

HERE'S YOUR GUIDE TO ALL THE
MUST-DO, MUST-EAT, & MUST-
VISIT EXPERIENCES ACROSS
OKLAHOMA CITY'S MORE THAN
600 SQUARE MILES.

OKC GUIDE



HIGHTAIL IT

Check out the largest art installation in the city while leaving your social media followers awestruck with a nighttime selfie on the Skydance Bridge.

Over Interstate 40 and accessible from Scissortail Park

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Mind Your Two-Step

Have a **Stockyards City** date night with a Presidential T-bone at **Cattlemen's Steakhouse**, followed by a buzzy indie film at **Rodeo Cinema**.

1309 South Agnew Avenue,
(405) 236-0416 or
cattlemensrestaurant.com.
2221 Exchange Avenue,
(405) 235-3456 or rodeocinema.org



LIVE! IT UP

Head down to one of the city's coolest cultural enclaves the second Friday of every month for **LIVE! On the Plaza**, the Plaza District's regular art walk. Wander in and out of funky shops; sample some of the neighborhood's cuisine, and check out live music and featured artists.

Northwest Sixteenth Street between Pennsylvania Avenue and Classen Boulevard, (405) 578-5718 or plazadistrict.org



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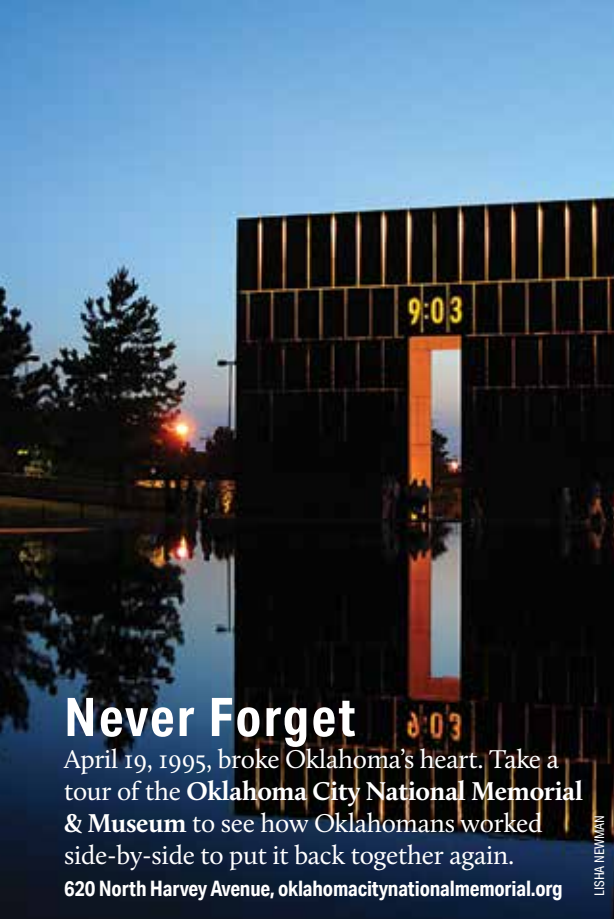


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MANGO-ING PLACES

Guzzle a massive *Michelada*—like a cross between a *cerveza* and a Bloody Mary—at **Crudoolandia** while eating some of the best Mexican seafood this side of the border.

641 Southwest Twenty-ninth Street, (405) 432-4352 or crudoolandia.com



Never Forget

April 19, 1995, broke Oklahoma's heart. Take a tour of the **Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum** to see how Oklahomans worked side-by-side to put it back together again.

620 North Harvey Avenue, oklahomacitynationalmemorial.org

LISHA NEWMAN

Pigeon English

Learn to respect the oft-maligned pigeon—helpful in wartime, great at racing, occasional devourer of trash—at the **American Pigeon Museum & Library**.

2300 Northeast Sixty-third Street,
(405) 478-5155 or
theamericanpigeonmuseum.org



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Park & Rose

Enjoy a beautiful day at **Will Rogers Park**, where the two-acre Charles E. Sparks Color Garden blooms with seasonal flowers year-round and the Margaret Annis Boys Arboretum hosts hundreds of varieties of trees. Or develop your own green thumb with a horticulture or gardening class.

3400 Northwest Thirty-sixth Street,
(405) 297-1392 or okc.gov



MEGAN ROSSMAN

IT IS THE EAST

One of the best places to meet Oklahoma City's diverse immigrant populations is in **The Asian District**. Discover a favorite new spot for Vietnamese, Thai, or other Asian cuisines or explore the fresh and delicious offerings at stores like Super Cao Nguyen.

Classen Boulevard between Northwest Twenty-third and Northwest Thirty-sixth streets, (405) 445-3258 or asiandistrictok.com



OKLAHOMA CITY CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

Easy Street

Take a tour of the downtown, Bricktown, and Midtown areas by riding the **Oklahoma City Streetcar**. Tickets are \$1 per hour or \$3 for a full day and provide easy access to restaurants, museums, and attractions throughout the city center without the hassle of parking. (405) 235-7433 or okcstreetcar.com

CHEESE 'N' EVERYTHING

Get in line for a famous **Nic's Grill** burger and curly fries, and, for the love of all that is meaty, bring cash.

1201 North Pennsylvania Avenue,
(405) 524-0999 or nicsokc.com



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The Kids Are Alright

Toss a few discs, walk the trail, or let the kids catch dinner in the fishing pond at **Dolese Youth Park**.
5105 Northwest Fiftieth Street,
(405) 297-2756 or okc.gov



SKIRVIN HILTON HOTEL

Hotel Oklahoma

Get the royal treatment by spending a luxurious night in the closest thing Oklahoma City has to a royal palace: the 18,500 square-foot **Skirvin Hilton** hotel.
One Park Avenue, (405) 272-3040 or skirvinhilton.com

WE STAN THE LAKE

With thirty-four miles of shoreline, an extensive off-road vehicle area, and a model airplane field, **Lake Stanley Draper** might deserve an entire scavenger hunt to itself.

8301 Southeast One Hundred and Fourth Street, (405) 799-0870
or lakedraper.com



MICHAEL POOL

Community Theater

Experience some of the city's best live music and theater at the **Visual and Performing Arts Center at Oklahoma City Community College**.
7777 South May Avenue, (405) 682-7579
or tickets.occc.edu/vpac



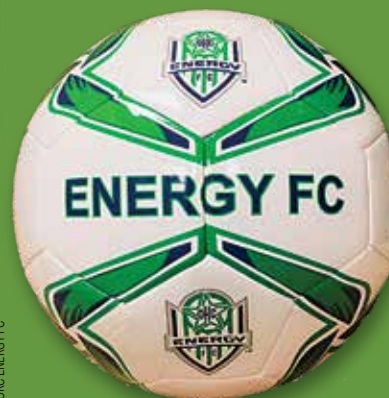
HOT SPOTS

Have a short but sweet lunch date with one of the city's tallest residents by feeding a giraffe at the **Oklahoma City Zoo**. Just don't expect them to call you afterward.

2101 Northeast Fiftieth Street,
(405) 424-3344 or okczoo.org

Power Up

Feel the electricity as you cheer on Oklahoma City's big green soccer machine, **OKC Energy FC**.
Taft Stadium, 2501 North May Avenue,
(405) 235-5425 or energyfc.com



OKC ENERGY FC

LOUD AND PROUD

You've got spirit, yes you do, so help Loud City live up to its name by screaming yourself hoarse during a **Thunder** home game at the 'Peake. 100 West Reno Avenue, welcometoloudcity.com

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER



EXPRESS YOURSELF

Don't go for second-best, baby: Dance the night away at **Angles**, one of Oklahoma City's most fabulous gay nightclubs featuring talent nights, drag shows, and more in the 39th St. District. 2117 Northwest Thirty-ninth Street, (405) 525-0730 or facebook.com/anglesokc



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Sheba Ready

Expand your culinary horizons at Queen of Sheba, where the meat is tender enough to eat without a knife. But for those who eschew meat, there is much to revel in as well, including *sambusas*—fried pastries stuffed with spicy lentils, onions, and herbs—as well as the vegetarian platter served with tasty *injera* bread.

2308 North MacArthur Boulevard, (405) 606-8616 or on Facebook

LIFE in the PAST LANE

Explore the whole history of Oklahoma—from the earliest Native Americans to make their homes here through the present day—at the **Oklahoma History Center**. And for those hoping to find a family connection, there is a genealogy library open to the public.

800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive, (405) 522-0765 or okhistory.org/historycenter



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DEARLY DEPARTED

Bone up on your natural history by viewing the skeletons of a wreathed hornbill, meerkat, humpback whale, and nearly three hundred more creatures at the **Museum of Osteology**.

10301 South Sunnylane Road, (405) 814-0006 or skeletonmuseum.com

Pie I Oughtta

In a world of processed sweets, experience complex confection perfection with a slice at **Pie Junkie**.

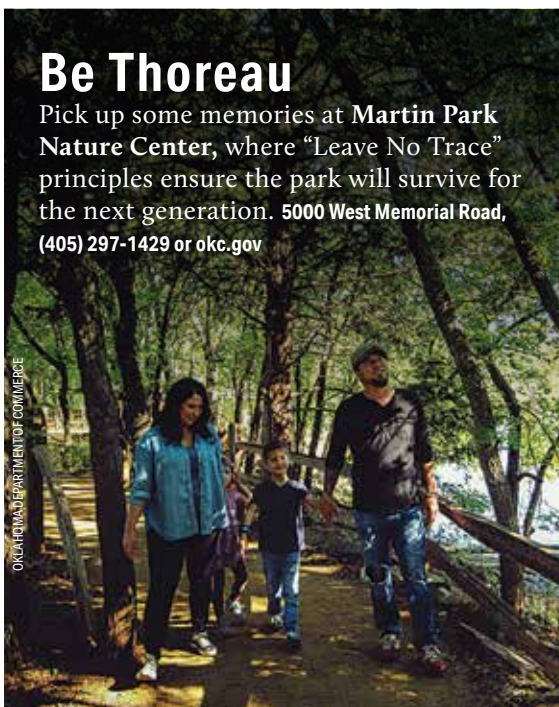
1711 Northwest Sixteenth Street, (405) 605-8767 or piejunkie.com



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Be Thoreau

Pick up some memories at **Martin Park Nature Center**, where "Leave No Trace" principles ensure the park will survive for the next generation. 5000 West Memorial Road, (405) 297-1429 or okc.gov



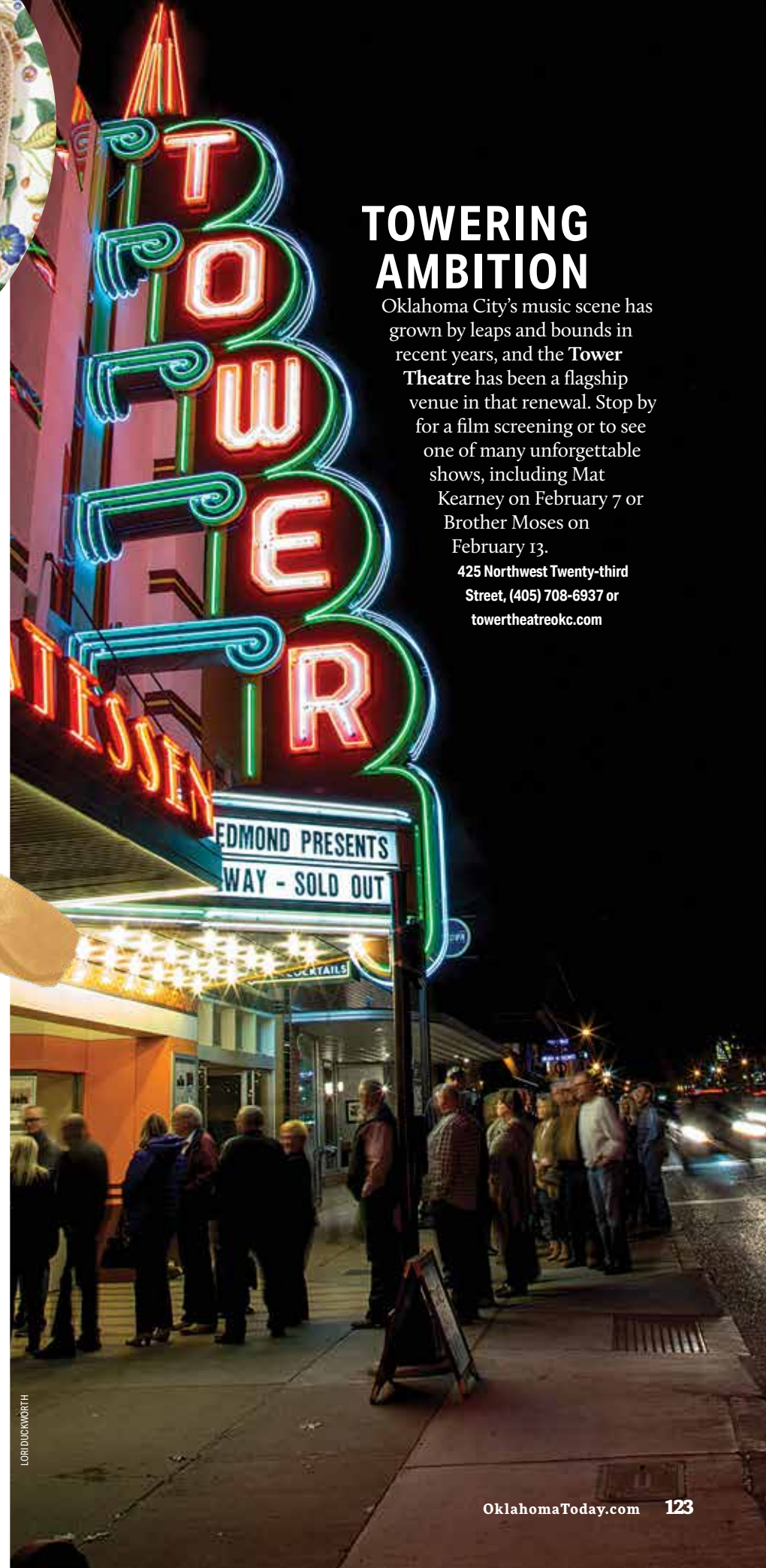
OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



Dive In

Show your stomach who's the *jefe* by devouring the giant wet burrito from **Tacos Don Nacho**. You won't need a snorkel, but you'll probably want a nap afterward.

3721 South Council Road, (405) 745-2550



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TOWERING AMBITION

Oklahoma City's music scene has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years, and the **Tower Theatre** has been a flagship venue in that renewal. Stop by for a film screening or to see one of many unforgettable shows, including Mat Kearney on February 7 or Brother Moses on February 13.

425 Northwest Twenty-third Street, (405) 708-6937 or towertheatreokc.com

Get On Up

One of the best views of Oklahoma City can be found atop the Ferris Wheel, originally located at the Santa Monica Pier, at Wheeler Riverfront Plaza.

1701 South Western Avenue, (405) 655-8455 or wheelerdistrict.com/ferris-wheel



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Steak Your Claim

For less than it costs to fill up your gas tank, you can fill yourself up with a perfectly seared ten-dollar rib-eye special every Tuesday at Cousins Bar & Grill.

6509 North May Avenue, (405) 840-5053

or cousinsbarandgrillokc.com



HOUSE OF THE SETTING SUN

Oklahoma sunsets are spectacular from any vantage point, but watching from the lighthouse as the sky catches fire and reflects off of Lake Hefner is a truly inspiring experience.

Off Lake Hefner Parkway / State Highway 74 at Britton Road



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A LITTLE BIT COUNTRY

No matter the time of year, have a hay day stocked with pony rides, a singing chicken show, and other farm-fresh fun at Orr Family Farm.

14400 South Western Avenue,
(405) 799-3276 or orrfamilyfarm.com



Starry Night

Take an interplanetary journey without leaving your seat at the Kirkpatrick Planetarium at Science Museum Oklahoma. Even better, when the lights come up, you can explore the rest of the museum's brain-stimulating exhibits.

2020 Remington Place, (405) 602-6664 or
sciencemuseumok.org/kirkpatrick-planetarium



Fry High

Experience fried chicken like you never have before at Bobo's on Oklahoma City's east side. This bright red truck parks Friday and Saturday nights on Northeast Twenty-third Street and serves chicken wings that are smoked before being deep-fried. Don't forget the delicious fried bread and honey sauce.

1812 Northeast Twenty-third Street

Urban Jungle

Find a green oasis in the heart of downtown at Myriad Botanical Gardens, where kids can explore their imaginations at the Children's Garden; fitness buffs can take a class on the Great Lawn; and the whole family can explore a new world inside the Crystal Bridge.

301 West Reno Avenue, (405) 445-7080
or oklahomacitybotanicalgardens.com

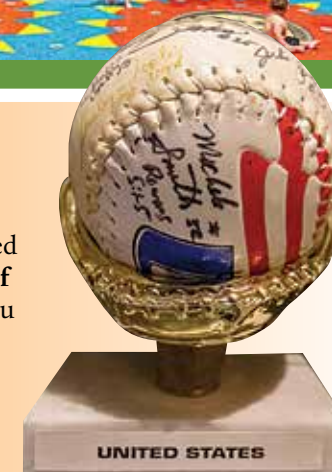


CARL SHORT JR

THERE'S NO CRYING

Don't try anything underhanded at the National Softball Hall of Fame and Museum—unless you mean pitching.

2801 Northeast Fiftieth Street,
(405) 424-5266 or teamusa.org



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STATE OF MIND

Get in touch with your higher self at Buddha Mind Monastery, where classes in yoga, meditation, and even vegetarian cooking will prove enlightening for visitors of all ages.

5800 South Anderson Road, (405) 869-0501 or ctbuddhamind.org



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POUR IT ON

Forget sorrows! At Good Gravy! Diner, you'll be too busy drowning biscuits in forty-seven varieties of delicious gravy to experience any negative human emotions.

8014 North Western Avenue,
(405) 761-8886 or goodgravy.business.site



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View to a Meal

More than seven hundred feet above downtown at the top of the Devon Tower, enjoy the best view in town at Vast while sinking your teeth into the upscale culinary creations of director of operations Kurt Fleischfresser and executive chef Paul Langer. Reservations are recommended.

333 West Sheridan Avenue,
(405) 702-7262 or vastokc.com



VAST

BREAKFAST CLUB

All walks of life converge at southside favorite **Grill on the Hill**. Listen in on lawmakers rubbing elbows with construction workers while the kitchen slings plates of eggs, crispy strips of bacon, and deep-fried fritters.

324 Southwest Twenty-fifth Street, (405) 634-9866
or grillonthehillokc.com



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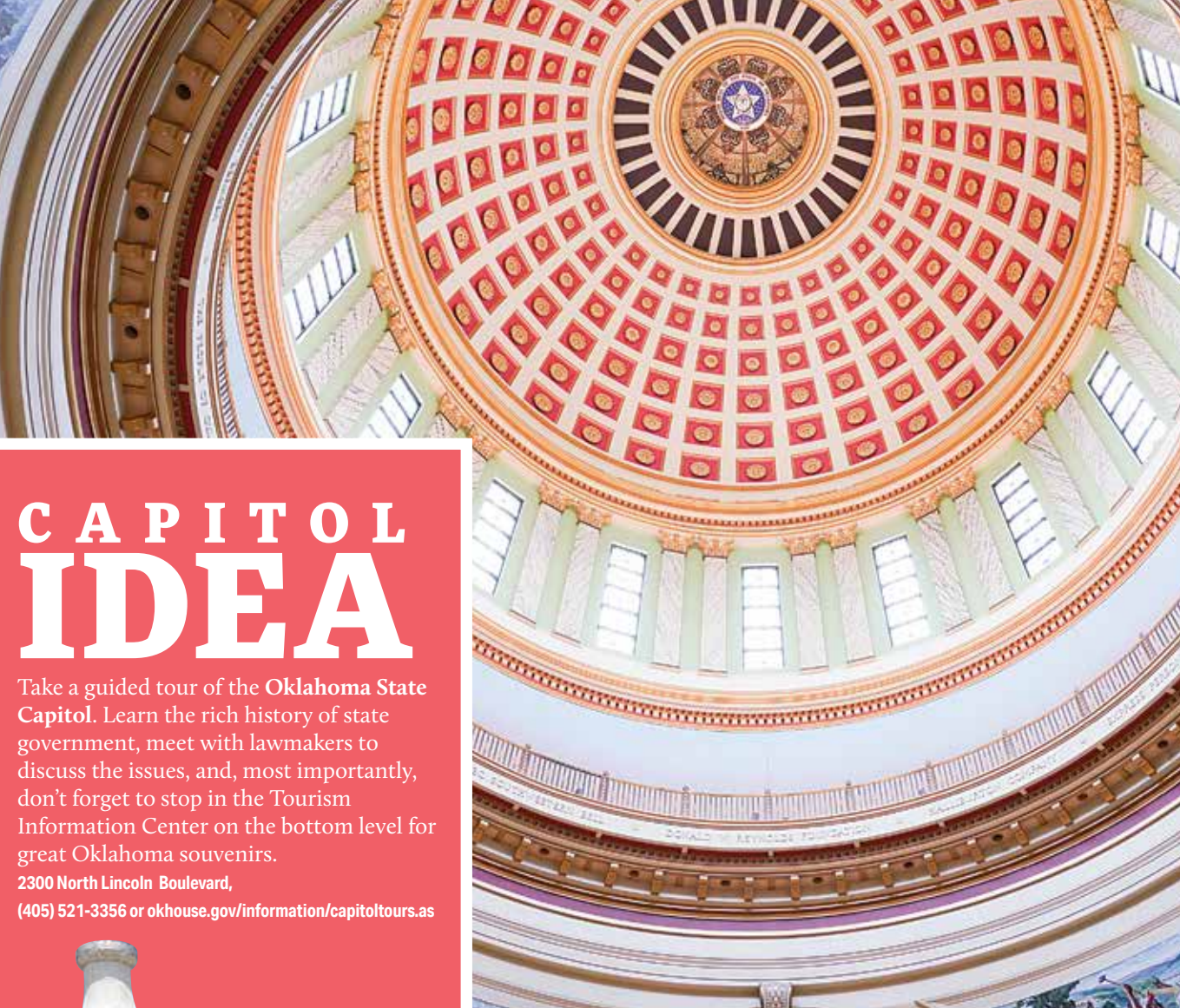
Rollin' by the River

Grab your bike and cruise the **Oklahoma River Trails** from Bricktown all the way to the shores of Lake Overholser. Don't have a ride? Rent one from bike-share program **Spokies**.

okc.gov/departments/parks-recreation/trails/trails-map. Learn more about Spokies by visiting spokies.bcycle.com/station-map



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CAPITOL IDEA

Take a guided tour of the **Oklahoma State Capitol**. Learn the rich history of state government, meet with lawmakers to discuss the issues, and, most importantly, don't forget to stop in the Tourism Information Center on the bottom level for great Oklahoma souvenirs.

2300 North Lincoln Boulevard,
(405) 521-3356 or okhouse.gov/information/capitol-tours.as



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Time in a Bottle

Milk your Oklahoma City cred by posing for an epic photo in front of the old **Milk Bottle Grocery building** along Route 66.

2426 North Classen Boulevard

ASSEMBLY LINE

Find everything you need for a perfect date night at **Jones Assembly** in Film Row: excellent food, craft cocktails, and a lineup of top-tier music acts including Grace Potter on February 13.

901 West Sheridan Avenue, (405) 212-2378
or thejonesassembly.com



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Merry Melodies

Discover a new favorite songwriter at **The Blue Door**, a historic listening room that has hosted Patty Griffin, Samantha Crain, Kevin Welch, and more for nearly thirty years. Bring your own beer or wine and take a seat as some of America's greatest artists take the stage in this intimate venue.

2805 North McKinley Avenue,
(405) 524-0738 or bluedoorokc.com

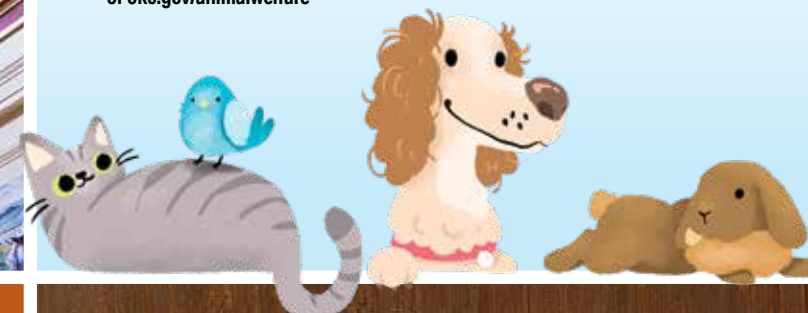


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HAPPY TAILS

Help save little lives and get a healthy dose of puppy or kitty love by volunteering at **Oklahoma City Animal Welfare**.

2811 Southeast Twenty-ninth Street, (405) 297-3100
or okc.gov/animalwelfare



Brick House

At **Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark**, commune with the spirits of Mickey Mantle, Johnny Bench, and more of Oklahoma's baseball greats by attending an **Oklahoma City Dodgers** game.

2 South Mickey Mantle Drive, (405) 218-1000 or okcballparkevents.com



SHUTTERSTOCK

Go Deep

Honor the history of the Deep Deuce neighborhood while participating in its current revitalization by reading your copy of Ralph Ellison's classic novel *Invisible Man* over a mug of coffee or tea at **Leaf + Bean** coffee shop.

321 North Oklahoma Avenue, leafandbeanokc.com

