

GUIDE TO THE AREA

NASHVILLE



Vanderbilt's hometown has emerged in the past two decades as a vibrant, progressive, modern city – often dubbed as "Music City USA" and "Athens of the South."

As the city of education, Nashville boasts 14 colleges and universities, attracting some 30,000 students from the United States and around the world (about a third of them to Vanderbilt) and an impressive mix of public and private elementary, middle and high schools. Vanderbilt's Peabody College (education and human development) works closely with Metropolitan Nashville's Public Schools. And for K-12 educators throughout Nashville and across the country, Vanderbilt's Virtual School delivers presentations from faculty, staff, and students using videoconferencing technology: The city claims one of the largest urban parks and greenway systems in the United States. The region's abundance of lakes and rivers make fishing, boating and other water sports a signature aspect of recreation and life in the region.

The arts flourish, too. Within a 10-minute drive from campus:

- ***The Frist Center for the Visual Arts***, 919 Broadway (615) 244-3340 www.fristcenter.org. Presents exhibitions of the world's greatest art in a spectacularly renovated former Post Office building.
- ***The Downtown Library***, 615 Church Street (615) 862-5800 www.library.nashville.org. Truly a magnificent building, incorporating a delightful children's library, computer facilities, and an impressive collection of books, tapes, CDs and videos.
- ***The Tennessee Performing Arts Center***, 505 Deaderick St. (615) 782-4000 www.tpac.org. Hosts performances by the symphony, opera, ballet, and theater groups, including its annual "Broadway Series."
- ***The Nashville Symphony Orchestra***, Schermerhorn Symphony Center, One Symphony Place (615) 687-6500 <http://www.nashvillesymphony.org>. The Nashville Symphony offers over 200 concerts a year in the Schermerhorn Center, a grand four-story neo-classical structure, and various locations around town, including free outdoor concerts in the summer.

- **Blair School of Music**, 2400 Blakemore Ave. (615) 322-7651
<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/Blair/>. Vanderbilt itself has two excellent venues at the Blair School of Music where faculty and students, as well as other professional music and dance companies, regularly present performances for the community.
- **The Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum**, 222 Fifth Ave. S
www.countrymusichalloffame.com. Both a cultural research institution and a premier museum of America's indigenous music.

Nashville has emerged also as a home of professional sports, entertainment and fun. **The Tennessee Titans** bring NFL action to the downtown riverfront. The NHL's **Nashville Predators** offer 70-plus home games a year on the ice at Sommet Center, also the venue for many rock and pop concerts and other events. The Nashville International Super speedway offers **NASCAR** action from its state-of-the-art facility in neighboring Wilson County. And, of course, Vanderbilt's sports teams are members of the highly competitive Southeastern Conference. Historic 2nd Avenue offers a lively nightlife with restaurants, coffee houses, nightclubs and shops, many of them housed in renovated warehouses that echo Nashville's history of river commerce.

Tennessee's Average Temperatures

*Temperatures are given in °F

Month	High	Low
January	48.4	30.0
February	51.7	31.9
March	59.7	38.3
April	71.4	48.4
May	79.8	56.7
June	86.8	64.8
July	89.0	68.3
August	88.3	67.0
September	82.7	60.3
October	72.8	48.6
November	59.4	37.8
December	49.9	31.5



Downtown Nashville

NASHVILLE WEBSITES

City Search Nashville

<http://nashville.citysearch.com/>

Nashville Official Site

<http://www.nashville.gov>

Blue Shoe Nashville

<http://www.blueshoenashville.com/>

International
Student & Scholar
Services

Nashville Convention & Visitors Bureau <http://www.nashvillecvb.com/>

Discount coupons available online for many attractions, hotels, and restaurants

Nashville Chamber of Commerce

<http://www.nashvillechamber.com/>

Nashville Life.com

<http://www.nashvillelife.com/>

Events in Nashville

www.nashville.about.com/b/a/032027.htm

