



WELCOME TO THE ONE AND ONLY MUSIC CITY!

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The Music City you ask? Music is everywhere you turn in the city of Nashville! It's the foundation, the background and the future. *Nashville, Tennessee* is home to not only the largest songwriters festival in the World but also the place where household favorites like “*Jingle Bell Rock*”, “*The Bunny Hop*” and “*Hokey Pokey*” were recorded. In fact, Nashville was home to the great Elvis Presley who worked to record more than 200 songs at the legendary *RCA Studio*. The studio which still has a string of Christmas lights that display to remember the time when Elvis couldn't get into the Christmas spirit while making a Holiday album. Families are welcomed to make a stop inside Music City but most establishments will enforce over 21 policies, so make sure ya grab your ID before heading out!.



If music didn't catch your attention, maybe Nashville's own Hot Chicken will take your breath away literally! The story behind is that back in the 1930s, a woman was seeking revenge on her husband and decided to douse his chicken with cayenne pepper

hoping it would be inedible but just to her surprise, he loved it and so did many of millions after! This local specialty can be



Nashville, Tennessee is also home to some illustrious HBCU'S. With *Tennessee State University* leading the pack, and the Historic *Fisk University* and *Meharry Medical College* just down the street, it's safe to say that HBCU pride lives throughout the city of Nashville. In fact, in the 1960s students from these universities decided to stand against racial inequality and desegregate downtown. This was one of the earliest forms of nonviolent protests that the city had ever seen and after a long fight, Nashville became one of the first major southern cities to begin desegregating public facilities.

found at just about any restaurant in the city just be prepared to wait in line because it is a hot commodity.



Are you looking for a fun night out with friends? Downtown Nashville acts as a pivotal site for bachelor and bachelorette parties, bar hopping, girls night out and even some opportunities to try some amazing street food! Although not as scandalous as Sin City, Nashville and Broadway Street can certainly be wild enough! But do not let that discourage you, Nashville's honky-tonk strip is made with locals in mind! Honky Tonk Highway is a stretch of bars known for their live music and amazing atmosphere. In fact most places are designed with vintage album covers so as you enjoy the night you can also name your favorite star and his/her album more than likely will be

somewhere which is perfect for a photo op!



Speaking of photos, need some cool scenery for your Instagram? As Nashville continues to grow so does its street art scene. There are multiple murals painted on local buildings that tourists from all over the world come to see. You can find many businesses with “*I believe in Nashville*” printed on them and now artwork geared towards those who are interested in Civil rights history.

