

OFFICIAL VISITOR GUIDE

MAYSVILLE



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MAYSVILLE-MASON COUNTY
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2 East Third Street
Maysville, Kentucky 41056
606-563-2596
Email: info@maysvilleky.net
www.cityofmaysville.com/visiting-maysville/

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Paxton House
2028 Old Main Street
Maysville, Kentucky 41056
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Explore Legendary Character

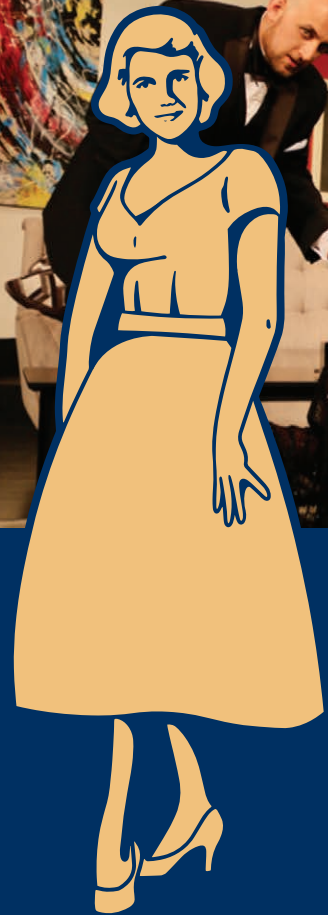
Located in Northeastern Kentucky along the Ohio River, Maysville has long been an area steeped in culture and the arts.

We are easy to get to, with two scenic byways, arteries from nearby major cities, a regional airport, Amtrak station, and an international airport within an hour drive. The path to Maysville is open.

Our draw is a vibrant community embracing it's past and boundless future. We are home to two historic districts, one of which is nationally recognized, and both of which are teeming with modern life: museums, theaters, outdoor recreation, bourbon, made-from-scratch cuisine, boutique shops, welcoming pubs, and much more!

The Maysville area is separated into 3 local districts: Maysville (Commercial District and Downtown), Old Washington, and Mason County. Each district offers an eclectic variety of things to do, foods to try, and distinct scenery to roam.

Are you ready to join the party in Maysville?



Arts & Theatre

Want to see a live theater production? Looking for that special piece of art to brighten your space? Maysville's many talented artists are sure to fill your needs!

ARTS

B. CLARKE WATERCOLORS
606-564-4493
www.barbclarke.com

MARK DYER CREATIVE
FINE ART STUDIO
606-759-8045

EAT GALLERY
Exquisite Art Treasures
46 West Second Street
606-564-5578
www.eatgallery.com

HAYLEY DRAKE
PHOTOGRAPHY
30 E. Second Street
606-407-0171
haleydrakephotography.shootproof.com

When we stumbled across Maysville nearly 25 years ago, we realized that we had discovered a Gem of Americana. Downtown Maysville has a unique quality and the town resonates with the history that has flowed by on the Ohio River since the 1700s. We refurbished and opened the Gallery in the EAT building to showcase the wonderful character of the building and to care for and share the timeless heritage that is Maysville.

*Simon & Laurie Watt ,
Owners EAT Gallery*



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FRIED FIRED POTTERY
Washington Hall
2111 Old Main Street

OHIO RIVER VALLEY ARTISTS GUILD (ORVAG)
(1st location)
Washington Hall
2111 Old Main Street

(2nd location)
The Cox Building
2 East Third Street

(606) 759-4906
Email: info@orvag.org
www.orvag.org

KEN SWINSON GALLERY & PRINT SHOP
606-375-4145
www.kenswinson.com

LOG CABIN PRINT SHOP
2215 Old Main Street
www.logcabinprintshop.com



ARTS & THEATRE

LORRAINE MARCELLA GALLERY
606-584-1743
www.lorrainemarcella.com

TOM ROSS PHOTOGRAPHY
303 Duke of York Street
606-375-5178
www.tomrossphoto.com



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THEATERS

LAURA LEE'S CONCERT HOUSE & FOLK THEATRE

6479 Helena Rd,
Helena, KY 41055
606-763-9051
www.lauraleesconcerthouse.com

LUCAS CINEMA
1579 US Highway 68
606-759-8735

In 1953, Maysville's own Rosemary Clooney, chose the Russell to premier her hit movie "The Stars are Singing". Tickets were a mere \$3 each and a grand parade was held. The event is said to have attracted 20,000 people.

THE RUSSELL THEATRE
& GIFT SHOP
9 East Third Street
606-564-4875
www.russelltheatre.org

Tours Available by
Appointment
Grand debuts and
openings have graced
this historic atmospheric
theatre.

Learn about the architecture and features of the theatre, technology then and now, as well as the current happenings.

THE WASHINGTON OPERA HOUSE
Maysville Players
116 West Second Street
606-564-3666
www.maysvilleplayers.com

Live productions offered
throughout the year.
Take in a show and
experience the fifth
oldest theatre in the
U.S. still in use. It is
also listed on the
National Registry of
Historic Buildings
and is home to the
oldest theatrical group
in Kentucky.

*I found a home in
the arts as a youngster
in my hometown. They
shaped my past and have
given me a future. They have
touched my life and yours, the
people who live, work, visit, and
create in our Community. We are
enriched and enlightened. We tell our
stories for all to hear and share our
visions for all to see. Art is your heart
and our home.
Mike Thomas, Producing
Director, Maysville Players
at the Washington Opera
House*



Shopping

Locally owned boutiques and large commercial businesses are ready to greet you. Maysville has a variety of offerings that will appeal to everyone.

We have many options that will let you show your Maysville and Kentucky spirit!

While visiting, make sure to leave yourself extra time for exploring. Our vibrant shopkeepers are sure to make personal recommendations that you will want to experience!

Downtown is where you'll find Maysville's riverfront and iconic suspension bridge, as well as most of its boutiques and shops. This is where some of the finest shopping in town can be done, all on foot. Boutiques are perfect for birthday and wedding gifts, or a beautiful selection of home furnishings and décor. If you need refreshments or a break from shopping, there are several local cafés and restaurants tucked into storefronts.

You will love strolling through our historic districts and discovering

New businesses are popping up and established ones are growing. Our shop houses a variety of local crafters/goods and our customers are wanting to shop small. When you visit the downtown historic district you get an experience as well as unique products and service.

Dara Gardner
Co-Owner at
Local KY 68





locally produced products, hand crafted finds, one of a kind pieces and warm hospitality.

While you're out and about, be sure to check out the gift shops of our attractions. Shops are conveniently located inside the attractions, so you can pop in for Maysville collectibles and goodies, even without purchasing a tour.

Downtown Maysville and Old Washington are incredibly walkable and easy to navigate. With historic sights and buildings on every corner, just walking on a pleasant day is entertainment in itself!

And if you're looking for the national stores and brands that you know well... we have those too!

Shopping Tips for Downtown Maysville...

- *Free Parking and Public Restrooms
- *Highly Walkable Area
- *Generally, Sundays and Mondays are relaxed, please check store hours before visiting
- *Some attractions/shops have special seasonal hours





Accommodations

You will find all of our accommodations situated in prime locations throughout Maysville; putting you right where you want to be!



HOTELS AND B&B'S

DAYS INN

484 Moody Drive

606-375-4758

www.wyndhamhotels.com

65 Sleeping Rooms

Hotel Amenities: Wireless Internet,
Pet Friendly, Washer & Dryer,
Continental Breakfast

FRENCH QUARTER INN

25 East McDonald Parkway

606-564-8000 • 800-966-9892

Fax: 606-564-8460

www.FrenchQuarterInn.com

59 Sleeping rooms, 4 Suites

Meeting Space for 80 people.

Hotel Amenities: Outdoor Pool, Exercise
Room, Restaurant, Bar. Pet Friendly



HAMPTON INN
503 Market Place Drive
606-759-0600
Fax: 606-759-0601
www.HamptonInn.Hilton.com
93 Sleeping rooms,
Meeting Space for 40 people.
Hotel Amenities:
Indoor Pool, Exercise room,
Business Center, Wireless
Internet, Washer & Dryer.
Complimentary Hot Breakfast

**Air B&B's
are available in
Maysville. Check out
www.airbnb.com.**

QUALITY INN
1428A US Highway 68
606-759-5696
Fax: 606-759-5695
www.ChoiceHotels.com
54 Sleeping rooms
Hotel Amenities: Wireless
Internet throughout the Hotel,
Indoor Pool, Hot Tub.
Free Deluxe Hot Breakfast
Pet Friendly – Charges apply

SUPER 8
550 Tucker Drive
606-759-8888 • 800-800-8000
www.super8.com
46 Sleeping rooms,
Hotel Amenities: Wireless
Internet, Washer & Dryer. Free
Super Start Breakfast
Pet Friendly

ATALAYA PROPERTIES, LLC
128 Market Street
606-782-1317
1 Bdrm Fully Equipped Luxury Apt Rental

MOON RIVER BED & BREAKFAST
320 Market Street
606-563-8812 • 866-823-1946
MoonRiverBedandBreakfast.com
2 Private bedrooms with
bath, 1 Private efficiency
apartment, fully equipped.
Comfort rooms, Dining
room. Continental
Breakfast, weekdays,
Deluxe Hot Breakfast,
weekends

MISS BEE'S
BOARDING HOUSE
13 W. Third Street
606-375-2308

*I started a bed and
breakfast because I
always enjoyed staying
in them myself. I had
no idea how enriching and
rewarding the process would
become for our entire family.
Guests stay, give us a glimpse of their
lives, enjoy our beautiful historic city,
eat breakfast and say "thank you".
Lasting friendships around the
world have resulted through our
B&B connections.
Marti Insko , Moon River
Bed and Breakfast*



CAMPGROUNDS RV ACCOMMODATING:

DRIFTER'S PARADISE CAMPGROUND & SALOON

2407 Mary Ingles Highway, Dover, KY 41034
606-584-2921

www.driftersparadisecampground.com

60 sites and primitive camping, pet friendly, boating access

LAWRENCE CREEK CAMPGROUND & BAR

2113 Mary Ingles Highway
606-301-3268

www.lawrencecreekcampground.com

pet friendly, boating access.

MAYSVILLE RIVER PARK CAMPGROUND AND MARINA

100 Main Street
606-407-5945

43 sites and primitive camping, pet friendly, boating access



SOUTH RIPLEY RETREAT CAMPGROUND
2413 Mary Ingles Highway, Dover, KY 41034
606-584-6828

www.southripleyretreat.com

50 sites, pet friendly, boating access

PRIMITIVE CAMPING:

CUMMINS NATURE PRESERVE

Pickett Lane

606-584-2671

4 camping spots

pet friendly, hiking trails, picnic shelters, public restrooms





Dining

Eating out in Maysville is all about the pleasure of enjoying wonderful food and receiving a warm welcome from passionate proprietors. Numerous tempting eateries are to be found across the city or in the downtown historic district. From breakfast to dinner, and pre-theatre suppers, the range and style of food is sure to entice even the pickiest eater.

LOCAL FARE

Restaurants are open for lunch and dinner, unless otherwise noted.

BUBBY'S BURGERS
603 Forest Avenue
606-407-3705

BUCK'S GRILL
177 East Second Street
606-584-6939

CAFE CREAM
2301 Old Main Street
606-584-5158

CAFE STONE
912 Kenton Station
Drive
606-759-1311
(breakfast and lunch)

**CAPRONI'S
RESTAURANT & BAR**
320 Rosemary Clooney
Street
606-564-4321

CHANDLER'S
212 Market Street
606-564-6385

CHINA GARDEN
511 Tucker Drive
606-759-1688

COLLEGE CAFE
(seasonal)
2 E. Third Street
606-564-9992

DELITE'S
222 Market Street
606-564-0042
(breakfast, lunch & dinner)





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DE SHA'S
RESTAURANT & BAR
1166 US Highway 68
606-564-9275

EL CAMINANTE
735 US Highway 68
606-407-6031

GREG'S PIZZA
890 US Highway 68
606-564-6885

KOREAN KITCHEN
8500 Mason Lewis
Road
606-375-9413

LIL JUMBO'S
Washington Hall
2111 Old Main Street
606-226-8414
(breakfast and lunch)

M'S EATERY
1201 E 2nd Street
606-584-5855

MI CAMINO REAL
1569 US Highway 68
606-759-7993

OLD BAKER FARM
KITCHEN
5061 Main Street
Mays Lick
606-763-6101

PANDAMONEUM AT
THE BREWERY
8 W 2nd Street
606-407-6008

PASQUALE'S
RESTAURANT
786 US Highway 68
606-564-4039

PARC CAFE
35 East Second Street
606-564-9704
(breakfast and lunch)

SNOW DONUTS
1124B US Highway 68
606-407-6002
(breakfast and lunch)

SPRINKLES OF HOPE &
GIFT SHOP
9 W. Second Street
606-584-6680
(breakfast and lunch)

SYLEETO'S
130 Market Street
606-564-0004

WELL KNOWN

APPLEBEE'S
175 Wal-Mart Way

ARBY'S
1339 US Highway 68

BOB EVANS
241 Wal-Mart Way

BURGER KING
418 Market Square
Drive

DOMINO'S PIZZA
114 East Second Street

FRISCH'S
RESTAURANT
408 Market Square
Drive

GOLD STAR CHILI
237 Wal-Mart Way

HARDEE'S
1504 US Highway 68

LEE'S FAMOUS
RECIPE
1400 US Highway 68

LONG JOHN SILVERS
1170 US Highway 68

MCDONALD'S
902 US Highway 68

PENN STATION
183 Wal-Mart Way

PIZZA HUT
1408 US Highway 68

PONDEROSA
603 Martin Luther King
Highway

SONIC DRIVE-IN
235 Wal-Mart Way

SUBWAY
1555 US Highway 68
240 Wal-Mart Way

TACO BELL
398 Market Square
Drive

TUMBLEWEED
SOUTHWEST GRILL
511 Market Square
Drive

WENDY'S
RESTAURANT
1501 US Highway 68



DINING

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Sweets



CAFE CREAM
Ice cream Shop
2301 Old Main St
606-584-5158

COLLEGE BAKERY
Pastries made by culinary students, open when classes in session
2 E. Third Street
606-564-9992

LIL JUMBO'S
Coffee shop with homemade pastries
Washington Hall
2111 Old Main Street
606-226-8414

LOCAL KENTUCKY 68
Gift Shop with homemade baked items
15 West 2nd Street
606-407-6055

MAGEE'S BAKERY
Home of the World Famous Transparent Tarts
414 Market Square Drive
606-759-4882

MY LIL' BAKE SHOPPE
Baked goods offered daily
4063 Slack Pike
606-759-7807

PARC CAFE
Coffee shop with homemade pastries
35 East Second Street
606-564-9704

SNOW DONUTS
Delicious, fresh made donuts available daily
1124B US Highway 68
606-407-6002

SPRINKLES OF HOPE
Non-profit bakery employs individuals with disabilities. Variety of baked goods offered daily
9 W. Second Street
606-584-6680



Drinks



CHAN'S BAR
Menu offered from adjoining
restaurant
208 Market Street
606-564-3933

CREEKSIDE BAR
2113 Mary Ingles Highway
606-301-3268

CROWE BAR
Pub grub
220 Market Street
606-564-4795

DRIFTER'S PARADISE SALOON
2407 Mary Ingles Highway,
Dover, KY 41034
606-584-2921

HAZEL'S KNOTTY PINE
9073 Mason Lewis Road
606-564-6721

KENTON STATION GOLF
COURSE
Clubhouse bar with concessions
1306 Golf Manor Drive
606-759-7154

KIRK'S BAR
31101 KY 435, Dover
606-883-3847

LAUREL OAKS GOLF COURSE
Clubhouse Bar,
(Restaurant open Tues, Fri, Sat.)
808 US-62
606-759-5011

MAYSVILLE BREWING CO
Menu offered from adjoining
restaurant, Pandamoneum
8 West Second Street
606-407-6008

O'ROURKE'S PUB
Pub grub and pizza
123 Market Street
606-564-3933

RICK'S TAVERN
6598 US Hwy 68,
Mays Lick
606-375-1132

TATER'S BAR
1917 Old Main Street
606-759-5909

THIRSTY BEAVER
3538 Germantown Road
606-883-9146

WILD BULL SALOON
740 Fleming Road
859-587-3135

YE OLD DUTCH INN
316 Plum Street
606-564-3668





Tours & Attractions

Traveling back in time is a breeze in Maysville, with our many museums and tours. Discover area history, culinary secrets, bourbon or just take in the local scenery and hospitality.

TOURS

For tours, including prices and reservations, please contact 606-563-2596, or email info@maysvilleky.net.

BOURBON TOURS
See page 50

COX BLDG TOURS
See page 34

DOWNTOWN MAYSVILLE CULINARY WALKING TOUR
2 East Third Street
Pre-Booking Required. Tour takes 4 hours.
Sample some of Maysville's most famous dishes and discover the history and evolution of our area's cuisine.

DOWNTOWN MAYSVILLE WALKING TOUR
Cox Building
2 East Third Street
Tour takes 2 hours.

COVERED BRIDGE TOUR
Step-On Guide Services only. Pre-Booking Required. Tour takes 5 hours.
With only 13 Covered Bridges left in Kentucky, we can boast 8 bridges in our five county area.

OLD WASHINGTON HISTORY TOURS
Available Seasonally
See Page 40

RUSSELL THEATRE TOUR
Pre-Booking Required.

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD TOUR
Custom Itinerary and coordination for multiple sites.



KENTUCKY GATEWAY MUSEUM CENTER & GIFT SHOP

(KYGMC)

215 Sutton Street

Maysville, Kentucky 41056

606-564-5865

www.kygmc.org

Explorers. Movie stars. Artists. Pioneers. Slaves. Anyone who has ever passed through this part of Kentucky or called it home left a story behind. The more we explore those struggles and dreams, the more we understand our own.

By showcasing three dynamic collections in one place, The Kentucky Gateway Museum Center brings all the stories of the region into fascinating focus.

The Genealogical and Historical Research Library sheds light on people and events of a seven-county area through an extensive collection of books, manuscripts, and documents from colonial times.



The Regional History Museum illuminates the past through award-winning dioramas, more than 4,000 regional artifacts, and a gallery of fine art related to the area. The museum also hosts a variety of changing gallery exhibits.

Additionally, the museum is home to the KSB Miniatures Collection.



KATHLEEN SAVAGE BROWNING MINIATURES COLLECTION *at the Kentucky Gateway Museum Center*

The world's 2nd largest museum quality miniature exhibit.

Immerse yourself in an unrivaled collection of 1/12 scale miniatures, each personally collected by Maysville native, Kaye Browning.

From stately homes to small apartments, the miniature dwellings offer a glimpse of how people lived in different eras. The 3,300-square foot miniatures gallery features a multitude of one-of-a-kind homes, room boxes, vignettes, furniture, dolls, and everything that makes a house a home. An incredible level of detail and craftsmanship turns each of the miniatures into a true marvel.

The miniatures, handcrafted by the world's finest artisans, have captured Kaye's heart

either for their charming stories or historical significance. Each invites you to appreciate the details of life, be it past, present, or imaginary, from a powerful new perspective.

The Kathleen Savage Browning Miniatures Collection, the result of Kaye's passion for collecting fine scale miniatures since 1974, displays the best possible quality in 1/12 miniatures; many, like her tiny roller skates left at Kilgus' during a school day lunch, have an intense personal meaning. Kaye and I spent years creating the gallery design to reflect Kaye's feelings, elegance, and taste. Visitors catching Kaye in the gallery may hear her heartfelt stories about its inspiration and settings. Her hopes to educate future generations about architecture, history, design, and quality have come true.

*Wm. R. Robertson,
Master Miniaturist and Gallery
Designer*

OLD POGUE EXPERIENCE & GIFT SHOP at the Kentucky Gateway Museum Center's Limestone Building.

It's not Kentucky without bourbon and the start of bourbon can be traced right back to Maysville. Explore the stories of our past and present distilleries, from O.H.P. Thomas to Old Pogue. Learn about the development and transportation of bourbon, prohibition and Old Pogue today.

Tastings are also available of Old Pogue Master's Select and Old Maysville Club Rye.

This bourbon history gallery takes you back in time to the 1791 Whiskey Tax Rebellion; the heyday of bourbon making in Mason County, KY.



THE COX BUILDING & GIFT SHOP
2 East Third Street
Maysville, Kentucky 41056
606-563-2596
info@maysvilleky.net

Rich in history and beauty, the Cox Building is always a wow factor for its many visitors. Designed by Cincinnati architect W. R. Brown, of Crapsey & Brown, and built in 1886 by William H. Cox (who later became Lt. Governor of KY) and his brother George L. Cox. The building was originally designed to accommodate three large storefronts on the ground floor, with upscale office spaces on the second floor. The upper three stories were designed for the Masonic Temple, specifically the York Rite "Knights Templar."

Today this beautiful building has been restored to its original grandeur, and is now home to the **Maysville-Mason County Convention & Visitors Bureau** as well as the Ohio River Valley Artists Guild, the Downing Academy, the Main Street office, MCTC Culinary School, Masonic Lodge No. 52, and one of Maysville's grandest banquet facilities. Tours are available.

COX BUILDING CONVENTION CENTER
The Cox Building boasts two ballrooms, both located on the third floor. The Blue Room (pictured bottom right) is approximately 1300 sq. ft. and the main ballroom, the Asylum (pictured top right), offers a grand setting with approximately 2600 square feet.

Additional rental areas are available on the second floor, with The Shackelford Room at 1200 sq/ft and multiple classroom locations.

The Cox Building symbolizes the magnificence of the past. It creates a stylish and historic backdrop while providing all the services and conveniences of the present.

The perfect location for weddings, conferences, conventions, parties, and more. For more rental/tour information please call 606-563-2596.



The image shows a large mural on the exterior wall of the Dafford Plaza in Dafford, North Dakota. The mural is set within a large archway and depicts a winter scene with a herd of bison and Native Americans. To the right of the mural is a plaque titled "DAFFORD PLAZA MURALS" and another smaller plaque below it.

Maysville Murals

The Maysville Flood Wall Murals, which showcase the early river history of Maysville, were created by Robert Dafford of Dafford Murals from Lafayette, Louisiana. Murals on the flood wall serve several purposes, providing a way to highlight the history of the town, beautify the flood wall, and promote tourism.



THE BISON HUNT shows a group of Shawnee Indians on a hunt in the middle of a harsh winter in the 1600s. The Shawnee Indians at this time would have lived north of the Ohio River but used what is now Kentucky as a hunting ground. Woodland bison were plentiful in the Ohio River Valley region, and often moved over the noted game trails, now known as Buffalo Trace, then southward to an area that is now called Blue Licks, for the salt licks.



LIMESTONE LANDING Spring time in the late 18th century shows the limestone shelf which gave the place its early name, "Limestone Landing". While the formation provided a good place to dock, few settlers remained on the river bank. There were limited opportunities for farming at Limestone, and they were vulnerable to Indian attacks. After landing, most settlers migrated southward using the Buffalo Trace Limestone Creek into safer locations like Old Washington.



LAFAYETTE'S RECEPTION

On May 21st 1825, General Lafayette, his son, Colonel George Washington Lafayette, and the Governor of Ohio reached Maysville on the steamer Herald. The reception given was one of the most colorful celebrations ever held on Maysville soil. The General was met at the foot of Fish Street (now known as Wall Street) at the decorated wharf, Lafayette was greeted by crowds of prominent officials and citizens. Carpets, given by John Armstrong, a wealthy merchant of Maysville, lined the grade leading to what is now Front Street.



SUTTON'S LANDING 1850s– The river bank along Water Street, which was the original name for Front Street is lined with various modes of wheeled transportation that included a side wheeled steam boat, stage coaches, ox carts, and drays of every description. The buildings which face the river are of brick construction and show a predominance of new houses in the area. As a result of the flood wall construction and urban renewal projects, an entire block of Federal-period architecture was demolished. Keep in mind these buildings were built for shipping business.

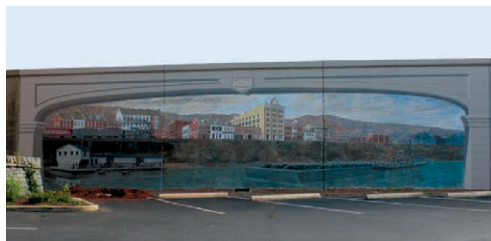
The 3-storied building on the left, known today as The Lee House, was originally named the Washington Hotel,

and built circa 1798. Famous guests included Henry Clay, the Marquis de Lafayette and Andrew Jackson. (The original guest register is on display at the Kentucky Gateway Museum Center).



THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD mural symbolizes the plight for escaping slaves. The artist shows hidden messages that, according to oral history, communicated to the slaves the route and timing for passage to freedom. For example, the quilts hanging on the split rail fence carried encoded messages

as well as the Big Dipper constellation which showed fleeing slaves which direction was north. Across the river and high on the bluff is the small house belonging to the Reverend John Rankin, a noted abolitionist and stationmaster conductor of the Underground Railroad. A light in the window indicated the timing was safe for passage to the house. The escaping slaves' freedom was still in jeopardy until they reached Canada.



CIRCA 1900 WATERFRONT The autumn tones provide the backdrop for this panel showing the community's continued growth with housing and business development along Water Street. Transportation has progressed with the introduction of the railway

system. This changed Maysville's sole reliance on the river by providing both freight and passenger transportation, adding to the community's economic prosperity.



GERMANTOWN FAIR A change in character, this panel depicts the local fair. A county event known as "Old Reliable" for being in existence for over 150 years. The mural depicts a featured event– the horse show. This is still a grand event and winning carries high honors throughout the community.



BAND STAND (Market Street Scene) This mural depicts Market Street in the 1920s and '30s. Retail shops adorn both sides of the brick streets and the transportation theme features the introduction of the automobile. The bandstand shows the role Market Street played in the social lives of the community. The tradition holds true today as the successful renaissance of Market Street still plays host to musical and special events throughout the year.



TOBACCO SCENE mural honors the role tobacco played in the agricultural and economic livelihood of the community, showing tobacco in the process of being cut and housed for curing. Maysville was the second largest Burley tobacco market in the world. At its peak, there were 18 sales warehouses in town handling nearly \$90 million in annual sales.



ROSEMARY CLOONEY mural dedicated to the Maysville singer and movie star. Rosemary insisted that the world premier of her first movie "The Stars are Singing" be held in her hometown of Maysville at the



Russell Theater. The community hosted a parade that is said to have attracted 20,000 people. The mural features Rosemary riding in a convertible with her grandmother and also her good friend Blanche Chambers. The mural is framed with the facade of the Russell Theater in honor of where the movie was premiered. The inset on the right corner of the panel highlights the stars of "White Christmas." The inset on the left corner shows Rosemary, her sister Betty, best friend Blanche Chambers, and Blanche's sister singing on the street corner in downtown Maysville.



Old Washington

Guided Tours Offered Seasonally (April-November). Maysville is unique in that it has two historic neighborhoods. Four miles outside of the downtown historic district lies Old Washington, a 1780s frontier village. Founded by famous frontiersman, Simon Kenton in 1786 and named after Revolutionary War hero George Washington, who became America's first president in 1789.

A town known in history for its many "firsts," Washington was recorded in the first Federal Census taken in 1790 having 462 inhabitants. It had the first postal station and first waterworks system west of the Allegheny Mountains. Here Simon Kenton planted the first corn in Mason County, and Washington was the first county seat.

Washington's role in the settlement of the American frontier was so significant, the National Parks Service has included its entire historic district and several individual buildings in its Historic American Buildings Survey program.

Today visitors can tour multiple museums throughout the village that reflect the rapid growth from pioneer log cabins to sophisticated brick homes in the Federal and Georgian townhouse styles.

WASHINGTON VISITORS CENTER & GIFT SHOP
Paxton House
2028 Old Main Street
606-759-7411
General guided tours. Choose an all inclusive tour or hand select between our 7 museums.

EDUCATIONAL TOURS
Log Cabin Learning:
Learn about log cabin construction, pioneer living and early education.

Underground Railroad Focused Tour: Visit known safe houses, the old courthouse site and The Harriett Beecher, Slavery to Freedom Museum.

Being surrounded with living history, beautiful settings and terrific neighbors; Easy access to downtown and cultural districts; who would want to live anywhere else?

*Phil & Debbie Weber
Old Washington
Historic District*





GUIDED WALKING TOURS





Underground Railroad in Mason County

Retrace the foot steps of countless fleeing African slaves as you travel through Maysville and Mason County. Mason County was a notable historic route to freedom along the path that became known as the Underground Railroad.

NATIONAL
UNDERGROUND
RAILROAD MUSEUM
Bierbower House
38 West Fourth Street
606-564-3200
Open Seasonally (May-
October)

Visit history at the Bierbower Home, situated in the hillside of our downtown historical district – a safe house, where slaves were once hidden beneath the floor boards for safety.

Discover the owners of the remarkable home, the Bierbowers. Descendants of German immigrants who left the abolitionist state of Pennsylvania in

1837 to settle in the slave-holding frontier lands of Kentucky. In the busy river town of Maysville, they became successful local entrepreneurs and international history makers. These friends of justice aided the fugitive slave, who had made the decision to lift the chains of oppression.

The Bierbower sons fought in the Union Army as officers and one son led the 124th Colored Infantry.

The museum also tells the story of local stations and abolitionists, whose efforts contributed to the abolishment of slavery.

HARRIET BEECHER STOWE, SLAVERY TO FREEDOM MUSEUM - Old Washington
Open Seasonally (April-November)

The Marshall Key House, 1807. The museum is an early antebellum home where Stowe, the author of Uncle Tom's Cabin visited and witnessed a slave auction in 1833. The novel became a best



seller in 1852 and helped fuel the abolitionist cause. Once, President Lincoln met the author and remarked, "So this is the little lady who started the big war."

*See also
Old Washington,
Underground
Railroad Focused
Tours on page 41.*



ROSENWALD SCHOOL
Mays Lick
606-563-2596
Tours by appointment

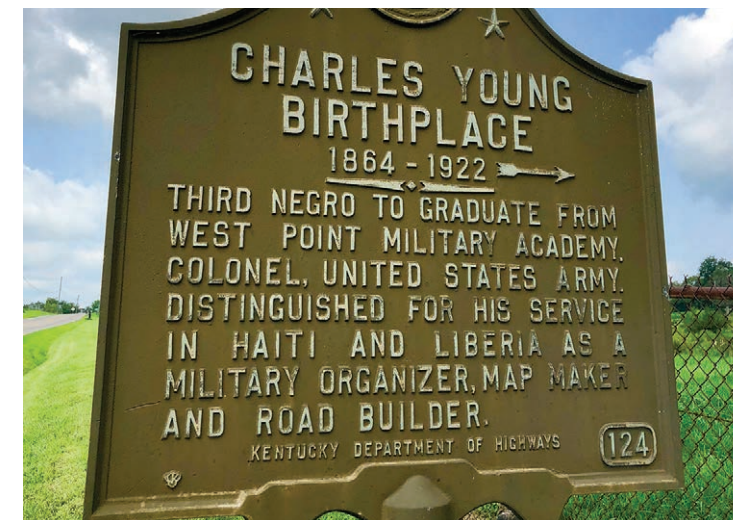
The Old May's Lick Negro School, a Rosenwald school, dedicated July 17, 1921, is considered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation Council to be on its 11 Most Endangered Historic Places list. Of the 3,537 Rosenwald schools, shops, and teacher homes constructed between 1917 and 1932, only 10–12% are estimated to survive today.



The Mays Lick Negro School is the only surviving Rosenwald School of its type (brick and mortar) in northern Kentucky. In Mason County, two Rosenwald Schools were built. The school in Old Washington no longer exists, but the Mays Lick Rosenwald School is in the process of being restored and will be used as a museum and visitor's center. Artifacts and photographs of the May's Lick school will be part of the new exhibit.

COLONEL CHARLES YOUNG BIRTHPLACE
6319 Helena Road, Mays Lick
606-563-2596, Tours by appointment

Birthplace cabin of Colonel Charles Young in 1864 to enslaved parents. Colonel Young went on to attend West Point and was the third African American to graduate from the U.S. Military Academy. He had a 33 year military career of segregated service and was the highest ranking African American in the U.S. Armed Forces from 1894 until his death in 1922.





Covered Bridges

Scenic reminders of a bygone era, Kentucky's architectural treasures are links to the past.

Driving tour brochures of the bridges of Mason, Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, and Robertson counties are available at any of the area visitor centers.

Covered bridges began being built across Kentucky rivers and creeks in the late 1700s. Not only were they built to protect the bridges from the elements, but these "Timbered Tunnels" also sheltered travelers and their cargo before the days of automobiles.

The loss of many of these magnificent bridges began during the Civil War when many were burned. Others have fallen into neglect and abuse and have been replaced by more modern structures.

Luckily, due to the efforts of many private, state, and county agencies, thirteen of these historical pieces

of the past, eight of which are in the five-county Buffalo Trace Region, are still standing. All of the remaining covered bridges in Kentucky are listed in the National register of Historic Places.

DOVER COVERED BRIDGE Mason County
At 63-feet long, this bridge dates back to circa 1835. South of Dover and KY 8 on Lees Creek Rd., the modified queenpost truss constructed bridge spans Lees Creek and is the oldest covered bridge in Kentucky.

Other Area Bridges:

Cabin Creek Covered Bridge, Lewis County
Goddard White Covered Bridge, Fleming County
Grange City Covered Bridge, Fleming County
Johnson Creek Covered Bridge, Robertson County
Ringo's Mill Covered Bridge, Fleming County
Wallcott Covered Bridge, Bracken County
Valley Pike Covered Bridge, Mason County





Bourbon in Maysville

Bourbon's roots are deep in Maysville. Experience fine Kentucky craft bourbon in a variety of quaint settings.

THE OLD POGUE DISTILLERY
716 W. 2nd Street
Distillery is on the same grounds where the historic H.E. Pogue Distillery was located.

Tours of the distillery and historic Pogue house last one hour and are scheduled in advance for a more personal experience. Available Wednesday through Saturday at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

To Book a Tour, please visit www.OldPogue.com/tours

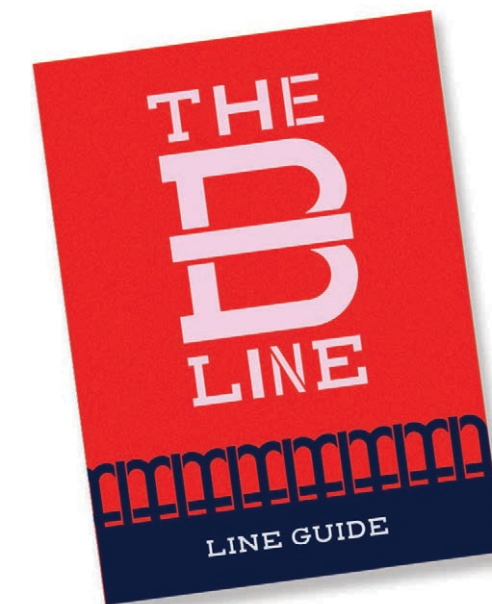
Old Pogue Experience at KYGMC
See page 33

THE B-LINE
The "B-Line" is Northern Kentucky's take on introducing you to "bourbon country" in a full blown experience.

Centered around five KY Craft Bourbon Distilleries—Old Pogue, New Riff, Second Sight, Neeley Family and Boone County Distilleries—and coupled with bourbon centric bars and restaurants along the way.

For more info visit www.FindYourSippingPoint.com

Visit these other Maysville locations for fun bourbon concoctions:
Chandlers Restaurant and Bar
Caproni's on the River
De Sha's Restaurant and Bar





Festivals & Events

FEBRUARY

- Maysville Players Winter Production

APRIL

- Two Bridge Run
- Washington Art & Chocolate Festival
- Maysville Players Spring Production
- Maysville Antique & Craft Show

MAY

- Downtown Summer Sounds Concert
- Farmers Markets (May-Oct)

JUNE

- Downtown Summer Sounds Concert
- Maysville Uncorked Wine & Art Festival
- Morgan Memorial Softball Tournament
- Sternwheelers Visit

JULY

- Independence Day Parade & Events
- Ladies Dirt Bowl Basketball Tournament
- Downtown Summer Sounds Concert
- Sternwheelers Visit
- M2m Paddlefest
- Pickers & Grinners Summer Market

AUGUST

- Old Reliable Germantown Fair, Germantown
- Maysville Classic Basketball Tournament
- Oktoberfest
- Maysville Player's Youth Production
- Downtown Summer Sounds Concert





SEPTEMBER

- St. Patrick's Fall Festival
- MCHS Marching Band Classic
- Limestone Cycling Tour
- Sternwheelers Visit
- Ford Acres Filthy 5K
- Downtown Summer Sounds Concert
- Simon Kenton Festival, Washington
- Pickers & Grinners Fall Market
- Pig Out In Maysville
- Franz Liszt Winner Performance
- R Farm Pumpkin Festival

OCTOBER

- KYGMC Big Read Events
- Maysville Players Fall Production
- Downtown Halloween Celebration
- Pumpkin Glow

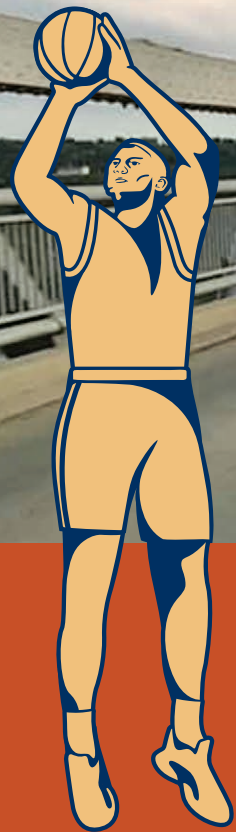
NOVEMBER

- Veteran's Day Parade
- ORVAG's Empty Bowls
- Shop Small Saturday

DECEMBER

- Twilight Christmas Parade
- Frontier Christmas Festival, Washington
- Maysville Player's Winter Production
- R Farm Christmas Event
- Downtown New Year's Eve





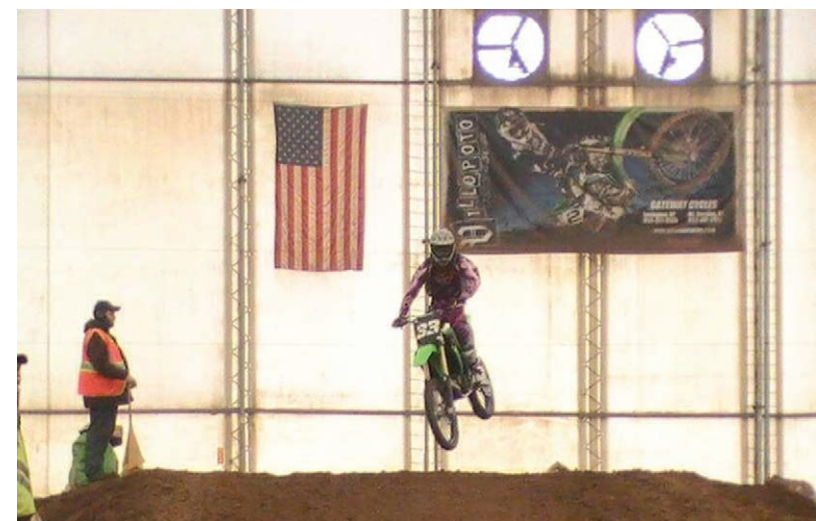
Sports & Recreation

Enjoy driving through our scenic countryside, discover the beauty of the Ohio River and all that it offers, play a round of golf, take in a local sporting event or explore our parks.

CARMEUSE-MASON COUNTY INDOOR
ATHLETIC CENTER
Clarks Run Road
606-564-3393
www.masoncoschools.com
Season runs February- early March

CUMMINS NATURE PRESERVE
Pickett Lane
606-564-6706
pet friendly, hiking trails, picnic shelters,
public restrooms

EARLYWINE RACING INC. MOTOCROSS
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One of the nation's largest indoor motocross
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LIMESTONE YMCA
1080 US Highway 68
606-564-6772
www.limestoneymca.org
6 Lane Swimming Pool
2 Basketball Courts

MAYSVILLE-MASON COUNTY
RECREATION PARK
2340 Old Main Street
606-759-5604

Swimming pool, 2 Tennis courts, Fishing Lake,
1.1 Mile Walking path, Picnic shelters,
2 Baseball Fields, Restrooms
Miniature Golf, Dog Park

MAYSVILLE RIVER PARK
AND MARINA
100 Main Street
606-564-9419
www.cityofmaysville.com
Park and Boat Launch



MAYSVILLE ROLLER RINK
302 Lexington Street
606-564-8355 or 606-407-5212
Seasonally Friday and Saturday evenings

RUDY'S ROLLER RINK
6041 KY Hwy 3170
606-742-2230
Seasonally Friday and Saturday
evenings

TOM BROWNING BOYS &
GIRLS CLUB
241 East Maple Leaf Road
606-564-3093
2 Basketball Courts, 3 Soccer
Fields, 3 Baseball Fields,
Clubhouse, Restrooms

WALD PARK
523 Lexington Street
www.walddparkbaseball.com

*Basketball has been
important in Maysville
and Mason County for
more than 80 years. The
community has produced great
players and championship teams
guided by legendary coaches. Fans
are passionate about their teams. As
soon as one season ends, talk of
the next season begins.*

*Danny Weddle
WFTM/Limestone
Cable*





GOLF

KENTON STATION GOLF COURSE

1306 Golf Manor Drive

606-759-7154

9-Hole course

Cart rental, Pro shop, Putting green,

Driving range,

Clubhouse with Bar, Concession foods

LAUREL OAKS GOLF COURSE

808 US Highway 62

606-759-5011

18-Hole course

Cart rental, Pro shop, Putting green

Clubhouse with Bar, Concession foods

Friday and Tuesday Dinners



MAYSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB

1099 US Highway 68

606-564-4093

www.maysvillecountryclub.com

18-Hole course

Cart rental, Pro shop, Putting green,

Restaurant, Bar, Pool, Tennis courts

MAYSVILLE-MASON COUNTY RECREATION PARK

Wells Creek Golf Course

2340 Old Main Street

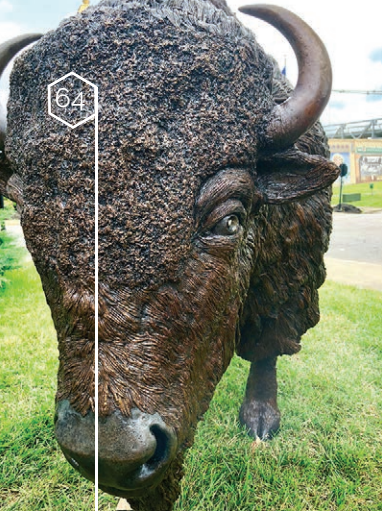
606-759-5604

9-Hole par 3, Miniature Golf



Overnight Golf
Packages available
upon request.
606-756-2596





Downtown Maysville Map

Restaurants:

- o6 Bubby's Burgers
- H4 Buck's Grill
- E5 Chandler's
- E7 College Cafe
- E7 College Bakery
- E6 Delite's
- G5 Domino's Pizza
- D4 Local Kentucky 68
- F4 Parc Cafe
- D5 Pandamoneum
- D4 Sprinkles Of Hope
- E4 Syleeto's

Drinks:

- E5 Chan's Bar
- E6 Crowe Bar
- D5 Maysville Brewing Co
- D3 O'Rourke's Pub
- H8 Ye Old Dutch Inn

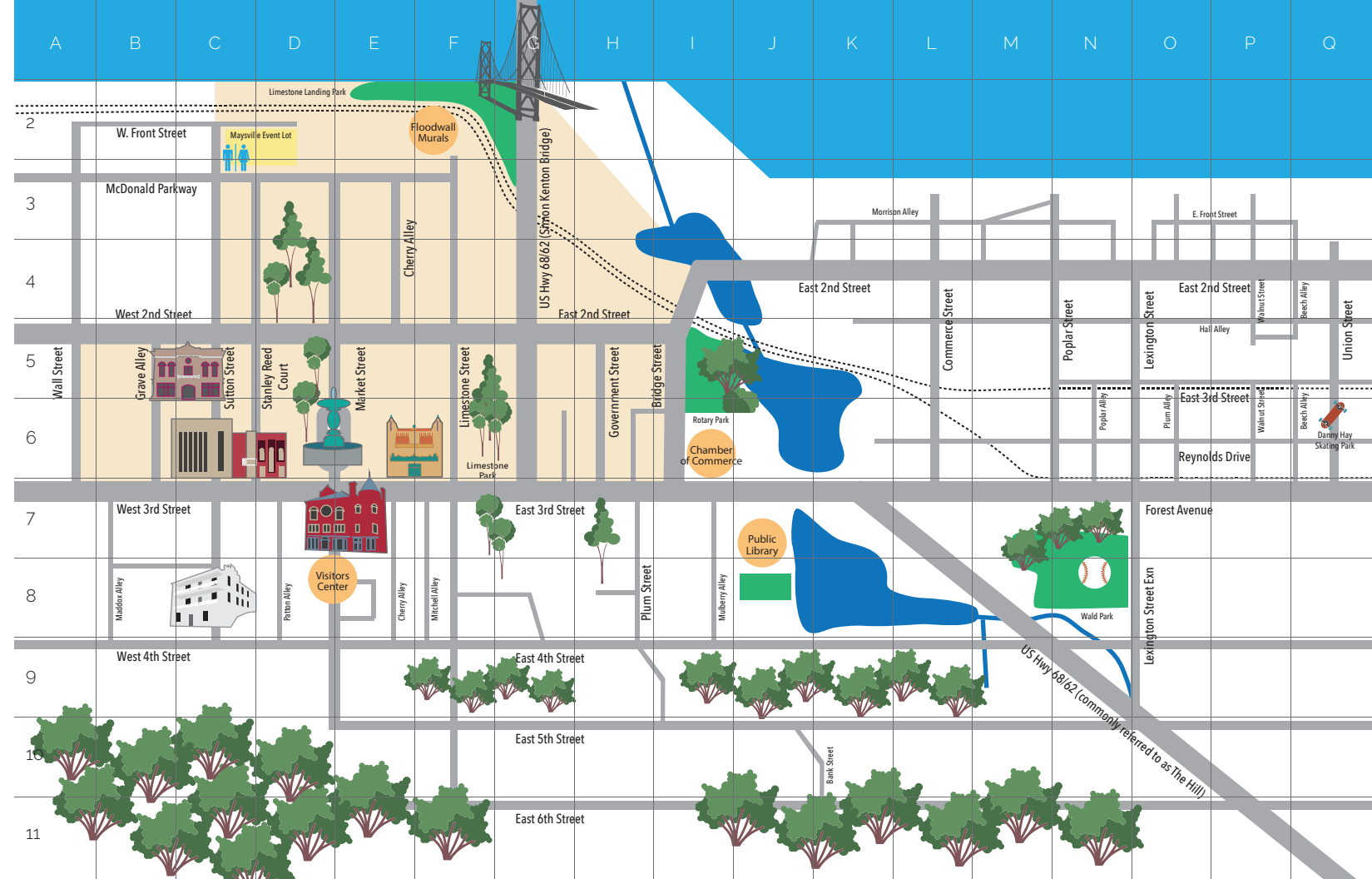
Points of Interest:

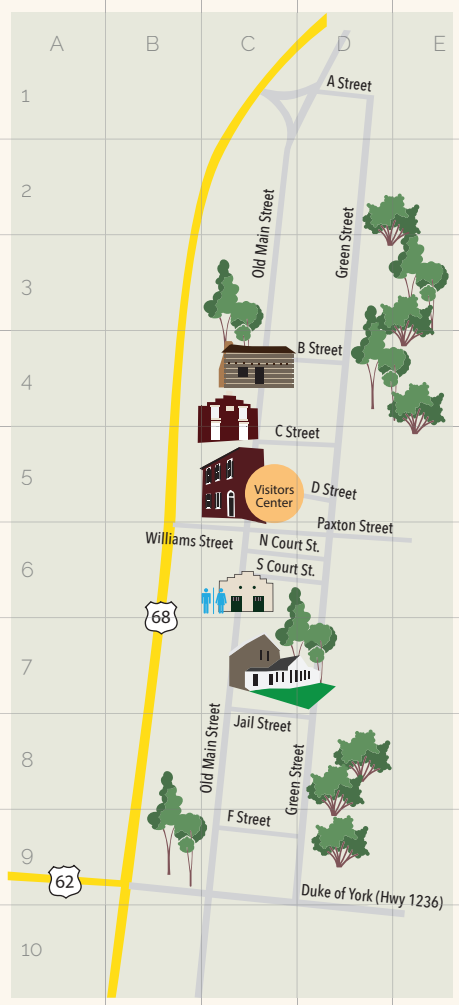
- E7 Visitors Center/Cox Building
- I6 City of Maysville Municipal Building
- Q6 Danny Hay Skating Park
- B5 EAT Gallery
- F5 Haley Drake Photography
- C6 Kentucky Gateway Museum Center
- C2 Maysville Free Parking Lot
- F2 Maysville Floodwall Murals
- J7 Maysville Public Library
- O5 Maysville Roller Rink
- C9 National Underground Railroad Museum
- E7 Ohio River Valley Artists Guild
- I5 Rotary Park
- E6 Russell Theatre
- N8 Wald Park
- C5 Washington Opera House

Accommodations:

- E2 French Quarter Inn
- E8 Moon River Bed & Breakfast

Tan area denotes the entertainment district.





Old Washington Map

Points of Interest:

- D6 Albert Sydney Johnston Museum
- C6 Fried Fired Pottery
- C7 Harriet Beecher Stowe Museum
- C8 Ken Swinson
- C6 Ohio River Valley Artists Guild
- C4 Old Church Museum
- C4 Mefford's Fort
- C5 Paxton House
- C6 Washington Hall

Restaurants:

- C6 Lil Jumbo's
- B10 Cafe Cream

Drinks:

- C2 Tater's Bar

Mason County Map

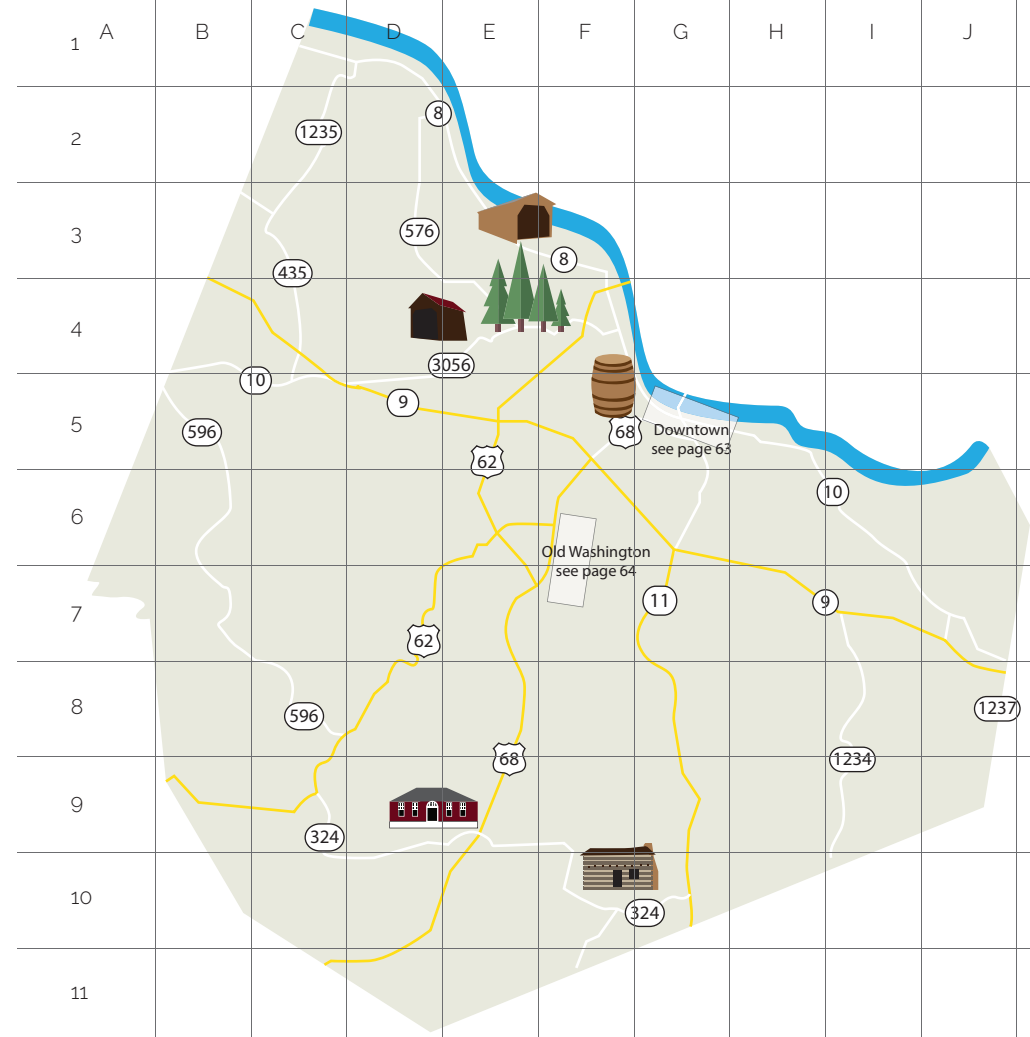
Points of Interest:

- F5 Lucas Cinemas
- F4 Cummins Nature Preserve
- E9 Rosenwald School
- F10 Colonel Charles Young Birthplace
- E3 Dover Covered Bridge
- F5 Old Pogue Distillery
- F6 Carmeuse-Mason County Indoor Athletic Center
- B3 Earlywine Racing Motorcross Complex
- F5 Limestone YMCA
- F7 Maysville-Mason County Rec Park
- F6 Tom Browning Boys & Girls Club
- F5 Kenton Station Golf Course
- E6 Laurel Oaks Golf Course
- F5 Maysville Country Club

Accommodations:

- F5 Days Inn
- F6 Hampton Inn
- F5 Quality Inn
- F6 Super 8
- F3 Drifter's Paradise
- F3 Lawrence Creek
- G5 Maysville River Park
- F4 Cummins Nature Preserve
- F3 South Ripley Retreat

Mason County has a population of nearly 18,000 people and encompasses 241 square miles. Numerous scenic roads and charming towns are waiting to greet you.



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