

Peoria History Tours 2019

SEE THE SIGHTS...HEAR THE STORIES

ROLL OUT THE BARREL TOUR



Peoria once featured a riverfront lined with breweries and distilleries, and thus came to be known as the Whiskey Capital of the World. From 1850 to Prohibition, the volume of whiskey distilled, aged, and bottled in Peoria led to great fortunes being made and to the birth of equally prosperous secondary industries. Discover why Peoria was the perfect place for all of these industries to be born.

NAUGHTY TO NICE TOUR



This tour traces triumphs through time from the 1920's to the present. Tales of gambling and mobsters, including the site of Peoria's most notorious crime – the Bernie Shelton murder, provide a fascinating look into this era. Also, discover why Peoria has won the prestigious All-America City Award four times.

Note: Tour is not appropriate for children.

ART & ARCHITECTURE TOUR-**REROUTED**



Have you ever wondered about the story behind this stunning statue? You've likely driven by it countless times but never stopped to think about it. You'll leave this tour with a newfound sense of pride in the fascinating sights downtown, in the Randolph-Roanoke area, and in the Warehouse District. Once you stop to look, you realize the art & architecture in Peoria is quite extraordinary.

RIVER CITY TOUR



The Native Americans, the French, the whiskey and earthmoving capital of the world and the grand mansions – the River City Tour has it all. You will view the stately homes along High Street, Moss Avenue, Glen Oak, and Grandview Drive. Enjoy the beautiful view of the Illinois River during this tour.

HAUNTED PEORIA TOUR



Explore the darker side of Peoria! Discover the stories behind the ghostly appearances that have startled and puzzled Peorians through the years. Curses, graves, legends and spooky sightings!

GLIMPSE OF GRANDVIEW DRIVE & SPRINGDALE CEMETERY TOUR-**REVISED**



We begin with a brief look at the oldest part of Grandview Drive and learn about its construction and history. The tour moves to historic Springdale Cemetery, the oldest chartered cemetery in the state. Enjoy the beautiful park-like setting as you hear stories of those who have their final resting place there.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN & THE CIVIL WAR TOUR



Learn about Lincoln's many visits to Peoria & the Civil War troops that trained here. Visit the final resting place for many brave veterans in Springdale Cemetery.

NOTABLE PEORIA WOMEN TOUR-**NEW!**



Peoria has a rich history of fascinating women who have made their mark on the city. You will learn about three Peoria women inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame, as well as discovering other women who impacted education, business, medicine, and the lives of those less fortunate.