



THE VENUE
UPTOWN

EVENT PLANNING GUIDE

503 Washington Avenue | Historic Uptown Kingston NY



OVERVIEW

WE'VE DESIGNED THIS GUIDE TO
PROVIDE YOU WITH RESOURCES,
CREATIVE SOLUTIONS,
AND INSPIRED INNOVATIONS
TO SUPPORT SAFE AND PRODUCTIVE
EVENTS AT THE VENUE UPTOWN.
WE HOPE YOU FIND THE CONTENTS TO
BE VALUABLE. WE ARE ALWAYS AT
YOUR SERVICE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

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THE VENUE
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Welcome to The Venue Uptown. Where Upscale Meets Effortless.



TRANSPORTATION

The Venue Uptown is conveniently located at Exit 19 of the NYS Thruway; accessible from the local and New York City airports.



Albany Int'l Airport
58 minutes to the hotel
www.albanyairport.com



New York Stewart
Int'l Airport
41 minutes to hotel
www.swfny.com



Trailways Kingston
400 Washington Ave.
www.trailways.com
Trailways services the NYC-
Kingston corridor.

WORRY-FREE EVENTS



Masks

Face coverings are no longer required. We will adhere to your event policy.



Sanitizing

Hand sanitizing stations available in meeting rooms and public spaces



Distancing

Rooms will be set to your specifications; distanced or not.



Cleaning

Per CDC guidance: elevated standards & attention to high-touch areas



Food Service

Buffets & Plated Meals available. Buffet may be self- or staff-served.



Fresh Air

Outdoor space for tented events in addition to a large indoor courtyard.

The health & safety of you and your guests are at the heart of everything we do.

VIRTUAL @ THE VENUE

Events remain a relevant and vital way to stay connected. Technology and innovation are expanding the future of events with safety and security in mind. From conferences to celebrations, consider virtual options to reimagine your event.



Hybrid Events include a small, socially distanced audience in addition to a remote audience. Perfect for a mix of in-person local attendees as well as long-distance attendees who are unable to travel.

Similarly, wedding couples or those celebrating milestones may desire this option in order to bring immediate or local family together, while sharing the moment remotely with loved ones across the country.



Hybrid Events may also be converted to fully virtual events with relative ease, should stay-at-home orders be re-instituted. The professionals at Ellenbogen Creative Media are subject matter experts and our valued partner to provide webcasting services to our clients. Click on their logo below for more information.



CULINARY OFFERINGS



CATERING MENUS

Our culinary team is continuing to provide a wide array of inspired offerings with an elevated focus on health and safety. Our dedication to quality is reflected each day in our thoughtful service and meticulous presentation.

- ❖ Extensive selection of menus to compliment a variety of themes and palates
- ❖ Customization and special requests welcomed by our culinary team
- ❖ Buffets offered as self- or staff-served as an elevated safety precaution
- ❖ Enhancements including holiday-themed cocktails, mocktails, & chocolate fountains



GROUP ADVENTURES

Pamper



Cruise



Kayak



Birch Spa

Rail Explorers

Hudson River Cruises

Wiltwyck Golf Club

A Day Away

Wine & Chocolate

Pedal



Swing



Indulge



From a groomsman's afternoon on the links to a family reunion outing on the Hudson, Uptown Kingston offers endless possibilities.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

For more than a century, people across Eastern N.Y. have been able to depend on the Red Cross to provide relief for disaster victims, health and safety training, support for members of the military and a safe and stable blood supply.



ULSTER COUNTY SPCA

The UCSPCA is a private, nonprofit organization whose mission is to prevent cruelty to animals by providing temporary shelter, medical treatment, and adoption opportunities for the abused, neglected and homeless animals in Ulster County.



**BECAUSE
WE CARE**

Our community partners can help you make an impact locally during your event. From a blood drive to a kitten shower, ask your planner how your group can contribute to a better tomorrow.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Our sister property, the Best Western Plus, offers modern upscale accommodations conveniently located adjacent to The Venue Uptown.

- ❖ 208 Guestroom & Suites, including pet-friendly rooms
- ❖ Complimentary WiFi throughout the hotel
- ❖ Microwave, fridge & coffeemaker in every room
- ❖ First Capitol Bistro open for breakfast and dinner

Based upon guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and Health Canada, Best Western's We Care Clean program addresses everything from guest room and common area cleanliness, to streamlined processes that minimize contact between guests and associates while maintaining the customer service you expect from a Best Western-branded hotel.



FITNESS & FRESH AIR

Hotel amenities at the Best Western Plus include an indoor pool and fitness center.

Running, hiking, biking and rock climbing are available nearby.



Heated Indoor Saltwater Pool



Fitness Center by Precor®



Mohonk Preserve
Hiking & Rock Climbing
Passes available at the front desk



Kingston Greenline
Walking, Running, Biking
Includes Kingston Point Rail Trail and waterfront promenade



Ashokan Rail Trail
Running & Biking
5.3 mi from hotel via Route 28 West

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Medical Services

HealthAlliance Hospital
105 Mary's Ave, Kingston
845-338-2500

Emergency One Urgent Care
40 Hurley Ave, Kingston
845-338-5600
Weekdays 8-8, Weekends 8-4
**COVID-19 testing available*

Nuvance Health Urgent Care
1240 Ulster Ave, Kingston
845-443-8740

Wellness

Origin Wellness
16 Lucas Ave, Kingston
845-481-5316

Voted Best Wellness Center in the Hudson Valley by the Chronogram's Readers' Choice Awards, Origin Wellness offers more than 20 Touch-Free Services to help you lower stress, boost immunity, and experience lasting wellness. Their sustainable, technology-based treatments harness natural forces—like light, heat, salt, and gravity—to promote physical and mental well-being.

Yoga Lab
243 Fair St, Kingston
845-481-3108

Yoga Lab offers virtual classes where you are encouraged and guided to experiment with movement and stillness; explore your body and mind; and begin to discover your true self. Let the traditional tools of yoga guide the practice: postures, chanting, breath-work, meditation, philosophy, self-inquiry, mantra and mindfulness.

Kingston Farmers Market
Bringing together farmers and the community since 2001
Dec 3 – Apr 22, every other Saturday from 10am-2pm at the Old Dutch Church, Kingston
May 7 – Nov 19, every Saturday from 9am-2pm at the County Courthouse parking lot, Kingston





LOCAL RESOURCES

Our local tourism and business partners offer a wealth of information about local attractions, restaurants, events and more. These are great resources to share with your attendees prior to arrival.

Ulster County Tourism & Economic Development

Everything you need to know to eat, play and stay in Ulster County, NY. Includes information on local history & historic sites, arts & culture, shopping, agritourism, craft beverages, spas & fitness, conferences & weddings and group tours.

I ♥ NY

Explore all the state of New York has to offer including fun things to do, year-round events and festivals. Foliage reports, museum re-openings and unique hidden gems are highlights of the site. Click through to the Hudson Valley and Kingston pages for more detailed local information.

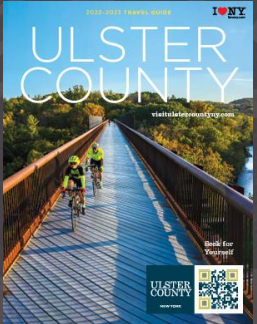
Ulster County Chamber of Commerce

Review local business listings and submit requests for restaurant and visitor information via the Visitors Center link.

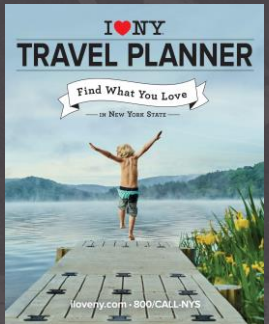
VISITvortex

VISITvortex is a celebration of each season and a visual display of the Catskills and Hudson Valley's treasures in print, online, and through video.

[Ulster County Tourism Guide](#)



[I ♥ NY Travel Planner](#)





VENDOR PARTNERSHIPS

Adirondack Trailways
800-225-6815

Trailways is the nation's premiere full-service passenger ground transportation system. Trailways offers on-board entertainment systems & WiFi, group discounts, an expert driver, customer support and peace of mind.

First Student
855-272-3222

Think yellow for your next event. From corporate events and conventions to national organizations and non-profits, choosing yellow is the fun and flexible choice for all types of groups.

SDA Events
845-693-4576

SDA Events is a one-stop-shop entertainment and production company that delivers cutting edge events. They operate seven service lines that include Audio/Visual Production, Casino Parties, DJs/MCs, Inflatables & Games, Photography Services, Decorations & Lighting, and Event Rentals.

Sav-On Party Central
845-336-5800

Features one of the largest selections of party supplies and rental equipment in the Hudson Valley. Inventory includes a wide array of tents, heaters/fans, concessions equipment and tableware.

Durants Event Rental
845-474-0028

A full service event rental company. Offers linen, china, glassware and flatware as well as tents, flooring and amusements.

LB Entertainment
845-774-5147

Parties bring much needed refreshment & excitement to the workplace after big projects and a long year. Whether it's your holiday party, summer outing, charitable fundraiser or awards dinner, LB Entertainment will make it an event to look forward to; tailored to have the perfect atmosphere and create everlasting memories.

Christine Merson Photography
201-788-9835

A 2018 & 2019 Best of Weddings pick on The Knot. Christine is a storyteller. She aims not only to capture beautifully executed images, but to tell the story of your event.

Paramount Photo Booths
845-389-3935

Nothing engages your guests more than a photo booth. From networking events to celebrating life's milestones, make your event memorable.

Petalos Floral Design
845-514-2800

Petalos offers designs and service you won't find anywhere else in the region. Featuring an impressive variety of flowers and plants, including amazing orchids hand-selected from a local grower. Specializing in custom arrangements and small, romantic weddings.



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