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Dear Under Secretary Kappos and the USPTO Satellite Office Team,

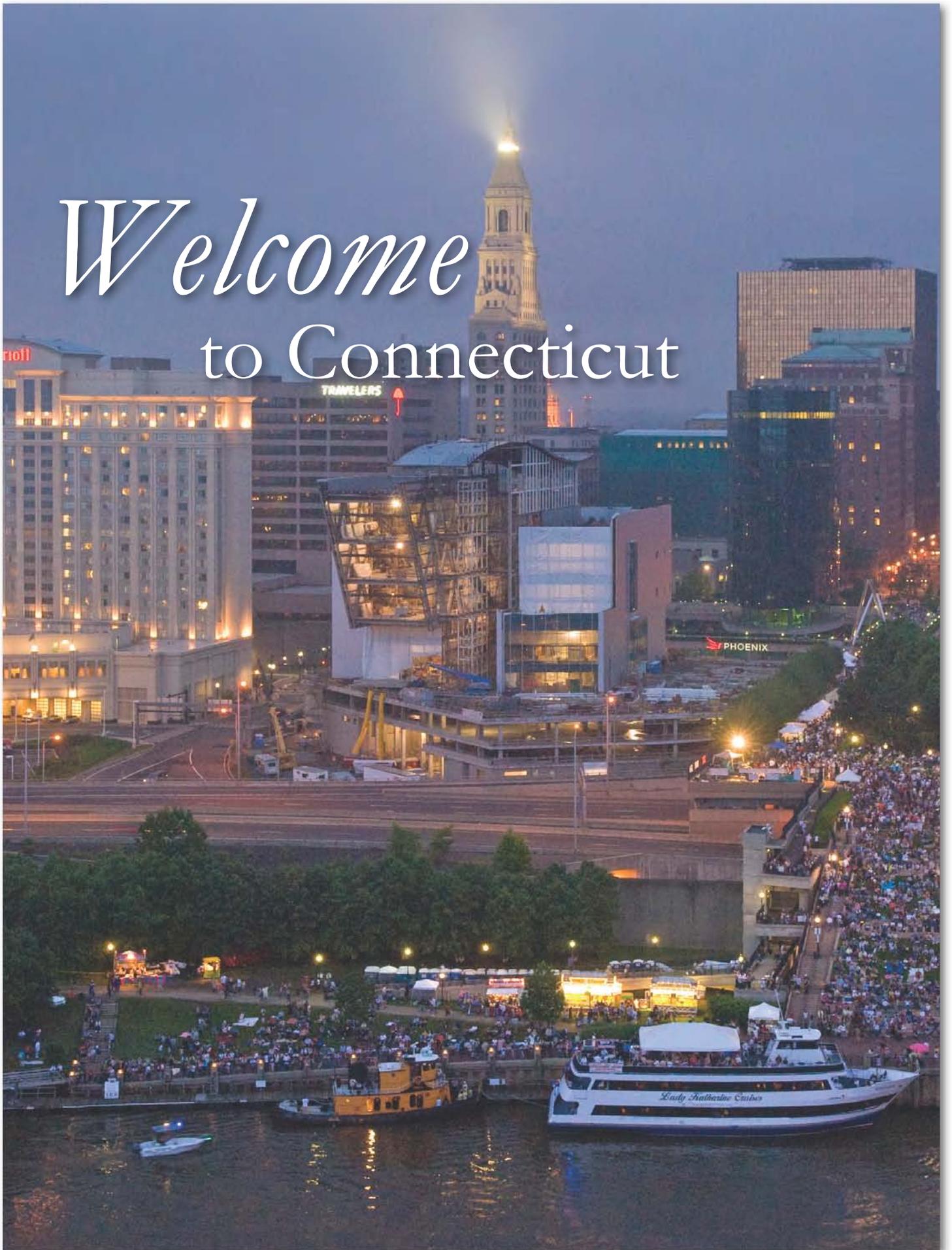
Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the expansion of the USPTO to satellite offices. The State of Connecticut's comments are attached, in addition to letters of support from a number of companies, institutions and associations. To reduce the email size, we will send in a separate email a visual description of Hartford and of Connecticut generally.

We wish you the best of luck and hope for a chance to talk with members of your staff soon.

Sincerely,

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Director of Innovation
State of Connecticut
Department of Economic & Community Development
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Welcome to Connecticut



Hartford, The capital of Connecticut



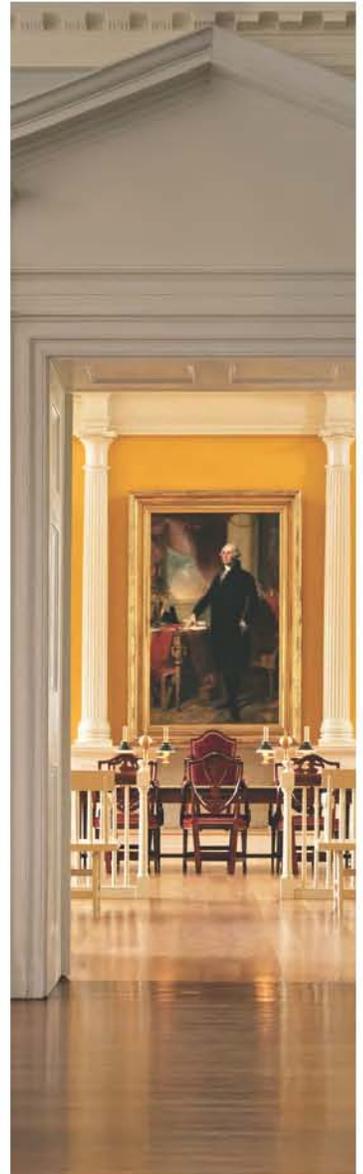
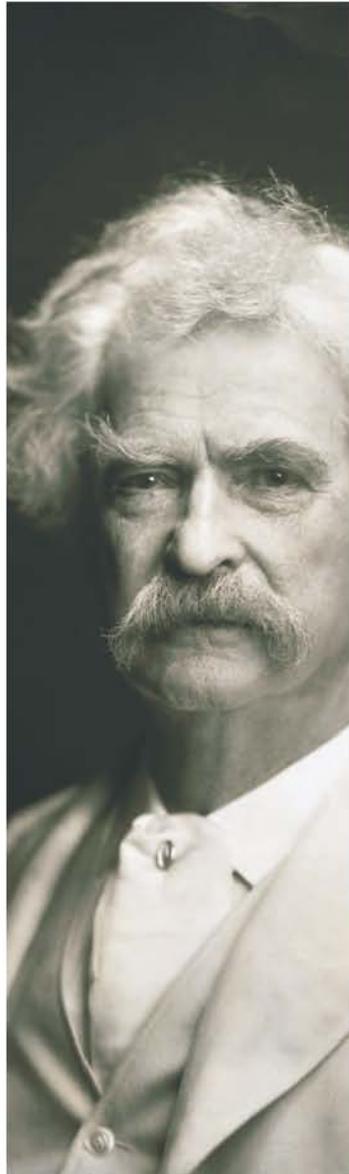
Concert on the Connecticut River

Hartford
home of
Sam Colt...

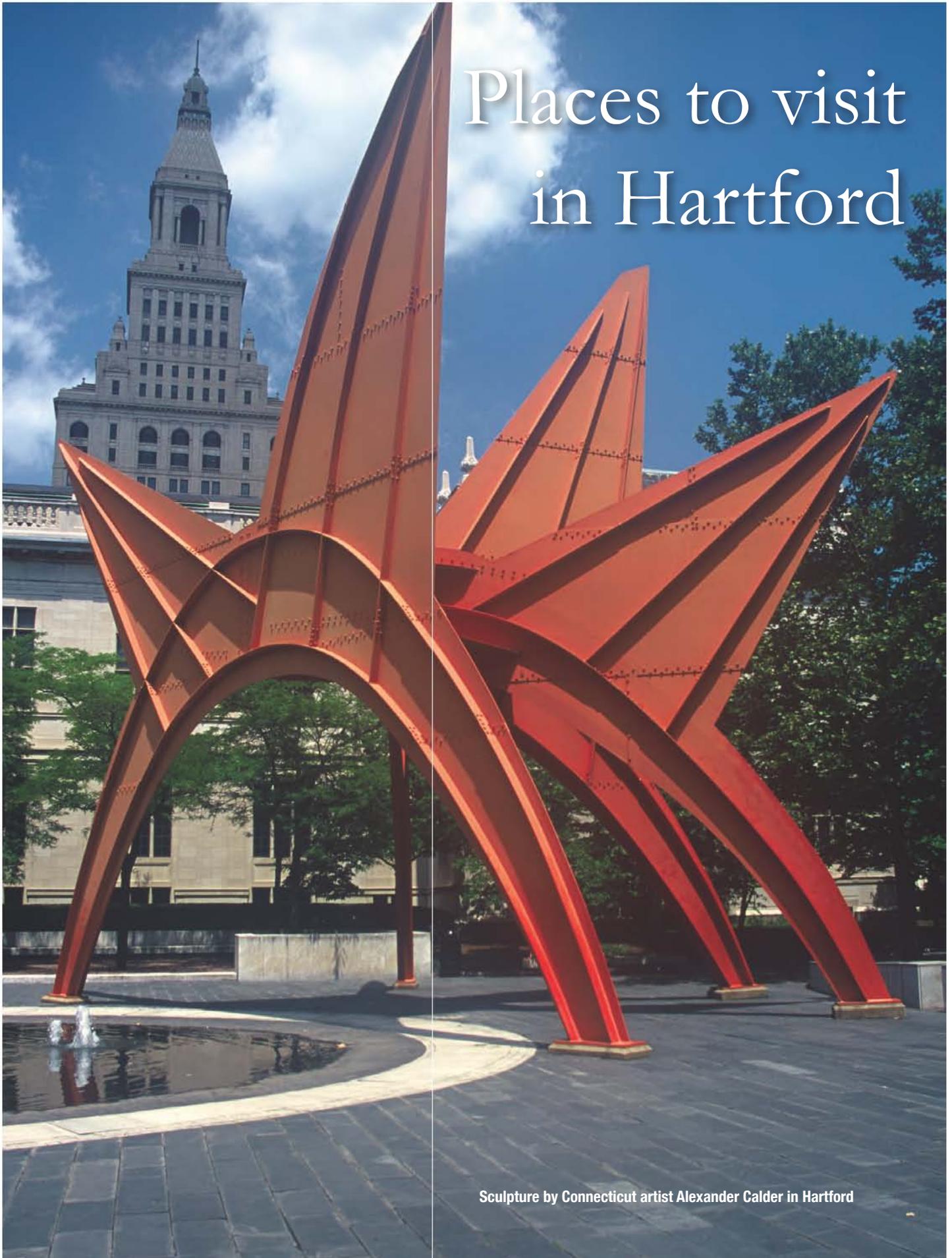
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...America's
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...and the
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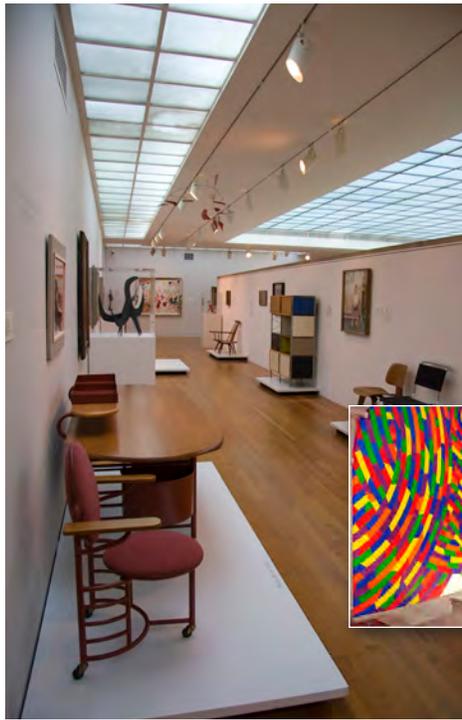
Places to visit in Hartford



Sculpture by Connecticut artist Alexander Calder in Hartford

Explore Hartford

Visit the spot where Mark Twain wrote his famous works. See the home of author and equal rights activist Harriet Beecher Stowe. Be entertained at the Hartford Stage Company and the Bushnell Performing Arts Center –Connecticut’s premier performing arts center. Take a peek at a Calder mobile at the Wadsworth Atheneum. Be amused at the Connecticut Science Center. Tour the exquisitely restored Connecticut Capitol.



Wadsworth Atheneum

The oldest public art museum in the country (1842) features a vast collection of painting, sculpture and decorative arts.

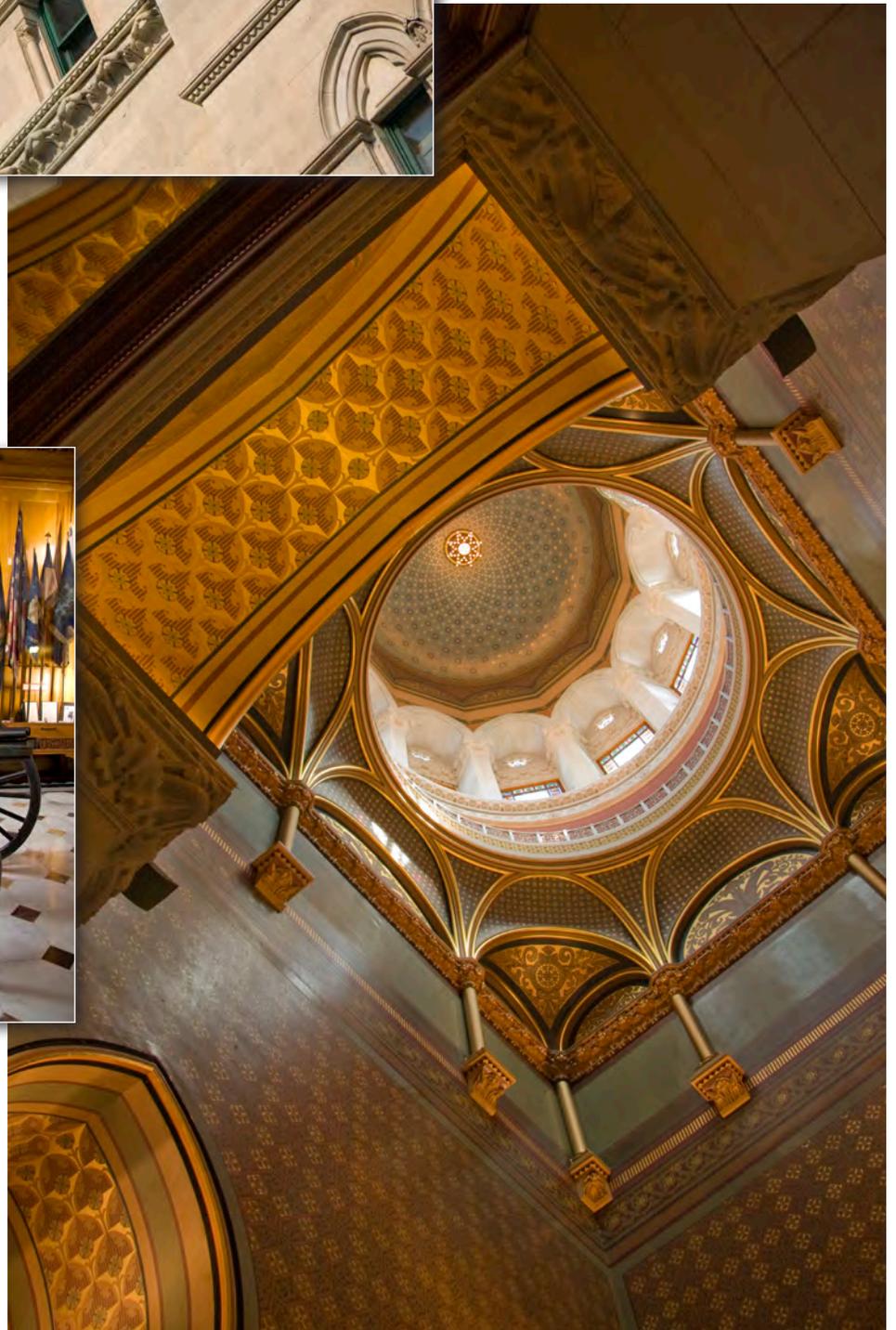
Connecticut Science Center

This recent addition to Hartford features a building by the world-famous architect Cesar Pelli. It features 150 hands-on exhibits.





The Connecticut State Capitol Building
This beautifully restored Victorian Gothic building with gold dome, was opened in 1878.

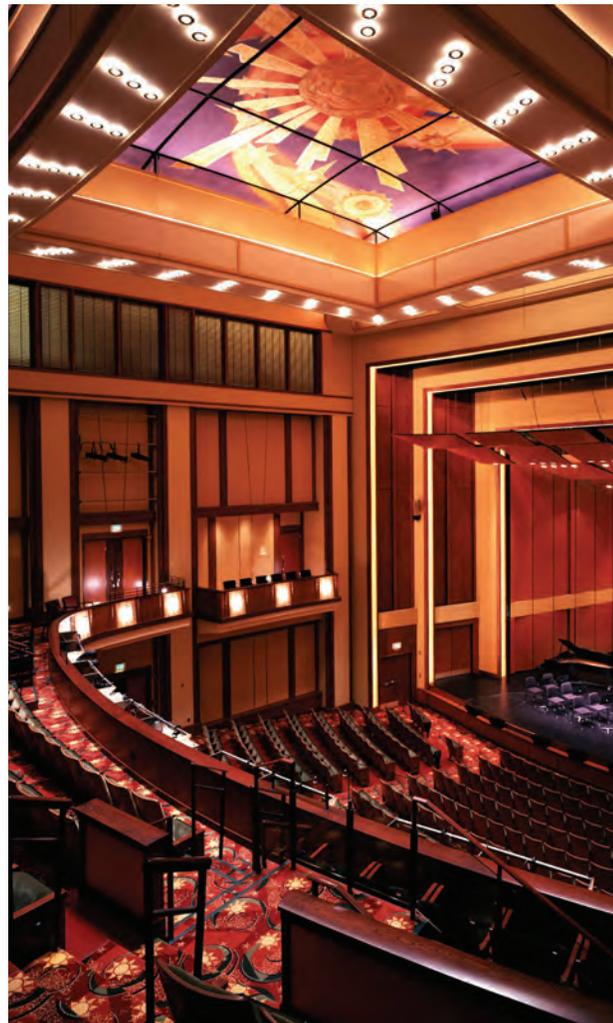




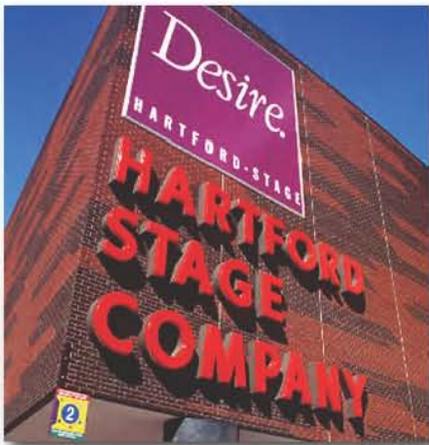
Harriet Beecher Stowe House
Stowe was Twain's neighbor in the area called Nook Farm.

Mark Twain House

This is the Victorian Mansion where Mark Twain wrote his great works from 1874-91. This National Historic Landmark features an interior by Louis Comfort Tiffany. Twain's neighbor was Harriet Beecher Stowe.



Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts
National Historic Landmark, the Bushnell presents more than 350 events annually.



Above: Hartford Stage Company, 1977
Venturi and Rauch, architects

Below: The Art Deco stainless steel marquee, display windows and entrance to the Capital Community College are by Tausig-Flesch & Associates and date from the 1934-35 renovation of the 1918 G. Fox Department Store by architect Cass Gilbert



Left and below: Clock tower and Fountain, 1962, Constitution Plaza, designed by Masao Kinoshita



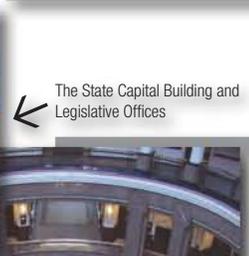
Above: Gold Building, 1974,
Neuhaus & Taylor, architects



Above: Phoenix Building, 1963
Harrison & Abramovitz, architects



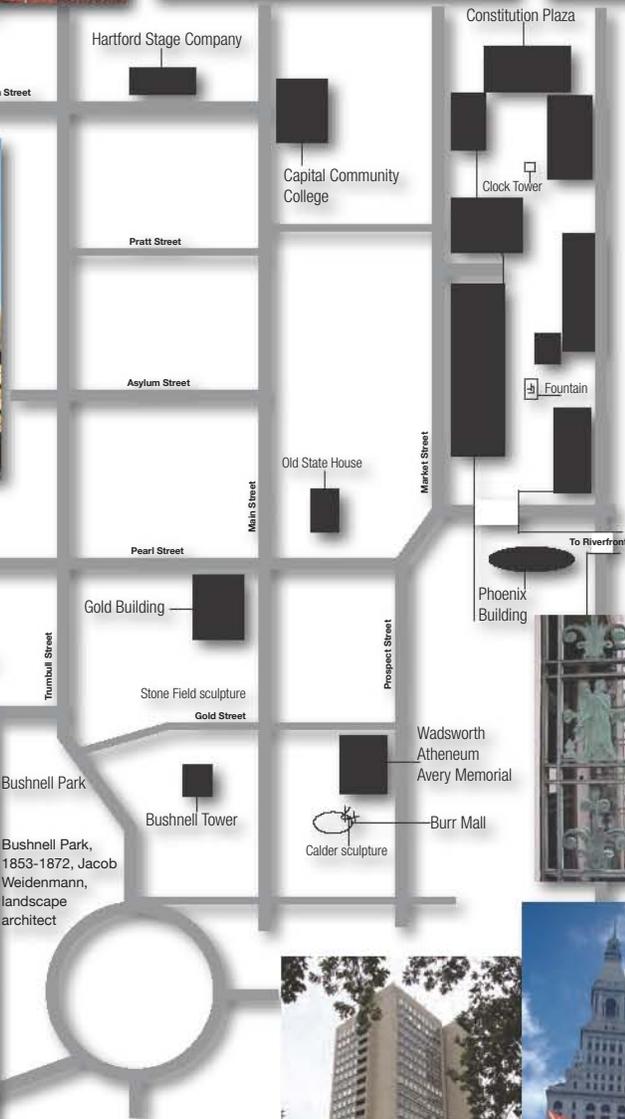
Above: CT Science Center, 2009,
Pelli Clarke Pelli, architects



← The State Capital Building and
Legislative Offices



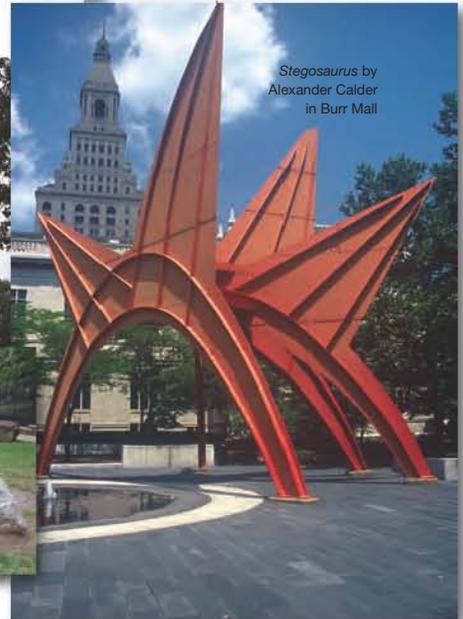
Above: Legislative Office
Building, 1988, Russell Chiswick,
Dohlen, architects



Right: Bushnell Tower 1969,
I.M. Pei with Henry F. Ludorf, architects
Right below: Stone Field, Carl Andre, artist

Left: Art Deco elements
on the Wadsworth
Athenaeum's Avery
Memorial, 1934

photography and design: Robert Gregson



Stegosaurus by
Alexander Calder
in Burr Mall



Architectural Time Traveling Walking Tour of Hartford

The history of Hartford can be traced through its buildings. They are our cultural memory. One need not look far to find remnants of what we were and who we are today. As we move further into the 21st century, we realize that it is important to preserve the architecture of the last century. These buildings represent significant design milestones and have beauty that requires a fresh point of view.

Enjoy Connecticut



Connecticut
is home of
Colonial
Litchfield
Hills...

...Mystic
Seaport...

...Yale
University...

...and the
Connecticut
River Valley.

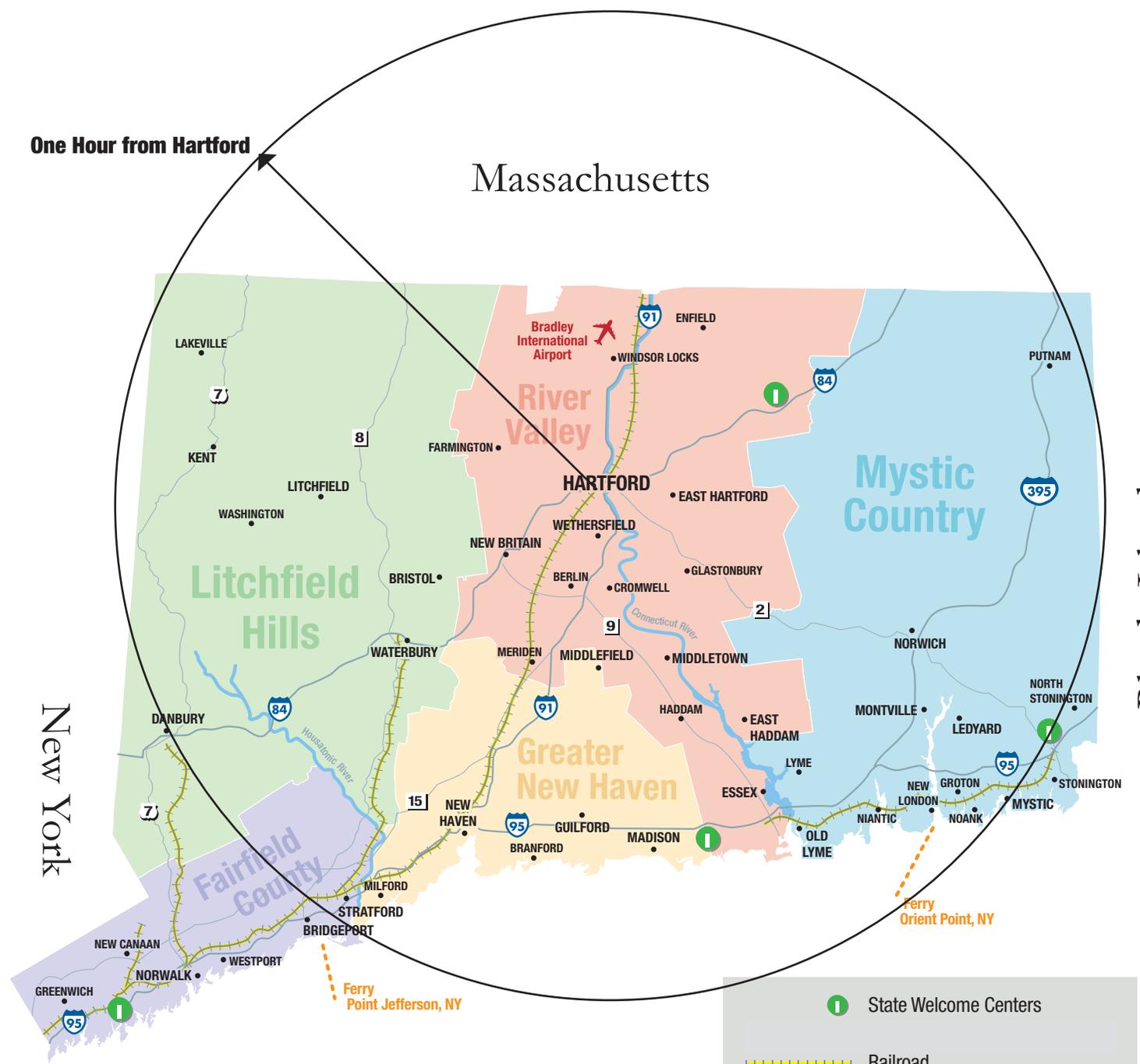


One Hour from Hartford

Massachusetts

Rhode Island

New York



- 1 State Welcome Centers
- Railroad
- Ferry

Scale: 1/2" equals approximately 10 miles

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River Valley

The natives who lived here called it “beside the long tidal river” and the word eventually became known to all as “Connecticut.” The charm of the River Valley is intact and you’ll find beautiful villages filled with shops, galleries and fine dining. Visit Gillette Castle – built by actor William Gillette – and enjoy the most dramatic view of the river.



Griswold Inn in Essex



Shopping in Chester



Connecticut River Valley as seen from Gillette Castle

35
Minutes from
Hartford



Gillette Castle in Haddam



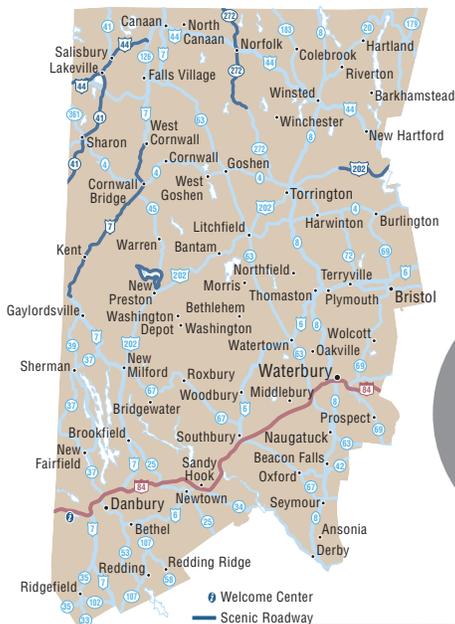
Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme

Litchfield Hills

Tour the quaint towns and shops of Litchfield Hills. Drive the many scenic roads through Kent, Cornwall and Norfolk. Visit the antique shops along the way and stop to smell the roses at the Bellamy-Ferriday House or have a quiet lunch on the Green in Litchfield.



Bellamy-Ferriday House in Bethlehem



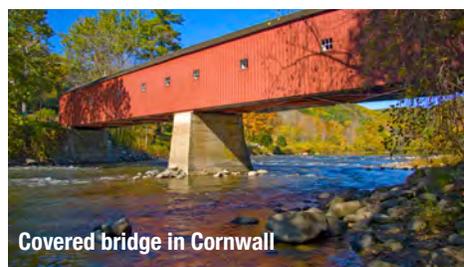
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Center of Litchfield



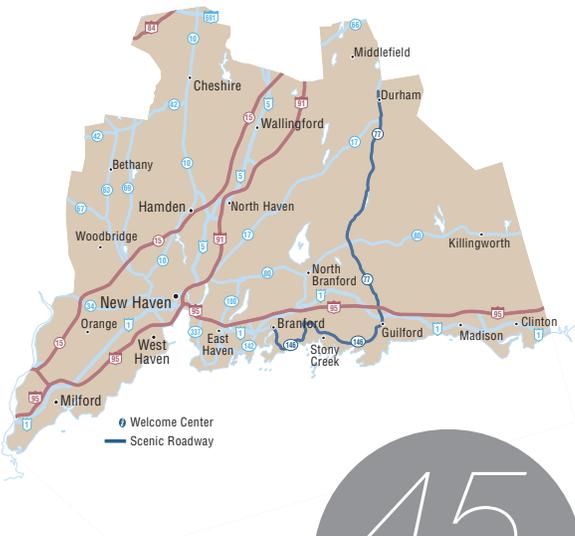
Shop and galleries in Kent



Covered bridge in Cornwall

Greater New Haven

Yale is certainly a main attraction with its world-class art gallery, architecture school and theater department. Along with the Shubert Theater and Long Wharf theater, New Haven is the cultural center of Connecticut. But there is more if you add in the natural beauty of the coast.



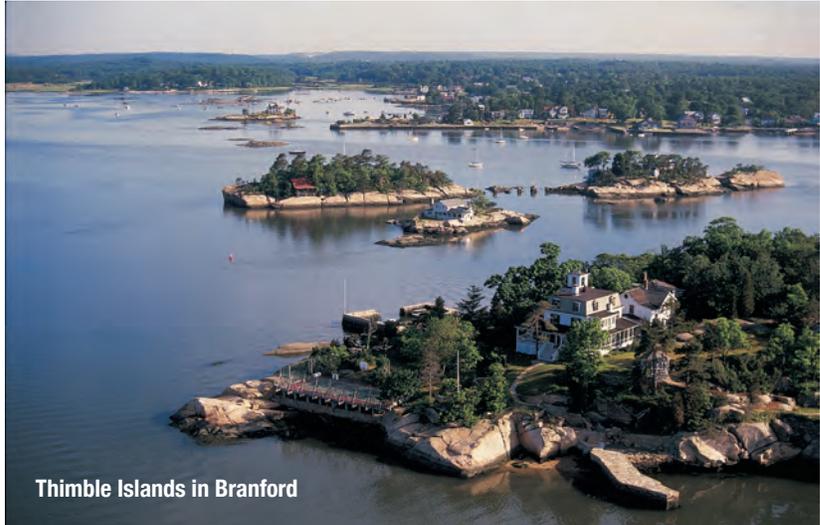
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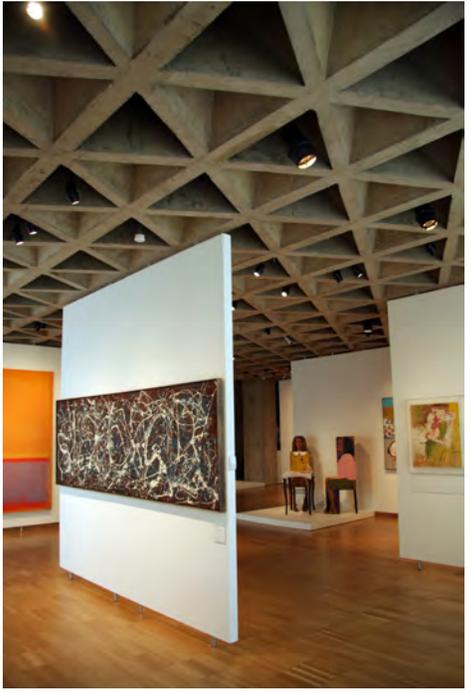
Shopping in Guilford



Hammonasset State Park in Madison



Thimble Islands in Branford

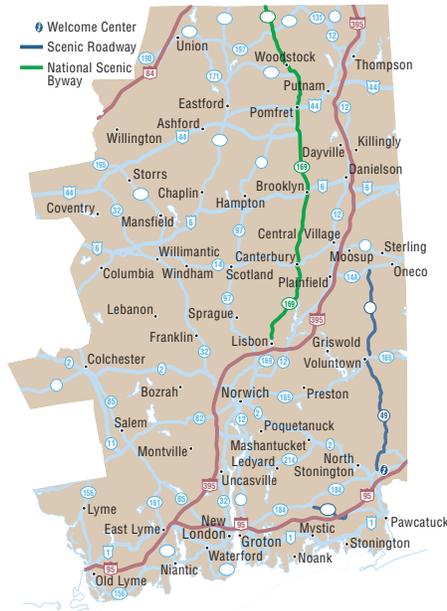


Yale and the New Haven Green., above.
Yale Art Gallery in New Haven, below.

Mystic Country

Mystic Seaport is possibly the most well-known attraction in Connecticut, but add The Ballard Institute (Bob Ballard found the Titanic) at Mystic Aquarium and the two Casinos and you've got a lot to brag about.

45
Minutes from
Hartford



Open-air shoreline dining



Fairfield County

Fairfield County is filled with wonderful shopping opportunities. From luxury items to the essentials, Fairfield has options. Greenwich, New Canaan and Westport may top the list but you'll find treasures in other off-the-beaten-path shops.

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Hartford



Philip Johnson's Glass House in New Canaan



Shopping in Greenwich



Westport Country Playhouse



Silvermine Arts Center in New Canaan



Sheffield Island

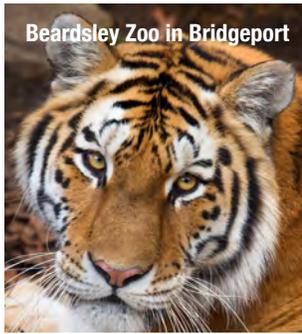
Fun for the Family



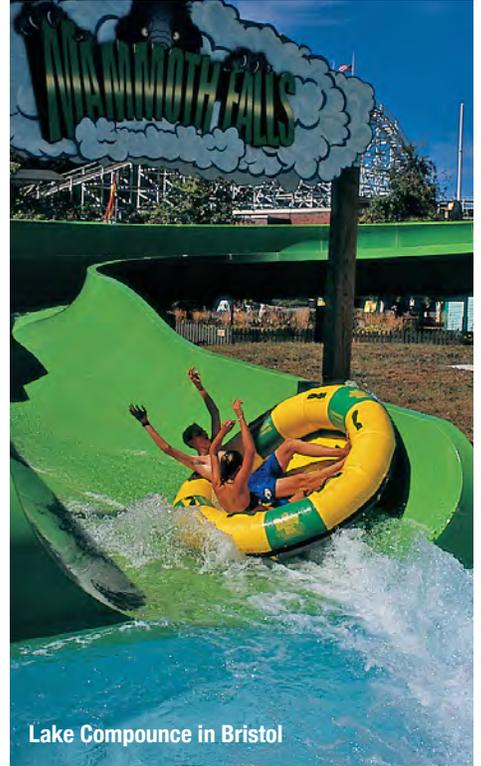
Hammonasset State Park in Madison



Brownstone Discovery Park in Portland



Beardsley Zoo in Bridgeport



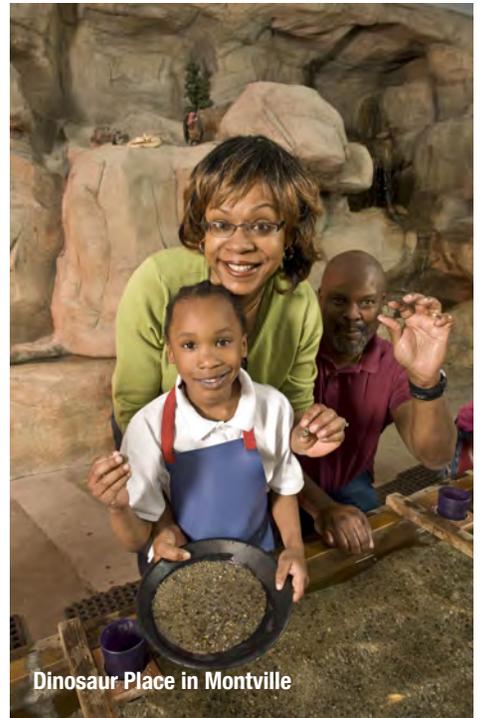
Lake Compounce in Bristol



Maritime Aquarium in Norwalk



Essex Steam Train and Riverboat in Essex



Dinosaur Place in Montville

Connecticut Fun Facts

FAMOUS FIRSTS

- 1639 - First written constitution "The Fundamental Orders"
- 1656 - First public library in New Haven
- 1775 - First submarine launched by David Bushnell of Saybrook
- 1777 - First trimmed and illuminated Christmas tree in Windsor Locks
- 1780 - First U.S. traitor Benedict Arnold of Norwich
- 1784 - First law school founded by Tapping Reeve in Litchfield
- 1794 - First cotton gin by New Haven's Eli Whitney
- 1796 - First American cookbook, by Amelia Simmons, published in Hartford
- 1796 - First U. S. statehouse, Hartford
- 1806 - First dictionary, by West Hartford's Noah Webster
- 1846 - First U. S. amusement park Lake Compounce Theme Park, Bristol
- 1873 - First football game played at Yale
- 1875 - First agricultural experiment station, New Haven
- 1878 - First telephone exchange, 21 subscribers in New Haven
- 1881 - First three-ring circus, staged by Bethel's P.T. Barnum
- 1903 - First municipal rose garden in the U. S., Hartford's Elizabeth Park Rose Garden
- 1954 - First nuclear submarine the Nautilus, Groton
- 1975 - First woman elected governor, Ella Grasso

INVENTED IN CONNECTICUT

- Colt Revolver: 1836
- Portable typewriter: 1843
- Sewing machine: 1846
- Ice-making machine: 1853
- Can opener: 1858
- Tape measure: 1868
- Pay phone: 1877
- Collapsible toothpaste tube: 1892
- Hamburger: 1900
- Electric light socket with pull chain: 1896
- Lollipop: 1908
- Erector set: 1911
- Frisbee: 1920
- Vacuum Cleaner: 1933
- Polaroid camera: 1934
- Helicopter: 1939
- Color television: 1948
- Wiffle Ball: 1956

Eli Whitney
invented the
Cotton Gin
in
1794



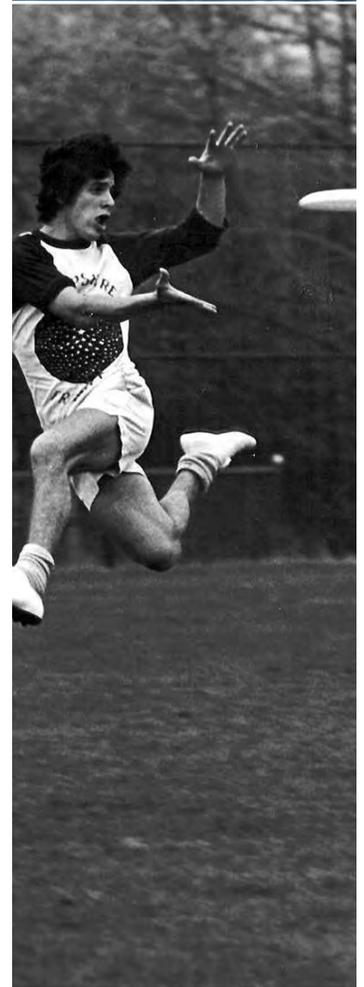
Igor Sikorsky
invented the
helicopter in
Connecticut
1939



The wiffle
ball was
invented (and
made) in
Connecticut
1956



The
Frisbee was
invented in
Connecticut
1920



Connecticut welcomes you
with open arms.

