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Welcome to Family Weekend at Vanderbilt!

This special issue has everything to guide you through your weekend.

Inside you will find a detailed schedule highlighting specific events and info on local restaurants, shopping and attractions.



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EXPLORE NASHVILLE

What's your family doing this weekend? All around campus, options range from tours and a talent show to lectures and lacrosse. If you'd like to venture off campus for a taste of Nashville sightseeing and entertainment this weekend or during your next visit – check out these Music City destinations.

ENTERTAINMENT

Belle Meade Plantation 5025 Harding Pike (615) 356-0501

http://www.bellemeadeplantation.com/

One of the area's first plantations, Belle Meade has been an integral part of local history since the 1790s. It was renowned as a thoroughbred horse farm and was the source of many world-famous horses.

Belmont Mansion 1900 Belmont Blvd.

(615) 460-5459 http://www.belmontmansion.com/

Built in the mid-1800s, this is one of the most elaborate antebellum homes in the South, boasting 36 rooms.

The Bluebird Cafe 4104 Hillsboro Pike (615) 383-1461

http://www.bluebirdcafe.com/

The Bluebird Cafe is a famous Nashville spot where you can hear local singer-songwriters and up-and-coming stars perform seven nights a week. Reservations are essential. Visit their website for a detailed schedule of events.

Centennial Park (615) 862-8431

http://www.nashville.gov/parthenon/

Located on West End Avenue, Centennial is the home of Nashville's Parthenon — a full-size replica of the Greek Parthenon in Athens — that houses art exhibits. It's a great place to run or walk, lie on the lawn and study, or take a picnic.

Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art 1200 Forrest Park Drive (615) 356-8000

http://www.cheekwood.org/

A visit to Cheekwood is a great cultural excursion. As the developers of the Maxwell House coffee blend, the original estate owners played a significant role in Nashville history. The family's mansion now serves as an art museum, and expansive gardens with outdoor sculptures surround the building.

Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum 222 Fifth Ave. S.

(615) 416-2001

http://www.countrymusichalloffame.com/

When you're in Music City, a visit to the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum is a must. The size of one entire city block. this museum houses tons of country memorabilia, including Elvis's 1961 Cadillac.

919 Broadway (615) 244-3340

http://www.fristcenter.org/

As Nashville's premier art museum, the Frist has about 24,000 square feet of gallery space, which houses stunning art from local, state and regional artists, as well as rotating national and international exhibitions. Visit their website to find out about special exhibits.

Bridgestone Arena 501 Broadway

(615) 770-2000 http://www.bridgestonearena.com/

The Bridgestone Arena is a great venue downtown where you might expect to see any event from a rodeo to a music concert or a hockey game. The NHL's Nashville Predators calls the center's ice home. Check out the online calendar of events to find more information about upcoming activities.

The Hermitage 4580 Rachel's Lane

(615) 889-2941 ext. 212 http://www.thehermitage.com/

The former home of Andrew Jackson opened in 1889 as a museum. Visitors can now see The Hermitage, which is comprised of the Jackson home, tomb, gardens, slave quarters and more.

Las Paletas 2907 12th Ave. S. (615) 386-2101

This little hidden treasure boasts delicious homemade popsicles in unusual flavors such as cantaloupe, watermelon, honeydew, cucumber chili, tamarind and caramel. It's a great place to get away from the typical college student scene.

NashTrash Tours 772 Harrison St. (800) 342-2132 or (615) 226-7300

http://www.nashtrash.com/ If you would like a unique look at Nashville, this is it. Led by the Jugg sisters aboard "The Big Pink Bus," the 90-minute NashTrash Tour provides a one-of-a-kind, country-musical, off-color comedy tour that will keep you entertained the whole time.

Nashville Predators (615) 770-2355

http://predators.nhl.com/

The Nashville Predators started playing in 1998. Competing downtown at the Bridgestone Arena, the Predators are only a short car ride away from campus for any hockey fan.

Nashville Sounds Greer Stadium 534 Chestnut St. (615) 690-4487

http://www.nashvillesounds.com/

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Family Weekend

Welcome to Campus Vanderbilt Families!

Be sure to join us this weekend for some of our Signature Events:

Friday, September 16th 3:45-5:30 p.m. "Third Annual Soiree at Sarratt: A VIP Networking Event"

Friday, September 16th 4-8 p.m. Fall for the Arts at The Ingram Commons

Friday, September 16th 9-10 p.m.

Featured Performer: Comedy Magician Justin Kredible, host of Cupcake Wars

Saturday, September 17th 9:15-10:15 a.m. Conversation with the Chancellor

Saturday, September 17th 9:00 a.m. to kickoff Pre-Game Tailgate Picnic

Sunday, September 18th 8:30-11 a.m. Breakfast Buffet

> Be sure to view the full schedule for last minute schedule changes! Enjoy the weekend!











Family Weekend SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 16, 2011	TIME	LOCATION	OTHER INFORMATION
EVENT Registration and Check-In	TIME 10:00 a.m6:00 p.m.	LOCATION Student Life Center, Board of Trust Room	OTHER INFORMATION Pick up your welcome packet, schedule, map and nametags.
Botanical Tours	10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.	Leave from Rand Terrace (Alumni Lawn Side)	Led by Pam Sevy, University Landscape Architect.
Student Recreation Center Tours	10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m.	Student Recreation Center Welcome Desk, 25th Ave. S.	zea s) rum sery, omreisky zamascape memeet
Architectural Tours	11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:00 p.m.	Leave from Rand Terrace (Bookstore Side)	Led by Judson Newbern, Facilities and Environment.
Campus Tours	11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.	Office of Undergraduate Admissions, 2305 West End Ave.	First come, first served.
Career Center Information Table	11:00 a.m1:00 p.m.	Student Life Center, Board of Trust Room	
Parents & Family Programs Volunteer Opportunities Information Table	11:30 a.m2:30 p.m.	Student Life Center, Board of Trust Room	
Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Intersex (LGBTQI) Life Open House	11:30 a.m3:30 p.m.	K.C. Potter Center, 312 West Side Row	Special Friends & Family edition of Friday lunch-time downtime.
Athletics at Vanderbilt: Up Close and In Person	11:30 a.m2:00 p.m.	McGugin Center	"Behind the scenes" view of SEC college athletics
Reading Pictures: Text & Image in Art	12:00 p.m4:00 p.m.	Cohen Memorial Hall (1220 21st Ave S.)	View a selection from the VU Fine Arts Galley Collection
Jummah Prayer	12:30 p.m.	All Faith Chapel (ground floor of the Divinity School)	
Historical Tour	1:00 p.m.	Front steps of Kirkland Hall	Led by Lyle Lankford, University History & Protocol.
Greek Life Panel Discussion	1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	Sarratt Student Center, room 220	Q&A about Greek community
Vanderbilt Commencement 101: Planning Ahead	1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.	Sarratt Student Center, room 189	Overview and Q&A about Commencement event.
Vanderbilt School of Nursing Open House	1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.	Godchaux Hall, Living Room	
Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt	1:00 p.m3:00 p.m.	Children's Hospital	Open tour of 1st and 2nd floors, Questions to Room 2504
Safety on Campus: Vanderbilt Police Department Open	1:00 p.m3:00 p.m.	115 28th Avenue South (Next to Police Headquarters)	* Shuttle from Student Life Center 12:45 p.m.— 3:15 p.m.
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FACULTY LECTURES: School of Engineering	1:30 p.m2:20 p.m.	Sarratt Cinema	"Solar Energy Conversion Inspired by Nature's Engineering"
Blair Arts and Science Peabody	1:30 p.m2:20 p.m. 2:40 p.m3:30 p.m.	Student Life Center, Ballroom C Sarratt Cinema Student Life Center, Ballroom C	"Musical Variation & Meaning in Contrasting Recordings of Supersta "Andean Mummies, Ancient Artifacts, & Vanderbilt Students" "Narrative Leadership: Reflections on the Transformative
· ·	2:40 p.m3:30 p.m.	Judent Life Centel, Daniouni C	Power of W.S. Churchill & M. L. King Jr"
Global Education Office and International Student and Scholar Services Open House	2:00 p.m3:30 p.m.	Student Life Center	International Suite 103
Owen Graduate School of Management Information Table	2:30 p.m5:00 p.m.	Student Life Center	Board of Trust Room
Dean of The Ingram Commons Open House for first —year parents and families	3:00 p.m4:00 p.m.	Dean's Residence at The Ingram Commons	Hosted by Frank Wcislo, dean of The Ingram Commons, and Jane Wcislo
Third Annual Soiree at Sarratt: A VIP Networking Event	3:45 p.m5:30 p.m.	Sarratt Student Center: Third Floor *Parents must be pre-registered and check in at 3:15	Industry professional panel shares experiences, takes questions, and meets with students to network.
COLLEGE AND SCHOOL GATHERINGS:		rucino muse de pre registerea ana encentratos. 15	questions, and meets with students to network.
Blair School of Music College of Arts & Science	4:00 p.m5:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m5:00 p.m.	Turner Recital Hall Sarratt Cinema	Meet deans, faculty, and parents of different schools within the university.
Peabody College School of Engineering	4:00 p.m5:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m5:00 p.m.	Student Life Center, Ballroom C	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Fall for the Arts at The Ingram Commons	4:00 p.m8:00 p.m.	Featheringill Hall, Adams Atrium The Commons Center and lawn	Come see student dance, music, & theater performances,
	4:30 p.m7:00 p.m. Dinner	No. 1 Control of the	original artwork, and have a delicious meal.
Vanderbilt Men's Lacrosse: Black vs. Gold	5:30 p.m7:00 p.m.	Natchez Field	Come watch the first scrimmage of the season.
Hillel Shabbat services & dinner	5:30 p.m. services; 6:30 p.m. Dinner	Schulman Center for Jewish Life	
Athenian Sing	7:30 p.m8:45 p.m.	Langford Auditorium	Student talent show \$10/per person at the Sarratt Box Office with a student ID
Family Weekend Featured Performance	9:00 p.m10:00 p.m.	Langford Auditorium	Justin Kredible, host of Cupcake Wars and comedy magician. *first come, first served
SATURDAY, SEPT. 17, 201	1		
EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	OTHER INFORMATION
Vanderbilt Siblings Admissions Breakfast	8:00 a.m10:00 a.m.	Student Life Center, Board of Trust Room	Pre-Registration Required. SOLD OUT
Registration and Check-in Continues	8:30 a.m12:00 p.m.	Student Life Center, Ballroom C	Nametags are required for entry to most Family Weekend
Families of Residential Education Staff Brunch	8:30 a.m10:00 a.m.	Branscomb Music Room	events.
Come on Along: Lamar Alexander's	All day	Alexander Heard Central Library and Special Collections	Visit the newly renovated Central Library and view the
Journey as Governor Exhibit Conversation with the Chancellor	9:15 a.m10:15 a.m.	Student Life Center, Ballrooms A and B	exhibits.
Pregame Tailgate Picnic	9:00 a.mkickoff	Olin Lawn	
Hillel Bagel Tailgate	9:00 a.mkickoff	Schulman Center for Jewish Life	
Wesley/Canterbury Fellowship and Presbyterian	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	St. Augustine's Chapel, 200 24th Ave.	
Student Fellowship Tailgate			
Army/ Navy ROTC Tailgate Breakfast	9:30 a.mkickoff	1114 19th Avenue South	
Band Parent Weekend			Must register. Call Cindi Gallagher at (615) 343-BAND
Vanderbilt vs. Ole Miss	Kickoff: 11:21 a.m.	Vanderbilt Stadium	For ticket information call (877) 448-2639, \$50/person
Discover Nashville Gray Line bus tours	Departing at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.	Gray Line Bus Tours	To book, call (800) 251-1864, Length: 3.5hrs, \$45/person
Reading Pictures: Text and Image in Art	1:00 p.m5:00 p.m.	Cohen Memorial Hall, 1220 21st Ave. S.	View a selection from the VU Fine Arts Galley Collection
Musical Havdalah Party for students and families	8:30 p.m9:30 p.m.	Chabad House, 436 Village at Vanderbilt	
SUNDAY, SEPT. 18, 2011			
EVENT Regarded Ruffet for Parents and Families of All Students	**TIME 8:30 a m = 11:00 a m	LOCATION Student Life Center Commodore Ballroom	OTHER INFORMATION Grandparents at this event will receive a special gift
Breakfast Buffet for Parents and Families of All Students	8:30 a.m11:00 a.m.	Student Life Center, Commodore Ballroom	Grandparents at this event will receive a special gift.
Vanderbilt University Dance Marathon 2nd Annual "5K For the Kids"	9:30 a.m. —One-mile Fun Run 10:00 a.m.— 5K	Olin Lawn, Corner of 25th Ave. and Jess Neely Dr.	Help benefit the Monroe Carrell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt and Childen's Miracle Network. Pre-register \$20/ Morning of: \$25 Fun-run \$10
ON-CAMPUS RELIGIOUS SERVICES: Episcopal and United Methodist Worship Vanderbilt Catholic Mass	9:30 a.m10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m12:30 p.m.	If interested, please visit www.vanderbilt.edu/religiouslife Benton Chapel Benton Chapel	Following mass, a picnic will be held in the Refectory in the Divinity School
Chabad Open House	10:00 a.m.	Chabad House, 436 Village at Vanderbilt	
Hillel Brunch	11:00 a.m.	Schulman Center for Jewish Life	
Reading Pictures: Text and Image in Art	1:00 p.m5:00 p.m.	Cohen Memorial Hall, 1220 21st Ave. S.	View a selection from the VU Fine Arts Galley Collection

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1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Reading Pictures: Text and Image in Art

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The Belcourt Theatre

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http://www.belcourt.org/

Located in Hillsboro Village, the Belcourt

Theatre is a non-profit venue for indepen-

dent and classic films, music performances

and other events. Along with new releases,

the Belcourt also exhibits classic and cult

films, so check the schedule on its website

often. The Belcourt offers a student dis-

BELCOURT

2102 Belcourt Ave.

(615) 383-9140

Regal Hollywood 27

719 Thompson Lane

(615) 298-3445

3815 Green Hills Village Drive (615) 269-5910

The Regal theaters are the closest multi-

plex theaters to campus. The Green Hills cinema is a bit more upscale but has fewer screens and less seating. Hollywood 27 has more space and offers more choices.

SHOPPING

Target

26 White Bridge Road

To get to Target, head down West End Avenue away from downtown for about three miles and turn right on White Bridge Road, then look for the store on the right.

The Mall at Green Hills 2126 Abbott Martin Road

At the closest mall to campus, you'll find Express, The Gap, J.Crew and Banana Republic alongside higher-end clothing boutiques such as bebe, Betsey Johnson and

Caché. Nordstrom is opening this weekend to eager Nashville shoppers. To get to Green Hills, just head south down 21st Avenue away from campus and you'll see it on your right after about three miles.

Hill Center Green Hills 4015-4031 Hillsboro Pike

(615) 252-8101 http://hillcentergreenhills.com

Located off Hillsboro Pike in Green Hills, afew blocks south of Green Hills Mall, The Hill Center is a relaxed sidewalk shopping experience with boutiques, national retailers and restaurants. Spend a morning browsing Anthropologie, Billy Reid or Merrell. Grab lunch at California Pizza Kitchen or Pei Wei Asian Diner. You can even take your grocery list along in case you have time to visit Whole Foods Market. Pick up some dorm accessories at West Elm and your trip is rounded out nicely.

Boutique Bella

2817 West End Ave. (in Park Place shopping center)

Boutique Bella specializes in high fashion for the collegiate crowd. There's a huge assortment of jeans by Juicy Couture, Marc by Marc Jacobs, Blue Cult, Red Engine and other high-end brands, and a diverse selection of club clothes, lingerie, jewelry and accessories.

Pangaea 1721 21st Ave. S.

Pangaea offers comfortable, earthy clothing, interesting jewelry and many novelty items that are kitschy and fun. The store has a natural, worldly vibe and offers brands such as Free People and Beau Bois. Their casual dresses and skirts, along with the selection of unique items to decorate your dorm room, make it a great place to shop close to campus.

Cumberland Transit 2807 West End Ave.

For the more outdoorsy and athletic types, Cumberland Transit is the place to go for biking, hiking, camping and other sporting supplies. They also have a great selection of The North Face, Patagonia, Mountain Hardwear and Marmot outerwear.

MUSIC VENUES

Everyone knows Nashville is Music City, but it's not all cowboy hats and steel guitars — a wide variety of live music can be enjoyed at some fine venues throughout the



the AAA affiliate of the Milwaukee Brewers. Tickets are affordable and available online, and the stadium is close to campus.

Nashville Symphony Schermerhorn Symphony Center 1 Symphony Place

http://www.nashvillesymphony.org/

With more than 200 annual performances, the Nashville Symphony appeals to a wide variety of audiences with classical, pop and children's series concerts. The internationally acclaimed design and acoustics of the center are another reason to attend. Visit their website for a full schedule of all performances.

The Nashville Zoo at Grassmere 3777 Nolensville Road (615) 833-1534

http://www.nashvillezoo.org/

An afternoon trip to the zoo can be fun for kids of any age. See more than 350 animals including Bengal tigers, elephants, zebras and meerkats. The zoo also features a jungle gym, petting zoo and a working historic farm.

Tennessee Titans LP Field 1 Titans Way (615) 565-4200

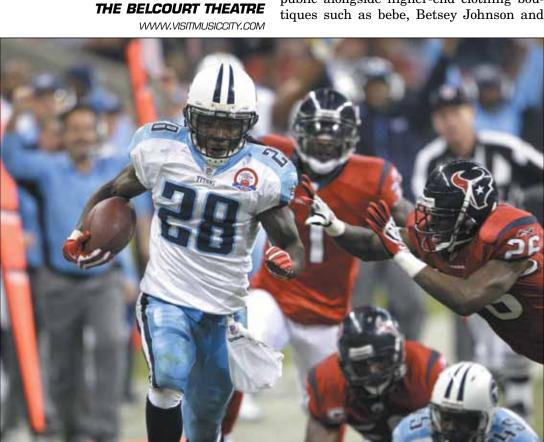
http://www.titansonline.com/

Any football fan will enjoy a trip to LP Field to see the Nashville team work its magic. Football is a big deal in Nashville, and the Titans have been selling out since relocating here from Houston (where they were known as the Oilers). If you can find someone unloading his or her tickets for a game, it'll be worth it.

Wildhorse Saloon 120 2nd Ave. N. (615) 902-8200

http://www.wildhorsesaloon.com/

The Wildhorse Saloon provides a fun experience for any group of friends. Entertainment begins at 6 p.m. most nights, and if you're under 21, arrive before 10 p.m. or you won't be admitted. The Wildhorse has expanded from its pure country roots to include a regular stream of rock acts, from Ringo Starr to Pat Benatar to Hootie & the Blowfish, but it's still the home of country line dancing. Check it out for a show or for dancing.



Chris Johnson (28) and the Tennessee Titans play the Baltimore Ravens at noon on Sunday at LP field. DAVID PHILLIP/ AP IMAGES



city. Be sure to check the age requirements before going to a venue because there's nothing like waiting in line for 30 minutes to find out it's a 21-and-up show when you're only 18.

The End 2219 Elliston Place (615) 321-4457

Some of the best Nashville bands play at The End. The venue has a punk-rock vibe, and can get a bit crowded for big shows, sometimes uncomfortably so, but with the right music, you won't mind. If your favorite indie act hasn't hit the big time yet, there's a chance you might catch them at The End if they come to town. When a popular band has been booked, be sure to get there early, as The End doesn't sell advanced tickets.

Exit/In 2208 Elliston Place (615) 321-3340

http://www.exitin.com/

Across the street from The End is the slightly larger Exit/In. The bigger size means the Exit/In usually books acts that are a bit more mainstream than ones vou'll find at The End. The vibe here is a bit more classic rock, with more emphasis on rock 'n' roll than experimentation. Nothing is hard and fast, though, and that new indie pop band might make its way to Exit/In if it can bring in enough fans.

Mercy Lounge 1 Cannery Row (615) 251-3020

http://www.mercylounge.com/

The Mercy Lounge plays up the hipster vibe with a well-decorated interior and a lineup of popular indie acts, but it never takes itself too seriously. The laid-back atmosphere attracts a somewhat older crowd than the pair of Elliston venues. Though you can catch some great local virtuosos here, the hipster factor can sometimes get in the way of just enjoying the show.

Ryman Auditorium 116 5th Ave. N. (615) 889-3060

http://www.ryman.com/

Poets and pickers like Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen, Neil Young, Keith Richards, and Jack White have marveled at the acoustic perfection of this old tabernacle that used to house the Grand Ole Opry for decades. It is the perfect venue for any type of show, and during the winter months, the

Opry returns here for its performances. When there's not a concert in progress, check out the museum and tour.

Grand Ole Opry 2804 Opryland Drive (615) 871-6779

http://www.opry.com/

With its first broadcast in 1925, the Grand Ole Opry is the world's longest running live radio program. It can still be heard live on the WSM station. It is also Nashville's most famous music venue.

DINING

Boscos 1805 21st Ave. S.

(615) 385-0050 http://www.boscosbeer.com/

Menu: American Price: \$6-25 Dress: Casual

Although the front of the building appears small, Boscos is a deep restaurant with the capacity to seat many. Tall ceilings and massive, rella cheese. contemporary light fixtures add to

the modern, converted-warehouse atmosphere of the restaurant. The no-frills bar at the restaurant front serves Boscos' award-winning beer. Appetizers are plentiful, with large portions to share. Boscos is known for their handmade wheat-crust pizza, baked in a brick oven. The Jamaican Pizza takes a Caribbean favorite of jerk shrimp and combines it with scallions, peppers and fresh mozza-

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Country music star Trace Adkins thanks the crowd as he exits the Grand Ole Opry stage. Although the Grand Ole Opry helped make Ryman Auditorium famous, it is now performed at its new venue just east of Nashville near the Gaylord Opryland Hotel.

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Menu: Southern Price: Small plates \$5-10, large plates \$10-15

Cabana melds a sleek, trendy atmosphere with trademarked "Casual Southern Comfort Cuisine." The namesake cabanas line the hall, converting into private rooms for you and seven friends. Reservations are recommended for cabanas, so call ahead. The menu features a unique take on pub mainstays with a nod toward Dixie roots, including an unconventional rendition of Tennessee sliders with sweet potato biscuits and chicken or ham. Grilled seafood dishes, customizable pizzas, vegetarianfriendly Soysage and pasta entrees are also available. The cuisine showcases local and organic ingredients, and the kitchen serves a full menu until 2 a.m.

Caffe Nonna 4427 Murphy Road (615) 463-0133 http://www.caffenonna.com/ Menu: Italian Price: \$15-20 Dress: Casual

At this cozy Italian eatery, wooden tables and a tiny bar adorn the simply furnished but warm interior and small adjoining patio. Pleasant servers bring baskets of freshly baked Tuscan bread as you peruse the menu and formidable wine list. The menu is small but varied, offering classic trattoria appetizers and a variety of enormous salads. Mix-and-match pasta options permit combining your favorite pasta with a plethora of sauces and vegetable and meat toppings. The highly recommended Seafood Angelina comes with generous portions of mussels, shrimp, scallops and clams.

The Loveless Cafe 8400 Highway 100 (615) 646-9700 http://www.lovelesscafe.com/ Menu: Southern Price: \$10-20 **Dress: Casual**

A great place to go with a large group of family or friends, The Loveless Cafe has been serving traditional comfort food in a distinctly Southern atmosphere since fanciful fare.

1951. The Loveless is nationally acclaimed and serves up Nashville's favorite scratch biscuits. In addition, there are a variety of unique shops occupying the former motel grounds around the cafe.

Monell's 1235 6th Ave. N. (615) 248-4747 http://www.monellstn.com/ Menu: Southern, Meat-and-Three Price: \$10-20 Dress: Casual

Monell's is located in the historic Germantown neighborhood. Don't forget your manners while you get to know your fellow diners because Monell's serves a family-style feast to tables of 12. Menus have no bearing here because all patrons are lavished with the same hearty dishes of Southern cuisine. You may need to pace yourself; this culinary tour is brought out in flights, and you will not want to exempt yourself from any of what they have to offer.

The Pancake Pantry 1796 21st Ave. S. (615) 383-9333 http://www.thepancakepantry.com/ Menu: Breakfast and lunch Price: \$10-20 Dress: Casual

The Pancake Pantry begins to bustle every morning of the week at 6 a.m. They serve a huge variety of pancakes, as well as other breakfast and lunch foods. You will wait a while to be seated, especially on weekends, but the staff generally knows how to move people through the line quickly.

Park Cafe 4403 Murphy Rd. (615) 383-4409 http://www.parkcafenashville.com/ Menu: International fusion Price: \$15-30 **Dress: Snappy Casual**

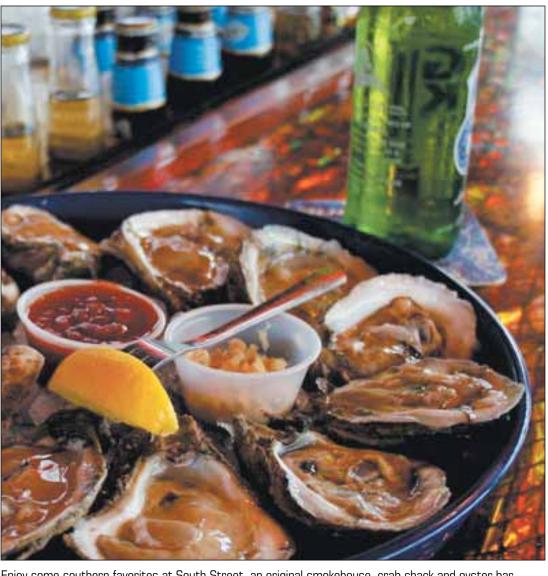
This wildly eclectic restaurant fuses diverse cuisines ranging from Asian to Cajun, and most other countries spanning the globe between. The chef pays great attention to the visual presentation of each dish; each plate is multihued and painstakingly arranged. The scallops with coconut rice are huge and perfectly finished. The ambience matches the food, with the dining space split into small rooms of sevSole Mio 311 3rd Ave. S. (615) 256-4013 http://www.solemionash.com/ Menu: Italian Price: \$12-24

Dress: Snappy casual to formal

Ample spacing between tables and cordial servers support Sole Mio's intimate nature. The restaurant is decorated with bright, colorful murals, and the best of Italian opera serenades you as you dine. A heavy Northern Italian style permeates the dishes, with different types of robust tomato and heavy cream sauces; eight pasta dishes can be mixed with the sauces. In this case, the most traditional dishes are the best: Tortellini with a simple tomato and sausage sauce beats all expectations. The veal marsala and penne with the simple tomato sauce boasts two contrasting flavors that will keep you on your toes.

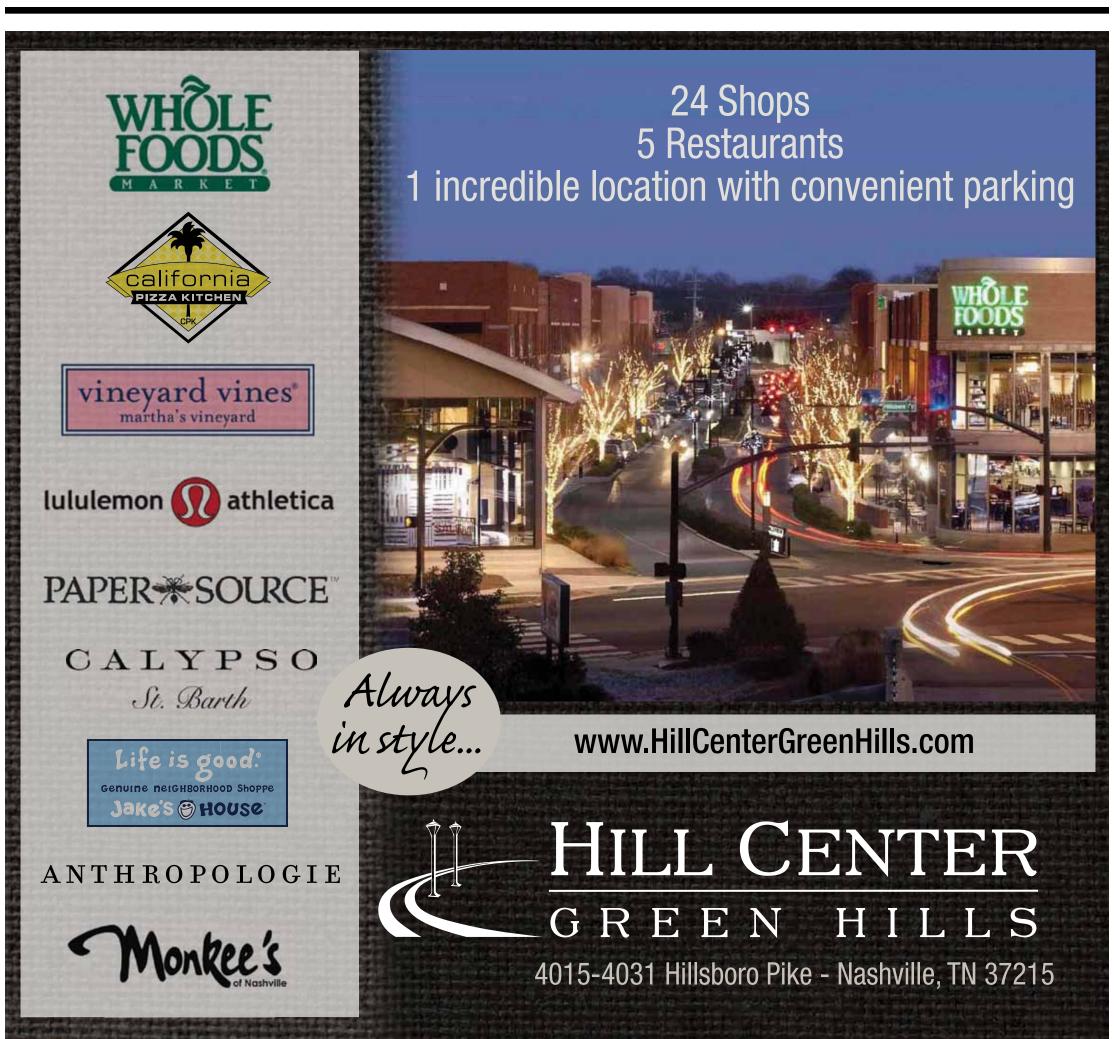
South Street 907 20th Ave S. (615) 320-5555 http://www.pansouth.net/southstreet/ Menu type: Southern Price Range: \$6-25

South Street offers a neighborhood atmosphere that keeps Nashvillians coming back. Decorated as a tree house, it can only be described as eclectic. The menu is broad, featuring seafood, barbecue, various sandwiches and a list of daily specials, including pumped chicken and pulled pork. The baby back ribs are St. Louis-style, so they are not dripping in sauce. Can't decide what you want? South Street offers a sampler platter (\$35.95 or \$62.95) of their favorites to be split between two or four diners, but it could feed more. ★



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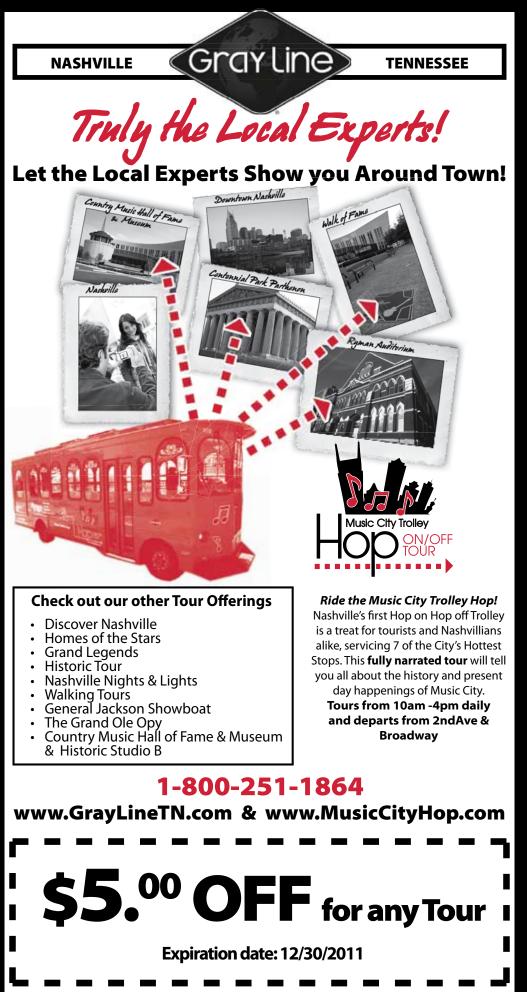
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