30 PM -----Grand Ole Opry Tour

About the Grand Ole Opry

There's nothing like a backstage tour of the Grand Ole Opry House - it's a must-see for everyone in Music City! Walk in the footsteps of country music's superstars and get an exclusive look at what happens behind the scenes of the show that made country music famous! Your knowledgeable guide will share stories about the Opry and country music greats, past and present (from Minnie Pearl to Carrie Underwood, you might say), show you photos from the Opry's biggest moments in history and take you to the artist entrance - where legends, new artists, and superstars alike enter the Opry House on the night of an Opry show.

4:30 PM-----Dinner at Mission BBQ

About Mission BBQ

MISSION BBQ opened its doors for business on September 11, 2011.

The founders of MISSION BBQ are two friends passionate about BBQ, patriotic for our country, and who believe in running a business with meaning and purpose. we strive every day to remind everyone what makes our country great—its heroes. And they do it serving the best BBQ in Nashville.

7:00 PM-----Grand Ole Opry Show

Today, over 90 years after the first Grand Ole Opry show was broadcast live on the radio, people in every corner of the globe recognize the Grand Ole Opry as the show that made country music famous. How it earned that reputation is quite a tale.

Schedule for shows on April 7 is not yet available.

Show TBA

Sunday, April 8 (B,L)

7:00 AM----- Breakfast at Hutton

8:00 AM-----Depart hotel (4.5 hour drive)

12:30 PM-----Lunch at Biscuit Head, Asheville, NC

Put Some South in your Mouth

About Biscuit Head

Husband and wife team Jason and Carolyn opened Biscuit Head to share their love of southern cooking, their inspired palettes from travel, and their commitment to local foods.

2:30 PM-----Check into the Inn at Biltmore Estate

About the Inn

We will have the same gracious hospitality, attention to detail, and the level of service to which the Vanderbilts treated their guests on our stay at the four-star Inn at Biltmore estate.

4:00 PM-----Tour Biltmore Mansion

About Biltmore Tour

Biltmore House, the main residence on the Biltmore Estate, is a Châteauesque-style mansion built by George Washington Vanderbilt II between 1889 and 1895. It is the largest privately owned house in the United States, at 178,926 square feet of floor space and 135,280 square feet of living area. Still owned by George Vanderbilt's descendants, it stands today as one of the most prominent remaining examples of the Gilded Age. Since we are staying on the grounds, we can have a special, after-hours tour of the mansion. On our guided 90-minute tour, we'll hear interesting stories about parties in the house, information on artifacts, personalities of friends who visited, and ways the family spent time on the estate.

6:00 PM-----Dinner on own at choice of restaurants in Biltmore Village

Monday, April 9 (B,D)

9:00 AM -----Breakfast at Inn at Biltmore

**9:30 AM-----Spend the Morning in Biltmore Gardens
and explore Historic Biltmore Village**

11:30 AM-----Lunch (on own) in Asheville

2:00 PM-----LaZoom Bus Tour

About the LaZoom Tour

LaZoom's citywide afternoon and tours are the best possible introduction to Asheville. Historical and hysterical, the City Tours feature outrageously entertaining tour guides, outlandish comedy skits complete with special appearances, loads of Asheville information, and incredible views of downtown Asheville and the rarely seen but stunningly beautiful Montford neighborhood, not to mention the burgeoning River Arts District! It's like a vaudeville show on wheels!

3:30 PM-----River Arts District

The River Arts District consists of a vast array of artists and working studios in 22 former industrial and historical buildings spread out along a one mile stretch of the French Broad River. This eclectic area is an exciting exploration of arts, food and exercise.

6:00 PM-----Dinner at Luella's

Grandma Lue is not only the namesake of this little slice of BBQ heaven, she's also owner and pit boss Jeff Miller's grandmother. Luella has handed down many a recipe in her day, and love is always the main ingredient ... love and a handful of other super-secret goodies they're not allowed to mention.

Tuesday, April 10 (B,D)

9:00 AM -----Breakfast at Inn at Biltmore

10:30 AM-----Lexington Glassworks Demo

About Lexington Glass

Owners Billy and Geoff each bring decades worth of glassblowing experience and arts management to Lexington Glassworks. Both are graduates of the internationally recognized Alfred University and have traveled extensively to study with some of the best glass artists and technicians in the world. As the former head studio technician at the prestigious Pittsburgh Glass Center, Billy honed his skills in glass studio operations, equipment building and maintenance. Geoff developed his acute sense of design and innovation through his years spent managing a nationally regarded glass blowing studio in the Southwest. Together Billy and Geoff carefully designed and hand-crafted each piece in the gallery, showcasing their combined commitment to high-quality hand-blown glass.

12:00 PM-----Lunch on own

Shopping downtown galleries

3:00 PM -----Return to Biltmore Estates to enjoy the grounds/ambiance

6:30 PM-----Dinner TBD

Wednesday, April 11 (S,D)

7:30 AM -----Depart for Cincinnati (6 hours)

9:00 AM-----Stop for breakfast and break

2:30 PM-----Check into Downtown Holiday Inn and Suites

About Holiday Inn and Suites

Built in 2016, this hotel is the newest and one of the most popular hotels serving beautiful Downtown Cincinnati.

5:00 PM-----Cincinnati Chili Cooking Class with Tablespoon

Tablespoon Cooking Co. teaches home cooks of all levels how to cook good food through cooking classes, pop-up dinners and culinary events. Tablespoon will teach our group how to make the classic Cincinnati Chili (No Bean/No Worry)

Thursday-April 12 (B,S)

8:00 AM -----Breakfast at Holiday Inn and Suites

9:00 AM-----Depart hotel for 6.5-hour ride home

12:00 PM-----Break for lunch (on own)

3:30 PM-----Return to Waukesha

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Double Occupancy: \$2,576/p

Single Occupancy: \$3,486/p