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Springfield is a welcoming city with all the amenities you need for a successful gathering. Unique meeting and event venues range from a castle to a sportsman-themed conference center. The city's affordability, convenient location, wide range of dining options and top-notch attractions, including the new Wonders of Wildlife National Museum & Aquarium, make it the perfect meeting location.

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AMERICA'S CENTER CONVENTION COMPLEX



Planners needing space for a large event often opt for this convention complex, which is situated in a prime location in the center of downtown St. Louis. Some 502,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space—including 80 meeting rooms and a 28,000-square-foot ballroom—is available, and is divided among Cervantes Convention Center, The Dome at America's Center, St. Louis Executive Conference Center and Ferrara Theatre.

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BIG CEDAR LODGE



Named the top resort in the Midwest for the third consecutive year by Travel & Leisure, this 261-room hotel has something for everyone. It offers plenty of activities for groups, including many team-building activities. Groups can take a whiskey tour with a local Ozarks distiller or play around on the ropes course following a day of meetings in the property's 20,000 sq. ft. of flexible meeting space.

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ST. LOUIS UNION STATION HOTEL, CURIO COLLECTION BY HILTON



Groups can walk through archway after archway at this hotel. The 3D projecting mapping allows for artistic transformations, giving the lobby a large range of options to wow guests, from stained-glass ceilings to neon light shows. Some 100,000 sq. ft. of flexible event space and 567 guest rooms are available.

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