

DISCOVER DOWNTOWN

Max. Attendees: 30
Activity level: Moderate
Transportation: Walking
Attire: Business casual clothes and comfortable shoes are highly encouraged for this tour.

12:30pm **Depart Convention Center**

Attendees will meet in back of building and depart promptly at 12:30pm on foot. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and clothes that are appropriate for walking outside.

12:40pm **LUNCH AT UPTOWN CAFÉ**

- **2:00pm** Your downtown discovery begins at the ever-popular Uptown Café, a Bloomington fixture since 1976. Here you will decide whether you'll have breakfast for lunch or lunch for lunch, but know that whatever you choose it will be delicious and the local art hanging on the restaurant's exposed brick walls will make you feel at home.

2:00pm **MONROE COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

- **2:15pm** After an amazing lunch, you'll cross the street and we'll take a quick peek at the amazing stained glass dome of the 105 year old Monroe County Courthouse, a beautifully crafted limestone structure that defines downtown Bloomington.

2:20pm **PICTURA GALLERY**

- **2:45pm** A favorite gallery on the Courthouse Square. You'll hear from Martha Moore, owner of Pictura Gallery, President of Downtown Bloomington, Inc. and active member of the Downtown Gallery Walk and learn more about the thriving arts scene in Bloomington, specifically in the downtown area.

In just five years, Pictura has gained a reputation for its nuanced exhibits and has come into the public eye as a thoughtful venue for emerging and established artists. The gallery specializes in contemporary photography, focusing on strong formal sensibilities and depth of content.

2:50pm **MORTON STREET SHOPPING**

- **4:20pm** Upon departing Pictura Gallery, you'll head towards Morton Street, where you will find an array of locally owned shopping choices including a historic three-story antique mall, a vintage store with many eclectic treasures, and a loft-like urban marketplace. Descriptions of each store are listed below.

A.Z. VINTAGE

Owner Alison Zook opened her shop in 2012 and it is positively brimming with an eclectic mix of vintage furniture, housewares, and men's and women's clothing and accessories. A.Z Vintage specializes in the mid-century modern period but carries a wide range of delicious finds from the '40s through the '80s. You'll find unique vintage threads here that you can't find anywhere else, so be prepared to come home with some souvenirs!

BLOOMINGTON ANTIQUE MALL

The 24,000 square-foot building is located in the Near West Side Historic District that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Originally the John R. Figg Wholesale Grocery Company, it was built circa 1900 adjacent to the Monon Railway (now the B-Line Trail) as a distribution center for foodstuffs. It first became an antique mall in 1987.

RELISH

Bloomingtonians Brad & Sharon Fugate opened Relish's doors in 2004 to a curated collection of contemporary home furnishings, lighting and art objects as well as the city's most creative selection of women's apparel and accessories. This locally owned downtown destination invites you to experience an ever-changing showcase of select product in a loft-like environment.

4:30pm **Return to hotel**

Attendees will walk back to Courtyard Marriott and Hyatt Place via the B-Line Trail.

