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## **Museums**

### **American Saddlebred Museum**

- 4083 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
- (859) 259-2746
- Transportation: Lextran 2 Bus

This privately owned museum located on the grounds of the Kentucky Horse Park is a colorful and contemporary showcase of the American Saddlebred, Kentucky's native breed of horse. The Museum houses the largest collection of Saddlebred artifacts in the world including trophies, photographs, tack, artwork and a library of over 2,400 volumes used for bloodline and genealogical research.

### **Aviation Museum of Kentucky**

- 4029 Airport Road, Lexington, KY 40510
- Phone: (859) 231-1219
- Transportation: Lextran 21 Bus

Located at the Blue Grass Airport, this museum features aircraft, aviation artifacts and equipment, simulators, interactive displays and a gift shop. The changing collection of modern and restored historic aircraft includes a 'Blue Angels' A-4 Skyhawk and a rare Crosley Moonbeam biplane.

### **Explorium of Lexington**

- 440 West Short Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 258-3253
- Transportation: Lextran 6 Bus, Lextran 2 Bus, or 20-min. walk

"Hands-on" is the philosophy at this museum. Seven galleries feature exhibits about nature, the human heart, world geography and culture, archaeology and Lexington history.

### **Headley-Whitney Museum**

- 4435 Old Frankfort Pike, Lexington, KY 40510
- Phone: (859) 255-6653
- Transportation: Lextran 20 Bus

Established in 1968 by artist and jewelry designer George Headley, this unique museum features a fascinating and diverse permanent collection of decorative arts objects, including an extraordinary collection of classic dollhouses, and hosts major rotating exhibitions.

### **International Museum of the Horse**

- 4089 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
- Phone: (859) 259-4237
- Transportation: Lextran 2 Bus then taxi

The largest museum in the world to explore the relationship between horses and humans. The museum opened in 1978 in conjunction with the Kentucky Horse Park. Since then, IMH's exhibits have grown from 22,000 square feet to the current 45,000, and its collections are now some of the finest and significant on the subject in the world. This museum is located on the grounds of the Kentucky Horse Park and entrance is included with your ticket to the KHP. It is also possible to purchase a Museum Only ticket.

### **Lexington History Center**

- 215 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 254-0530
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 15-min. walk

Lexington's newest attraction is housed in the beautiful old Fayette County Courthouse (circa 1900). Inaugural exhibits include a time line of the area's history, a photographic study of Lexington's African-American community and a special display of the IBM's Selectric Typewriter, once produced locally.

## **The Art Museum at the University of Kentucky**

- 116 Singletary Center, Lexington, KY 40506
- Phone: (859) 257-5716
- Transportation: 5-min. walk

The University of Kentucky Art Museum is located at the Singletary Center for the Arts at the corner of Rose and Euclid. Special traveling exhibits augment an impressive permanent collection.

## **Historic Homes**

### **Ashland, The Henry Clay Estate**

- 120 Sycamore Road, Lexington, KY 40502
- Phone: (859) 266-8581
- Transportation: Lextran 11 Bus or Lextran 1 Bus

Ashland, the home of famous 19th-century statesman Henry Clay, is located a short distance from downtown Lexington on a beautiful 20-acre wooded estate with an English parterre garden. The home is filled with Clay family belongings and memorabilia.

### **Hunt-Morgan House**

- 201 North Mill Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-3290
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 2 Bus, Lextran 7 Bus

Built in 1814 by John Wesley Hunt, one of Lexington's most prominent citizens of the time, this Federal-style house is a living museum representing the days when Lexington was known as the "Athens of the West" for its highly cultured lifestyle. The property includes a Civil War museum and a period garden.

### **Latrobe's Pope Villa**

- 326 Grosvenor Avenue, Lexington, KY 40508
- Phone: (859) 253-0362
- Transportation: 5-min. walk

This ongoing restoration project is one of the few remaining examples of the work of Benjamin Henry Latrobe, one of the architects of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C.

### **Loudoun House**

- 209 Castlewood Drive, Lexington, KY 40505
- Phone: (859) 254-7024
- Transportation: Lextran 7 Bus, Lextran 9 Bus

Built for Francis Key Hunt in 1850, this is one of the largest and finest examples of Gothic Revival architecture in Kentucky. With galleries, studios and classrooms, it is home to the Lexington Art League, known for producing the Prestigious Nude International, the AFB Art Fair at Woodland Park and 4th Fridays, a city-wide monthly after hours art event.

### **Mary Todd Lincoln House**

- 578 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-9999
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 2 Bus, 20-min. walk

This late-Georgian-style brick house is the site of the nation's first shrine to a First Lady. The home was restored to reflect the Todd family's residency with period furniture, family portraits and furnishings from the Todds as well as the Lincolns, taking you back to a time of social elegance and turbulent politics.

### **Tuska House**

- 147 Old Park Avenue, Lexington, KY 40502
- Phone: (859) 533-7704

- Transportation: 15-min. walk

Tuska House is a museum honoring the life and work of American artist, John Regis Tuska (1931-1998). Tuska was a prolific sculptor, potter, collagist, draftsman and photographer.

## **Waveland State Historic Site**

- 225 Waveland Museum Lane, Lexington, KY 40514
- Phone: (859) 272-3611
- Transportation: Lextran 3 Bus, Lextran 5 Bus

Built in 1847 by Joseph Bryan, a grand-nephew of Daniel Boone, Waveland is an outstanding example of the Greek Revival house in Kentucky. Tours focus on the Bryan family and life on a 19th-century Kentucky plantation.

## **Horses**

### **Horse Farm Tours**

- 401 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-7299
- Transportation: Lextran 2 Bus, Lextran 1 Bus, or 20-min. walk

It takes advance planning, but there are a number of ways to get on Lexington's most famous private farms, from daily van tours to private guides. For more information, call the Lexington Visitors Center at 800-845-3959, or see the travel article "Horse Farm Tours" in the Idea Guide at [www.visitlex.com](http://www.visitlex.com).

### **Keeneland Race Course**

- 4201 Versailles Road, Lexington, KY 40510
- Phone: (859) 254-3412
- Transportation: Lextran 21 Bus

With its tranquil setting and lovely stone fences and buildings, this national historic landmark is one of the most genteel and beautiful racetracks in the world. Live Thoroughbred racing takes place in April and October and live Thoroughbred auctions are held several times a year.

### **Kentucky Horse Park**

- 4089 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
- Phone: (859) 233-4303
- Transportation: Lextran 2 Bus then taxi

Dedicated to man's relationship with the horse, the Kentucky Horse Park is unlike any other park in the world -- a showcase of museums, galleries, theaters, and working farm exhibits. Nearly 50 breeds of horses graze upon its 1,200 acres of lush pastures.

### **Red Mile Harness Track**

- 1200 Red Mile Road, Lexington, KY 40504
- Phone: (859) 255-0752
- Transportation: Lextran 12 Bus

The Red Mile is Lexington's oldest existing racetrack, dating to 1875, as well as one of the nation's most respected harness tracks. The nation's largest outdoor Saddlebred horse show is held here each summer.

### **The Thoroughbred Center**

- 3380 Paris Pike, Lexington, KY 40511
- Phone: (859) 293-1853
- Transportation: Lextran 4 Bus then 17 Bus, Lextran 9 Bus then 17 Bus

At this working Thoroughbred training facility, visitors can go behind the scenes to learn about a normal working day in the lives of Thoroughbreds and those who train and care for them. The Center typically houses more than 1,000 horses.

## **Parks and the Outdoors**

### **Legacy Trail**

The Legacy Trail is a 12-mile walking and biking trail and public art venue. The Trail begins in the East End of downtown Lexington, at the Isaac Murphy Memorial Art Garden and runs to the Kentucky Horse Park. Over 8.5 miles of the trail are off-street and fully paved.

For more information, go to <http://mylegacytrail.com/>

### **Lexington Cemetery**

833 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40508

- Phone: (859) 255-5522
- Transportation: Lextran 20 Bus or Lextran 2 Bus

The Lexington Cemetery is nationally recognized as one of America's most beautiful arboretums and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places for landscape design. It is the final resting place for Henry Clay, General John Hunt Morgan and many other distinguished Kentuckians including more than 500 Confederate and 1,100 Union veterans.

### **McConnell Springs**

- 416 Rebmann Lane, Lexington, KY 40504
- Phone: (859) 225-4073
- Transportation: Lextran 12 Bus, Lextran 20 Bus

Originally a campsite for the first settlers in the Bluegrass, this 26-acre nature sanctuary features trails past natural springs, restored limestone fences constructed in the early 1800s, the remains of an historic grist mill and farm, and a quarry from which most of the stone for the buildings on the site was taken. Pioneers camped here named their site 'Lexington' after hearing of the first battle of the Revolutionary War.

### **Raven Run Nature Sanctuary**

- 5888 Jacks Creek Pike, Lexington, KY 40515
- Phone: (859) 272-6105
- Transportation: Taxi

Raven Run is a 726-acre nature sanctuary on the Kentucky River dedicated to the protection of the animals and nearly 400 species of plants found within its boundaries. Eight miles of hiking trails feature meadow, forest and creek ecosystems as well as historic and geologic features of the Kentucky River Palisades.

### **The Arboretum**

- 500 Alumni Drive, Lexington, KY 40503
- Phone: (859) 257-6955
- Transportation: Lextran 14 Bus

Intended as a botanical garden for the entire community and the Commonwealth, the park features a variety of plants and trees with walking and jogging paths.

### **Thoroughbred Park**

- 100 Midland Avenue, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (800) 845-3959
- Transportation: 10-min. walk

This 2.5 acre park dedicated to the Thoroughbred industry contains seven life-size and lifelike bronze racehorses streaking toward the finish line, while broodmares, foals and the great stallion Lexington 'graze' in a nearby field. Jockey greats Randy Romero, Pat Day, Bill Shoemaker, Jerry Bailey, Don Brumfield, Chris McCarron and Craig Perret are all represented.

### **Triangle Park**

- 400 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-4567

- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 20-min. walk

This green space is a hub of activity for chess and backgammon, special events, surfing the net with free WiFi and enjoying the rushing fountains. Outdoor cafe and ice rink are open seasonally.

## **Public Parks and Pools Near Campus**

### **Woodland Aquatic Center**

- 190 Old Park Avenue, in the middle of Woodland Park

### **Castle Wood Aquatic Center**

- 320 Parkview Avenue

### **Woodland Park**

- 601 E. High Street
- Amenities include an outdoor pool, baseball field, basketball court, playground, tennis courts, and a skate park.

### **Castlewood Park**

- 201 Castlewood Drive
- Amenities include a pool, basketball courts, baseball fields, a community center, playground, and tennis courts.

### **Ashland the Henry Clay Estate**

- 120 Sycamore Road
- The historic home of Kentucky Statesman Henry Clay. Tour the mansion, garden, or enjoy the grounds.

### **Gratz Park**

- Near W. Second Street
- Public green space with fountain

## **Movie Theatres**

### **Cinemark Woodhill Movies 10**

- 425 Codell Drive
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus

### **Movie Tavern**

- 133 North Locust Hill
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus or Lextran 11 Bus

### **Regal Cinemas Hamburg 16**

- Star Shoot Parkway
- Transportation: Lextran 10 Bus

### **Cinemark Lexington Movies 8**

- 161 Lexington Green Circle
- Transportation: Lextran 5 Bus

### **Kentucky Theatre**

- 214 East Main Street
- Transportation: 10 min walk

## **Carmike 10**

- 3151 Mapleleaf Drive
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus

## **Cinemark**

- 3800 Mall Road
- Transportation: Lextran 5 Bus

## **Activities**

### **Champs Entertainment Center**

- 297 Ruccio Way
- Transportation: Lextran 5 Bus
- Roller-skating, laser tag, mini golf

### **Lexington Ice Center**

- 560 Eureka Springs Drive
- Transportation: Lextran 11 Bus
- Ice rink is closed for the summer; Mini golf is open

### **Collins Bowling Center**

- 205 Southland Drive
- Transportation: Lextran 5 Bus or Lextran 16 Bus
- Bowling Alley

### **Eastland Bowling Lanes**

- 750 East New Circle Road
- Transportation: Lextran 7 Bus or Lextran 9 Bus
- Bowling Alley

## **Arts**

### **Arts Place**

- 161 North Mill Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 255-2951
- Transportation: Lextran 2 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, or 20 min. walk

Housed in a Beaux Art classical style building dating to 1904, ArtsPlace is a multi-purpose arts center. Headquarters for LexArts, the city's arts and cultural council, it is also home to a number of member arts organizations. An art gallery showcases the works of Central Kentucky artists.

### **Downtown Arts Center**

- 141 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 225-0370

Owned by the city-county government and managed by the local arts council, this building encompasses a cafe, an art gallery and offices as well as performance and rehearsal space.

### **Kentucky Theater**

- 214 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 231-6997
- Transportation: 10-min. walk

This Romanesque-style theater built in 1922 was restored to its original grandeur in 1992. In addition to showing classic, modern and foreign films, the Kentucky Theater hosts a variety of concerts as well as the weekly taping of the syndicated radio show 'WoodSongs Old Time Radio Hour'.

### **Lexington Children's Theatre**

- 418 West Short Street Victorian Square, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 254-4546
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 20-min. walk

Founded in 1938, Lexington Children's Theatre is one of the oldest, continuously operating theatres for young people in the country. Staffed with professional actors, directors, designers and educators, LCT provides quality theatre experiences for as many as 150,000 Kentucky children annually at their home theatre and throughout the state.

### **Lexington Opera House**

- 401 West Short Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-4567
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 20-min. walk

This lovingly restored Lexington landmark is home stage for the 'Broadway Live' series and many local arts groups. Built in 1886, the theatre house seats about 1,000 and includes two balconies including ornate gilded box seating on the sides.

### **Living Arts & Science Center**

- 362 North Martin Luther King Blvd., Lexington, KY 40508
- Phone: (859) 252-5222
- Transportation: 10-min. walk

LASC combines science, art, education, and community service for children and adults. Classes and exhibits are ongoing.

### **Lyric Theatre and Cultural Arts Center**

- 300 East Third Street, Lexington, KY 40508
- Phone: (859) 280-2201
- Transportation: Lextran 9 Bus, 15-min. walk

Originally opened in 1948, the Lyric Theatre was a thriving cultural centerpiece for Lexington's African American families hosting movies, fashion shows and big name acts like Count Basie and Ray Charles. Recently renovated and expanded, the facility hosts shows and exhibits in its theater, museum, gallery and multi-purpose room.

### **UK Singletary Center for the Arts**

- 405 Rose Street, Lexington, KY 40506
- Phone: (859) 257-1706
- Transportation: 5-min. walk

This handsome brick and glass structure serves as a bridge between the University and the community and hosts a variety of arts performances. The Center houses a concert hall, recital hall, reception room, support spaces and the University of Kentucky Art Museum.

### **Kentucky Products**

#### **Alltech's Lexington Brewing Company**

- 401 Cross Street, Lexington, KY 40508
- (859) 255-2337
- Transportation: Lextran 8 Bus

Established in 1794, Alltech's Lexington Brewing Company continues a splendid tradition of quality brewing producing Kentucky Ale, Kentucky Light and Kentucky Bourbon Barrel Ale. The brew hall

viewing area, bottling operations, gift shop and an Irish sampling pub are available for tours. Bus tours and walk-ups invited.

### **Barrel House Distilling Co.**

- 1200 Manchester Street, Lexington, KY 40504
- Phone: (859) 259-0159
- Transportation: Lextran 12 Bus, Lextran 2 Bus, or Lextran 20 Bus

Honoring Lexington's distilling tradition that dates back to the late 1700's, this distillery is located in the old barreling house of the old Pepper Distillery in Lexington's Historic Distillery District. Currently distilling Devil John Moonshine, Pure Blue Vodka and a "yet to be named" bourbon. Tasting room and gift shop.

### **Old Kentucky Chocolates**

- 450 Southland Drive, Lexington, KY 40503
- Phone: (859) 278-4444
- Transportation: Lextran 16 Bus

Old Kentucky Candies has been making candy in the Bluegrass for more than 40 years and is best known for its delicious Bourbon Chocolates and Bourbon Cherries, both made with 100-proof Jim Beam Kentucky Bourbon.

## **Arenas and Stadiums**

### **Lexington Center and Rupp Arena**

- 430 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-4567
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 20-min. walk

This downtown complex includes a hotel, retail center and convention and meeting facilities, a 17,000 square-foot ballroom and an exhibition hall, as well as Rupp Arena, home court of the University of Kentucky Wildcats Basketball Team. Rupp Arena may be viewed from the 2nd floor offices year-round 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### **Whitaker Bank Ballpark**

- 1450 North Broadway, Lexington, KY 40505
- Phone: (859) 422-7867
- Transportation: Lextran 6 Bus

This state-of-the-art stadium is home to Lexington's minor league professional baseball team, the Lexington Legends, and is a premier outdoor concert venue in central Kentucky. They may be a Single A team, but Lexington has quickly embraced their new team in a major league way and the seats are packed for home games.

## **Lexington Institutions**

### **Lexington Central Public Library**

- 140 East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 231-5500
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 15-min. walk

Built in 1989, the Lexington Public Library is a short walk from downtown hotels and adjacent to covered parking, banks and restaurants. The Library Gallery hosts rotating art exhibits. The central rotunda features the largest ceiling clock in the world.

### **Lexington Visitors Center**

- 401 West Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507
- Phone: (859) 233-7299
- Transportation: Lextran 1 Bus, Lextran 6 Bus, 20-min. walk



Starting May 14, 2012, come visit us in Victorian Square for advice on things to see and do in Lexington and the Bluegrass Region. Visitor Information Specialists are standing by to assist you. Pick up the latest Visitor Planning Guide, learn about apps that can help you explore our area, get restaurant suggestions, browse brochures and ask questions!

### **Martin Luther King Jr. Student Center**

- 133 Student Center, Lexington, KY 40506
- Phone: (859) 257-4130
- Transportation: 10-min. walk

On the UK campus, the center offers a relaxed environment where all students of the university can come together to be enriched through diverse cultural exchanges. The center's programming is a vital resource of cultural, educational, and social activities reflective of the diversity at the University of Kentucky.