



CHARLESTON *Illinois*

VISITORS GUIDE

CHARLESTON

HOME OF EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Charleston Tourism Office

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A warm welcome from the community members of Charleston, Illinois!

Charleston is full of family fun, rich in Lincoln history and waiting for you to explore! Whether your stay is for pleasure or business, Charleston's atmosphere is a perfect blend of historic past, modern culture and progressive growth.

Just six miles east of Interstate 57, Charleston is centrally located about two hours northeast of St. Louis, two hours west of Indianapolis and three hours south of Chicago.

Explore

There is something for everyone to enjoy all year long! Choose from modern art, local specialty stores, Lincoln State Historical Sites and recreational activities. Eastern Illinois University provides a diverse array of entertainment opportunities from college football games to symphony performances.

Charleston's square features a late 19th century Romanesque courthouse, restaurants and unique shops. The downtown square also sets the backdrop for large-scale murals depicting Charleston's past.

Relax

Offering plenty of lodging with hotels, bed & breakfasts and camping sites, Charleston is a great location to spend the night while you explore surrounding communities. Day trips to Amish Country in Arcola, the winery in Greenup and Lake Shelbyville are each only 30 minutes away!

Satisfy

When it comes time to enjoy a meal, Charleston offers a wide variety of restaurants that are sure to please everyone's palate. Diverse dining choices include fine dining, family sit-downs, fast food, coffee shops, Mexican, Asian buffets and pizzerias.

We hope you enjoy your visit to Charleston!

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Annual Events



Charleston offers a wide variety of special events throughout the year. For a full listing of events, please visit: www.charlestontourism.org

February

Mid-winter Classic

Carl Sandburg School

Get ready to run a 5K/10K/15K race. Sun, rain or snow.
www.charlestonchallengeduathlon.com

May

18th Street Block Party

18th Street, Charleston

A celebration of spring with food/crafts, "kid-friendly" activities, live music, and shopping.
Facebook - **18th Street Block Party**

Races for All Paces

Sarah Bush Lincoln, Rt 16

Join in the fun from a Diaper Dash all the way up to a Half Marathon! There is a race that is just right for everyone in the family! www.sarahbush.org/races

18th Street Farmers Market

825 18th Street, Charleston

Vendors offer fresh produce, flowers and plants, handcrafted items, baked goods and more. Facebook - **18th Street Farmers Market**

IHSA Girls State Badminton Championship

EIU Campus, Lantz Gym

Over 70 schools competing. www.ihsa.org

IHSA Girls State Track & Field Championship
EIU's O'Brien Stadium

Class A & AA Track Meet. Over 500 schools competing.
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IHSA Boys State Track & Field Championship
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What will "Ewe" Make Today?

Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site

Join us for a hands-on adventure in the many uses of wool and other natural fibers. Interpreters will be on the farm to teach both children and adults the skills used to create wool items, from prepping the raw wool all the way to crafting items. www.lincolnlogcabin.org

June

Tour de Charleston - Illinois

Downtown Charleston Square

Tour Charleston on a 12.5, 25, or 50 mile bike ride!
Facebook - **Tour de Charleston - Illinois**

MuseFest

Downtown Charleston Square

Arts & Crafts Festival, Music, Food & Fun!
Facebook - **MuseFest**

Corn Belt Shrine Club & Tractor Pull

Coles County Fairgrounds

Enjoy the truck and tractor pull while raising money for a great cause. www.itpapulling.com

Farmers' Market On the Square

Downtown Charleston Square

Every Wednesday, 6 a.m. to 11 a.m., June thru October
Support our local farmers and craftsmen selling home-grown produce, baked goods, hand-made items, plants & flowers. Facebook - **Charleston Farmers Market On The Square**

July

Red, White & Blue Days

Morton Park

A family festival with free concert with nationally known performers, parade, bell-ringing ceremony, children's games and all you can eat ice cream.
www.charlestontourism.org

Annual East Central Illinois Antique Farm Equipment State Show

Coles County Fairgrounds

All makes and models, restored or unrestored welcome. Garden tractor pull, threshing, kids' tractor pull, parade, antique pull, music and more.
www.eciafec.org

Coles County Fair

Coles County Fairgrounds

Visit the oldest, continuous fair in Illinois. Seven full days of entertainment and excitement await you.
www.colescountyfair.com

August

Bluegrass Jam

Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site

Everyone with a love of this traditional style of music is welcome. Those who play an instrument are encouraged to bring theirs along and join in a jam session with one of the many informal groups playing in the park. www.lincolnlogcabin.org

September

18th Street Fall Festival

18th Street, Charleston

A celebration of fall with food/crafts, "kid-friendly" activities, live music, and shopping.
Facebook - **18th Street Fall Festival**

Harvest Frolic

Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site

Come celebrate the arrival of autumn! Don't miss experiencing 19th-century life on the farm. Enjoy music, cooking demos, period crafts, and much more.
www.lincolnlogcabin.org

October

Eastern Illinois University Homecoming

Weekend events include an "all-you-can-eat" sunrise breakfast, EIU/Charleston 2.5k homecoming race, homecoming parade, EIU Panther football game.
www.eiu.edu

November

Charleston Challenge 40 Mile Relay

Carl Sandburg School

Spend the day running with friends on a scenic course that covers 40 miles of Coles County. Up to 4 runners per team or try the superman and go it alone!
www.charlestonchallengeduathlon.com

A Day of Thanksgiving and Prayer

Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site

Thanksgiving traditions familiar to Illinois' Yankee settlers at the Stephen Sargent farm.
www.lincolnlogcabin.org

December

Christmas Candlelight Tours

Lincoln Log State Historic Site

Christmas as celebrated on the prairie in the early 1800s on the Lincoln and Sargent Farms.
www.lincolnlogcabin.org

Christmas in the Heart of Charleston

Courthouse Square

Holiday Parade, carriage rides, live reindeer, refreshments, live window displays, entertainment, photos with Santa and much more.
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Arts & Entertainment



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College of Arts & Humanities
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www.eiu.edu/doudna

The Doudna Fine Arts Center, Eastern Illinois University, is one of Charleston's architectural landmarks. Designed by internationally famous architect Antoine Predock, winner of the American Institute of Architects' Gold Medal for Lifetime Achievement in 2006 and the Smithsonian Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum's Gold Medal for Lifetime Achievement in Design in 2007, the Doudna stands at the center of EIU's campus. In addition to housing EIU's departments of Art, Music and Theater Arts, the Doudna boasts several public venues; the Theatre with 300 seats, the Black Box studio theater, the 600 seat Dvorak Concert Hall, the 180 seat Recital Hall, the 150 seat Lecture Hall and several corridor art galleries. Visitors are welcome.



Get involved in the Arts! Charleston offers music, theater, & drama performances throughout the year.



EIU Symphony Orchestra & Musical Venues

Ticket Office

217-581-3010

www.eiu.edu/doudna

Mon. - Fri. from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Department of Music proudly offers a wide variety of recitals and concerts year round in the 600 seat Dvorak Concert Hall.

EIU Theatre

Ticket Office

217-581-3110

www.eiu.edu/~theatre theatix@eiu.edu

The theatre wing of Doudna Fine Arts Center will give EIU Theatre Arts students, faculty and patrons the best the contemporary theatre design can offer, including a 300 seat proscenium theatre, a 150 seat flexible black box and a 75 seat experimental theatre. Mon. - Fri. from 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. beginning the Monday prior to the opening night.

Tarble Arts Center

9th Street at Cleveland Ave.

Eastern Illinois University campus

217-581-ARTS (2787)

www.eiu.edu/~tarble

Tarble Arts Center is open year-round presenting art exhibitions, a gift shop, special events, performing arts, and educational programs. The permanent collection includes Illinois folk art and contemporary art. The Tarble is also the home for performances by the Charleston Community Theatre. Free admission to the galleries and events; admission fee for performances and classes. Call, email, or go online for current exhibitions, events and hours. Closed Mondays and major holidays.



Attractions



Charleston is rich in Lincoln history and has many beautiful historic homes and buildings. Spend your day strolling the historic downtown or visiting local attractions.



Looking for Lincoln is a program designed to help visitors find the places in Central Illinois where Lincoln lived and worked, and to learn about the people who helped to shape the 16th president of the United States.

Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site
400 South Lincoln Highway Road, Lerna
217-345-1845

www.lincolnlogcabin.org

Lincoln Log Cabin Historic Site was the 1840's home of Thomas and Sarah Bush Lincoln, father and stepmother of our 16th president. The site includes a working, living historic farm developed around a two-room cabin. A second farmstead, the Stephen Sargent Farm, has been moved to the site to help broaden visitors' understanding of the 1840's rural life in Illinois. Both offer an array of interpretive programs. Call the site for a current calendar of events. Special group tours available by appointment. Donations accepted.
Hours: Site: Wed. - Sun., 8:30 a.m. 5 p.m., Year round
Visitor Center: Wed. - Sun., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Year round
Living History Program: Wed. - Sun., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., May through October

Moore Home State Historic Site

South 4th Street
South Lincoln Highway Rd., Lerna
217-345-1845

www.lincolnlogcabin.org

Located just one mile north of Lincoln Log Cabin, the Moore Home was the 1860's home of Abraham Lincoln's stepsister, Matilda Hall Moore, and the location of President-elect Lincoln's last visit with his Coles County family on January 31, 1861. Donations accepted. Hours: Contact Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site for hours of operation.

Thomas Lincoln Cemetery

South 4th Street off of South
Lincoln Highway Rd., Lerna
217-345-1845

www.lincolnlogcabin.org

Many visit this cemetery to see the burial site of Abraham Lincoln's father and stepmother, Thomas Lincoln and Sarah Bush Lincoln. Free Admission
Hours: Open daily from dawn until dusk.



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Bed and Breakfast

803 6th Street, Charleston, IL 61920

For Reservations, visit www.mcgradyinn.com

Or call (217) 348-8259



The McGrady Inn is a 100-year-old historic church. It features a two-story atrium, wood beams, hardwood floors, stained glass, and floor-to-ceiling windows. This gorgeous getaway is located in the heart of Charleston, only blocks away from EIU campus and downtown. The McGrady Inn offers five spacious bedrooms with a private bathroom in each. Modern amenities include: flat screen TVs, Wi-Fi, and cable.

Lincoln Douglas Debate Museum

Coles County Fairgrounds, 416 West Madison Ave.

217-348-0430

www.charlestontourism.org

Tour the only museum in Illinois retracing all the senatorial debates of 1858 between Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas. The museum offers exhibits and interactive displays that tell the debates' story through film, audio selections, artifacts and photos. The museum also includes a children's hands-on area and a gift shop. Volunteers may be available at various times. Special group tours available by appointment. Donations accepted. Hours: Open year round, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Old City Cemetery and Chambers Cemetery

Corner of Madison and 'E' Street

217-348-0430

www.charlestontourism.org

Discover the graves of Charleston's earliest residents among which include Lincoln's extended family, local friends and victims of the 1864 Charleston Riot. The cemetery sits across the street from the Lincoln - Douglas Debate Museum. Hours: Open daily from dawn until dusk. Free Admission.

Downtown Square

7th and Jackson Ave.

217-348-0430

Charleston's Downtown Square has been the site of the Coles County seat since 1835. As a young lawyer, Abraham Lincoln practiced law in a previous version of the courthouse. Today, the late 19th century Romanesque courthouse sits at the center of the square. Historic buildings display stunning architectural details and serve as home to current professional offices, unique shops and restaurants.

Charleston Riot Historic Marker Courthouse Square

The Civil War spread to Charleston when a face-to-face encounter took place between southern sympathizers called "copperheads," Union soldiers and citizens who favored the Lincoln Administration. An artistic mural of the rendition can be seen one block west of the Historic Marker at the corner of 6th Street and Jackson Avenue.

Greenwood School Museum

800 Hayes Ave.

www.coleshistory.net/GreenwoodSchool.htm

This authentic one-room schoolhouse offers visitors a look at how education was taught from 1895-1945. Special group tours available by appointment. Free. Hours: Open by Appointment only.

Five Mile House

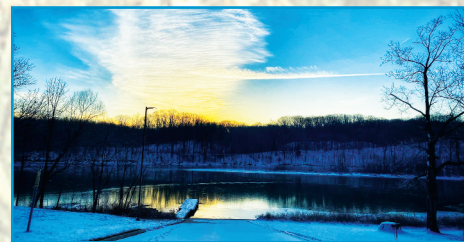
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www.fivemilehouse.org

Built around 1840 with a Civil War era kitchen addition, the restored and furnished house received its name because it sits exactly five miles south east of the Coles County Courthouse in Charleston. Open certain summer weekends, for special events and by appointment. Donations accepted.



Eastern Illinois University

600 Lincoln Ave.

www.eiu.edu

Eastern Illinois University, home to more than 12,000 students, is well known for its excellence in academics, the arts and athletics. Founded in 1895, the beautiful campus provides diverse architectural styles that reflect the university's history.



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www.charlestonlibrary.org
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8355 Country Club Rd.
217-345-9711
Main dining capacity 130, garden room 70

Lincoln Garden Restaurant
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217-345-5070
www.lincolngarden.cafe
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www.eiu.edu
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Campgrounds

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www.stateparks.com/fox_ridge.html

Fox Ridge State Park offers 42 Class "A" Camping Sites, drinking water, grills, picnic areas, electricity and water available, shower building, dump station.

Walnut Point State Park

2331 ECR 370N. 20 miles north of Charleston on Co Hwy 7.
217-346-3336

www.stateparks.com/walnut_point.html

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Murals Around The Square



Take a walking tour of the murals around the square. Visit all 7 murals at your own pace. Informational pamphlets are available at City Hall, 520 Jackson Avenue.

1920s Charleston Storefronts

by Glen C. Davies (Urbana, IL)
On Madison Ave. at 6th St.

The storefronts shown, taken from locations around the Charleston Square, are the Model Barber Shop (414 6th Street), Goodwin Brothers Grocery (307 6th Street), The Corner Confectionery (623 Monroe Avenue) and Alexander's Department Store (521 7th Street).

Lincoln's Last Journey to Charleston

by Diann Graham (Charleston, IL)
On 5th St. at Monroe Ave.

Shortly before he left for Washington for his March 4, 1861 inauguration, Abraham Lincoln made a last journey to Charleston to bid farewell to his friends and family. He arrived on a freight train, there were no formalities to welcome president-elect Lincoln, and a witness recalled that he was unceremoniously dropped off "in the mud several hundred feet down the track" from the station.

Coles County Courthouse and Charleston Square in 1912

by Mark Monken (Charleston, IL)
On Van Buren Ave. at 6th St.

This mural shows the Coles County Courthouse and Charleston Square as they appeared in 1912 when Charleston was a booming city. The Courthouse Square was the hub of the business district in Charleston in the early 1900s.

Charleston Arts & Entertainment Mural

by Bernard Williams (Chicago, IL)
708 Monroe Ave.

This montage of images is made up of noted Charleston artists, theatre and opera houses, architectural details and posters of events, all dating from the late 1800s to the mid 1900s. Featured are: Oscar-winning cinematographer Gregg Toland, famous for his work in 1939's *Wuthering Heights* and *Citizen Kane*; noted folk artist Jennie Cell; silent movie star Charles Clary, known for his role in *The Penalty* (1920); Brown County landscape painter Paul Turner Sargent; and the celebrated folk singer and actor, Burl Ives. All are Charleston natives except Ives, who attended Eastern Illinois University. There are also references to the historic Will Rogers movie theatre, the Lincoln Theatre, and the Coles County Fair. This mural was co-sponsored with the Tarble Arts Center (EIU), and funded in part by the Illinois Arts Council, the Jaenike Access to the Arts Fund (EIU Foundation) and Tarble Arts Center membership contributions.

The Second Coles County Courthouse, c. 1858 - 1898

by Rebecca Sawyer Spoon (Charleston, IL)
(based on a pen and ink drawing by Jim Donahoo, Charleston, IL) 617 Madison Ave.

It was in this courthouse that a lawyer named Abraham Lincoln handled dozens of cases from the early 1840s to 1857, including the famous Matson Slave Trial of 1847. The second Coles County Courthouse sat in the center of the Courthouse Square where the present Coles County Courthouse now stands. Built in 1835, new wings were added beginning in 1858 that changed the building's appearance. In 1898, the courthouse was completely demolished, except for one cornerstone, and rebuilt as it appears today.

Lincoln Saying Good-bye to Sarah Bush Lincoln

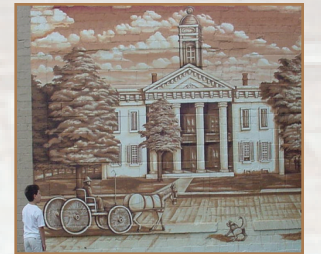
by Glen C. Davies (Urbana, IL)
On 5th St. at Jackson Ave.

On January 31, 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln bid farewell to his stepmother, Sarah Bush Lincoln, at the Moore Home located south of Charleston. At their farewell, legend has it that Sarah had a premonition – this would be the last time she would see her beloved stepson. On Lincoln's death, she is quoted as saying: "*I knewed they'd kill him. I ben awaiting fur it.*" The Moore Home, now a State Historic Site, is located seven miles south of Charleston on Lincoln Highway Road (South 4th Street).

The Charleston Riot of 1864

by Rebecca Sawyer Spoon (Charleston, IL)
520 Jackson Ave.

On March 28, 1864, a gunfight erupted on the Charleston Square between Union soldiers and Civil War opponents known as "Copperheads" – pro-southern Democrats. A large crowd had gathered for a Democratic rally and Union soldiers were in town on leave. Fighting broke out between the groups. Nine men were killed and twelve wounded before troops arrived from Mattoon to quell the riot. Hostilities between pro-Union Republicans and Copperheads was not new to eastern Illinois – prior to the Charleston Riot, Copperheads had been killed in Mattoon and Paris. The Copperheads, convicted in the subsequent trial, were later pardoned by Lincoln.



Outdoor Recreation



Charleston offers a wide variety of recreation opportunities. Enjoy swimming, hiking, fishing, golfing, and racing all just minutes away!

Fox Ridge State Park

18175 State Park Road. 8 Miles south of Charleston on IL Highway 130
217-345-6416

www.dnr.state.il.us

With miles of rugged, scenic hiking trails, playgrounds, picnic shelters, fishing, hunting and camping, Fox Ridge State Park is the perfect place to get back to nature. Hours: Daily, April 1- September 30 from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.; October 1 - March 31 from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lake Charleston

1 Mile south of Charleston on IL Highway 130
217-345-6897

Covering 440 acres, Lake Charleston has a fishing pier and gazebo, dock and boating. No wake entire reservoir. Hours: Open daily, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Lincoln Prairie Grass Trail

5th Street and Railroad Avenue
217-345-6897

Whether you want to quietly pedal or jog briskly, the Lincoln Prairie Grass Trail is an excellent place to experience sights between Mattoon and Charleston. With 2 miles of paved surface and 10 miles of aggregate surface, jogging, walking, equestrian riding and biking are permitted. Hours: Open daily, dawn to dusk.

Charleston Parks and Recreation Department

520 Jackson Avenue
217-345-6897

www.charlestonillinois.org

Fifteen parks offer a variety of recreational areas and activities including swimming, tennis, skateboarding, playground, picnic shelters, amphitheater, ball-fields and walking trails. Parks are open during daylight hours.

Rotary Community Aquatic Center

920 17th Street
217-345-3233

www.charlestonillinois.org

With an Olympic-size pool, zero-entry pool with large splash toys, a 121-foot waterslide, diving boards, large umbrellas, deck chairs and concessions, there is fun in the sun for everyone! Hours: Daily Memorial Day - Mid-August. Subject to Change - Weather Permitting.



Bent Tree Golf Course

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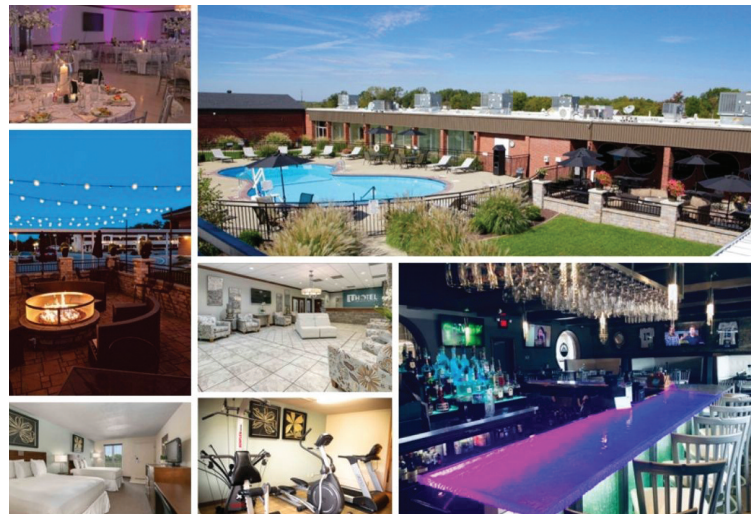
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Charleston, IL

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