

## Come see Syracuse & our SYRrounding areas — educational, delicious, outdoorsy, fun!

Discover Syracuse, New York's museums, tours, attractions, eateries, outdoor spaces & more enjoy all the educational offerings that await you in Syracuse and beyond

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## Plan your next meeting or convention in the heart of New York



Syracuse is home to some of the largest clear-span convention centers north of NYC, between Boston & Cleveland. Come see why Syracuse is the best place to meet, stay & play!



# THE ERIE CANAL | DOWNTOWN SYRACUSE







#### The Erie Canal Museum:

Located in the 1850 National Register Weighlock Building, the last remaining structure of its kind, student field trips are available year-round (Mon - Fri / 9:30a - 3p) and include a docent-led tour of the museum and time for educator-led activities. Known as one of the greatest feats of engineering in its time, the man-made Erie Canal connected the Hudson River to Lake Erie, opening New York State to an influx of trade and ease of movement.

## The Everson Museum of Art:

Designed by renowned architect I.M. Pei, what begins as a search for the front door becomes a journey to experience art and architecture. The Everson houses American paintings, sculpture drawings, graphics, American ceramics & more.

## **Onondaga Historical Association:**

Enjoy a guided tour of the "Heart of New York," and an overview of the history of Onondaga County. "Freedom Bound" is the museum's award-winning Underground Railroad exhibit featuring three of seven carved faces recovered from the basement of Syracuse's 1846 Wesleyan Methodist Church, and this program may be presented by costumed abolitionist character Reverend Samuel May for an additional charge.

# Downtown Syracuse Walking Tours:

Guided tours are provided by the Erie Canal Museum and the Onondaga Historical Association, and include brochures describing Syracuse's unique buildings and landmarks.

#### The Rosamond Gifford Zoo:

Making history on October 24, 2022, Mali, an Asian elephant, gave birth to male elephant twins weighing in at 220 & 237 pounds. Fun Fact: Elephant twins comprise less than 1% of all elephant births worldwide! There's a lot more to see than these adorable twin elephants — home to more than 700 animals, open 362 days a year.

# The Skä • noñh Great Law of Peace Center:

A Haudenosaunvee (Iroquois) Heritage Center focused on telling the story of the native peoples of Central New York. It is the only facility that tells the history and values of the Haudenosaunee according to the spiritual and political center of the Six-Nation Confederacy. Located at 6680 Onondaga Lake Parkway in Liverpool, across from Onondaga Lake Park and next to famous Heid's Restaurant.

## **Syracuse University:**

Founded in 1870, students will enjoy a student-guided tour of this iconic campus, based on availability, or admire the grounds on a self-guided tour. Fun Fact: President Biden, Donovan McNabb, Alice Sebold, and Dick Clark all attended Syracuse University.







## DELICIOUS

Syracuse is known to satisfy any palate. Rated #6 in Fodor's Travel's "10 Best New Food Halls," choose from regional and international cuisine prepared by up-and-coming entrepreneurs in Syracuse at Salt City Market. Sample the funky donut flavors everyone raves about at Glazed & Confused. Save room for nationally-acclaimed, finger-licking-good BBQ at the original Dinosaur Bar-B-Que, featured on Good Morning America and various Food Network and Travel Channel shows.

Groups can also indulge in the flavors and foods that made Syracuse famous at both Heid's of Liverpool and Bull & Bear Roadhouse. These establishments, as well as Dinosaur Bar-B-Que among others, are part of the Upstate Eats Trail & serve up Syracuse's own Hofmann hot dogs (the best you'll ever taste), and Loaded Salt Potatoes, the famous starchy staple invented right here in the Salt City!

Contact Mary Moore at mmoore@visitsyracuse.com for a list of student-friendly restaurants & hotels



## Destiny USA:

Featuring over 250 places to shop, dine & play, students are entertained at spots such as *Apex Entertainment* - axe throwing, arcades, bowling, laser tag, bumper cars, Hologate, XRide, and more; and *WonderWorks* one of only six locations in the U.S., where imaginations will run wild at this science-focused indoor amusement park with 400,00 swuare feet of "edu-tainment." For more on the largest shopping center in NYS, visit DestinyUSA.com. Please let Destiny USA know in advance of your group's arrival by calling 315.466.6000; call entertainment venues ahead for available packages and specials.

## THE GREAT OUTDOORS

### **Green Lakes State Park:**

Located just 10 miles east of Downtown Syracuse, this famous state park features two, galcially-formed meromictic lakes, old-growth forests, and a masterpiece 18-hole Robert Trent Jones golf course. Students will enjoy a 40-minute walk on the trail around Green Lake (~2 miles) or a guided hike with their Environmental Educator. Students can enjoy the beach and take a dip in the unique blue-green waters Memorial Day through Labor Day. Bus fee: \$75

## Onondaga Lake Park:

Discover endless recreation and scenic beauty. This 8+ mile linear greenway features four great trails throughout the park and along the shoreline, as well as a 16,000+ square foot concrete skatepark, open to skateboarders, BMX bikers, and inline skaters. Explore a bit of SYR history June-September at The Salt Museum, built on the site of an original salt boiling rock.

# Beak and Skiff Apple Orchard:

Voted #1 apple orchard in the country by USA Today readers, visitors should plan to enjoy over 15 revolving varieties of fresh New York apples in the fall. Students can pick their own or shop for their favorites, all while taking in the stunning views of the apple valley. Visit their general store and enjoy delicious and fresh homebaked goods from their bakery.