



MTJA 2019: ITINERARY

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11, 2019

Wednesday MTJA Conference Attendee Arrivals: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

MTJA conference attendee arrivals. Registration will be located in the foyer at the host hotel, **Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview**. Shuttle Service to lodging property will be offered for the duration of registration with late arrivals accommodated as necessary.

9 a.m.

Wednesday Board Meeting/Breakfast at host hotel.

11:45 a.m.

Wednesday Board Lunch at hotel.

1–4:45 p.m.

Wednesday Afternoon Optional Tours:

- **Explore Nature:** Start at **Great Plains Nature Center** for a guided tour and a walk through Chisholm Trail Park. Then, enjoy various activities downtown along the **Arkansas River**, including the Keeper of the Plains Plaza and Wichita's impressive Memorial Park. This tour does require the ability to walk a couple of miles and includes physical activity throughout.
- **Hand-Crafted:** Start at **Elderslie Farms Creamery** to learn about their farm-to-table operation, meet the goats and learn about the gelato and other goodies available at their all-new creamery. Next, sip wine at **Grace Hill Winery**, a family-owned winery located nearby.

5–6 p.m. Return to hotel for evening refresh.

6:15 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Welcome Reception:

Wednesday evening features a welcome reception at **WAVE**, Wichita's newest indoor/outdoor venue and gathering place. After dinner and fun, guests will visit the nearby **Keeper of the Plains**, Wichita's iconic landmark at the confluence of the Little Arkansas and Arkansas Rivers. Each night, this sculpture of an Indian Chief lights up for 15 minutes to the glow of firepots.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12, 2019

6–7:30 a.m.

Thursday Morning Sunrise Tour (optional):

Walk from the host hotel along the Arkansas River into the stillness of the morning to arrive at the **Keeper of the Plains** to catch the glorious sunrise on the **Arkansas River**. There will also be opportunities to experience and photograph other points of interest along the way. This tour does require the ability to walk a couple of miles.

7:30–8:30 a.m.

Breakfast at hotel. Nearby options include: Leslie Coffee Co., Doo-Dah Diner, Paradise Donuts or Milkfloat

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 12, 2019 (Continued)

8:45–11:15 a.m.

Media Marketplace

Media Marketplace will take place at the host hotel. Associates will be able to set up their booths on Wednesday.

11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

Professional Development and Lunch

Lunch and professional development will take place at the host hotel, with lunch happening first from 11:30 to noon, allotting an hour for professional development.

1:30–4:45 p.m.

Thursday Tours:

- **Architecture & Art Tour:** Attendees will discover downtown architecture and art at places like the **Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum**, the newly-restored **Union Station** and the **ICT Pop-Up Urban Park**. Then, those who sign up for this tour will visit Wichita's **Frank Lloyd Wright Allen House**.
- **Wichita Aviation/Air Capital of the World Tour:** Soar into Wichita's legacy as the Air Capital of the World. Iconic aviation brands Beechcraft, Cessna and Stearman were born in Wichita; and modern-day Airbus Americas, Bombardier, Spirit Aerosystems and Textron Aviation now design and manufacture aircraft and aircraft parts in the city. This tour will take you to **Exploration Place**, which showcases Wichita's aerospace experts and resources, and **Stearman Field Bar & Grill**, where you can rub elbows with aviation enthusiasts and watch aircraft take off and land 20 yards from you.
- **Wichita Breweries/Urban Art Tour:** This tour will take attendees on an urban art journey through downtown Wichita, Wichita's North End and

the trendy **Douglas Design District**, which is home to murals and unique shops like **The Spice Merchant** and **The Workroom**. Start the **Horizontes mural**, the "largest mural in the world by a single artist," before viewing murals in the North End and seeing the impressive Horizontes mural. Then, visit the **Douglas Design District** and a couple of breweries for tours and samples including Wichita's first taproom, **Hopping Gnome Brewing Company**, and also nearby **Central Standard Brewing**.

- **Wild in Wichita Tour:** This tour will begin with a visit to the **Sedgwick County Zoo**, the seventh-largest zoo in the country, for an exclusive tour. As a part of the boat ride, you ride through the same water the Elephants of the Zambezi River Valley. It's the third-largest elephant habitat in the country, and includes the world's largest elephant pool, holding 550,000 gallons of water! Also, attendees will pet and feed unique animals at **Tanganyika Wildlife Park**, an exotic, privately-owned destination, which offers once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to interact with wildlife.

5–6 p.m. Return to hotel for evening refresh.

6:15 p.m.

Thursday Night Dine Arouds: Attendees will choose from 4-5 dining options.

Thursday Night Optional Entertainment: Public at the Brickyard concert and libations. Alternate is **Roxy's Downtown**.

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FRIDAY, SEPT. 13, 2019

8:30–9:30 a.m.

Friday morning Vice President Hours

Actives and associates would meet in separate spaces at the hotel for breakfast and Vice President Hours.

10 a.m.–4:45 p.m.

Friday Tours:

- **Wichita Aviation/Air Capital of the World Tour:** Soar into Wichita's legacy as the Air Capital of the World. Iconic aviation brands Beechcraft, Cessna and Stearman were born in Wichita; and modern-day Airbus Americas, Bombardier, Spirit Aerosystems and Textron Aviation now design and manufacture aircraft and aircraft parts in the city. This tour will take you to the **Kansas Aviation Museum** and then to **Stearman Field Bar & Grill**, an eatery at a private airport where your table is a mere 20 yards from a landing strip. You never know what aircraft will come flying in! Then, learn how airplanes are designed, built and flown at **Exploration Place's** hands-on Design Build Fly exhibit, which showcases Wichita's aerospace experts and resources. End your journey at **Aero Plains Brewing**, where beers are brewed at 'the crossroads of history and innovation' and the bar is made from the wing of a Beech Model 18.
- **Wichita History/Old West Tour:** Wichita began as a trading post on the Chisholm Trail in the 1860s, and was incorporated in 1870. It subsequently became a key destination for cattle drives traveling north from Texas to access railroads, earning it the nickname "Cowtown." Visit **Old Cowtown Museum** where you'll be transported in time to the 1860s in Wichita. Then, you'll head to the Historic Delano District, which sits where the Chisholm Trail once was. Enjoy lunch at **Monarch** in the Delano District before going on a tour at the **Wichita-Sedgwick**

County Historical Museum, located in Wichita's original city hall building, and end at **Blade & Timber**.

- **Wild in Wichita Tour:** This tour will begin with a visit **Botanica Wichita**, where you'll experience nature and the uniqueness of North America's heartland. Next, indulge in wood-fired pizzas and hand-crafted beers at **Wichita Brewing Co. & Pizzeria - West**. From there, visit the **Sedgwick County Zoo**, the seventh-largest zoo in the country, for an exclusive tour. As a part of the boat ride, you ride through the same water the Elephants of the Zambezi River Valley. It's the third-largest elephant habitat in the country, and includes the world's largest elephant pool, holding 550,000 gallons of water! Last, attendees will pet and feed unique animals at **Tanganyika Wildlife Park**, an exotic, privately-owned destination, which offers once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to interact with wildlife.
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5–6:15 p.m. Return to hotel for evening refresh.

Friday Evening Dine Arounds: Attendees will choose from 4-5 dining options.

Friday Night Optional Entertainment: Catch a show at a **downtown** live entertainment venue – **Roxy's Downtown**. Alternate is **Public at the Brickyard**.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14, 2019

7:15–8:45 a.m.

Breakfast at **HomeGrown Wichita**

9:15–11:15 a.m.

MTJA Business Meeting at host hotel.

11:30 a.m.–4:45 p.m.

Saturday Tours:

- **Nature Tour:** Kick off this adventurous wour with lunch at **Sweet Allie B's Limestone Beer Co.** followed by a visit to **Botanica Wichita**. End this tour with exploring the area around the **Arkansas River**. Also - try kayaking/Stand-Up Paddleboard (SUP) on the river to get an exceptional view of the **Keeper of the Plains**.
- **Wichita Sweets Treats Tour:** Come along on a culinary adventure through a selection of Wichita's sweetest kitchens and sweet shops. This tour starts with lunch at **PourHouse** and takes attendees behind the scenes to meet Wichita's most notable candy makers and bakers. Stops include a "national treasure" according to Alton Brown, at the **Nifty Nut House**. Next stops would be **Dapper Doughnuts, Old Mill Tasty Shop, Cocoa Dolce** and others.
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- **Architecture & Art Tour (Wichita State):** The tour will begin with lunch at **Prost** in Wichita's shipping container community, **Revolutsia**. Attendees will then discover art at **Ulrich Museum of Art** and throughout Wichita's State University's campus. After touring WSU, attendees will make their way to visit **Wichita's Frank Lloyd Wright Allen House**.

5–6 p.m. Return to hotel for evening refresh.

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Saturday Closing Dinner:

Guests will enjoy access to the **Wichita Art Museum's** galleries, an outdoor terrace with a view of the city, and a lovely meal while closing remarks are made and Mark Twain Awards are presented. Wichita Art Museum boasts a collection of approximately 8,000 pieces with an emphasis on authentic American art. After guests have viewed the thousands of pieces of art inside the museum, they can step outside for even more astonishment in the Art Garden.