





# MEMPHIS

Some say, if you're looking for the soul of America, you'll find it in Memphis, Tennessee, but if Memphis is the soul of America, then what's the soul of Memphis? In the TV series, *Painting the Town with Eric Dowdle*, Eric spent six days in Memphis to uncover that exact question. He found that the Memphis' soul is deeper than music alone; it is a passion for music so strong that, even in the heart of the segregated south, the people of Memphis worked together. That collaborative spirit still thrives today. Memphis is the home of Sun Studios, where Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Roy Orbison and Carl Perkins got their start. Explore this beautiful city where your hearts will soar with music!

1. Beale Street – where it all happens – Ranked the most iconic street in the entire nation.
2. James Vanderpool – Metalworker at the Metal Museum.
3. Adorned with lights and flowers, these carriages make for fairytale weddings.
4. Britton Deweese – Owner of Gidson's Donuts
5. Jimmy Ogle – Duck master at the Peabody Hotel.
6. World-famous ducks at the Peabody hotel and the Peabody Fountain.
7. Ken Taylor – Ambassador to Beale Street.
8. Handsome cabs make sightseeing a little more fun/romantic
9. Elliott Schwab – Great grandson of Abraham Schwab, original founder of A. Schwab's, the oldest store on Beale Street (*open since 1876*)
10. Eric Beenu – Catfish Tour Master
11. Ples Hampton – Sound Engineer at Sun Studio.
12. Jeff Kollath – Historian at Stax Museum of American Soul Music.
13. Hal Lansky – Son of the original clothier to the King, Elvis Presley.
14. Wendy McCrory – Queen of fried chicken. She opened the first Gus's Chicken in Memphis.
15. The PIG on Beale – Pork with Attitude – and serious tastiness.
16. Silky O'Sullivan's is popular with locals and tourists.
17. Tater Reds Lucky Mojo & Voodoo Healing – crazy fun souvenirs.
18. Born in Tupelo, MS, Elvis Presley made Memphis his home – must see Graceland.
19. B.B. King's Blues Club – really do I need to say anything after B.B. King?
20. The Orpheum is an old Grand Style Opera.
21. Gus's Fried Chicken – Featured on *Painting the Town with Eric Dowdle*.
22. Trolleys are a popular and expanding presence in Memphis.
23. Blue City Café
24. Blues City General Store – for souvenirs
25. Beale Sweets – Let your taste buds join the party.
26. Johnny G's creole kitchen – "Whose your crawdaddy?"
27. W.C. Handy, Father of the Blues, settled in Memphis.
28. Rum Boogie Café – "Eat, Drink, Boogie, Repeat."
29. Miss Polly's – Love, Peace, and Chicken Grease – "sancti-fried" soul food.
30. Beale Street Tap Room – featured on Drive Ins, Diners, and Dives.
31. On April 4, 1968 Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated outside of his Memphis hotel room.