

2025 AVASLP Conference

Welcome to Queen City



History:

The Greater Cincinnati or the Tri-State Area comprises a metropolitan area with the core in Ohio and Kentucky, and surrounding counties in Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana.

Firsts in Cincinnati:

- First newspaper: The first settlement in Ohio to publish a newspaper in 1793
- First professional baseball team: The Cincinnati Red Stockings, now known as the Cincinnati Reds, in 1869
- First municipal university: The University of Cincinnati in 1870
- First concrete skyscraper: The Ingalls Building in 1902
- First suspension bridge prototype: The Roebling Suspension Bridge, which served as a prototype for the Brooklyn Bridge

Getting around the city:

Rideshare apps: Uber and Lyft

The Connector - Streetcar: A free electric streetcar system that travels a 3.6 mile loop connecting the city's riverfront at The Banks, Downtown, and OTR.



Neighborhoods of Cincinnati :

Fountain Square District: (Closest locations to the hotel)

- ❖ Coffee:
 - Paris Baguette
 - Dunkin
 - Starbucks
 - Deeper Roots Coffee
- ❖ Places to eat:
 - Via Vite (Italian)
 - Sleepy Bee (Breakfast/Brunch)
 - Paris Baguette
 - Mita's (Tapas)
 - The Blind Pig/O'Malley's in the Alley
 - The Davidson (Upscale American)
 - Baru (Sushi)
 - Chipotle
 - BRU Burger Bar
- ❖ Places to drink:
 - Igby's
 - The Blind Pig/O'Malley's in the Alley
 - Bromwell's Hearth Room

OTR (Over the Rhine):

- ❖ Visit Washington Park and the Cincinnati Music Hall
 - Grab a drink at the outdoor bar
- ❖ Visit Findlay Market (The state's oldest continuously operated public market)
- ❖ Places to eat:
 - Eagle (Comfort Food Restaurant)
 - Bakersfield (Tacos)
 - Pepp & Dolores (Italian)
 - Goodfellas Pizzeria
 - Sugar n' Spice Diner
 - Brew Dog (Brewery)
 - Teak Sushi & Thai Cuisine
- ❖ Places to grab a drink:

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- Somerset
 - Rhinegeist Brewery
 - Ghost Baby (speakeasy)
 - The Lackman
 - 1215 Wine Bar
 - ❖ Places to shop:
 - Sloane Boutique
 - The Native One
 - Idlewild
 - Homage
 - MiCA 12/v
 - The Little Mahatma
 - ❖ Visit the Hard Rock Casino
 - ❖ Watch FC Cincinnati take on DC United at the TQL stadium
 - Saturday, April 12th, 7:30 pm
 - ❖ Get Graeter's Ice Cream- A MUST HAVE !!

The Banks:

- ❖ Watch the Reds take on the Pittsburgh Pirates at the Great American Ball Park
 - Friday, April 11th, 6:40 pm (fireworks following game)
 - Saturday, April 12th, 6:40 pm
- ❖ Visit Smale Riverfront Park
- ❖ Visit National Underground Railroad Freedom Center
- ❖ Eat/drink:
 - Tin Roof
 - The Stretch
 - Fishbowl at the Banks
 - Nation at the Banks
 - The Holy Grail Tavern and Grille
 - Jefferson Social
 - Killer Queen
 - Yard House
 - The Filson
 - Moerlein Lager Houes
- ❖ Visit a rooftop bar
 - Top of the Park at the Phelps Bar
 - Shires Rooftop
 - AC Upper Deck Rooftop Bar
 - The Rooftop at 21C
- ❖ Get Breakfast at Taste of Belgium

Other things to do:

- ❖ Walk across the Roebling Bridge to Northern Kentucky:
 - Covington
 - Newport
- ❖ Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens
- ❖ Cincinnati Art Museum
- ❖ Krohn Conservatory
- ❖ American Sign Museum
- ❖ Newport Aquarium
- ❖ Try Skyline Chili
- ❖ Cincinnati River Sightseeing Cruise
- ❖ Cincinnati Ghosts: Poltergeist Haunted Walking Tour
- ❖ Cincinnati 1 Hour Escape Room Adventure

Famous Food from Cincinnati:

- ❖ Cincinnati-Style Chili – Between Skyline Chili, Gold Star Chili, and other Cincinnati chili restaurants (more than 140 in all!), Cincinnati eat more than 2 million pounds of chili each year topped by 850,000 pounds of shredded cheddar cheese. Cincinnati chili sauce contains finely ground beef, seasoned with a mixture of spices. Some aficionados report a distinct hint of cinnamon and sometimes even chocolate. It is characteristically served over spaghetti or as coney sauce, with oyster crackers on the side.
- ❖ Ice cream – Cincinnati is home to Graeter's ice cream. Graeter's, founded in 1870 by Louis C. Graeter, is a Cincinnati tradition with Graeter's French Pot ice cream, handmade chocolate confections, and fresh baked goods found at locations all over the city. Today, the Graeter family, consisting of three grandchildren and three great-grandsons of Louis Graeter, still faithfully use the over one-century old recipes and methods of production in the Reading Road plant.
- ❖ Barbecue – Greater Cincinnati will eat ribs, chicken, Saratoga chips, or anything covered in Montgomery Inn Barbeque Sauce. Three locations in the area cater to the cravings of locals and visitors alike: Montgomery Inn, located in Montgomery (a northeastern suburb), Montgomery Inn Boathouse, and downtown on the Ohio River.
- ❖ Goetta - Primarily composed of ground meat and steel-cut oats and flavored with bay leaves, rosemary, salt, pepper, and thyme, this dish originated with German settlers who emigrated to the Cincinnati area in the 19th century. The modern popularity of goetta in Cincinnati has led to it being called "Cincinnati Caviar". Glier's Goetta, the largest commercial producer of goetta, produces more than 1,000,000 pounds annually, around 99% of which is consumed locally in greater Cincinnati.