August 10, 2024

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Greater Downtown Flint Area

Be a Tourist in Your Hometown Passport Locations

Brush Park, 120 E. First St., Flint | FIM Whiting, 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint









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Be a in Your Hometown

After a five-year hiatus, Explore Flint & Genesee is excited to bring back "Be a Tourist in Your Hometown" on August 10, known locally as 810 Day. This special day, which recognizes the 810 area code we've proudly embraced since the early '90s, is a tribute to our vibrant community.

And so is Be a Tourist. Today's event is all about celebrating some of the many reasons we're proud to call Flint & Genesee home.

This passport grants you admission to the more than 20 attractions listed in the following pages. These sites were carefully selected based on key interests and themes, including arts and culture, family-friendly, history, and new attractions/businesses. You'll find a key for these themes at the top of the next page, allowing you to pick and choose your ideal itinerary for the day.

While you're out and about, we encourage you to also check out Taste of 810, which will be in the Flat Lot located across the street from Brush Park, starting at noon. There, you can enjoy food tastings throughout the day, with a fashion show that kicks off at 5 p.m. Then, starting at 8:10 p.m., you can catch a concert featuring local Flint rappers on the fourth floor of the Rutherford Parking Garage.

We're excited to celebrate the unique and diverse offerings of our region with you. Enjoy your adventure and happy exploring!

THE BASICS

Parking:

- Rutherford Parking Garage, 125 W. Kearsley St.
- Street parking downtown available at no cost
- Available at or near most attractions

Transportation: Walk, drive, or catch a bus. All bus routes depart from and return to Brush Park.

Restrooms and Accessibility: Available at most venues

Key for Be a Tourist Themes

A = Arts & Culture F = Family-friendly H = History N = What's New

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Mural Walking Tour 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Downtown Murals Start at Brush Park, 120 E. First St., Flint

Join Jerin Sage, Director of Placemaking for The What's Up Downtown Project, for a one-hour walking tour exploring the murals, public art, and local artistic talents found around downtown Flint from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Bring a water bottle, wear comfortable shoes, and be prepared for whatever weather the day brings us.

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Self-Guided Downtown Tour 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(Starting at FIM Capitol Theatre and moving south on Saginaw Street)

FIM Capitol Theatre - A F H N 140 E. Second St., Flint

This historic theatre was built by architect John Eberson in 1928 and has been on the National Register of Historic Places in Michigan since 1985. Enjoy archival photo displays, get the insider scoop on the legacy of the iconic theatre through guided tours, and gain insight into its enduring cultural significance.

Shops on Saginaw – N 601 S. Saginaw St., Flint

A consignment-style shop that allows local entrepreneurs and businesses the opportunity to have a brick-and-mortar location to sell inventory. Operated by 100K Ideas.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church – A F H

711 S. Saginaw St. Flint

One of Flint's oldest and most historic houses of worship. Designed by Gordon W. Lloyd and completed in 1873, this is where many of Flint's earliest citizens came to gather to worship and celebrate. Self-quided tours, organ demos, and refreshments.

MW Gallery – A F H N 815 Saginaw St., Flint

Opened in 2016, the MW Gallery is the permanent home of the Mott-Warsh Collection, featuring rotating exhibitions drawn from the collection that are free and open to the public. The gallery serves as a place for community engagement with art through its programs.

Downtown Statues - F H N

Explore the rich history of our community through a series of captivating statues. Each monument commemorates influential figures who have shaped our county's legacy.

• Automotive Pioneers of Michigan Plaza Near the Kearsley Street Flat Lot facing Saginaw Street

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- Floyd J. McCree, Flint's first Black mayor In front of Flint City Hall, 1101 Saginaw St., Flint
- J. Dallas Dort and William Crapo Durant, General Motors founders Near Durant-Dort Factory One, 303 W. Water St., Flint

Greater Flint Arts Council - A F H N 816 Saginaw St., Flint

Located in the heart of downtown Flint, this non-profit organization is a catalyst of, and advocate for, increased artistic and cultural enrichment in Flint's ethnically diverse community. The GFAC is also a presenter of the arts producing annual exhibitions, concerts, festivals, and events.

Buckham Gallery - A N

121 W. Second St., Flint (Opens at 11 a.m.)

Founded in 1984, Buckham Gallery is an artist-run, not-for-profit exhibition and performance space that features artists from as many diverse locations as possible. Current exhibitions include: "In Spite of It" from Yvette L. Cummings; "Tipping Point" from Craig Cully and Kelly Leslie; and "Clay Vessels: Sculptural/Functional" from local artist Craig Hinshaw.

Comma Bookstore & Social Hub – A F

132 W. Second St., Flint

Not your average bookstore, Comma Bookstore & Social Hub specializes in BIPOC books, art, and products.

Hilton Garden Inn – A F H N

110 W. Kearsley St., Flint

This historic art deco hotel located in Flint's Downtown Entertainment District features a full-service restaurant, Sauce Italian American Kitchen, a 24-hour market, and a seasonal roof top bar, Simmer. Tours and refreshments served in Simmer.

Flint Farmers' Market - A F H N 300 E. First St., Flint

Browse and shop at one of the state's largest and most complete markets with a variety of fresh vegetables, fruits, flowers, meats, fish, baked goods, and more. Be sure to stop by d' vine Wines for a large selection of Michigan wines and beers. A variety of dining options are also available.

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Applewood Estate - F H 1400 E. Kearsley St., Flint

Explore Applewood, the estate of Charles Stewart Mott and his family, in a casual setting. Stroll the grounds, and enjoy the beauty of the gardens, stately trees, and expansive lawns. Activities offered at Applewood today include house tours from 1 to 4 p.m. and "Bring Your Lunch and Learn: Sorting Fact from Fiction - Critically Analyzing Political Content" from Noon to 1 p.m. The event includes a conversation and interactive Q&A about critically analyzing the swirl of news and information this election season.

FIM Dort Music Center - A F 1025 E. Kearsley St., Flint

Harness your inner musician at Dort Music Center on 810 Day while you explore the Flint School of Performing Arts (FSPA) Instrument Playground! Touch, play, and listen to new musical instruments in a hands-on experience designed for all ages and musical interests. Discover the joy of music-making at FSPA, where we believe you're never too young or too old to learn something new.

FIM Elgood Theatre – A F 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint

Visit the home of Flint Repertory Theatre, Elgood Theater, for a special 810 Day exhibit showcasing favorite Flint Rep productions. Browse displays of costumes, set pieces, production photos and concept drawings, celebrating the artistry behind the performances. Discover the creative spirit of Flint Rep and its impact on our community.

FIM Whiting - A F H 1241 E. Kearsley St., Flint

The FIM Whiting is named for the pioneer wagon manufacturer who was primarily responsible for bringing Buick Motor Company to Flint. The Whiting is praised as

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one of the most elegant concert halls in the nation. Enjoy self-guided tours with captivating historical photo displays, and join our collaborative art project, showcasing Flint's vibrant community spirit. Hang out to groove to live music in the fresh air from 12-2 p.m. in Durant Plaza, just steps from Whiting's main entrance.

Flint Institute of Arts Museum + Art School – A F H N 1120 E. Kearsley St., Flint

The Flint Institute of Arts Museum + Art School (FIA) is the state's second-largest museum and features a permanent collection of more than 9,000 objects. Visitors will have the chance to experience exhibitions such as "From Earth to Sky: Ancient Art of the Americas," "Mexicanidad," and "Meditations in Gold: South Asian Art." The FIA also offers glass blowing demonstrations in its state-of-the-art Hot Shop.

Gloria Coles Flint Public Library – F H N 1026 E. Kearsley St., Flint

Flint's go-to place to learn, explore, and play for all ages. The library is a place where all are welcome, and visitors are encouraged to embrace curiosity, forge connections, and build community. The library is also home to the Greater Flint African American Sports Hall of Fame.

Sloan Museum of Discovery - F H N 1221 E. Kearsley St., Flint

Located on the campus of the Flint Cultural Center and within walking distance of several other entertainment, arts, and educational centers, the Sloan Museum of Discovery reopened in July of 2022 after a \$30-million renovation. It features four interactive galleries, plus a special exhibit from Hurley Hospital.

University of Michigan-Flint, Frances Willson Thompson Library and Genesee Historical Collections Center - F H

303 E. Kearsley St., Flint

The University of Michigan-Flint's Frances Willson Thompson Library and Genesee Historical Collections Center (GHCC) are centers of scholarship on campus. The building opened in 1994 and has a beautiful view of the Flint River. The library provides research help to students and researchers affiliated with the university and the community. Guests will see exhibits on the history of the university, the Flint Water Crisis, Henry Howland Crapo (Flint businessman and 14th governor of Michigan) and his family, and documents from the GHCC dealing with Flint History.

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Whaley Historic House Museum of Flint - F H 624 E. Kearsley St., Flint

The Whaley Historic House Museum was the home of Robert J. Whaley and his family during Flint's Gilded Age. Today the home is a museum that transports visitors to a different era of Flint's history. Enjoy open tours of the 19th-century home and a scavenger hunt for younger quests.



Bus Route #2 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Berston Field House - F H 3300 Saginaw St., Flint

Berston Field House has been a pillar of the Flint community since opening 1923. The field house is open to community members for a variety of sports activities, dance, and the arts. Many athletic greats honed their skills in Berston and continue to consider it an important stepping stone in reaching their professional status. The facility is currently undergoing a \$30-million renovation that includes a 57,000-square-foot addition.

Latinx Technology & Community Center – A F H N 2101 Lewis St., Flint

The mission of the Latinx Technology and Community Center is to enhance the dignity and quality of life for the Flint and Genesee County Latinx community and other cultures. Educational programs at the Latinx Technology & Community Center provide an authentic and engaging learning experience for all ages and backgrounds. Tours and snacks will be provided.

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Restaurants

Enjoy a refreshing drink or bite to eat at these downtown restaurants.

Biggby Coffee - Downtown Flint

615 S. Saginaw St., 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Blackstone's Smokehouse 531 S. Saginaw St., Noon to Midnight

Blueline Donuts/Carriage Town Bakery 604 Garland St., 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Café Rhema

432 S. Saginaw St., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Churchill's Food & Spirits 340 S. Saginaw St., Noon to 1 a.m.

The Flint Crepe Company

555 S. Saginaw St., 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Flint Farmers' Market 300 E. First St., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Hoffman's Deco Deli & Café

444 S. Saginaw St., 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

La Azteca Taco House

1902 W. Court St., 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Poke Bowl

1214 University Ave., 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Oueens' Provisions

421 Garland St., 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. (Weekend brunch; \$12 Mimosa flight available on special for "Be a Tourist" quests)

Sauce Italian American Kitchen

(Inside Hilton Garden Inn) 352 S. Saginaw St., 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m./4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Simmer Rooftop Lounge

(Inside Hilton Garden Inn) 352 S. Saginaw St., 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Soriano's Mexican Kitchen

836 Saginaw St., 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Spectacular Spudz

131 W. Second St., 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sweetwater Tavern

500 S. Saginaw St., 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Tenacity Brewing & Beer Garden

119 N. Grand Traverse St., Noon to Midnight

The Torch Bar & Grill

522 Buckham Alley, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m.

White Horse Tavern

621 W. Court St., 7 a.m. to Midnight

XOLO Tacos & Tequila

555 S. Saginaw St., 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

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Ella Jae Essentials – F N 1214 University Ave., Unit 2, Flint

Visit Ella Jae Essentials for \$20 specials on all DIY activities including body butter making, candle making, and body scrubs. Fall in love with their creations and take advantage of the Buy 1, Get 1 81% off storewide sale. Perfect for all ages! Also enjoy outdoor field games, music, drinks, and refreshments.

Flint Children's Museum - A F H N 1602 W. University Ave., Flint

Stop by and enjoy hands-on activities for children 0-8 and their families. The museum also includes the new sensory room exhibit and Enchanted Wonderland exhibit.

Flint River Watershed Coalition/Keep Genesee County Beautiful/ For-Mar on the Road - F

630 W. Kearsley St., Flint

The Flint River Watershed Coalition promotes citizen stewardship by providing resources and knowledge to protect local water quality and habitats. Meanwhile, Keep Genesee County Beautiful works to create clean, sustainable neighborhoods and parks through educational programs and volunteer engagement. Stop by today for activities like Bug ID and Bird Hikes. Learn about the Kayak Flint program and how you can get involved and make a difference!

Dive in with the For-Mar Outreach Team to sharpen your fishing skills with an interactive fish ID game and casting challenge.

Glenwood Cemetery and Certified Arboretum - A F H 2500 W. Court St., Flint (Gates close at 3:00 p.m.)

Founded in 1857, Glenwood is truly Flint's historic cemetery, listed on the Michigan Register of Historic Places in 1989 and the National Register of Historic Places in 2010. A self-guided tour of Glenwood reveals its spectacular funerary art and





architecture along with the names of citizens who made Flint great, including lumber barons, civil war veterans, two Governors, one Lt. Governor, and pioneers of the carriage and automobile industries.

Greater Flint Arts Council - A F H N

816 Saginaw St., Flint

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Kettering University GM Mobility Research Center - F 304 N. Chevrolet Ave., Flint

The Kettering University GM Mobility Research Center, an autonomous vehicle testing track, is the only one of its kind on a college campus in the country. The outdoor lab space and proving ground enhances faculty, student, and industry research and development of autonomous vehicles, vehicle safety standards, hybrid, and electric vehicle technologies, among other uses. There will be tours of the facility and demos from Kettering's SAE teams.

Knob Hill Bed & Breakfast – A H 1105 South Dr., Flint

Enjoy a tour of the bed and breakfast and grounds. Knob Hill Bed and Breakfast has been a charming Flint destination since 2013. Six elegant rooms in three suites, specifically tailored to reflect famous literary themes, each offer unique flavor and character. Light refreshments available.

Mott Park Recreation Area - F N 2701 Nolen Dr., Flint

The Mott Park Recreation Association is the successor to the Mott Park Public Golf Course Association. The association created a vibrant recreation area on the former golf course site. The park offers a community center, disc golf course, canoe and kayak launch, and is a mixture of mowed and natural areas including wetlands and woods.

MW Gallery – A F H N 815 Saginaw St., Flint

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Totem Books - F 620 W. Court St., Flint

Totem Books is a community-oriented, independent bookstore located in downtown Flint. Features new and used books, vinyl records, and a cafe.

