

experience COLUMBUS

EXPERIENCE COLUMBUS LIKE NEVER BEFORE

Columbus has a host of innovative experiential activities that will excite the most discerning traveler! To make it easy, they are themed: Arts & Culture, Culinary, Gardens, Great Neighborhoods, History, Play Here and Sports. For more details, visit ExperienceColumbus.com/Tours.

CULINARY

Spice it up!



Taste the results as America's most-awarded spicy foods creator John Hard, better known as CaJohn, uses chiles to make mild to fiery cuisine during cooking school at the **North Market**. You can literally taste your way around the North Market on a guided tour where you'll meet local merchants and farmers.

Mary Martineau, 614-463-9664
mmartineau@northmarket.com
Minimum 10, Maximum 50



North Market

Cooking with Chef Tami

Join Tami J. Cecil, a Culinary Institute of America trained chef and the star of Ohio News Network's *Chef Tami* cooking show, for an unforgettable hands-on cooking experience at **Woodhaven Farm**. Create tempting meals from start to finish, and get the recipes so you can make them at home.

Tami Cecil, 614-470-2665
info@woodhavenfarm.com
Minimum 20, Maximum 60

Cheers to you!

Create your own wine from start to finish at **Camelot Cellars** on-premise winery. Begin at the fermentation process, then bottle, cork and even design the label for your own private wine reserve.

Mary Frobose, 614-441-8860
maryf@camelotcellars.com
Minimum 10, Maximum 50

GREAT NEIGHBORHOODS

Wax, wicks and wine



Indulge your senses in **Olde Worthington**. Pick from hundreds of fragrances before pouring your own custom-scented candle at The Candle Lab. Stroll next door to select your favorite bottle at House Wine, *Columbus Monthly's* Best Wine Bar for 2009, after sampling a variety of labels.

Steve Weaver, 614-433-9900, or
Mindy Mace, 614-841-2545, 800-871-3070
info@thecandlelab.com or cvbumace@aol.com
Minimum 10, Maximum 60

Art & soul



Art's not just confined to a canvas in the **Short North Arts District**. Find out how art can be delicious and soothing. Sample hand-churned ice cream with exotic flavors like lime cardamom at Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams and taste foods created by one of the country's most award-winning chefs at Details Minibar & Lounge. Finally, relax with a mini-massage at Mukha Custom Cosmetics & Medi-spa.

Sanito Mendoza, Mukha Custom Cosmetics & Medi-spa, 614-294-7546
smendoza@mukhaspa.com

Jeni Britton, Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams, 614-488-3224, jeni@jenisicecreams.com
Richard Rosendale, Details Minibar & Lounge, 614-298-1301
rosendale1@earthlink.net
Minimum 2-10, Maximum 6-15

Funny name, fun destination



Licking County is the only place in the world where you can explore a 13,000-year-old bog, create a blown glass ornament, fuse glass for a sun catcher, mix herbs and botanicals to create your own tea blends, and enjoy lunch or dinner in an 1860s Gothic Revival home.

Amber Lewis, 740-345-8224, 800-589-8224
alewis@lccvb.com
Minimum 5-15, Maximum 40-50

PLAY HERE

The style in lifestyle



Shopping will never be the same after a trip to **Easton Town Center**. Express your inner artist at Archiver's by creating personalized cards and become a top chef during cooking school at Sur La Table. Start your morning with breakfast at Nordstrom before the store opens for the day, and get expert advice on the must-have fashions of the season.

Bethany Braden, 614-750-0616
bbraden@steiner.com
Minimum 8-15, Maximum 26-50



Archiver's

Get wild

Eat breakfast with the animals at the **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium**, named the No. 1 zoo in the nation by the *USA Travel Guide*. Arrive before the gates open to the public to interact with exotic animals and learn from the experts after enjoying a breakfast buffet.

Roger Dudley, 614-645-3521, 800-MONKEYS
roger.dudley@columbuszoo.org
Minimum 25

Challenge your inner explorer

Journey to an ancient civilization at **COSI Columbus** on an archaeological dig in Adventure, an Indiana Jones like area open exclusively to groups. Discover the science behind games of chance and find out if you really can count cards.

Susan Peters, 614-228-2674 ext. 2542, 888-819-2674
speters@mail.cosi.org
Minimum 15

ARTS & CULTURE

All-access pass **NEW**

Head backstage after a performance by **BalletMet**, one of the largest professional dance companies in the country. Meet the dancers and see the intricate sets and costumes up close.

*Rick Hole, 614-586-8665
rhole@balletmet.org
Minimum 10, Maximum 20-25*



BalletMet

Encore!

Go behind the curtain at Broadway's biggest hits. **Broadway Across America-Columbus** brings the top shows to Columbus. After the show, you'll be treated to an exclusive meet-and-greet with members of the cast.

*Dennis Novak, 614-224-7654 ext. 226
dennis.novak@broadwayacrossamerica.com
Minimum 10 October-July*

Irish is an attitude

Experience the luck of the Irish in **Dublin**. Learn "Riverdance" style steps, enjoy a taste of Old Ireland during a gourmet cooking demonstration and hear Irish folklore and traditional Celtic songs.

*Mary Szymkowiak
614-792-7666, 800-245-8387
marys@irishisanattitude.com*

Strike a cord

Go on stage for an exclusive opportunity to meet one of the world's finest big bands, the **Columbus Jazz Orchestra**. Before the concert, take an all-access tour of the historic Southern Theatre.

*Dave Kelch, 614-294-5200 ext. 11
dkelch@jazzartsgroup.org
Minimum 20, Maximum 50*

GARDENS

Blooms & butterflies

Meet the expert horticulturists at **Franklin Park Conservatory** and find out how to develop your own green thumb. Discover how to attract butterflies to your yard, hear stranger-than-fiction stories about orchids and learn how to tend to everything from exotics to houseplants.

*Jen Lindsey, 614-645-5923, 800-214-PARK
jlindsey@fpconservatory.org
Minimum 15*



Franklin Park Conservatory

Thyme for fun

Discover why **Gahanna** is known as the Herb Capital of Ohio. Savor herb-infused foods and learn how to use herbs to do everything from creating one-of-a-kind herbal teas to culinary treats like herb-infused vinegar and pesto.

*Melanie Schickel, 614-418-9114,
866-GAHANNA
mschickel@visitgahanna.org
Minimum 20, Maximum 75-100*

SPORTS

Play ball!

Experience what life's like in the minors for the **Columbus Clippers**, the Triple-A affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. See the new Huntington Park as only a Clippers player would. Play on the field and explore the players clubhouse.

*Kyle Blizzard, 614-722-1118
kblizzard@clippersbaseball.com
Minimum 12, Maximum 20*

Wager to win

Be a trainer for a day at **Beulah Park**, Ohio's first racetrack. Explore the paddocks and discover what it takes to develop a winning horse through pre-race talks between the jockey and trainer.

*Jessica Hamlin, 614-871-9600 ext. 1304
jhamlin@beulahpark.com
Minimum 10 October-May*

HISTORY

A taste of history

Be a guest at "Miss Emma's Table," named for a local socialite who lived beside the **Ohio Statehouse** in the 1800s. You'll be treated to an old-fashioned boarding-house style meal and meet prominent figures from Ohio's history on a guided tour.

*Barry Hayden
614-728-3726, 888-OHIO-123
bhayden@csrab.state.oh.us
Minimum 20, Maximum 55*

Learn Sophia's secret

Experience living history at the **Kelton House**, a restored Underground Railroad stop filled with original furnishings. "Sophia Kelton" will greet you at the front door and tell you about the family's life in the 1860s.

*Georgianne Reuter, 614-464-2022
keltonhouse@cs.com
Minimum 15, Maximum 50*

Histories mysteries

Experience life during the 1800s in **Ohio Village**. Find out the scoop about the village residents on a Gossip Tour. Figure out "whodunit" at the entertaining "Dickens of a Mystery," one of four original interactive dinner theater shows.

*Mark Holbrook
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Minimum 25, Maximum 80*

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