

WELCOME TO GREATER L NSING

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND— WORLD FINALS

May 22–25, 2019
www.lansing.org/odyssey



Dear Odyssey of the Mind World Finals Participants, Families & Friends:

It has been two years since we last hosted the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals on the campus of Michigan State University (MSU) in Greater Lansing, Michigan and we are excited to have you back! It is a tremendous accomplishment to make it to World Finals and we hope to do all that we can to make the entire Odyssey of the Mind family feel welcome. While a great competition is the reason you are here, we want to make sure you know all about what our community can offer you as participants and spectators so that your time in Michigan is well spent. Please take a moment before you make the trip to learn about our community. We wish you the best of luck in your competitions!

Sincerely,

Jack Schripsema
President & CEO



BEFORE YOU GET HERE...

- ✓ Request a Visitor Guide—online at www.lansing.org or call (888) 252-6746.
- ✓ Book your hotel room. Visit www.lansing.org/odyssey.
- ✓ Order your tickets for a Lugnuts baseball game. Home games: May 20–27, 2019. For tickets call: (517) 485-4500 or visit www.lansinglugnuts.com

ODYSSEY HEADQUARTERS

All activities for the Odyssey of the Mind competition will be taking place on the campus of Michigan State University—www.msu.edu.

Opening and closing ceremonies will be taking place at the Breslin Student Events Center—www.breslincenter.com.

For help getting around campus check out MSU's interactive map at: www.maps.msu.edu/interactive

Stop by the Visitor Information Center located across from the Eli & Edythe Broad Art Museum to plan your free time.

549 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing, MI 48823
(888) 252-6746

Open: *Tuesday–Saturday*: 10 a.m.– 6 p.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m.–3 p.m.

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WHERE TO STAY

PLAN AHEAD...BOOK YOUR HOTEL ROOM TODAY!

The following hotels have blocks of rooms set up specifically for Odyssey of the Mind friends, family and spectators. To make your reservations or to get more hotel information please visit www.lansing.org/odyssey

* *Distance to the Breslin Center.*

12 mi **Best Western Okemos**
2209 University Park Dr, Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 349-8700

2 mi **Candlewood Suites Hotel—Lansing**
3545 Forest Rd., Lansing, MI 48910
(517) 351-8181

9 mi **Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel**
6820 S. Cedar St., Lansing, MI 48911
(517) 694-8123

11 mi **Comfort Inn & Suites—
Lansing/Dimondale**
9742 Woodlane Dr., Dimondale, MI 48821
(517) 345-6101

6 mi **Comfort Inn—Okemos**
2187 University Park Dr., Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 347-6690

9 mi **Country Inn & Suites**
6511 Centurion Dr., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 827-7000

12 mi **Cozi Koi Bed & Breakfast**
720 Seymour Ave, Lansing, MI 48906
(517) 881-5938

9 mi **Crowne Plaza Lansing West**
925 S. Creyts Rd., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 323-7100

3 mi **East Lansing Residence Inn
by Marriott**
2841 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 657-2875

4 mi **Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott—
Lansing at Eastwood**
3320 Preyde Blvd., Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 374-6500

12 mi **Fairfield Inn—East Lansing/Okemos**
2335 Woodlake Dr., Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 347-1000

10 mi **Fairfield Inn & Suites—Lansing West**
810 Delta Commerce Dr., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 886-1066

11 mi **Hampton Inn & Suites—Lansing West**
900 N. Canal Rd., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 999-7900

6 mi **Hampton Inn East Lansing**
2500 Coolidge Rd., East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 342-2072

7 mi **Holiday Inn Express Okemos—
University Area**
2350 Jolly Oak Rd., Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 999-8700

6 mi **Homewood Suites by Hilton—
Lansing/Eastwood**
2201 Showtime Dr, Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 882-2000

4 mi **Hyatt Place—Lansing/Eastwood
Towne Center**
2401 Showtime Drive, Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 679-7600

3 mi **Lansing Courtyard by Marriott**
2710 Lake Lansing Rd., Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 482-0500

10 mi **Quality Suites Hotel**
901 Delta Commerce Dr., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 886-0600

4 mi **Radisson Hotel Lansing at the Capitol**
111 N. Grand Ave., Lansing, MI 48933
(517) 482-0188

10 mi **Red Roof Inn—East Lansing**
3615 Dunckel Rd, Lansing, MI 48910
(517) 332-2575

10 mi **Red Roof Inn Lansing West**
7412 W Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 321-7246

10 mi **Residence Inn—Lansing West**
922 Delta Commerce Dr., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 886-5030

12 mi **SpringHill Suites by Marriott**
111 S. Marketplace Blvd., Lansing, MI 48917
(517) 627-0002

12 mi **Staybridge Suites—Lansing/Okemos**
3553 Meridian Crossings Dr., Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 347-3044

3 mi **TownePlace Suites**
2855 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 203-1000

2 mi **University Quality Inn**
3121 E. Grand River Ave., Lansing, MI 48912
(517) 351-1440



"GO NUTS" WITH THE LANSING LUGNUTS!

Go Nuts downtown for a Lansing Lugnuts Baseball game! The classic American past time is alive and well in our community, so while you're in the Lansing area, swing by the stadium with your friends and family for a funfilled night!

Be sure to take advantage of the Odyssey of the Mind benefits that include a FREE group photo, team name on the scoreboard, and a guaranteed raffle prize for one person in the group!

For all questions and ticket reservations, please contact Brandon Diorio at 517-827-2481 or bdiorio@lansinglugnuts.com

WHAT TO DO



WHILE YOU'RE HERE...

Of course, we realize that in addition to the event, you're going to want to have a little fun in Greater Lansing, right? Of course! So we happily invite you to explore our attractions and entertainment options. Here are a few ideas for family-friendly activities and attractions that you won't want to miss:

SHOP

Get a taste of what Lansing is all about in our variety of eccentric shops and local boutiques, many of which can be found in downtown East Lansing.



Or head to one of three major shopping malls. A great way to spend your free time—shop around, watch the latest blockbuster at the on-site cinema and grab a bite to eat.

Make sure to pick up your MSU apparel at the Student Book Store right across from campus!

DINE

You won't believe the variety of dining options available in Greater Lansing. From family dining to ethnic sensations, you'll find that food for every taste, budget, and style, is right at your fingertips.



To find dining near your hotel or event visit www.lansing.org/odyssey or visit one of the information booths located at the International Center and Kellogg Center and ask for a **Greater Lansing Dining Guide**.

PLAY

There are all kinds of fun and exciting things to see and do in Michigan's Capital City and the surrounding areas.



Here are our top family-friendly attractions:

- ✓ Visit the State Capitol Building.
- ✓ Visit the Michigan Historical Museum.
- ✓ Create at Impression 5 Science Center.
- ✓ Kayak with River Town Adventures.
- ✓ Explore Potter Park Zoo.
- ✓ See new heights at Launch Trampoline Park—inside the Meridian Mall.
- ✓ "Go Nuts" at a Lansing Lugnuts Baseball game.

EXPLORE

You don't have to be a student to enjoy many of the offerings on the campus of Michigan State University. Catch Spartan spirit and get out and explore MSU:



- ✓ Visit the Eli & Edythe Broad Art Museum.
- ✓ Go star gazing at Abrams Planetarium.
- ✓ Wander the MSU Children's 4-H Gardens.
- ✓ Grab a scoop of Buckeye Blitz ice cream at the MSU Dairy Store.
- ✓ Visit the University Farms.
- ✓ Visit the MSU Museum.



LOVE LANSING'S SOCIAL SCENE

Share all your **#lovelansing** and **#odysseywf** experiences and we'll share ours. Look for Greater Lansing on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Pinterest.

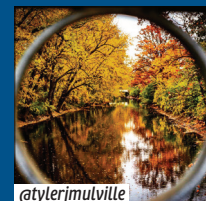
Post your fun and photo-worthy adventures in the Greater Lansing area and tag it **#lovelansing**, **#odysseywf** or tag us **@greaterlansing** and we may just share it on one of our channels.



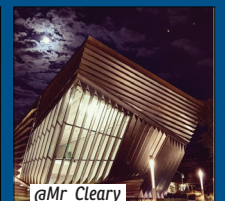
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GETTING AROUND TOWN

TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER INFORMATION

Not only is getting to Greater Lansing easy, so is getting around! Choose what works best for you.



MICHIGAN AIRPORTS

*Distance to the Breslin Center.

- 8 mi** **Lansing**
Capital Region International Airport (LAN)
www.flylansing.com
- 52 mi** **Flint**
Bishop International Airport (FNT)
www.bishopairport.org
- 65 mi** **Grand Rapids**
Gerald R. Ford International Airport (GRR)
www.grr.org
- 86 mi** **Detroit**
Detroit Metro Airport (DTW)
www.metroairport.com
**See Michigan Flyer for transportation from Detroit.*

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Capital Area Transportation Authority
(517) 394-1100
www.cata.org

TAXI SERVICE

DD's Downtown Taxi
(517) 252-4498
www.ddsdowntowntaxi.com

CAR RENTAL

Hertz Rent-a-car
(517) 321-1445
www.hertz.com

AVAILABLE IN GREATER LANSING:



WEATHER IN EAST LANSING

Average temperatures in May:

High 68°F

Low 46°F



INFORMATION BOOTHS

When you are here please visit our Lansing ambassadors at the information booths to get more details on how to fill your free time. Ambassadors will be located at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, the International Center and the East Lansing Visitors Center. We will have maps, coupons and be ready to make wonderful suggestions about where to shop, dine, play and explore!



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Monday thru Friday, 6:15 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

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