# **FUN FACTS ABOUT KNOXVILLE**

Planning a conference, convention, or sporting event? Knoxville, Tennessee delivers an experience that routinely exceeds expectations. The city often surprises first-time visitors with its unexpected blend of urban sophistication and genuine Southern charm.

From the riverside downtown to the vibrant cultural scene, attendees are sure to discover a conveniently walkable place where world-class facilities meet unforgettable experiences. Planners are consistently impressed by how Knoxville gatherings offer both professional excellence and authentic local flavor that participants will be talking about long after returning home!

#### **CONNECT THE DOTS**

With over **500,000** total sq. ft. of space, the Knoxville Convention Center is perfect for your next conference or sporting event. Spread out in the **120,000** sq. ft. exhibition hall or **27,000** sq. ft. dividable ballroom. Plan workshops, panels, breakouts, and more in **20** meeting spaces. For sporting events, the exhibition hall can hold **12-15** basketball or volleyball courts. Add on the World's Fair Exhibition Hall for an additional **68,000** sq. ft. of exhibit hall space!





**ROAD TRIP** 

Knoxville is at the crossroads of

3 major interstates (I-40, I-75

& I-81), within a day's drive of

nearly half the U.S. population.

#### **FLY HIGH**

**130** daily flights to **20+** non-stop destinations including Chicago, Dallas, D.C., New York, and Denver from Knoxville's McGhee Tyson Airport (TYS).



#### GO, SEE, DO

Culturelovers, nature enthusiasts, and history buffs can all find something to enjoy among the tourist attractions in the region. Experience interactive exhibits, encounter local wildlife, attend open-air concerts, and immerse yourself in museums that bring the region's stories to life.



#### **GET OUT AND PLAY**

Discover over **1,000+** acres of Knoxville's Urban Wilderness: an outdoor adventure area only three miles from downtown to hike, bike, paddle, and wander in the woods.



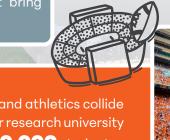
## SLEEP TIGHT

More than **9,200** hotel rooms (**1,800** downtown).



#### **JUST A BITE**

From A Dopo Sourdough Pizza to Yassin's Falafel House, enjoy **130+** restaurants within one square mile of downtown. Expand your reach beyond downtown and we'll get you from A to Z with Zalate Taqueria!



### **GO VOLS**

Academics and athletics collide at this major research university with over **30,000** students.



#### CHEERS

Raise a glass to **25+** local breweries on the Knoxville Ale Trail and **2** stops on the Tennessee Whiskey Trail.



The Sunsphere is Knoxville's beloved icon, built for the 1982 World's Fair and welcomes visitors from around the world. The Observation Deck offers a breathtaking

**360**-degree view stretching fro downtown to the Smoky Mountains.



In 2016, Knoxville was designated by Etsy as The Maker City. **900+** makers give Knoxville an authentically artistic vibe from murals to markets.

