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SOULOFAMERICA.COM REVEALS 12 TOP TRAVEL DESTINATIONS FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Award-Winning Website Shows Where to Go To Experience the History of African Americans

Torrance, CA (BlackNews.com) - SoulOfAmerica.com today announced 12 top travel destinations that help tell the story of Black History in America. Where can you find the most comprehensive collection of artifacts chronicling slavery? A museum dedicated to the Tuskegee Airmen? A memorial honoring Eddie Kendricks and the Temptations? A Black Panther Legacy Walking Tour?

Look no further than "SoulOfAmerica.com's 12 Top Travel Destination Guides for Black History" (listed in alphabetical order and including links to their Black cultural sites):

- * **Atlanta** - In addition to the birthplace, church and tombs of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King, Atlanta is home to Auburn Avenue Research Library and APEX Museum. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=112,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Baltimore** - The first wax museum of African-American history, "The National Great Blacks in Wax Museum," the remarkable Reginald Lewis Museum and the new Frederick Douglass-Isaac Myers Maritime Museum are located in Baltimore. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=9611,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Birmingham** - A major backdrop to the civil rights struggle, this city boasts the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute and is also home to the Eddie Kendricks Temptations Memorial. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=5977,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Chicago** - First settled by Jean Baptiste Pointe du Sable, a black man, Chicago is home to a museum named in his honor, the Du Sable Museum of African-American History. In addition, the A. Philip Randolph / Pullman Porter Museum, which pays tribute to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, is in this city. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=8078,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Cincinnati** - Located on the north bank of the Ohio River, Cincinnati boasts this country's most comprehensive museum chronicling U.S. slavery, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=6122,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Detroit** - The motor city has several notable museums, including the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, the National Museum of the Tuskegee Airmen and the Motown Historical Museum. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=6238,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Memphis** - Martin Luther King, Jr. was killed at Memphis' Lorraine Hotel, now the site of a memorial in his honor. The memorial is connected to the National Civil Rights Museum. Soulsville Museum is a must visit for music devotees. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=6586,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **New Orleans** - The birthplace of jazz, New Orleans is the location of the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Foundation and the New Orleans African-American Museum of Art, Culture History. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=6760,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **New York City** - The world-renown Apollo Theater, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, and Malcolm X Museum are must visits. The Dance Theater of Harlem is where some of the world's greatest dancers got their start. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=6789,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Philadelphia** - In the first American city to ban slavery, you should explore the African-American Museum of Philadelphia and see where Philadelphia International Records shaped so much of the music we love today. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=6934,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **San Francisco & Oakland** - In this metropolis, which was the western terminus of the Underground Railroad, you'll find the Museum of the African Diaspora and the Black Panthers Legacy Walking Tour. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=7166,0,0,1,0,0>
- * **Washington, DC** - The Benjamin Banneker Memorial Fountain honors the black man who completed the landscape design for the District of Columbia. Howard University and the headquarters of Black Entertainment Television are also in D.C. <http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?id=7311,0,0,1,0,0>

"There is no better way to experience Black History than to see it up close and personal," said SoulOfAmerica.com's Founder and Publisher Thomas Dorsey. "SoulOfAmerica.com is the roadmap to an exhaustive list of cultural and historic sites that make Black History come alive. We easily could have included 12 more of city guides in this list."

To find all of SoulOfAmerica.com's U.S. City Guides, visit http://www.soulofamerica.com/index.php?city_guides

Publishing online since 1997, SoulOfAmerica.com is the first, only comprehensive, most quoted, highest traffic and award-winning Black Travel Website. In a poll of 100,000 voters, BlackWebAwards.com named SoulOfAmerica.com the "2007 Best Travel Destination Website."

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