NASPA IV-E: Welcome to Cleveland! Cleveland DIY Adventures

NOTE: This snapshot is curated by the NASPA IV-E Local Arrangements team For a detailed guide to exploring all that Cleveland has to offer check out: https://www.thisiscleveland.com/ (Destination Cleveland) and additional materials available on the NASPA IV-E Conference page



TRANSPORTATION

Public Transit: RTA Trip Planner https://www.riderta.com/

EASY ACCESS DOWNTOWN ADVENTURES:

Terminal Tower Observation Deck (12 minute walk from Westin Hotel)

- Cleveland's Signature Skyscraper Must reserve tickets online: RESERVE HERE
- Saturday or Sunday: Terminal Tower Observation Deck Visit / Self-Guided Tour \$5

Walk through the Historic Cleveland Arcade (9 minute walk from Westin)

Opened in 1890 at a cost of \$875,000, The Arcade Cleveland was America's inaugural indoor shopping center. "Cleveland's Crystal Palace," as it was known then, is the city's first building to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places. https://www.theclevelandarcade.com/

Rock Hall - NASPA discounted ticket reservation process - Stay tuned for more information!

Downtown Cleveland Library (4 minute walk from Westin, open M-Sat 10-6pm, closed Sunday,) With a series of special collections and numerous historic attributes and an easy walk from the Westin, The Main Library in downtown Cleveland consists of the historic Main Library Building built in 1925 and renovated in 1999; the Louis Stokes Wing completed in 1997; The two buildings and the garden take up an entire city block. https://cpl.org/locations/main-library/

East 4th Street - Food and Fun (12 minute walk from Westin, 3 minute drive)

Note: many restaurants are closed on Mondays; Indulge yourself to culinary treats from chefs like Michael Symon, Jonathon Sawyer, and Zack Bruell. Taste some of the best craft brews and drinks the city has to offer. Get your game on with bowling and arcade games. https://www.east4thstreet.com/

Flats East Bank Entertainment District (20 minute walk from Westin, 5 minute drive)

On the shores of Lake Erie – "Meet us where the land meets the river" from restaurants to piano bars and bowling – find endless entertainment options in the Flats East Bank.https://flatseastbank.com/

Heinen's Downtown Grocery (10 min walk from Westin) *On the National Historic Registry as "a must see." In 2015, the Heinen brothers opened what might be the most architecturally significant grocery store in the United States. The renovated Cleveland Trust rotunda is a masterpiece of neoclassicism inside and out, melding Cleveland's past with its bright future. It's also a great place to shop, eat and drink to boot. Take your time, lounge on the second-floor balcony to sip a glass of vino from the wine vending machines https://www.heinens.com/stores/downtown-cleveland/

Catch a show at the largest Theatre District outside of NYC – Playhouse Square

(20 minute walk from Westin, 5 minute drive) https://www.playhousesquare.org/

Additional notable CLE adventures, beyond Downtown

- West Side Market / W 25th Street Ohio City (20 min by RTA bus, 7 min by car from Westin) With origins of the land dating back to 1840 the West Side Market is Cleveland's oldest publicly owned market, now home to over 70 vendors. https://westsidemarket.org/
- Cleveland Museum of Art (38 minutes via RTA Healthline, 11 minutes by car from Westin)
 Located near University Circle a hub of arts and culture in Cleveland. FREE to all The Cleveland
 Museum of Art is renowned for the quality and breadth of its collection, which includes more than
 63,000 artworks and spans 6,000 years of achievement in the
 arts. https://www.clevelandart.org/about-museum
- Cleveland Cultural Gardens (11 minute drive from Westin)
 The Cleveland Cultural Gardens are one of Northeast Ohio's oldest and most beautiful treasures. 36 dedicated gardens, designed and cultivated by distinct cultural or nationality groups, adorn the drive along Martin Luther King Boulevard and East Boulevard in Rockefeller Park. https://clevelandculturalgardens.org/
- University Circle Neighborhood (38 minutes via RTA Healthline, 11 min by car from Westin)
 Home to many of Cleveland's renowned museums, music venues, gardens, restaurants and
 more! Cleveland Botanical Garden, Museum of Natural History, Cleveland Museum of Art and
 more! https://www.universitycircle.org/
- Christmas Story House Tremont Neighborhood (9 minute by car from Westin)
 Open daily 10 5, Check for Ticketing information https://housefromachristmasstory.com/
 Tremont is home to many wonderful restaurants: https://experiencetremont.com/
- Cleveland Metroparks named 2021 Best Park in the Nation
 Explore 18 reservations spanning more than 25,000 acres with more than 325 miles of trails, nine golf courses, eight lakefront parks and a nationally-acclaimed zoo.

 https://www.clevelandmetroparks.com/about

Bucket List CLE - Where to find "CLEVELAND" script signs: https://www.thisiscleveland.com/blog/picture-this

