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LYNCHBURG, VA

VISITOR GUIDE

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LYH WELCOMES YOU

Welcome to LYH, a quintessential Virginia city with a leafy veneer, a powerful industrial heart and a history that dates from John Lynch's first ferry crossing of the James River in 1757. In our culturally-rich neighborhoods and picturesque, strollable city, you'll discover a destination with a vital sense of its past and a growing contemporary energy. Today, LYH is counted among the nation's best small cities, best places for millennials—we have six colleges and universities—and best small places for business and careers. Plus, we know that it's the very best for visitors as well.

Take the time to explore our 40 miles of urban trails and riverfront downtown, as well as galleries and places of historical importance. In the Hill City, you'll also want to take in views of the James River, wander through historic neighborhoods, taste our local flavor, and much more.

Wherever you go, whatever you do, **LYH loves you!**



**KNOWN AS THE HILL CITY
OR CITY OF SEVEN HILLS**

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**NAMED FOR JOHN LYNCH'S
FERRY CROSSING**

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**MORE THAN 40 MILES
OF URBAN TRAILS**

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**NAMED A TOP
COLLEGE TOWN**

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**LIVABILITY'S TOP 100
BEST PLACES TO LIVE**

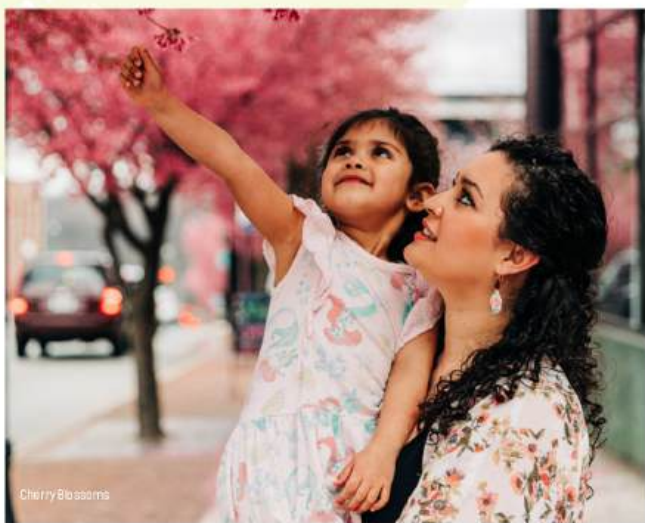
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**HOME OF THE MONACAN
INDIAN NATION**

SEASONS OF LYNCHBURG

Experience the enchanting charm of Lynchburg all year round. From the vibrant blooms of spring to the festive lights of winter, Lynchburg offers a unique and captivating blend of activities and events that showcase its rich history, diverse culture, and scenic beauty. Join us as we take you on a journey through the seasons of LYH, highlighting the best things to see and do!



SPRING IN LYH

Lynchburg comes alive with the fresh blooms and bright colors in spring. This season is perfect for enjoying the outdoors and participating in community events. Take a walk beneath the cherry blossoms, celebrate the rich cultural tapestry of Lynchburg at the International Festival, or explore the great outdoors. For the adventure enthusiasts, the Storming of Thunder Ridge bike ride offers challenging routes through scenic landscapes. Don't forget to embark on a family fun-filled scavenger hunt to discover all the Love signs and Bee sculptures scattered across the city.



SUMMER IN LYH

Summer in Lynchburg is a time for celebration, sports, and outdoor fun. The Juneteenth celebrations highlight the city's commitment to inclusivity and history, featuring vibrant parades and events. Sports lovers can head to Liberty University for the Virginia Commonwealth Games, where athletes from across the state compete in various disciplines. Baseball fans will enjoy cheering on the Lynchburg Hillcats at a local game. As the warm evenings set in, gather at Riverfront Park to watch the sky light up with spectacular fireworks displays, creating unforgettable summer memories.



Blackwater Creek Trail



FALL IN LYH

Fall transforms Lynchburg into a picturesque canvas of reds, oranges, and yellows, making it an ideal time for exploring the city's cultural and historical offerings. The Virginia Elvis Festival brings fans together to celebrate the King of Rock 'n' Roll with music and dance. Art enthusiasts can immerse themselves in creativity at the Lynchburg Arts Festival. Runners from all over join the challenging Virginia 10 Miler, showcasing the city's scenic routes. For a spine-tingling experience, participate in a ghost tour and uncover the eerie tales that haunt the city's historic streets. College sports games add to the excitement, offering plenty of action-packed moments to enjoy.



WINTER IN LYH

Winter in Lynchburg is a time of festive cheer and cozy gatherings. Bright Nights light up the city with dazzling displays, creating a magical winter wonderland. The historic Academy Theatre offers captivating shows that warm the heart on chilly evenings. The Christmas Parade fills the streets with holiday spirit, featuring floats, music, and Santa Claus himself. For those looking to stay active, the Turkey Trot is a fun way to start Thanksgiving Day with a brisk run. Embrace the season's joys and join the community in celebrating the holidays in true Lynchburg fashion.



OUTDOOR RECREATION



BLACKWATER CREEK TRAIL

lynchburgparksandrec.com

The most popular trail system in LYH connects to several earthen and paved trails throughout the city. Segments of the trail include a waterfall, a railroad tunnel, a bridge over the James River and other breathtaking scenery. Bicycles can be rented from Bikes Unlimited.

THE JAMES RIVER

jamesriveradventures.com

Rent a canoe or kayak from James River Adventures and take the 9-mile paddle, starting at Riveredge Park, and enjoy the James River with views of Downtown Lynchburg, trail railways, and wildlife. Stop by TaleTellers to shop for fishing gear or to sign up for a guided trip.

HOLLINS MILLS PARK

521 Hollins Mill Rd. | lynchburgparksandrec.com

This popular park provides shaded areas for picnicking, fishing access, and wonderful views of Blackwater Creek and historic Hollins Mill Dam. The park also includes trail connections to the Blackwater Creek Bikeway, including the Point of Honor Trail section.

PERCIVAL'S ISLAND

1600 Concord Turnpike | lynchburgparksandrec.com

Cross the pedestrian bridge from Downtown Lynchburg to Percival's Island. Visitors can spot native wildlife and plants as they follow the paved trail, which bisects the natural area and crosses the James River.

LYNCHBURG DOG PARK

515 Monticello Ave.

Furry friends can stretch their legs and release some energy at our public fenced-in park, located alongside the Blackwater Creek Trail. Dogs can fetch frisbees at the adjacent athletic fields or splash in the nearby creek.

RIVERSIDE PARK

2238 Rivermont Ave. | lynchburgparksandrec.com

One of the most historic parks in Lynchburg, Riverside Park features 49 acres of rolling parkland, hiking trails that provide views of the Blue Ridge Mountains and the James River, a train exhibit and playground.



RIVERFRONT PARK

1100 Jefferson St. | lynchburgparksandrec.com

Located between the James River and Jefferson St., Riverfront Park includes a sprayground and a large open field for events, picnicking, and a great place for dogs to stretch their legs. The park connects to the Riverwalk trail which leads to Percival's Island in the James River.

MILLER PARK

2100 Park Ave. | lynchburgparksandrec.com

LYH's oldest public park. Explore 20 acres of park including picnic shelters, baseball fields, and a public pool, as well as the historic Aviary.

PEAKS VIEW PARK

170 Ivy Creek Lane | lynchburgparksandrec.com

Featuring the Ivy Creek Greenway paved trail, mountain bike trails, tennis courts, multipurpose fields, a disc golf course and playground.





IVY CREEK PARK

118 Clemmons Lake Pl. | lynchburgparksandrec.com

A green oasis that includes the 6-acre Clemmons Lake, multi-use trails, picnic and play areas on site. Rent a canoe or kayak, or fish from the pier where you can catch trout and catfish.

RIVERFRONT SKATE PARK

11 9th St. | lynchburgparksandrec.com

Built between Jefferson St. and the Point of Honor Trail, the skatepark is a 14,000 sq. ft. complex with a street course and bowl, along with multiple flat bars and pipes. The skatepark is open to the public every day from 9am to 9pm.

LIBERTY MOUNTAIN TRAIL SYSTEM

4000 Candler's Mountain Rd. | liberty.edu

Located on Liberty Mountain, this trail destination includes 50 miles of trails for mountain biking, running and walking.

BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

12551 US-501, Big Island | nps.gov/blri

Start your scenic adventure from Amherst (Milepost 27) or Bedford (Milepost 86-107). Enjoy popular destinations near LYH like the Peaks of Otter Lodge, Sharp Top Mountain, and Skyline Drive.

NATURAL BRIDGE STATE PARK

6477 S Lee Hwy, Natural Bridge | dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/natural-bridge

A short and scenic drive from Lynchburg, this state park features the 215-foot tall limestone gorge, seven miles of hiking trails, and Children's Discovery Area for experiential learning.

APPALACHIAN TRAIL

nps.gov/appa

Access several hiking trails from the Bedford or Amherst County AT entrances, both a convenient 30 minute drive from LYH. Popular day hikes include Apple Orchard Falls, Cole Mountain, and Bluff Mountain.

Explore LYH at lynchburgvirginia.org

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Embark on a day of outdoor activities in LYH. This itinerary offers a perfect blend of biking, river excursions, and mountain views, ensuring an unforgettable experience for nature enthusiasts and adventure seekers alike. Natural beauty and thrilling adventures await!

YOUR MORNING

GRAB BREAKFAST AT THE COMMUNITY MARKET

Start your day with a delicious breakfast at the Lynchburg Community Market. With a variety of local vendors offering fresh pastries, hearty breakfast sandwiches, and freshly brewed coffee, you'll be fueled up for an adventurous day ahead.

RENT BIKES FROM BIKES UNLIMITED

Head over to Bikes Unlimited and rent a bike to explore the scenic Blackwater Creek Trail System. This extensive network of trails offers a picturesque ride through wooded areas, along streams, and even through historic train tunnels. It's a great way to enjoy the natural beauty of Lynchburg.

YOUR AFTERNOON

GRAB LUNCH ON THE BLUFFWALK

After a morning of biking, make your way to the Bluffwalk for lunch. This elevated walkway offers stunning views of the James River and downtown Lynchburg. There are several restaurants and cafes along the Bluffwalk where you can enjoy a relaxing meal with a view.

HIT UP SNOWFLEX

For some afternoon excitement, visit Snowflex at Liberty Mountain. This unique synthetic ski slope offers year-round skiing, snowboarding, and tubing. Whether you're a seasoned skier or a beginner, Snowflex provides fun for all skill levels.

GO ON A RIVER ADVENTURE

If you prefer water activities, stop by Tale Tellers Fly Shop to get equipped with fishing gear and expert advice on the best fishing spots along the James River. For a more active adventure, head to James River Adventures where you can rent a kayak or canoe and explore the beautiful James River at your own pace.

YOUR EVENING

VENTURE TO THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

End your day with a scenic drive or hike along the Blue Ridge Parkway. Just a short drive from Lynchburg, this iconic route offers breathtaking views of the Blue Ridge Mountains, numerous hiking trails, and plenty of overlooks to stop and take in the natural beauty. It's the perfect way to unwind and reflect on your day's adventures.

LYH HISTORY



ANNE SPENCER HOUSE & GARDEN MUSEUM

1313 Pierce St. | annespencermuseum.com

Home and garden of celebrated Harlem Renaissance poet and Civil Rights leader, Anne Spencer, who wrote on any available surface, including the walls of her home. Her sphere of influence included friendships with Marian Anderson, W.E.B. DuBois, Zora Neal Hurston and Martin Luther King Jr. Anne's garden and writing cottage, Edankraal, is open daily without charge. The house is open by appointment.

LYNCHBURG MUSEUM

901 Court St. | lynchburgmuseum.org

Located in the city's iconic 1855 courthouse standing at the top of Monument Terrace, the Lynchburg Museum shares the stories of the local people, places, and events that have shaped the city and the world. Look for rotating interactive exhibits, fascinating artifacts and artworks, guided tours and special events. Admission is always free.

OLD CITY CEMETERY MUSEUMS & ARBORETUM

401 Taylor St. | gravegarden.org

Established in 1806, the Old City Cemetery is the oldest municipal cemetery in Virginia still in use today. This extraordinary 27-acre public garden hosts a village of five small museums telling the stories of the diverse population of nearly 20,000 buried here. The grounds are filled with hundreds of varieties of native and heirloom plants, including the largest public collection of antique roses in Virginia. Gates are open dawn to dusk every day of the year.

LEGACY MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

403 Monroe St. | legacymuseum.org

Located on the crest of historic Tinbridge Hill, the Legacy Museum fosters an appreciation of the diversity of the African American experience in Lynchburg and the surrounding counties. The Museum offers rotating exhibits, programs, and special events that represent the achievements of local African Americans. Open Wednesday–Saturday 12:00–4:00pm, Sunday 2:00–4:00pm, and by appointment.

POINT OF HONOR

112 Cabell St. | pointofhonor.org

Built in 1815, the Federal-style house boasts striking views of the James River and Downtown Lynchburg. Interpretation includes the families that occupied the home, the enslaved community that built and sustained the plantation, and the modern restoration of the site. Open weekly and by appointment.

MONUMENT TERRACE

313 9th St. | lynchburgmuseum.org/monument-terrace

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SOUTH RIVER MEETING HOUSE

5810 Fort Ave. | qmpc.org/south-river-meeting-house

South River Meeting was organized in 1757 for the first Quaker settlers in the Lynchburg area. Adjacent to the structure is a historic graveyard. Buried there are Sarah Lynch (in an unmarked grave) and her son John, the founder of the city. Group tours are available with 3 days notice. Self guided tours are available.

PRESBYTERIAN CEMETERY

2020 Grace St. | presbyteriancemeteryva.com

This outdoor museum of Lynchburg's history has over 12,000 stories to tell. Names from the burial books read like a who's who of the city. Early local civic leaders, successful businessmen, professionals, immigrants, veterans and their families all can be found buried at Presbyterian Cemetery. Open daily 8:00am-5:00pm.



SPRING HILL CEMETERY

3000 Fort Ave. | springhillcemetery.com

Lynchburg's first "rural cemetery" was designed to resemble a park or garden by famous landscape architect John Notman. Generations of prominent and influential Hill City residents are at final rest there, including Sweet Briar College president Meta Glass, pioneering physician John Terrell, Freedmen's Bureau school teacher Jacob Yoder, Cherokee princess Narcissa Owen, bluegrass guitar legend Don Reno, and three U.S. Senators. Open daily 7:00am-7:00pm.



MONACAN INDIAN NATION ANCESTRAL MUSEUM

2009 Kenmore Rd., Amherst | monacannation.com/ancestral-museum

The Monacan community today centers around Bear Mountain in Amherst County. At this site, a log cabin was built in the late 1870s and used as a church for the Indian people. Later, it functioned as a school and today, the cabin is a recognized National Historic Landmark and home to the Ancestral Museum. Open Tuesday-Sunday by appointment.

WHITE ROCK CEMETERY

Harvey St. near High St. | whiterockcemetery.org

Established in 1882, Historic White Rock Cemetery was the first independent African American cemetery in the Hill City. Explore the tranquil grounds where many notables from the Jim Crow era are buried, including first Black councilman Jefferson Anderson, "Seminary Mother" Josephine Anderson, and longtime physician Kyle Pettis. Look for the large number of handmade concrete markers from the 1920's and 30's, many with unique artistic designs.

NATIONAL D-DAY MEMORIAL

3 Overlord Circle, Bedford | dday.org

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THOMAS JEFFERSON'S POPLAR FOREST

1542 Bateman Bridge Rd., Forest | poplarforest.org

An award-winning historic restoration in progress, nominated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visiting Poplar Forest offers a unique opportunity to hear the stories of Thomas Jefferson's family, the free and enslaved craftsmen who built the historic masterpiece and the enslaved people who lived and labored on the plantation. Take time to explore the scenic grounds and walking trails of Poplar Forest for extra interpretative historical signage & information.

PATRICK HENRY'S RED HILL

1250 Red Hill Rd., Brookneal | redhill.org

The last home and burial place of Patrick Henry, Founding Father and first post-colonial Governor of Virginia, best known for his "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" speech. The site features Henry's law office, home and other outbuildings, rare family artifacts, a Museum Shop and a growing network of interpretive scenic trails.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON NATIONAL MONUMENT

12130 Booker T. Washington Highway, Hardy | nps.gov/bowa

This National Park is the birthplace of Booker T. Washington. Born a slave, Washington later became the first principal of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial School. He served as an advisor, author and orator whose past would influence his philosophies as the most influential African American of his time. Visitor Center, walking trails and picnic area open daily, year round.

APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

111 National Park Dr., Appomattox | nps.gov/apco

On April 9, 1865, the surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia in the McLean House in the village of Appomattox Court House, Virginia signaled the end of the nation's largest war. Visitor Center features exhibits, guided programs and a 70-seat theater. Open daily, year round.

AMERICAN CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

159 Horseshoe Rd., Appomattox | acwm.org

The American Civil War Museum–Appomattox explores the overlapping stories of the end of the Civil War and the beginning of a reunified nation. The exhibit houses 400 artifacts, photographs and documents, including the uniform coat and sword that Robert E. Lee wore to surrender. Located just over a mile from the actual surrender site.

CHAPLAINS MUSEUM AT LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

1971 University Blvd. | chaplainsmuseum.org

Learn more about stories of U.S. military chaplains on the battlefield. Visitors will learn how chaplains from diverse backgrounds carried out their ministry during times of war. The museum is located in the Jerry Falwell Library on Liberty University's Campus

More LYH History at lynchburgmuseum.org

CIVIL WAR SITES IN LYH

CIVIL WAR TRAILS

civilwartrails.org

With 12 sites on the Civil War Trails, the website and associated brochures, learn more about Hunter's Raid, Lee's Retreat and the Battle of Lynchburg.

HISTORIC SANDUSKY & CIVIL WAR CENTER

757 Sandusky Dr. | historicsandusky.org

Historic Sandusky served as the Union headquarters during the 1864 Battle of Lynchburg. Tours available by appointment.

FORT EARLY & JUBAL EARLY MONUMENT

3511 Memorial Ave. | lynchburgvirginia.org

Earthen fort constructed as part of the outer defenses during the Battle of Lynchburg. Grounds open year round from dawn to dusk.

LYH FEEDS YOU



The LYH food scene embraces influences from around the region, the country and the world. We're becoming a base for big-city chefs who want to live more balanced lives, explore local flavors and support local farms and food. We've got pub food for connoisseurs, cookies, bakeries and ice cream galore for kids, expertly-brewed espresso, and a world of international inspirations. And did we mention the depth of flavors and passion of our barbecue pit masters? LYH is on fire!



**SCAN FOR A FULL
LIST OF PLACES
TO EAT IN LYH**

FOR FOODIES

A diverse array of dining experiences awaits food enthusiasts in LYH! This list guides you through iconic eateries, craft beer tastings, delectable desserts, and scenic dining spots, ensuring a day filled with delicious delights and memorable flavors.



BEER & WINE

Starr Hill on Main
Three Roads Brewing
Reserve

SWEET TOOTH

Mrs. Joy's Absolutely Fabulous Treats
Batter Bar
Maylynn's
Rookie's
Hill City Donuts



ICONIC EATERIES

Texas Inn
The Cavalier
Rivermont Pizza
Market at Main
The Stadium Inn

DINNER WITH A VIEW

Skyline at the Virginian
Bootleggers
The Glass House
7 Rooftop Bar

LYH TOASTS YOU



Skyline

A city is only as good as its craftspeople, and LYH is worth the trip. In our range of regional tasting rooms you can explore for days our very personal interpretations of flavors from seasonal brews to IPAs, lagers to stouts. Brewmasters and sommeliers are dedicated to their work, and only too happy to share what they've learned along the way. Take a tour, test drive a flight of brews and toast another great day in LYH!



**SCAN FOR MORE
BARS, BREWERIES
AND WINERIES**

LIVE LIKE A LOCAL



YOUR MORNING

EXPLORE DOWNTOWN LYNCHBURG

Start your day with a leisurely stroll through downtown Lynchburg. Discover unique shops, historic architecture, and charming cafes, soaking in the vibrant atmosphere of the city center.

EXPLORE PIERCE ST.

Head over to the historic Pierce Street, home to the Anne Spencer House & Garden Museum and the Pierce Street Renaissance Historic District. This area is rich with African American history and culture, offering a fascinating glimpse into Lynchburg's past.

YOUR AFTERNOON

FIRST FRIDAY EXPERIENCE

On the first Friday of every month, immerse yourself in Lynchburg's vibrant art scene. Visit various galleries downtown that open their doors for the First Friday's event, showcasing local artists and their works in a festive, community-oriented atmosphere.

HILLCATS GAME

Enjoy a fun-filled afternoon at a Lynchburg Hillcats game. Catching a minor league baseball game is a great way to relax and enjoy America's favorite pastime with the local community.

YOUR EVENING

DINNER DOWNTOWN

After exploring, treat yourself to dinner at one of downtown Lynchburg's many excellent restaurants. From fine dining to casual eateries, there's something to suit every palate.

ACADEMY CENTER OF THE ARTS

Conclude your day with a show at the Academy Center of the Arts. Whether it's a theater performance, concert, or dance recital, the Academy offers a variety of cultural experiences in a beautifully restored historic venue.

LYH DELIGHTS YOU



One of the best parts about visiting any city is exploring local shops and markets and discovering the shopkeepers who are passionate about their eclectic businesses. LYH is an ideal place to hone your shopping skills: downtown offers blocks of open doorways and warm welcomes, along with coffee, furniture, fashion, food and well-chosen pieces that are going to look great in your home. Popular major brands can also be found in easily- accessible shopping centers in the region.



**SCAN FOR A FULL
LIST OF PLACES
TO SHOP IN LYH**

MEET STEPHANIE FEES, SCRATCH PASTA CHEF

After working as a professional chef in New York City and the Greenbrier in West Virginia, she came back to her hometown to start her own homemade pasta shop in LYH. Be sure to stop by her shop Scratch Pasta at 2204 Bedford Ave. to shop her selection of fresh pasta, dried pasta, specialty foods, local wine, cookware and more!



WHAT IS A MADE-IN-LYNCHBURG PRODUCT THAT EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT?

T.C. Trotters Moose Mix is Lynchburg's very own specialty Bloody Mary mix - it also makes for the perfect stocking stuffer! Meanwhile Back on the Farm is a woman-owned leather bag company that is also based in Lynchburg. The bags are handmade and super functional for different occasions and needs. You can visit their shop on Old Forest Road located in an old farmhouse [circa 1790].

SHOPPING DAY FOR YOURSELF IN LYH, WHERE DO YOU GO?

My go to spot for gifts is Rhodora and the Rivermont Refillery, which are located in the same building so you can easily find a gift for anyone, whether it's a sustainably sourced home goods item or personal care item, or a cute card and gift. Rhodora also has a location downtown that offers more gift items, clothing and jewelry.

BEST PLACE FOR GIFTS?

Of course I have to start by promoting my own shop, Scratch Pasta in the new 2204 Bedford Avenue market - we don't just have pasta! We have many local goods and wine, from house made dips and spreads (and fresh pasta!) to artisan food gifts like pots, pans, and utensils. I also love the Farm Basket, located off of Langhorne Road is a great option for gifts. They carry specialty food items, home décor, and more!

LYH AROUND TOWN



WYNDHURST

Enjoy freshly baked goods at Montana Plains Bakery or a healthy meal at Millie's Living Cafe. La Fogata Mexican Restaurant and Ty Thai Cuisine provide delicious international flavors. For dessert, visit Outside the Cone, and for a casual meal, Upper Crust Pizza is a great choice. The Neighbors Place offers a cozy dining experience, while The Muse Coffee Company serves excellent coffee. Don't miss Beer 88 and the historic Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest nearby.



BEDFORD AVE

Bedford Ave offers a variety of dining and leisure activities. Enjoy fresh, homemade pasta at Scratch Pasta and a fine dining experience at Truss Restaurant. Shop at Rhodora and grab a cup of coffee at Golf Park Coffee Co.



Timberlake First Watch

TIMBERLAKE

Timberlake is bustling with new developments and popular spots for entertainment and dining. Start your day with a coffee from Starbucks, grab some ice cream from Nitro Cow, and enjoy some barbecue from County Smoak. Families will have a blast at the Putt-Putt Fun Center or the Heritage Park Disc Golf Course, offering a fun outdoor activity for all ages. Highlighting the area's growth, the new First Watch restaurant is a must-visit for brunch lovers.



RIVERMONT AVE

Rivermont is the largest of Lynchburg's seven historic districts and home to Riverside Park, known for its charming blend of old and new. Stroll through the Historic District on a walking tour or follow the Civil War Trails to explore the city's rich past. Enjoy delightful treats at Rookies Cookies, savor gourmet meals at Oliver's on Rivermont, grab a bottle of wine at Magnolia Foods, and indulge in delicious pizza at Rivermont Pizza. For eco-friendly shopping, visit Rivermont Refillery and find sustainable products.

TOURS AND TRAILS



LYNCHBURG MUSEUM SYSTEM GUIDED WALKING TOURS

The Lynchburg Museum hosts various guided walking tours throughout the year. Explore the Point of Honor House & Grounds, Presbyterian Cemetery, or the South River Quaker Meeting House & Burial Grounds to name a few. Learn more and book your tour online.



HISTORIC DISTRICTS SELF-GUIDED TOUR

Available Online or at LYH Visitor Services

By foot or by car, Lynchburg's seven historic districts are a must see. These "hilltop" neighborhoods reflect LYH's affluence and influence in the 19th and 20th centuries. From grand revival style mansions to fascinating stories of former residents, our historic districts offer a unique experience of architecture and social history.



DOWNTOWN ARCHITECTURAL SELF-GUIDED TOUR

Available Online or at LYH Visitor Services

The steady growth and prosperity of LYH since its founding fueled the construction of extraordinary buildings in a diverse array of architectural styles, from Neoclassical to Beaux Arts to Modernist. Look for the Hill City's best example of Art Deco architecture, the Allied Arts Building, clad in local greenstone on Church St. Tour covers Main and Church St from 5th to 13th.



HISTORIC MARKERS SELF-GUIDED TOUR

Available Online or at LYH Visitor Services

LYH is home to an unusually large number of Virginia historical highway markers, detailing the stories of nearly 70 people and places that have made a significant contribution to the Commonwealth or the country.



SCAN FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION!

MEET SHAUN SPENCER-HESTER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CURATOR OF THE ANNE SPENCER HOUSE & GARDEN MUSEUM

Shaun is the executive director and curator of the Anne Spencer House and Garden Museum. She is the granddaughter of Anne Spencer, Harlem Renaissance poet and Civil Rights activist, and the driving force behind the historical site.



WHAT IS SOMETHING PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT LYH?

I strongly believe that people need to know the full history of the City. Like most, if not all, American cities, much of it was built by slave labor. We need to tell more stories about how their labor led to today's urban revitalization.

FAVORITE HISTORY VISIT THAT IS WALKABLE?

I love the Old City Cemetery, which is open to the public from dawn to dusk year-round. If you're interested in the Harlem Renaissance history that happened in LYH, and want to learn more about poet and activist Anne Spencer, you can book an appointment online at annespencermuseum.org for a guided tour of the house and garden.

FAVORITE LOCAL HISTORY EXPERIENCE TO SHARE WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS?

I cannot ask for a better experience than when I'm piddling around the Museum & Garden and visitors stop by. We engage in conversation that may lead to an impromptu tour of Edankraal or Pierce St. During our conversation or tour I humbly reveal my kinship and pride of the relationships with those before us who created a "Black Mecca of Greatness" in Lynchburg, from the post reconstruction era through the civil rights movement.

ARTS AND CULTURE



AMAZEMENT SQUARE

27 9th St. | amazementsquare.org

An award-winning, multi-disciplinary, hands-on museum offering four floors of interactive exhibits designed to make learning fun. Paint on the walls, explore life on the farm, create a rainstorm over downtown Lynchburg, float a boat down the James River, and even rock out on stage in a band of your own! Amazement Square is now a Certified Autism Center.

ACADEMY CENTER OF THE ARTS

600 Main St. | academycenter.org

Lynchburg's center for arts and culture features a restored 1912 800-seat historic theatre, educational classrooms, pottery studio, contemporary art gallery and Warehouse Theatre. Performances range from community theater to nationally and internationally recognized acts.

RIVERVIEWS ARTSPACE

901 Jefferson St. | riverviews.net

Riverviews provides gallery and studio space for established and emerging artists and other creatives with an urban mix of living spaces, studios, galleries, a movie theater and meeting spaces. The Craddock-Terry Gallery, featuring contemporary exhibits by regionally, nationally, and internationally acclaimed artists working with a variety of mediums, is open Wednesday-Sunday.



Amazement Square

MAIER MUSEUM OF ART AT RANDOLPH COLLEGE

1 Quinlan St. | maiermuseum.org

Houses an outstanding collection of American art, chiefly paintings, works on paper, and photographs dating from the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries. Located on the campus of Randolph College and open to visitors year-round, the Museum serves both the academic community and the general public and offers changing exhibitions, rotating displays of the College's permanent collection, and educational programs.

DAURA MUSEUM OF ART

1501 Lakeside Dr. | lynchburg.edu

Located at the University of Lynchburg, the collection of works by European and American artists, African art, and world cultures now includes more than 2,500 paintings, drawings, prints, and sculptures. Open Tuesday through Friday during the University's academic year from 9:00am-4:00pm, or by appointment.



Academy Center of the Arts

LYNCHBURG ART CLUB

1011 Rivermont Ave. | lynchburgartclub.org

Lynchburg Art Club has promoted and celebrated visual fine art in Central Virginia since its founding in 1895 as one of the oldest clubs of its kind in the country. Galleries open Thursday-Sunday.

VECTOR SPACE

2004 Memorial Ave. | vectorspace.org

A makerspace and community workshop with the mission to foster innovation and creativity. Join them for classes, workshops and First Friday's of each month.

PERFORMING ARTS

OPERA ON THE JAMES

operaonthejames.org

A professional opera company with performances throughout the year, offering an intensely emotional experience of world class, live opera.

LYNCHBURG SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

lynchburgsymphony.org

A professional, community-based orchestra performing in LYH for more than 30 years. Concerts and diverse events are scheduled throughout the year.

ENDSTATION THEATRE COMPANY

endstationtheatre.org

Endstation produces professional, outdoor theater featuring new works, re-interpretations of classical plays, and original dramatic productions based on the historical, current and cultural events specific to Central Virginia.

WOLFBANE PRODUCTIONS

wolfbane.org

A company of passionate artists dedicated to providing unrestricted and inclusive experiences and cultural events to Central Virginia.

COMMERCE STREET THEATER

1022 Commerce St. | commercestreettheater.org

Producing community theater in an intimate black box theatre in Downtown Lynchburg; performances scheduled throughout the year.

RENAISSANCE THEATER

301 Grove St. | renaissancetheatrelynchburg.org

Producing community theater in the historic Miller Center Theatre; performances scheduled throughout the year.

JEFFERSON CHORAL SOCIETY

jeffersonchoralsociety.org

The largest volunteer adult choir in Central Virginia, featuring a variety of performances including choral masterworks, Broadway show tunes, folk and popular music.



SCAN FOR
INFORMATION ON
ARTS & CULTURE

MEET CHRISTINA DAVIS

MURALIST

Christina Davis is an art instructor, devoted mother and wife, a locavore, painter and muralist. Collaborating with local businesses to create art in the community that promotes a diverse LYH is her passion. "Art allows us to have serious, fun, and heartfelt conversations."



WHAT IS THE MOST MEMORABLE PERFORMANCE YOU HAVE SEEN IN LYH?

A performance by Opera on the James. I had only seen opera on TV and it was crazy to see a professional show in my hometown.

NAME A PUBLIC ART PIECE IN LYH THAT YOU MUST SEE.

Check out the Midtown Outdoor Art Gallery, it's free! Plus don't forget to go see my mural "Make Waves" [at 1208 Thurman Ave].

WHAT IS THE MOST INTERESTING GALLERY TO VISIT?

Riverviews Artspace because they have more than one gallery and many hallways and studios with a focus on emerging artists. You never know what you may see there!

WHAT IS A FUN, FAMILY-FRIENDLY EXPERIENCE?

My daughter and I like hiking on the Blackwater Creek Trail or in Peaks View or Riverside Parks. On the weekends, I can be found driving the mountains with the family (and lots of tasty treats packed in the car!) Also love to visit the sloth, toucan and stingrays at SeaQuest in River Ridge Mall.

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Home to regionally and nationally ranked colleges and universities, LYH has been named among the top college towns in the U.S. and the No. 1 Place for Millennials. Our higher education institutions grant more than 20,000 degrees annually.



UNIVERSITY OF LYNCHBURG

1501 Lakeside Dr. | lynchburg.edu

Founded in 1903, the University of Lynchburg today is a comprehensive university with nearly 3,000 students spread across 40 buildings. U.S. News & World Report, The Princeton Review, and Colleges of Distinction have all recognized the University of Lynchburg as one of the best private institutions in the nation. The university encourages worldly experiences with nearly a third of students completing study abroad programs. The University of Lynchburg offers undergraduate and graduate degrees as well as three doctorate programs and an array of professional certifications.

RANDOLPH COLLEGE

2500 Rivermont Ave. | randolphcollege.edu

Randolph College may only have 700 students, but it makes a big impact. U.S. News & World Report has ranked Randolph College among the nation's top liberal arts colleges, and The Princeton Review ranked it the ninth most green college in America. Randolph College is consistently written up in the prestigious Fiske Guide to Colleges for its academic programs, small class sizes, picturesque campus and diverse, close-knit community. Founded in 1891 as Randolph-Macon Woman's College, the school changed its name in 2007 and welcomed its first coed class.

CENTRA COLLEGE OF NURSING

905 Lakeside Dr. | centracollege.edu

Centra College of Nursing is committed to providing excellent care to patients through the development of professional nurses. The college offers nursing certification programs like Registered Nurses, Associate Nursing, Practical Nursing, and Nurse Aids.

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

1971 University Blvd. | liberty.edu

Liberty University, founded in 1971, today attracts students from all 50 states and more than 80 countries with its 700 programs of study, including undergraduate, graduate and doctoral degrees. While 15,000 students are on campus, another 95,000 attend online, making Liberty University Virginia's largest college and the fifth largest in the nation. The city's largest employer, Liberty University staffs 8,000 local residents. Liberty is also home to NCAA Division 1 athletics and a strong community service program — students volunteer 500,000 hours annually. In the most recent economic impact study, local spending associated with the university totaled more than \$500 million.

VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY OF LYNCHBURG

2058 Garfield Ave. | vul.edu

With around 300 students, Virginia University of Lynchburg is one of America's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU). The city's oldest college has roots dating back to the 1886 session of the Virginia Baptist State Convention. Just 21 years after the Emancipation Proclamation, African American church leaders founded the school to educate the Black community and prepare them for paid jobs in careers of their choice. A 2014 report of the state's HBCUs revealed Virginia University of Lynchburg generates \$10 million in total economic impact for its local and regional economies.

CENTRAL VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

3506 Wards Rd. | centralvirginia.edu

Central Virginia Community College ensures its graduates master the latest skills and technology so they can enter the workforce with expertise and innovation. Around 3,500 students are enrolled in more than 50 academic and career training programs, ranging from business and health care to engineering, manufacturing and IT. Students can obtain an associate's degree in a variety of programs, as well as certificates for their chosen industry.

SWEET BRIAR COLLEGE

134 Chapel Rd. | sbc.edu

Sweet Briar College's campus in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains is more than just a beautiful place. Its 2,840 acres of farmlands and vineyards, forest and wetlands, meadows and historic buildings are a learning lab that helps students write their own future.



University of Lynchburg

FAMILY-FRIENDLY FUN



ACTIVE ADVENTURES

SNOWFLEX

4000 Candles Mountain Rd, Lynchburg, VA 24502

A year-round facility for skiing, snowboarding, and tubing at Liberty Mountain. Suitable for beginners and experienced adventurers alike.

RISE UP CLIMBING GYM

1225 Church St, Lynchburg, VA 24504

An indoor climbing gym offering walls for all skill levels, providing a fun and safe environment to test strength and agility.

GET AIR TRAMPOLINE PARK

3700 Candles Mountain Rd, Lynchburg, VA 24502

An expansive indoor trampoline park where kids can jump, flip, and bounce, ensuring hours of high-flying fun.

PUTT-PUTT FUN CENTER

8105 Timberlake Rd, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Features mini-golf, arcade games, and other family-friendly attractions, making it a perfect spot for some lighthearted, competitive fun.

TINY TOWN GOLF

7427 Timberlake Rd, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Offering 18 holes of miniature golf and GLOW IN THE DARK GOLF on Friday and Saturday nights in the summer, Tiny Town Golf ensures you will have the best time!



INTERACTIVE DISCOVERY



ALL FIRED UP

18478 Forest Rd, Forest, VA 24551

Fun for the whole family! Paint-your-own pottery at All Fired Up. With a wide selection of dishware, home goods, figurines, and seasonal items, there's something for everyone!



VECTOR SPACE

2004 Memorial Ave, Lynchburg, VA 24501

Pique your curiosity at Vector Space! Vector Space is a makerspace and community workshop fostering innovation, creativity, and the pursuit of science based knowledge.



GIVENS BOOKS & LITTLE DICKENS

12236 Lakeside Dr, Lynchburg, VA 24501

Lynchburg's oldest book store and finest toy store, Givens Books & Little Dickens is a pillar in the community. They have something for the whole family!



SEAQUEST

3405 Candler Mountain Rd. |

lynchburg.visitseaquest.com

SeaQuest brings the majestic wonders of our planet, ranging from rainforests and deserts to exotic marine life, to LYH. Open daily.



PREAM

409 Fifth St A, Lynchburg, VA 24504

Test out your green thumb at PREAM! Revolutionizing indoor gardening, PREAM offers a wide array of houseplants and care accessories.



SCAVENGER HUNTS

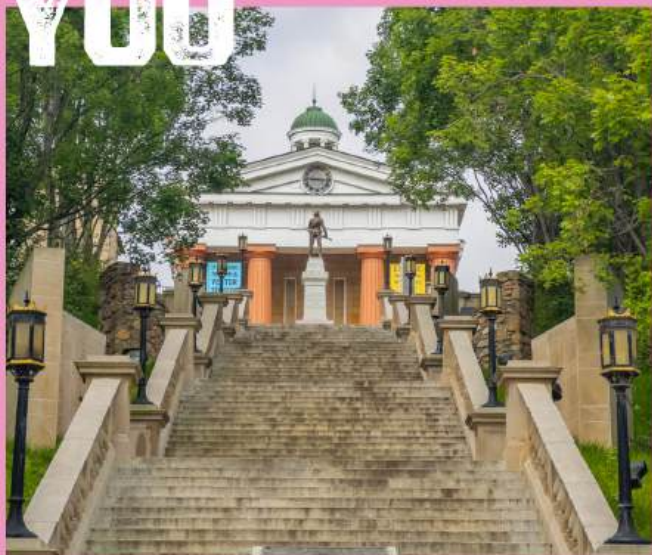
Around LYH!

Engage in scavenger hunts throughout Lynchburg by searching for the city's "Love" signs and bee sculptures. These hunts add an extra layer of excitement and exploration to your visit with photo opportunities and hidden treasures to discover.



SCAN FOR A FULL LIST OF THINGS TO DO IN LYH

LYH WELCOMES YOU



Start your visit to LYH at Lynchburg Museum and Visitor Services at the Old Court House. The Museum features the Court Room Gallery along with four additional galleries that each spotlight the vibrant history of the City of Lynchburg.

Stop by and learn about Lynchburg's history, pick up a souvenir, and chat with our friendly museum experience leaders who can guide you to our most travelled spots and help you find a new favorite hangout so you can fall in love with our City.



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LYH MUSEUM SYSTEM

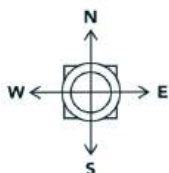
Our museum system collects, interprets, preserves, and shares the history and culture of Lynchburg, Virginia, and the surrounding area. The Lynchburg Museum System manages the official history museums and archives of the City of Lynchburg.

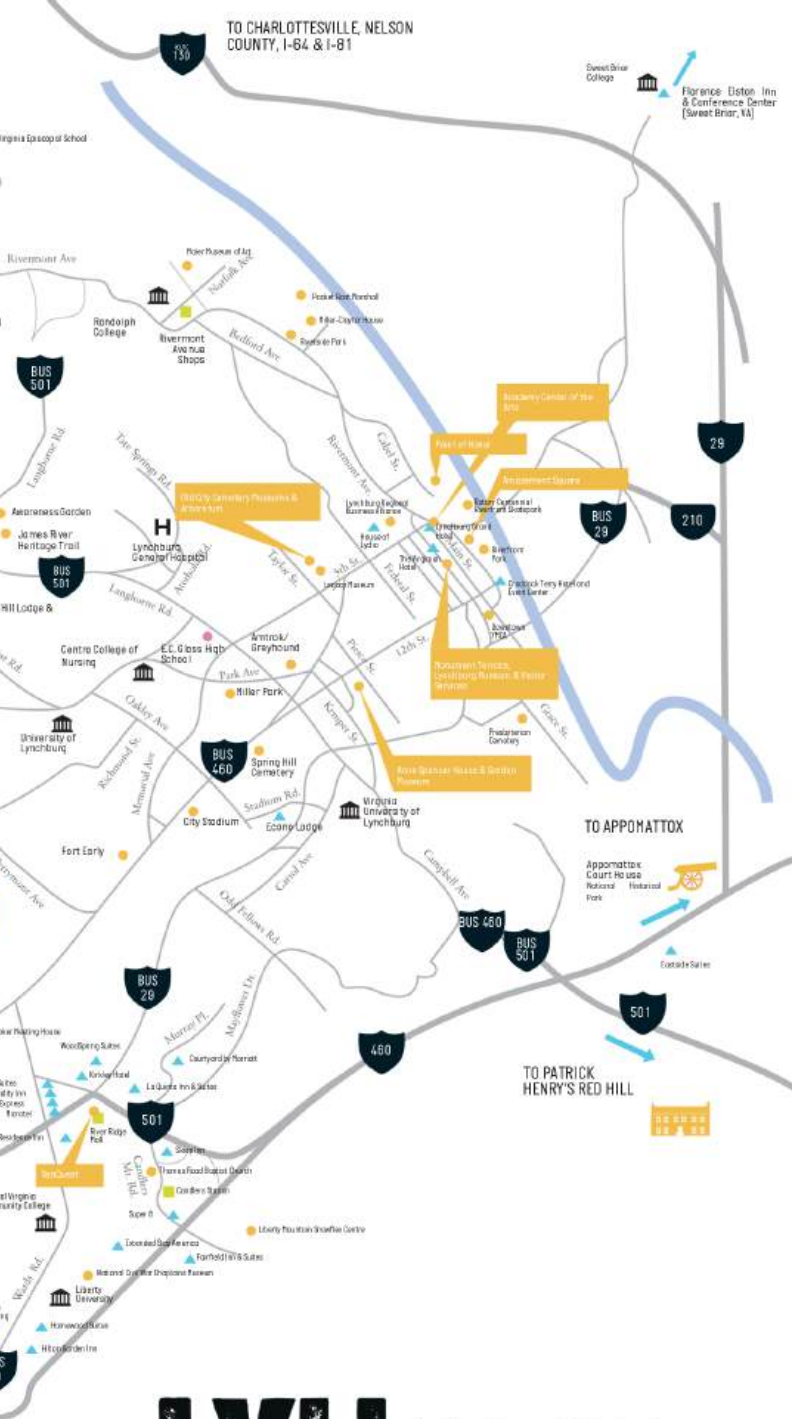
Stop by and visit our two museums, the Lynchburg Museum at the Old Court House and Point of Honor, the historic site on Daniel's Hill. These museums care for over 40,000 artifacts and share the diverse stories of three centuries of local history with residents, tourists, and students of all ages. Thanks to a partnership with Lynchburg City Schools, all 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade public school students visit our museums for field trips each year.



Lynchburg
Museum
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CITY VIEW





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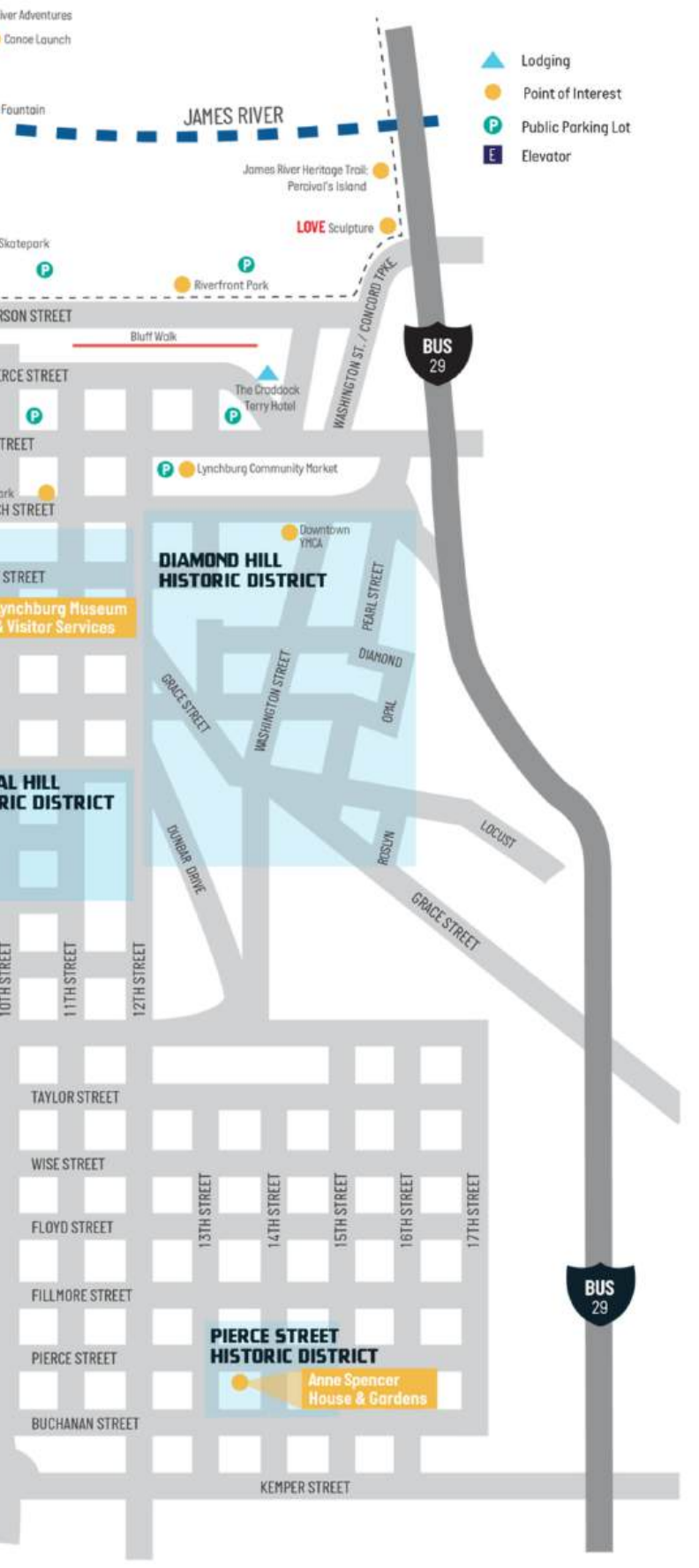
College

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High School

DOWNTOWN





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Canoe Launch

Fountain

JAMES RIVER

James River Heritage Trail:
Percival's Island

LOVE Sculpture

Skatepark

Riverfront Park

PERSON STREET

Bluff Walk

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AL HILL
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DIAMOND HILL
HISTORIC DISTRICT

Downtown
YMCA

GRACE STREET

WASHINGTON STREET

PEARL STREET

DIAMOND

OPAL

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LOCUST

GRACE STREET

10TH STREET

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12TH STREET

TAYLOR STREET

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FLOYD STREET

FILLMORE STREET

PIERCE STREET

BUCHANAN STREET

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14TH STREET

15TH STREET

16TH STREET

17TH STREET

PIERCE STREET
HISTORIC DISTRICT

Anne Spencer
House & Gardens

KEMPER STREET

Lodging

Point of Interest

Public Parking Lot

Elevator

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GETTING AROUND



LYH MUSEUM & VISITOR SERVICES

901 Court St. | lynchburgvirginia.org | (434) 485-7290

Start your LYH visit at the Lynchburg Museum & Visitor Services, where friendly staff will assist you with all there is to see and do in the City of Lynchburg and surrounding region. Whether you want to soak up the City's rich history, spend a day brewery hopping or hit the trails, our staff will help you find your next adventure.



LYNCHBURG REGIONAL AIRPORT

350 Terminal Dr. | flylyh.com

Lynchburg's largest travel hub with daily all-jet service to and from Charlotte, NC (CLT), the Lynchburg Regional Airport (LYH) provides a variety of flight times for all passengers. Located at the intersection of Route 29 South and Route 460, getting anywhere in the City is a breeze.



AMTRAK

825 Kemper St. | amtrak.com

Servicing the Northeast Regional and Crescent lines, the Kemper St. Station (LYH) offers daily Amtrak service to points north and south. The historic station is also an intermodal center served by local and intercity buses.



GREATER LYNCHBURG TRANSIT COMPANY (GLTC)

800 Kemper St. | gltconline.com

GLTC operates 14 bus routes within the City of Lynchburg and a portion of Madison Heights, Monday through Friday, from 5:00am-10:15pm, and 10 routes on Saturday between 6:00am-10:15pm.

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