

People are always telling me, "U.B., slow down, stop and smell the flowers." Last summer, I took their advice and checked out Garden Walk Buffalo for the first time. It was amazing. Hundreds of incredible gardens, super friendly homeowners, tree-lined streets, gorgeous old houses and there's even lemonade stands! And the tour is completely free. That's, F-R-DOUBLE E! (*Heads up: This year's Garden Walk is July 28-29.*)

Looking forward to seeing you in the BUF! The Unexpected Buffalo



So, this is where the Buffalo now roam. Upright. On paddleboards. On the Buffalo River. Pretty cool, right? FYI, that's RiverWorks over my shoulder. It's this awesome new place in the heart of Buffalo's waterfront where I love to catch some sun on their enormous patio, grab a burger and a beer, maybe do some rock climbing and get this: you can actually zipline between those grain silos. First of its kind. Kind of like me.



Check out my sweet ride. Yeah, and the even sweeter house. Just the U.B. hanging at home. OK, let's be honest, I borrowed that classic car from my friends at the Pierce Arrow Museum and the house, well the house is Graycliff, designed by none other than Frank Lloyd Wright. So, here's the real story: I love cruising out Buffalo's Lake Shore on a summer day and kicking back on the grounds of this amazing estate. I am 100 percent sure, you will, too. And that's the truth.

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Canalside is my favorite summer hang. I'll grab a beer and watch the sunset over Lake Erie or maybe take a water bike for a spin up the Buffalo River. There's boat tours, bike rentals, concerts on Thursdays, and an awesome light show every night that's totally worth sticking around for. And don't forget to check out Shark Girl, Buffalo's most Instagrammed piece of public art.



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Whether you think you already know Buffalo or not, it's always going to surprise you. I've been here my whole life and every day I still find somewhere new to go and something new to do. There's amazing architecture, incredible art, delicious food, natural beauty, and some of the nicest people anywhere. I know what you're thinking — *"Well, of course YOU love Buffalo. You're the Unexpected Buffalo!"* And that's true, I guess. But I'll bet you anything if you come and check it out, you're going to love Buffalo just as much as I do. P.S. You can check out this sweet ride at the Buffalo Transportation Pierce-Arrow Museum!



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I take friends from out-of-town here all the time. It's right in the heart of downtown near some pretty amazing restaurants like Seabar and Toutant and one of my all-time favorite places to grab a beer, Eddie Brady's. Buffalo's street art scene is exploding and this beauty has got to be one of the most Instagrammed murals in the city.



FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S GRAYCLIFF ESTATE

Oh man, what an awesome venue! <u>Sportsmen's Tavern</u> is the real deal. A true Buffalo institution. It's the kind of honky-tonk you'd find in a place like Austin. Super nice bartenders. Affordable drinks. Friendly crowd. Great local and national bands. And there's not a bad seat in the house. Definitely one of the best places to hear live music in Buffalo.





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PORT OF CALL: BUFFALO

Witness a spectacular fleet of 12 historic tall ships from throughout the US, Canada, Spain and the South Pacific racing through the Great Lakes, making their first ever port appearance in Buffalo! Experience a weekend of family fun, filled with live entertainment, historical exhibits, food and beverages, and much more

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SHAKESPEARE IN DELAWARE PARK

To go or not to go. That is the question. Of course you must go to these live midsummer productions of Shakespeare's *The Tempest* (June 20 - July 14) and *Love's Labour's Lost* (July 25 - Aug. 18). Pack a picnic for a fanciful evening in the park.

June 20-July 14 / July 25-August 18 shakespeareindelawarepark.org



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"It's actually a weirdly wonderful place."

ANTHONY BOURDAIN



There's something happening at our end of the QEW that's got people buzzing. Food trucks, craft breweries, revitalized neighborhoods, world class murals and a reinvigorated waterfront are making headlines and attracting a new generation of visitors. So, come and check out the **Unexpected Buffalo** for yourself. It's sure to be weirdly wonderful.







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And he loves introducing visitors to his hometown. So join him for a paddleboard tour of the **BUFFALO RIVER**. Or go rock climbing with him on the grain silos at **RIVERWORKS**. He's a huge fan of **FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S MARTIN HOUSE** and always takes friends to the Sunday night jam session at the **COLORED MUSICIANS CLUB**. He might even split an order of **BUFFALO WINGS** at the **ANCHOR BAR** or buy a round at **RESURGENCE BREWING**. That's the **UNEXPECTED BUFFALO** for you — genuine, welcoming, and wonderfully surprising.

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