Florida State University OLLI presents...

America's Music Cities
featuring New Orleans, Memphis & Nashville

October 30 – November 6, 2016

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8 Days • 11 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

Per Person Rates:

**Double** $2,919

Single $3,639; Triple $2,889

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Tallahassee Municipal, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of $205 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

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**Highlights...** French Quarter, Choice of French Quarter Walking Tour or Panoramic Tour of New Orleans, New Orleans School of Cooking, Swamp Tour, Graceland, Grand Ole Opry Show & Backstage Tour, Historic RCA Studio B, Ryman Auditorium, Country Music Hall of Fame

Day 1: Sunday, October 30, 2016 New Orleans, Louisiana - Tour Begins Step back in time on a cultural getaway that opens in the “Jazz Capital of the World” – New Orleans! This soulful city abounds with rich history, mouthwatering Cajun and Creole cuisine, and an incomparable soundtrack.

Day 2: Monday, October 31, 2016 Choose French Quarter Walking Tour or Motorcoach Tour of New Orleans Today the choice is yours. Enjoy a walking tour of New Orleans’ famous French Quarter where you’ll see the majestic St. Louis Cathedral, one of the city’s most recognizable landmarks. Continue to the bustling French Marketplace where you’ll explore Pirates Alley, the Cabildo, the Presbytere and the Pontalba. Stop to taste a true New Orleans favorite – beignets at Café Du Monde. Or, set out on a panoramic motorcoach tour of New Orleans with a local guide. Begin along historic Esplanade Avenue. See St. Louis Cemetery #3 which opened in 1854 and holds some of the most elaborate crypts found in the city’s cemeteries. Then, relax during a drive along the shoreline of Lake Pontchartrain. This romantic road eventually leads to St. Charles Avenue, whisking you past gorgeous mansions as well as Tulane and Loyola, two world-famous universities. Tonight, roll up your sleeves and prepare to discover how to cook New Orleans-style! During a unique cooking demonstration at the New Orleans School of Cooking, your chef will indulge you in everything that Louisiana cuisine has to offer. *(B, D)*

Day 3: Tuesday, November 1, 2016 French Quarter Journey through Louisiana’s swamp on a cruise* narrated by your captain. Learn about the history and ecology of this fascinating ecosystem while keeping an eye out for wildlife including bald eagles, herons, turtles and alligators!
You’ll also see houses (accessible only by boat) of the local Cajuns who have made their homes here in the bayous. Return to New Orleans and spend the remainder of the afternoon at leisure to discover this great city your way. (B, D)

Day 4: Wednesday, November 2, 2016
New Orleans - Memphis, Tennessee
Travel north to Memphis, the birthplace of the Blues, Rock ‘n’ Roll and Soul. Upon arrival, immerse yourself in Memphis’ award-winning Central BBQ restaurant. Central BBQ has been ranked the #1 BBQ in Memphis since 2005. Tonight’s dinner truly captures the Memphis cuisine. (B, D)

Day 5: Thursday, November 3, 2016
Memphis
This morning, embark on a one-of-a-kind tour of the city of Memphis. Local musicians board the coach and tell the story of Memphis’ musical heritage and history as you view the city’s many highlights...you may even be tempted to sing along! Then, don your blue suede shoes when you visit Graceland, the palatial home of Elvis Presley. Enter Elvis’ 14-acre estate and visit his home, original business office, trophy building and the Meditation Garden, where Elvis and members of his family have been laid to rest. The remainder of your day is free to enjoy this city’s vast musical offerings on your own. Dance to the live music that may fill the open air or spend the evening exploring Beale Street’s vibrant musical clubs! (B)

Day 6: Friday, November 4, 2016
Memphis - Nashville
Journey to the “Music Capital of the World” – Nashville. A local guide will share the history and lore of Music City during a sightseeing tour where you will view the State Capitol, Music Row and the Parthenon - a full replica of the Athenian original! This evening, take your reserved seat at the renowned Grand Ole Opry**. What began as a building where a local radio broadcast show aired once a week in 1925 has grown to become an entertainment complex that attracts music fans from all over the world. After the show, take a behind-the-scenes look at the music during a backstage tour of the Opry! Next, discover the history and learn about the operations of the show during a talk with the Grand Ole Opry staff. (B)

Day 7: Saturday, November 5, 2016
Nashville
Your day begins with a tour of the historic RCA Studio B for an up-close look at Nashville’s oldest remaining record studio where Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton and Charlie Pride once recorded some of their classic hits. Learn the secrets of how each artist recorded their chart-topping music in this famous studio, where you may even have the opportunity to record your own hit! Next, visit the old Ryman Auditorium***. Later, explore the Country Music Hall of Fame, the largest museum of popular music in the world. The museum’s vast collections of memorabilia, costumes, recordings and instruments are artfully presented in cutting-edge exhibits relaying the colorful histories of country music and its artists. Learn about the Hatch Show Print, the original printer of the concert flyer for famous country musicians, and have the opportunity to see how they are still printed today. (B, D)

Day 8: Sunday, November 6, 2016
Nashville - Tour Ends
As your journey comes to a close, return home with a wealth of memories that will have you humming a new tune. (B)

Itinerary at a glance
Days 1 – 3 Sheraton New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana
Days 4, 5 Sheraton Memphis Convention Center, Memphis, Tennessee

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/703441. You can also find this information on your tour documents.
Experience It! New Orleans School of Cooking

It's time for fun and cooking! Gather in the heart of the French Quarter to learn the secrets of Cajun and Creole cooking. This zesty style of cuisine is highlighted by the local seafood and has influences from the French, Spanish and African cultures. Your chef will dazzle your senses as you discover the unique flavors that make New Orleans' cuisine so unique. Learn about the Cajun culture and how to create such exciting dishes as gumbo, jambalaya and pralines. Cap off this entertaining evening by tasting the delicious creations. Take some time to browse in the Louisiana General Store to stock up on their Cajun and Creole products, cookbooks, spices, gift baskets and cookware.

Please Note:
To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at prescheduled times.

*In cases of severe inclement weather, a panoramic New Orleans city tour by motorcoach will be substituted in place of the swamp tour.
**The Grand Ole Opry moves to the Ryman Auditorium during the months of November and December. When this occurs, the backstage tour of the Opry will not be included.
***On some dates, the Old Ryman Auditorium may be closed for special events.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions. Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of $250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of April 22, 2016 are based upon availability. Final payment due by August 31, 2016. Please note: deposits are fully refundable up until April 29, 2016, after that date certain charges apply.

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† Full credit is valid for travel within 12 months of the original trip. $100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months and the entire credit expires after 24 months.