

CLEVELAND, OHIO, USA

Proposed dates: September – October 2017



Cleveland Skyline

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Cleveland Information

Cleveland is a convention-friendly town that prides itself in providing premium hospitality and accommodations for visitors, as well as plenty of Cleveland event venues. There are 22,000 first-class hotel rooms throughout the city, with more than 4,000 of those conveniently located downtown. Over twenty Cleveland meeting hotels with some 3,100 rooms are located near Cleveland Hopkins International Airport.

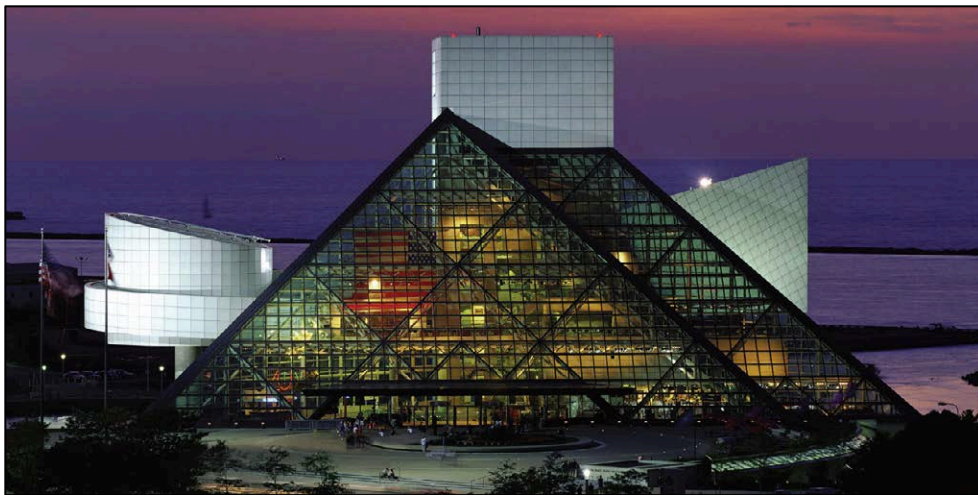
Located at beautiful North Coast Harbor on Lake Erie, the Cleveland Medical Mart & Convention Center meets the needs of large-scale Cleveland meeting planning, with 230,000 square feet of space. The International Exposition and Conference Center next to the Cleveland Hopkins International Airport is one of the largest single-building exposition centers in the world, offering 1,600,000 square feet of exhibit space and parking for 10,000 vehicles.

Cleveland has been a favorite destination for conventioners and vacationers for a long time. With a population of nearly 500,000, this warm, ethnically diverse city offers a wide variety of world-class cultural and entertainment facilities in addition to numerous family attractions. Music is Cleveland's middle name. Whether it is rock and roll, jazz, R&B or a Mozart symphony, Clevelanders are serious about their music and planners can easily incorporate this into Cleveland event planning. The world-renowned Cleveland Orchestra plays to packed houses at historic Severance Hall, an equal to the finest concert halls in the United States and Europe.

Cleveland is also the birthplace of the term "rock and roll" and the site of the first rock and roll concert. In honor of that heritage, Cleveland invested millions to build the internationally acclaimed Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, the only facility of its kind in the world. The stunning pyramid architecture is a signature shape on Cleveland's skyline. Cleveland is one of the most vibrant cultural centers in the United States. Playhouse Square, with its historic performance spaces and 10,000 seats, is second only to New York. Most days and nights, audiences enjoy Broadway musicals, international dance groups, ballet, drama, comedy, opera, and symphony, as well as high-caliber regional and local performance groups.

Cleveland offers several dining options, including a 400-seat buffet, outlet food court and a feature bar. Cleveland's famous University Circle is one of the nation's most well developed cultural centers in the U.S. It is made up of a concentration of several acclaimed institutions such as the Cleveland Museum of Art, which houses a world class international art collection with masterpieces, by famous artists like Van Gogh and Picasso.

Thanks to its melting-pot population, Cleveland has many terrific ethnic restaurants. Cleveland has a flourishing nightlife with hip clubs and bars scattered throughout the city and the many attractions of the Historic Warehouse District.



Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Cleveland, OH, USA