Historic Natchitoches

Natchitoches has been welcoming visitors to the heart of the Cane River region for over three hundred years. As the oldest permanently settled in Louisiana Purchase, its history is also a story of the development of our nation, of the challenges and successes of democracy, and of ever-evolving American values. A historic downtown and friendly citizens are the setting for your visit. Nationally recognized as a Preserve America Community, a Distinctive Destination, and a Great American Main Street, Natchitoches is a genuine heritage destination.

Cane River National Heritage Area

Cane River National Heritage Area is the leading organization to Natchitoches National Heritage Area and works to protect, preserve, promote, and maintain the character and sustainability of the Cane River National Heritage Area region.

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Cover Art courtesy ©Cane River Art Corporation features renowned folk artist Clementine Hunter’s illustration of Zinnias. Hunter used Zinnias, her favorite flower in many of her paintings of life on Cane River.
**Roque House**

Roque House is an early-19th-century brick house that has been remodeled. It is often considered the oldest brick building in the city. The house was built by Louis Juchereau de St. Denis, a French colonial administrator, from downriver to this location in 1816. The house was moved to its present location in 1941. The house is named for its last owner, Roque Soulas, who acquired the property in 1841.

**Magnolia House**

The Magnolia House is a historic home located at 404 Front Street. It was built in 1857 by businessman James L. Cordova, who was the owner of the Cordova Hardware Store. The house is one of the oldest buildings in Natchitoches and features a Greek Revival style.

**Trinity Episcopal Church**

Trinity Episcopal Church was founded in 1863 by Prussian immigrants. The church is located at 110 Front Street. It is considered one of the oldest Episcopal churches in the United States.

**Hardware Store**

The hardware store is the oldest continuously operated hardware store in Louisiana. It was founded in the middle of the 20th century. The store is located at 301 Front Street. It is considered one of the oldest hardware stores in the United States.

**Prudhomme Building**

The Prudhomme Building is located at 204 Front Street. It was constructed in 1875 by Prudhomme, a New Orleans hardware store owner. The building is considered one of the oldest hardware stores in the state of Louisiana.

**Deterville's Corner**

Deterville's Corner is a historic location located at the intersection of Front Street and Second Street. It was once a bustling center of trade and commerce.

**First Baptist Church**

First Baptist Church is located at 108 Front Street. It was founded in 1841 as the First Presbyterian Church. The church was renamed to First Baptist Church in 1865. The building was remodeled in 1929.

**Hammond Building**

The Hammond Building is located at 200 Front Street. It was built in 1857 by businessman John Hammond. The building is considered one of the oldest commercial buildings in Natchitoches.

**LaCoste House**

Also known as the LaCoste House, this building is located at 115 Front Street. It was built in 1865 by Charles LaCoste, a local merchant. The building is considered one of the oldest commercial buildings in Natchitoches.

**Tante Huppé House**

Tante Huppé House is located at 106 Front Street. It was built in 1830 by Francois Huppé, a local merchant. The house is considered one of the oldest residences in Natchitoches.

**Cuthbert House**

Cuthbert House is located at 201 Front Street. It was built in 1857 by Charles Cuthbert, a local merchant. The house is considered one of the oldest residences in Natchitoches.

**Deterville House**

Deterville House is located at 104 Front Street. It was built in 1857 by Silas Deterville, a local merchant. The house is considered one of the oldest residences in Natchitoches.

**Bishop Martin Museum**

The Bishop Martin Museum is located at 108 Front Street. It was founded in 1908 by Bishop John Martin, a prominent figure in Louisiana's history. The museum is dedicated to the study of Louisiana's history and culture.

**Louisiana School for the Blind and Deaf**

The Louisiana School for the Blind and Deaf is located at 100 Front Street. It was founded in 1857 as the Natchitoches School for the Blind and Deaf. The school is considered one of the oldest schools for the blind and deaf in the United States.

**Hatchery and Aquarium**

The Hatchery and Aquarium is located at 202 Front Street. It was founded in 1878 as the Louisiana hatchery. The facility includes an aquarium that raises sport and gamefish for stocking in Louisiana's waters. The facility also includes a hatchery that raises sport and gamefish for stocking in Louisiana's waters.

**Roselawn**

Roselawn is a historic location located at 200 Front Street. It was once a bustling center of trade and commerce.

**Texas and Pacific Railway Depot**

The Texas and Pacific Railway Depot is located at 100 Front Street. It was built in 1878 as the Natchitoches Station. The building is considered one of the oldest railway depots in the state of Louisiana.

**Historic Natchitoches Museum**

The Historic Natchitoches Museum is located at 100 Front Street. It is dedicated to the study of Louisiana's history and culture. The museum includes an aquarium that raises sport and gamefish for stocking in Louisiana's waters.

**Landmarks in Time Exhibit**

The Landmarks in Time Exhibit is located at 100 Front Street. It is a collection of landmarks and historical sites in Natchitoches.

**Louisiana School for the Deaf, Science, and Training**

The Louisiana School for the Deaf, Science, and Training is located at 100 Front Street. It was founded in 1857 as the Natchitoches School for the Deaf. The school is considered one of the oldest schools for the deaf in the United States.

**Grand Ecore**

Grand Ecore is a historic location located at 100 Front Street. It was once a bustling center of trade and commerce.

**Baptiste Warehouse**

The Baptiste Warehouse is located at 100 Front Street. It was built in 1857 by Baptist Baptiste, a local merchant. The building is considered one of the oldest commercial buildings in Natchitoches.

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