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June 5, 2023: Transportation Options for In-Town Nashville (once you arrive from the airport or by car)

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Hello, BlueShoe/CMA Music Fest 2023 travelers:

It's CMA Fest week and you'll be arriving in Nashville shortly (if you're not already here). We wanted to give you information on how to get around downtown, including transportation through the CMA Shuttle. You should have received an earlier email from BlueShoe (dated April 26) regarding Nashville transportation options from the airport to downtown; if not, you can access all previous BlueShoe group emails by clicking HERE and looking at the entry dated April 26, 2023.

Regarding in-town transportation: first of all, to give you a bird's eye view of the Festival layout, we've attached a map provided by the CMA Fest that shows the sites of festival stages and venues, downtown streets, downtown landmarks, and CMA shuttle stops. Second, we've created a Google map that has all of Nashville's partner hotels marked along with all the major venues of the 2023 Festival. You can see it here: https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/edit?
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The Google map is zoomable so you can enlarge your perspective (or make it smaller) by hitting on the + or - signs. There is a legend on the left and you can click on any item (such as Nissan Stadium) to bring it up on the map. You can also click on the icons on the map itself to open a window that describes what is there (The Hermitage Hotel, for example)

CMA Fest Shuttles

Your CMA Fest pass will gain you admittance to the Festival shuttles that run in a loop from certain downtown locations and Nissan Stadium. The Festival shuttle does not stop at particular hotels. Access to daily and nightly CMA Fest shuttles is **only open to four-day pass holders** (which you will be, as a BlueShoe hotel/ticket package holder). Every stop is ADA accessible. For full details, please see the CMA's web page: https://cmafest.com/transportation/.

Below is a list of the shuttle stops as specified on the CMA's website. We've attached a map to this email called **CMA Shuttle Map** that gives context for the CMA shuttle stops. Please see the image below of shuttle stop icons; these are featured on the attached map so you can easily see where the daytime and nighttime shuttles can be accessed. The map also indicates where you can find water stations and info booths.



Daytime Shuttle Stop Locations (8:30 AM - 8:00 PM)

Fan Fair X (Music City Center): on 6th Ave S at Demonbreun

Bridgestone Arena Plaza: on Broadway between Rep John Lewis Way and 6th Ave S

Walk of Fame / Fan Alley: on 4th Ave S between Broadway and Demonbreun St

Near Riverfront Stage: at the intersection of Broadway and 2nd Ave

Nissan Stadium: on Russell St between S 2nd St and S 1st St near Parking Lot A

Nighttime Shuttle Stop Locations (8:00 PM - 1:00 AM)

Nissan Stadium: Pickup only on Russell St between S 2nd St and S 1st St near Parking Lot A

2nd Ave N: on 2nd Ave between Commerce St and Church St

Commerce St: on Commerce St between Rep John Lewis Way and 4th Ave N

Public Transportation

Nashville's WeGo public transit system can help you get where you want to go at an affordable rate. With routes that circulate throughout Nashville, WeGo offers you an opportunity to explore popular areas of Nashville, including downtown, Germantown, Midtown, Music Row, 12South, the Gulch, and East Nashville. Rates start at \$2.00 for a 2-hour pass, \$4.00 for an all-day pass, and \$20.00 for a 7-day pass. Discounts are available for youth (ages 19 and younger) and seniors (ages 65 and older). Fares can be purchased through QuickTicket and can be accessed through a smartphone app. More info is available by clicking HERE. The WeGo website has a helpful trip planner feature that enables you to find the best bus route for your needs by entering your starting location and intended destination.

Bus routes, including the WeGo bus to and from the airport, begin and end at the WeGo Central Bus Station, located downtown at the <u>corner of 4th Ave N and Charlotte Blvd</u>.

Micro transportation

A number of "micro transportation" companies operate in Nashville, including <u>Joy Ride</u>. The vehicles used are beefed-up golf carts that specialize in a lower cost option for three- to five-minute rides. The carts are designed to convey tourists in heavily trafficked areas (the idea was actually born during the CMA Fest several years ago and was so successful the companies expanded and now offer services all year long.)

Taxis

There are numerous taxis readily available on the streets of downtown Nashville and at the hotels.

Rideshare

For those planning on using rideshares (such as Uber and Lyft), the CMA outlines where pickup and drop-off points are for the nightly concerts at Nissan Stadium. This year, the pickup and drop-off points are as follows:

North Side of Korean Veterans Blvd from 1st Ave to 7th Ave

7th Ave N from Broadway to Commerce St

Woodland St between S 1st St and S 2nd St

Sylvan St between 2nd St and Crutcher St

Old Town Trolley Bus

The Old Town Trolley Tours offers a convenient way to get around Music City while learning about Nashville at the same time. The trolley travels on a continuous loop, making stops along the way. You can hop on and off while enjoying a narrative tour by a local historian on the trolley. Some of the stops include the most popular attractions in Nashville, including the Ryman Auditorium, Centennial Park (home of the Nashville Parthenon), the Nashville Farmers' Market, the Gulch, and more. This year, a coupon code is available for BlueShoe clients. Click HERE for info about accessing your coupon code and booking your tour.

That's all for now. Hope you are growing excited about your pending visit to Nashville. We're looking forward to welcoming you to our lovely city.

