

# *Kansas City Here We Come*



**TTOS NATIONAL CONVENTION**

**AUGUST 2-7, 2022**

**“I’M GOIN’ TO KANSAS CITY,**

*Kansas City  
Here We Come”*

*Once you have sniffed the barbecue-scented air, felt the fountain’s cool spray and tapped your feet to its homegrown jazz, you’ll never forget the experience.* Kansas City’s prime location at the confluence of the Missouri River and the Kansas River as well as the starting point for the Santa Fe and Oregon Trails was instrumental to the area’s growth.

During the heyday of jazz in the 1920’s and ‘30’s, Kansas City was heralded as “The Paris of the Plains” because of its numerous jazz clubs and gambling halls and local government’s bold disregard of Prohibition. Today, names like “The City of Fountains” (200 of them!) describe this Midwest city. But man cannot live by water alone. Roll down the car window and inhale the mouthwatering fragrance of barbecue sauce. Residents brag that Kansas City has more barbecue places than any city in the country, hence the “the Barbecue Capital of the World.”

NOTE: Convention week will be August 2 – 7, 2022 with all tours leaving from and returning to the trading hall at the Hilton Kansas City Airport.

**NOTE: Due to COVID-19 and its variants, please bring your mask and PROOF OF VACCINATION as it will be required for entry to some locations.**

## **HOW DO I GET THERE?**

If you choose to fly, the Kansas City Airport (MCI) is within five minutes of our host hotel, the Hilton Kansas City Airport. Some of the airlines that fly into MCI are: Alaska, American, Delta, Frontier, Southwest, Spirit, and United. There is a complimentary shuttle that takes you to the hotel; just call 816/891-8900.

If you drive, I-35 and I-70 intersect the city. Drive north to the northwest corner of the city and the Hilton is located off I-29 / State 71 at exit 12. The Hilton Hotel address is 8801 NW 112th St., Kansas City, MO 64153.

And if coming by train, Amtrak’s Southwest Chief goes into Union Station. Then get a taxi or call Uber or Lyft to get to the Hilton Hotel.

(From Chicago/St. Louis – arrives at 5:45am)

(From LA – arrives at 12:20am)

## **OUR HOST HOTEL**

The Hilton Kansas City Airport is the 2022 TTOS Host Hotel located at 8801 NW 112th St, Kansas City, MO 64153. The telephone number is 816/891-8900. The room rates are \$119 plus taxes/night. Our room block spans Aug 2 – 6 (check out Aug 7). The rate is good 3 days prior (July 30





## TTOS NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The TTOS National Board of Directors will meet in Sioux Friday, August 5 (4:30 – 5:30pm). If you wish to observe the meeting, please advise the TTOS registration desk volunteers so we have adequate seating.

– Aug 1) and 3 days post (Aug 7 – 9). For room reservations, please **call toll free 1-800-HILTONS before Monday, July 11, 2022**. Cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to arrival or one night room rate plus taxes will be assessed. Best to check in on Tuesday, August 2 as tours start Wednesday. Most attendees will check-out of the hotel on Sunday, August 7. Check-in time is 3pm and check-out time is 12 noon. The hotel is 100% non-smoking in all areas, has indoor and outdoor pools, fitness center, pantry, gift shop, ATM (\$2.50), luggage hold, safety deposit box, coin laundry (\$1.50). And for TTOS hotel guests, there is complimentary self-parking and complimentary wi-fi.

## TRADING HALL

The TTOS Trading Hall will be located in Shawnee Ballroom on Saturday, August 6 (9:30am - 2:30 pm). TTOS Registered Convention Attendees will be able to enter the hall at 10am; the public will enter at 10:45am. Move out of the hall is 2:30 – 4:30pm.



Note to sellers: Sellers can enter the hall Friday (4:30 pm - 9pm) and Saturday (7am – 8:15am) to set-up their tables. The parking lot is very close. Sellers should bring a cart to haul their sales items as well as table covers. Remember: You as the seller are responsible for the security of your merchandise.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Once you register for the 2022 TTOS National Convention (one-time \$40 fee before July 1), you can sign up for all functions such as Tours, Banquet & Live Auction and early admission to the trading hall. If you have questions or require additional information, please call the TTOS National Office at 714-449-9391 (Wed or Thu) (typically 10-2 pacific time.)

## REGISTRATION DESK

The TTOS registration desk will be located in the lobby near the hotel's registration desk. Please refer to the Timetable for when the TTOS registration packets will be available.

## WELCOME PARTY

The Welcome Party is time to share our experiences of the past year and meet with friends old and new. We will celebrate in our host hotel in



the Kansa Ballroom on Thursday, August 4 from 7 – 10pm. There will be a silent auction of items donated by divisions and members from across the country. While it is a time to relax with friends, the bidding gets interesting and some bids on items rise quickly.

## TTOS ANNUAL NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Annual Membership Meeting will take place in Wyandot on Saturday, August 6 at 8:30am. This is your opportunity to hear from each of your national officers and give you a chance to ask questions. The Trading Hall will open after the meeting. NOTE: Banquet-Table Sign-up Sheets will be available at this meeting and then in the Trading Hall after the meeting. This is the time to get an assigned table.

## SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET & LIVE AUCTION

The convention culminates with Banquet and the Live Auction Saturday night, August 6. This is the chance to catch up on the events of the week with everyone during the social hour at 6pm in the Kansa Foyer. There will be a silent



auction with donated items from members across the country. At 7 pm, we move into the Kansa Ballroom for a sit-down dinner prepared by the local chef. Attendees will have an opportunity to preview the live auction special items. Items were either donated or came from the National Office. After dinner, the Live Auction will commence. Bidding will be lively, so get ready for some fun! This is certainly an evening you should attend.

ATTIRE: business casual or better.



# 2022 T.T.O.S. National Convention Table Request Form

**ALL SELLERS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM AND SUBMIT WITH REGISTRATION FORM  
-- OR -- TABLE(S) WILL NOT BE ASSIGNED**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TTOS # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ APT \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

I want my table next to: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

I have a Missouri sellers permit (Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_)

I attached a copy of the permit

I am an occasional seller (selling in Missouri 1 or 2 times in 2022)

My driver's license # (include state): \_\_\_\_\_

I will have a display only; I will not be selling





# THINGS TO DO IN KANSAS CITY AND SURROUNDING AREA

*Beside the tours listed later, here are a few ways to play and eat in this fascinating city.*

## **MUSEUMS**

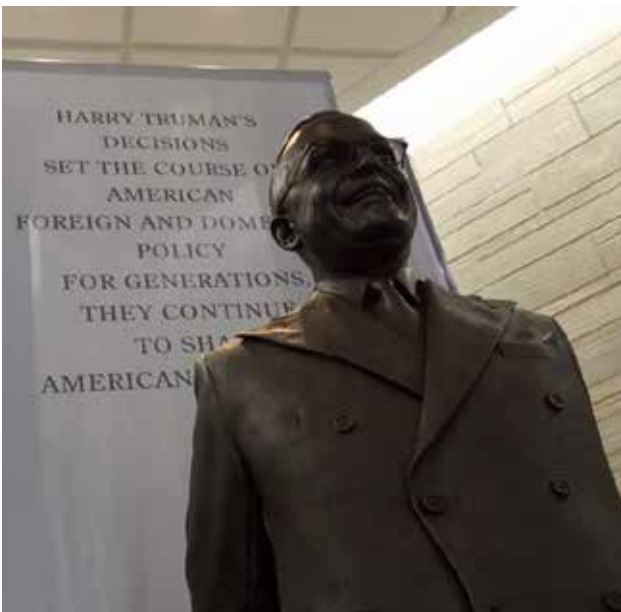
- Kaleidoscope/Science City
- The Money Museum
- TWA Museum
- College Basketball Experience
- The Royals Hall of Fame
- Negro Leagues Baseball Museum
- American Jazz Museum

## **FOUNTAINS**

- Loose Park
- Kaufman Stadium/Arrowhead Stadium
- JC Nichols Memorial Fountain
- Children’s Fountain
- Firefighter’s Fountain
- Children at Play Wall Fountain
- Court of Lions Fountain

## **BARBECUE**

- Smoke ‘n’ Fire
- Joe’s KC Bar-B-Que
- Slaps BBQ
- A. Bryant’s Barbeque
- Smokehouse Barbecue
- Smokin’ Guns BBQ
- Big T’s Bar B Q



# CONVENTION TOURS



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE TOURS

1. Tours tend to sell out early and/or have limited seating. We suggest registering early so you get the tours you want.
2. All transportation and admission fees are included in the tour prices.
3. Meals are NOT included, except where indicated in the description of the tour.
4. Tours that do not reach 80% occupancy are subject to cancellation, so sign up early.
5. The deadline for any and all refunds is July 1, 2022.
6. All tours depart from the hotel entrance.
7. Be at the bus at least 15 minutes prior to departure.
8. NO REFUNDS IF YOU MISS THE BUS.
9. Follow directions given by the volunteers; they volunteered to help you.
10. Most important: *r-e-l-a-x* and have a good time.



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## NATIONAL WORLD WAR I MUSEUM & MEMORIAL, UNION STATION/TOY TRAIN EXHIBIT

**Wednesday, August 3**

**Depart 9:00 am – Return 4:00 pm**

**Cost: \$75 per person**

This morning you will have a choice for your first stop. You can experience history at the National World War I Museum and Memorial, one of the “10 Best Military Museums” – USA Today.



The museum is dedicated to collecting, preserving and interpreting the history of and artifacts associated with the first World War. Thousands of educational, thought-provoking displays and interactive exhibits include everything from posters, photographs, uniforms, archival films, and vintage audio broadcasts to airplanes, artillery, weaponry, cannons, caissons, a 1917 Harley-Davidson motorcycle, and first-hand accounts from diaries trace history from its beginning to the armistice of November 11, 1918. The 217-foot Liberty Tower takes visitors to an open-air observation desk for panoramic views of Kansas City. (AAA gem)

Be sure to grab lunch on your own at the “Over There Café” open from 11am to 2pm.

OR... You can go to the nearby Hallmark Center where you can stroll, shop, or get a bite to eat. You could also visit the Visitor’s Center and discover how a teenager left Nebraska with a shoebox full of postcards tucked under his arm

and set out to create an iconic company. Your visit will give you a glimpse into the rich history and creative spirit of Hallmark.

After lunch, we will walk down the hill to the Kansas City Union Station. Opened in 1878, faced a flood in 1903 which then convinced the railroad executives to move the station to higher ground. In 1914, President Wilson declared Union Station “the Gateway to the West”. The Grand Hall has the then popular Beaux-Arts architecture, decorative ornate oak leaf plaster and three 3500-pound chandeliers hang from the ceiling. Rail traffic peaked in 1917 with 79,368 trains passing through the station, in-



cluding a single-day high of 271. In 1983, the station doors closed. In 1996, efforts began to restore the station and it is now beautifully restored. While we will enjoy the restoration, our goal is to visit the 8,000 square foot Model Train Exhibit with trains from N-scale to the G-gauge. This is Kansas City’s largest model railroad train exhibit and volunteer docents on site will be happy to talk to you about how they built and maintain the layouts.

# 2

## HOME LAYOUT TOURS

**Wednesday Night, August 3**

**Depart 7:00 pm – Return 10:30 pm**

**Cost: \$55 per person**

We will travel in small buses so we do not overwhelm each of the layout hosts. With a larger bus, we would be standing around waiting for our turn to view each layout. Home layouts are a perennial favorite and the local TCA division has stepped up with a number of different layouts. We will visit some layouts here and more home layouts Friday night.



Details for which layouts which night are not assigned; details to follow; photos from prior convention's home layout tours.



# 3

## NATIONAL TOYS AND MINIATURES MUSEUM AND ARABIA STEAMBOAT MUSEUM

**Thursday, August 4**

**Depart 9:00 am – Return 4:30 pm**

**Cost: \$72 per person**



The National Toys and Miniatures Museum is home to the world's largest collection scale miniatures and one of the largest collections of historic toys currently on public display. The toy collection displays the hopes and dreams of



generations of children from the 18th century to the present. The museum's fine scale collection includes architectural works, room settings, fine art, tools, and figures made to scale (usually 1:12). These miniatures are often working

reproductions of objects in full scale created by master artists. Notable architectural works include a replica of the Palace of Versailles and a Colonial Georgian mansion. (AAA gem)

After lunch, we will visit the Arabia Steamboat Museum. The Arabia sank in the Missouri River in 1856 with a 200-ton load. After 130 years,



it was found 45-feet underground in 1988 and finally recovered in 1998. This museum displays the vast collection of frontier supplies and personal belongings recovered from the steamboat including clothing, shoes, European dishware, medicines, guns, bottled fruits and vegetables, jewelry, and perfume. The stem and paddlewheel are preserved with a full-size reproduction of the main deck. Our tour includes a theater presentation describing the excavation effort, and we may view a working preservation lab. (AAA gem)



# 4

## HARRY S. TRUMAN LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

**Friday, August 5**

**Depart 8:30 am – Return 4:00 pm**

**Cost: \$65 per person**



Upon arrival, we will view a presentation in the State of Missouri Auditorium that traces Truman's life from childhood to his swearing in as 33rd President of the United States. In

addition, a 45-minute documentary and audio-visual presentations dealing with the difficult decisions Truman faced during his presidency. Exhibits and objects of artistic and historic interest examine such topics as the challenges faced in post-WWII years. Yes, you might even see the original "The Buck Stops Here" sign. The grave sites of President Truman and Mrs. Truman, their daughter Margaret, and son-in-law E. Clifton Daniel are in the courtyard. (AAA gem)

(Time permitting, we may have a chance to drive by the Truman residence – much too small for all of us to visit)



# 5

## HOME LAYOUT TOURS

**Friday, August 5**

**Depart 7:00 pm – Return 10:00 pm**

**Cost: \$55 per person**

Once again, we will travel in small buses to view a few more layouts. Home layouts are a perennial favorite. Again, a special Thank You to the local TCA division for sharing their layouts. Details for which layouts which night are not assigned; details to follow; photos from prior convention's home layout tours.





# TOY TRAIN OPERATING SOCIETY

## 2022 NATIONAL CONVENTION – Kansas City – August 2-7

*PLEASE PRINT* – print your name as you want it on your badge

Name \_\_\_\_\_ TTOS # \_\_\_\_\_ Division \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email address \_\_\_\_\_ **Day you plan to arrive:** \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Significant Other included in member's registration \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child: \_\_\_\_\_ (age: \_\_\_\_\_), \_\_\_\_\_ (age: \_\_\_\_\_), \_\_\_\_\_ (age: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 (Children 21 years or older must register separately and must be a TTOS member)

Only TTOS members may attend the convention (add \$35 membership) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee** must be received in the TTOS office by July 1, 2022 x \$40 = \$ **40.00**

→ After July 1, you must register in Kansas City x \$45 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**3 Evening Buffets (\$100 per person)** Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$100 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Trading Tables (6' x 30")** (1 trading day – Saturday, Aug. 6) Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$28 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* (Trading tables sold on first-come, first-served basis)\*\* (Indicate if you wish your tables next to a friend)

**TOURS: #1 – Wednesday, August 3** WWI Museum / Union Station Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#2 – Wed. Night, August 3 Home Layouts Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$55 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#3 – Thursday, August 4 Toys & Miniatures / Arabia Steamboat Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$72 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#4 – Friday, August 5 Truman Library & Museum Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$65 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#5 – Friday Night, Aug. 5 Home Layouts Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$55 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Welcome Party: Thursday, August 4** pre-registration Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Banquet, Saturday Night, August 6** - (includes salad, main course, dessert, and tea or coffee)

Filet Mignon Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$70 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Salmon Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$53 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Classic Chicken Picatta Qty \_\_\_\_\_ x \$43 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: **TTOS - 2022 Convention** **TOTAL ENCLOSED** = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Do NOT send cash – send check or money order) → **(NO refunds after July 1, 2022)** ←

Visa or MasterCard # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Verification Code \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

If name on credit card and/or the credit card billing address differs from the name and/or address above

Please write card information here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Include a self-addressed stamped envelope for your registration confirmation.**

What day(s) can you volunteer for 1-2 hrs? ( ) Tuesday ( ) Wednesday ( ) Thursday ( ) Friday ( ) Saturday

**Mail registration to: TTOS – 2022, P.O. Box 6710, Fullerton, CA 92834-6710**

Fax registration to: 714-449-9631

# 2022 T.T.O.S. National Convention - Timetable.

*T.T.O.S. Board of Directors welcome you to Kansas City.*

*Your host hotel staff at Hilton Kansas City Airport are ready to assist you for an enjoyable stay.*

**\*\* SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE – FINAL DETAILS IN CONVENTION OFFICE\*\***

DATE / TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
<b>TUESDAY, AUGUST 2</b>		
7:00pm – 8:30pm	Lobby	Registration Desk open
<b>WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3</b>		
8:15am – 8:45am	Lobby	Registration Desk open
9:00am – 4:00pm	Hotel Entrance	Tour - WWI & Union Station
6:15pm – 6:45pm	Lobby	Registration Desk open
7:00pm – 10:30pm	Hotel Entrance	Tour - Home Layouts
<b>THURSDAY, AUGUST 4</b>		
7:45am – 8:15am	Lobby	Registration Desk open
9:00am – 4:30pm	Hotel Entrance	Tour - Toys/Miniatures & Steamboat
5:00pm – 5:30pm	Lobby	Registration Desk open
7:00pm – 10:00pm	Kansa Ballroom	Welcome Party and Silent Auction
<b>FRIDAY, AUGUST 5</b>		
8:00am – 8:15am	Lobby	Registration Desk open
8:30am – 4:00pm	Hotel Entrance	Tour - Truman Library & Museum
4:30pm – 5:30pm	Sioux	National Board of Directors Meeting
4:30pm – 8:30pm	Shawnee Ballroom	Vendor trading hall set-up
7:00pm – 10:30pm	Lobby	Tour - Home Layouts
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 6</b>		
7:00am – 8:15am	Shawnee Ballroom	Vendor trading hall set-up
8:30am – 9:30am	Wyandot	TTOS General Membership Meeting
* 9:30am – 2:30pm	Shawnee Ballroom	Trading Hall open - convention registered
9:30am – 1:00pm	Ballroom Entrance	Registration Desk / Banquet-Table sign-up
10:00am – 2:30pm	Shawnee Ballroom	Public Admission
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Shawnee Ballroom	Raffle drawing
2:30pm – 5:00pm	Ballroom	Sellers Move Out
6:00pm – 7:00pm	Kansa Foyer	Social Hour & Silent Auction - (no host bar)
7:00pm – 11:00pm	Kansa Ballroom	Banquet & Live Auction

(\* ) = hall opens after Membership Meeting

***The Buckeye Division will welcome you to Columbus, OH – August 1-6, 2023***

***Relax! Have Fun! Enjoy yourself with good friends new and old***

***Please attend the Membership Meeting Saturday at 9:00 a.m.***

Conducting the Annual General Membership Meeting is a legal requirement of our not-for-profit corporation