

INSIDER'S GUIDE TO TUCSON

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MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR STAY IN TUCSON AT #STR2024!

Know that old proverb about all work and no play? Well, it's true. Once you've registered for STR's Thoracic Imaging 2024, you'll want to start making plans to explore the many must-see sights in vibrant Tucson, Arizona. Tuesday afternoon will be free of educational sessions so you can take some time to explore everything Tucson has to offer!

HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

Join your colleagues for an informative historical walking tour through the heart of the historic El Presidio area sponsored by the STR Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and



Belonging Committee. We will end the tour at JoJo's Restaurant for snacks and drinks. Members who do not attend the walking tour are invited to join the group at JoJo's at 4:00pm. Spots on the tour are limited, so reserve yours today for only \$25! **REGISTER NOW**

INSTA-CREDIBITY

Tucson is a colorful city, with eye-catching murals, art, and an incredible desert landscape to make your social media shine. The Greetings from Tucson Mural is one of the city's most famous murals, while the beautiful La Pilita Mural dazzles with traditional Mexican and Aztec imagery. Street art in the Warehouse Arts District is abundant, including the Goddess of Agave Mural, while the Mercado District is chock-full of rustic and chic photo opps. The beloved San Xavier de Bac Mission or the Southwest Deco style of the historic Fox Tucson Theater are sure to bring character to your wall, and the historic Hotel Congress, site of the capture of notorious gangster John Dillinger in 1934, will add drama!

A SHOPPING MECCA

With myriad shopping options, Tucson is the ideal place for a splurge! With more than 100 stores, restaurants, boutiques, bars, clubs, and coffeehouses, the treelined 4th Avenue District downtown is the perfect place to shop, eat, and drink the day away, while Tucson's elegant, high-end shopping mecca La Encantada has all the posh chains you love. You'll find a hip mix of eclectic, utilitarian, and just plain awesome merch at Mercado San Agustín, Tucson's Westside public market. Bahti Indian Arts sells Navajo, Hopi, and Pueblo textiles, jewelry, and sculptures, and Mac's Indian Jewelry offers vintage and contemporary jewelry made by tribes in the region, while thrift store Buffalo Exchange will keep you stylish in past fashion favorites. And don't forget to pick up a Tucson souvenir for the peeps back home at Native Seeds/SEARCH!

LIBATIONS GALORE

Tucson's craft cocktail culture is on point. Trendy basement bar Barbata boasts European flair, while Batch Whiskey & Donuts pairs whiskey with delectable, fresh made donuts (you read that right). Century Room mixes mezcal and live music in perfect proportions, and Good Oak Bar combines a cozy atmosphere with whiskey and agave. To sample a 'Lady in Red,' head to HighWire,

or to Jackrabbit Lounge for a 'Jessica Rabbit'. Hop culture is thriving too. Tucson Hop Shop has 20 taps flowing, and Barrio Brewing Co. has seasonal brews. Arizona Beer House has 35 taps of refreshing Arizona beers, and the lively taproom of <u>Dragoon Brewing</u> Company is the perfectly inviting. Ermanos Craft Beer & Wine Bar has a finely curated craft beer list and an extensive selection of wines, while REVEL wine bar features wines from around the world alongside crafted meat and cheese boards, and Agustin Kitchen serves reds, whites, and sparkling wines by the glass or bottle. If coffee is your fuel of choice, head to Black Crown Coffee Co. for a 'Turbo Coke' served by sarcastic baristas, or Cartel Coffee Roasters for a frothy and funky treat. For cold-pressed juices and shakes to support wellness, check out Goodness for a 'Daily Buzz', or 'Hot Tropic: Or provide your body with the nourishment with a 'Mango Sunrise, or 'Georgia Peach & Mango con Chile' at Berry Greens Juice Bar.

FOODIE PARADISE

If you're craving red meat, Silver Saddle Steakhouse (voted Tucson's Best Steakhouse) will not disappoint, while Fleming's Prime Steakhouse offers prime steaks, seafood, and inventive plant-based alternatives. Pinnacle Peak serves a mesquite-grilled Cowboy Steak in an Old West, no ties allowed atmosphere, and Kingfisher Bar & Grill boasts award-winning grilled meats and fresh seafood. For a taste of local BBQ, head to Kiss of Smoke BBQ and smack down on low and slow cooked meats, or BrushFire BBQ where meats are smoked over locally sourced mesquite and pecan hardwoods. If sushi is how you roll (har har) check out the scorpion roll and fresh sashimi at Izumi, or visit Kazoku Sushi where Champong (seafood noodle soup) is a must-try and green tea ice cream is a sweet treat! For seafood, El Berraco is on point with a Latin-inspired menu, while Mariscos Chihuahua offers octopus, shrimp, marlin, oysters, scallops, and fan favorite sautéed shrimp in a creamy green sauce. For a memorably delicious Mexican restaurant experience try the Topopo Salad at Guillermo's Double L, or Maico's Restaurant where fish tacos, menudo and goat birria, carne asada burrito, and ceviche tostada are top tier, or all-around cozy El Merendero for a sea of daily specials. For Mother Earth approved comfort foods head to Prep & Pastry for a chickpea scramble with veggies, Urban Fresh for Irish biscuits in stout gravy, or Beaut Burger for vegan burgers made with millet, beans, and veggies. And don't forget a vegan peanut butter ganache Rice Krispie treat!

GET OUTSIDE!

Tucson is a cultural and natural hub with a modern perspective of the old west. Home to a wide range of <u>museums</u>, <u>attractions</u>, <u>downtown districts</u>, <u>historic sites</u>, <u>hiking trails</u>, <u>golf courses</u>, and some of the most unique <u>flora & fauna</u> in the world, you're sure to have plenty to do!

We look forward to meeting with you in Tucson!

