

Explore Knoxville



Complete the required number of activities according to the table below. Girl Scout Juniors through Ambassadors must visit a minimum of two sites.

Patches are available for purchase at the Chattanooga, Johnson City or Knoxville Service Centers, or on girlscoutcsa.org.

The Girl Scout Museum at Daisy's Place is also a fun and interactive way to Explore Knoxville and our Girl Scout history. Visit our website for tour and program information.

	Discover	Connect	Take Action	Additional Activity (any category)	Total Number of Activities
Girl Scout Daisy	1	1	1	0	3
Girl Scout Brownie	1	1	1	1	4
Girl Scout Junior	1	1	1	2	5
Girl Scout Cadette	1	1	1	3	6
Girl Scout Senior	1	1	1	4	7
Girl Scout Ambassador	1	1	1	5	8

DISCOVER

- **Blount Mansion**
 - Tour the Blount Mansion; learn about the women who were instrumental in the preservation of Knoxville's history, and especially the Blount Mansion.
- **McClung Museum**
 - Find the only dinosaur bones discovered in Tennessee in the “Geology and Fossil History of Tennessee” exhibit. What kind of dinosaur is it?
 - Visit the “Archaeology and the Native Peoples of Tennessee” exhibits at the McClung Museum. Discover how long people have lived in Tennessee and how their way of life changed.
 - View the “We Endure” video in the “Archaeology and the Native Peoples of Tennessee” exhibit. What is the Trail of Tears and how have the Cherokee adapted since then?
 - Discover what happened in Knoxville during the Civil War. Where did the action take place?
- **Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame**
 - Pick up a Scavenger Hunt sheet in the gift shop and fill it out as you go through the interactive museum. See the past, present, and future of women’s basketball as you learn about sports history. Turn in your sheet at the end of the tour to get your score.

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- **Marble Springs**

- Visit Marble Springs and ask about Bonny Kate and Sarah while on tour. Why are they important to John Sevier and Tennessee?

- **East Tennessee Historical Society Museum**

- Visit the “Voices of the Land” exhibit and learn about more than 200 years of East Tennessee’s history. What are some ways that East Tennessee is the same or different from Middle and West Tennessee?
- As you view the exhibits and learn about East Tennessee’s history, pay close attention to the objects and artifacts. What objects were being used in the Civil War era? What objects were being used in the 20th century? How do the artifacts and objects compare between the Civil War era and the 20th century? In 50 years, what objects do you think museums will show to represent your time?

- **Zoo Knoxville**

- Talk to a keeper or volunteer and ask them their favorite story about the animals they care for.
- Explore the zoo, looking for animals that are part of a SSP and find out what the SSP is.
- Participate in a keeper chat, animal show, scout workshop, overnight, camp or other educational program to learn about wildlife and conservation.

- **Historic Ramsey House**

- Visit Ramsey House for a viewing of the video that gives background and history on the Ramsey House, its family and the contributions to Knoxville. Take a tour of the 1797 home of Francis Alexander Ramsey and his family and learn what it was like to live back then.

- **Knoxville Museum of Art**

- Learn who Edward Larrabee Barnes is and why he is specific to the Knoxville Museum of Art and American architecture.
- Learn about the five different sections in “Higher Ground: A Century of the Visual Arts in East Tennessee”:
 - Grand Ambitions
 - Lure of the Smokies
 - Changing Fortunes
 - Post War Revival
 - Greenwood Mural
- Learn about the Delaney brothers facing the hurdle of racism, who left Knoxville in the mid 1920s to pursue their art careers in larger arenas.

- **Mabry-Hazen House**

- Visit Mabry-Hazen House and learn about Knoxville's "Divided Loyalties" and how Joseph Mabry was able to waffle between supporting the Union and Confederacy.
- Visit Bethel Cemetery and discover the role that women and civilians played in maintaining Confederate cemeteries.

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- **The Muse Knoxville**
 - Visit The Muse and build or make something out of the materials in the exhibits. Tell someone else about your creation.
 - View a movie or star show in the Planetarium.
- **Girl Scout Museum at Daisy Place**
 - Tour the museum and discover the founder of the Girl Scouts of the USA; find one item that came from one of the World Centers.
 - Take a scavenger hunt.
 - Take part in a docent-led tour.

CONNECT

- **Blount Mansion**
 - Talk to your docent about things that interest you. For example: what was life like for children in the past?
 - Go on a behind the scenes tour of Blount Mansion to learn about the preservation of a 1792 wooden frame structure. Call to set up a tour with your personal preservationist.
- **McClung Museum**
 - Visit Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (Vonore, TN), Red Clay State Park (near Cleveland, TN), Moccasin Bend National Archeological District (Chattanooga, TN), Museum of the Cherokee Indian (Cherokee, NC), or attend a Native American Powwow with your family or friends to experience more about Native Americans in our area.
 - Come with your family or friends to International Archaeology Day/National Fossil Day at the McClung Museum.
 - Learn more about what paleontologists do at the Gray Fossil Site near Gray, TN.
- **Women's Basketball Hall of Fame (WBHOF)**
 - Take your picture in front of the world's largest basketball, follow and tag us on your favorite social media site! (@wbhof #wbhof)
- **Marble Springs**
 - Visit Marble Springs during a living history event (Statehood Days in the spring, John Sevier Days in the fall). Participate in one of the activities offered (opportunities typically include butter churning, militia drill, or watch an activity taking place). How were things different during John Sevier's time?
 - Talk with a staff member about their job at the museum. What does it require to run a state historic site?

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- **East Tennessee Historical Society Museum**

- After visiting the museum and exploring East Tennessee's history, come back with an older friend or family member, such as a grandparent. Discuss with them how they remember the 20th century. As you walk around the exhibit, talk to them about the artifacts and objects and how they may have used them.
- After visiting the "Higher Ground" exhibit at the Knoxville Museum of Art, come to our museum to further explore these artists and the era they lived in. How did their environment and ongoing events of the time shape their art?

- **Zoo Knoxville**

- Ask a person who works or volunteers at the zoo about what it is like to work at a zoo and what path led them to working there.
- Find out why SSPs are important and what other ways zoos are working to conserve wildlife. Find out why it is important to you that we conserve wildlife.
- Explore the zoo and find the animal that most reminds you of yourself. Find animals that remind you of your friends or family. What do you or your friends and family have in common with these animals? What is different about them?

- **Historic Ramsey House**

- Attend a docent training class to see what it is like to share history with visitors. Then take a tour with a docent guide.

- **Knoxville Museum of Art**

- Visit the Knoxville Museum of Art's permanent exhibition "Higher Ground: A Century of the Visual Arts in East Tennessee," and take a Docent Guided Tour.
- Visit the Great Smoky Mountain National Park
- Visit the East Tennessee History Center

- **Mabry-Hazen House**

- Attend a local living history or reenactment, visit another museum with a local Civil War focus, or speak with members of a local Civil War Heritage groups.
- Look up the military records of soldiers who are buried at the Bethel Cemetery and trace their paths from enlistment until interment.

- **The Muse Knoxville**

- Visit The Muse during a special program (Saturday Science Connections, Robotics Revolution, a class, camp, or similar).
- Find the 3D Printer. Observe it working. Ask a staff member about 3D Printing.
- View a Planetarium Star Show. (Friday at 4:30 or at select other times with advance notice). Take your family outside after dark and look for the constellations and planets you saw in the Planetarium.

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- **Girl Scout Museum at Daisy Place**

- Arrange with a docent to explore uniforms from earlier years. Try on a vintage uniform that your mother or grandmother might have worn when she was your age, or try on a vintage uniform from your favorite time in Girl Scout history.
- Find out how the museum has been able to collect so many uniforms and Girl Scout items from the past.

TAKE ACTION

- **Blount Mansion**

- Volunteer for a special event at Blount Mansion.
- Go through docent training and volunteer your time leading tours through the historic house.
- Get involved - find out more about preservation in the State of Tennessee. Write a letter to your state, city, or regional officials about why history is important, and give them examples of why they should support preservation and history education.

- **McClung Museum**

- Find out about historic sites and homes in your neighborhood or community. Research the efforts to protect them. If any are threatened, find out what citizens can do to urge their preservation.
- Ask your family members if they have historic documents like letters or diaries, or photographs. Ask a professional or research online the proper way to store and handle them. If possible, contact a museum, historical society or other archive to see if they want to copy them.
- With a parent and/or others, volunteer to help at a public event at a museum, historic site, or house

- **Marble Springs**

- Call Marble Springs to see if they have any volunteer needs this month that you can help with. Needs typically involve trail maintenance, helping with tours or events, or cleaning.
- If you are not from Knoxville, send your state representative a letter telling what you enjoyed about the site.

- **East Tennessee Historical Society Museum**

- Volunteer to help at the East Tennessee Historical Society's History Fair (third Saturday in August) or our Holiday Open House (second Saturday in December). Help out at our children's crafts tables or be hostesses in the Museum of East Tennessee History, both of which will be opportunities to help others connect with the region's history.

- **Zoo Knoxville**

- Find out what types of careers you can do to help wildlife. Research the education and experience needed to get the careers that interest you the most.
- Research the many ways you can help wildlife. Choose one and try to do it in your community.
- Learn more about your favorite animals and research their status in the wild. Find out how you can help improve these animals' chances for survival. Choose one type of animal and do something to help conserve it.

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- **Historic Ramsey House**
 - Take part in a special event and shadow a docent during an event. Become a volunteer for special events or the opportunity to volunteer for other needs at Historic Ramsey House.
- **Knoxville Museum of Art**
 - **Volunteer!**
 - **Family Fun Day:** Shifts are 2 or 4 hours. *Volunteers must be 14 years or older.* A fun day of art making, family entertainment, artists demonstrations and food. Volunteers will assist with art activities, the prize table, food and drinks, set up or clean up.
 - **Summer Art Academy:** *Volunteers must be 16 years or older.* Weeklong art classes for children age 3-18 years. Volunteers will assist with morning or afternoon sign-in and sign out (M-F), teacher with the class activities, class supplies, breaks and snack time, set up and clean up
- **Mabry-Hazen House**
 - Help preserve the Mabry-Hazen House and Bethel Cemetery by volunteering for cleanups and other services. Help to inform the public about the importance of preserving local historic sites.
- **The Muse Knoxville**
 - Pick up a Program Resource Guide for your teacher and invite them to bring your class on a field trip to The Muse.
 - Create a piece of recycled art in MakeSpace and hang it up for others to see.
 - Help a younger person build or make something of their choice during your visit to The Muse. Reflect on how this experience benefits both of you, and how children learn by playing.
 - Take a walk around Chilhowee Park and pick up litter, especially around the playground. (Ask at the desk for gloves and a bag.)
- **Girl Scout Museum at Daisy Place**
 - Participate in a flag ceremony in a Girl Scout uniform- vintage or modern.
 - Contact your local Council office to see if there is a local collection of Girl Scout items from the past. Offer to help arrange a display in the office, at a local library, or for some special Girl Scout day such as World Thinking Day, Girl Scout birthday, or Juliette Gordon Low's birthday.

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Site Information

It is suggested that you call before your planned visit to make reservations, discuss any group discounts you may qualify for, and get up-to-date information on hours of operation and parking. ***If you are planning to volunteer you must call ahead to schedule a time.***

Women's Basketball Hall of Fame

700 Hall of Fame Drive
Knoxville, TN 37915

Labor Day-April 30
Tuesday-Friday 11am-5pm
Saturday 10am-5pm

May 1-Labor Day
Monday-Saturday 10am-5pm

Admission Prices*

Adults	\$7.95
Youth (ages 6-15)	\$5.95
Seniors (ages 62 & up)	\$5.95
Youth (ages 5 & under)	FREE
Parking	FREE

*Note: Groups of 25 or more qualify for group rates. Please contact for pricing.

Contact Information:

Margo Pressley
mpressley@wbhof.com
(865) 633-9000
www.WBHOF.com

East Tennessee Historical Society Museum

601 South Gay Street
Knoxville, TN 37901

Monday- Friday 9am-4pm
Saturday 10am-4pm
Sunday 1pm-5pm

Admission Prices*

Adults	\$5.00
Youth (ages 16 & under)	FREE
Seniors (ages 55 & up)	\$4.00
Parking	Public Pay Parking**

*Note: Groups of 10 or more qualify for group rates. Please contact for pricing.

**Note: Public parking is available one block away at the State Street Garage. This garage is free of charge on weekends.

Contact Information:

education@eastTNhistory.org
(865) 215-8828
www.eastTNhistory.org

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Mabry-Hazen House

1711 Dandridge Avenue
Knoxville, TN 37915

*March-December**

Monday-Friday 11am-5pm

Saturday 10am-3pm

*Note: Please call for an appointment outside of the above times.

Admission Prices

Adults	\$10.00
Youth (under age 18)	FREE
Parking**	FREE

**Note: Please use Rosedale Avenue to get to the main parking lot.

Contact Information:

mabryhazenhause@gmail.com

(865) 522-8661

www.mabryhazen.com

Historic Ramsey House

2614 Thorngrove Pike
Knoxville, TN 37914

Wednesday-Saturday 10am-4pm

Admission Prices*

Adults	\$7.00
Youth (ages 6-12)	\$5.00
Youth (ages 6 & under)	FREE
Parking	FREE

*Note: Price is free for scouts in uniform. All scouts must be accompanied by paying adult.

Contact Information:

Judy LaRose

judy@ramseyhouse.org

(865) 546-0745

www.ramseyhouse.org

Blount Mansion

200 West Hill Avenue
Knoxville, TN 37902

Tuesday-Friday 9:30am-5pm

Saturday 10am-2pm

Admission Prices*

Adults	\$7.00
Youth (ages 6-17)	\$5.00
Seniors	\$6.00
Youth (ages 5 & under)	FREE
Parking	FREE

Contact Information:

info@blountmansion.org

(865) 525-2375

www.blountmansion.com

McClung Museum

1327 Circle Park Drive
Knoxville, TN 37996

Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm

Sunday 1pm-5pm

Admission Prices

Adults	FREE
Youth (ages 13 & under)	FREE
Parking*	FREE

*Note: On weekdays, free two hour parking is available at the kiosk at the entrance to Circle Park Drive, just north of the museum. Parking is free on weekends.

Contact Information:

Debbie Woodiel

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(865) 974-2144

www.Mcclungmuseum.utk.edu

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Marble Springs

1220 W. Governor John Sevier Highway
Knoxville, TN 37920

Wednesday-Saturday 10am-5pm
Sunday 12pm-5pm

Camping is available for Girl Scouts. Call for information. *Note: Please call ahead in Jan. and Feb. to check for changes in winter hours.

Admission Prices*

Adults	\$5.00
Youth (ages 5-17)	\$4.00
Seniors & Military	\$4.00
Youth (ages 4 & under) and Parking	FREE

*Note: Groups of 10 or more qualify for a discount. Please call to make a reservation.

Contact Information:

info@marblesprings.net
(865) 573-5508
www.marblesprings.net

Knoxville Museum of Art

1050 World's Fair Park
Knoxville, TN 37916

Closed on Mondays
Tuesday- Saturday 10am-5pm
Sunday 1pm-5pm

Admission Prices

Adults	FREE
Youth (ages 13 & under)	FREE
Parking*	FREE

*Note: Reservations are needed for group of 15 or more. Free parking is available in large lot on the north side of the staff parking lot.

Contact Information:

Rosalind Martin
rmartin@knoxart.org
(865) 523-6349
www.knoxart.org

Zoo Knoxville

3500 Knoxville Zoo Drive
Knoxville, TN 37914

Every Day 10am-4:30pm

Admission Prices*

Adults	\$9.95
Youth (ages 4-12)	\$8.48
Seniors (65 & up)	\$8.48
Youth (4 & under)	FREE
Parking per vehicle	\$5.00

*Note: Group discount may be available for 15 or more. Please contact for pricing information. Hours and prices subject to change. Please visit our website or call for current information.

Contact Information:

kzcommunity@zooknoxville.org
(865) 637-5331
<https://www.zooknoxville.org/>

The Muse Knoxville

516 N. Beaman Street
Knoxville, TN 37914

Monday 9am-12pm
Tuesday-Friday 9am-5pm
Saturday 10am-5pm
Sunday 1pm-5pm

Admission Prices

Visitors (ages 2-64)	\$7.00
Seniors (age 65+)	FREE
Youth (ages 2 & under)	FREE
Teachers and Military with ID	FREE
Planetarium Shows	\$2.00

Contact Information:

Cary Busby
cary@themuseknoxville.org
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www.themuseknoxville.org

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Girl Scout Museum at Daisy Place

1567 Downtown West Blvd.

Knoxville, TN 37919

Hours-whenver the Girl Scout Shop is open*:

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

First Saturday of every month 10am-2pm

*Please call to confirm hours at 800-474-1912

Admission Prices

Adults	FREE
Youth	FREE
Parking	FREE

Contact Information:

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<http://www.girlscoutcsa.org/en/our-council/gs-museum.html>