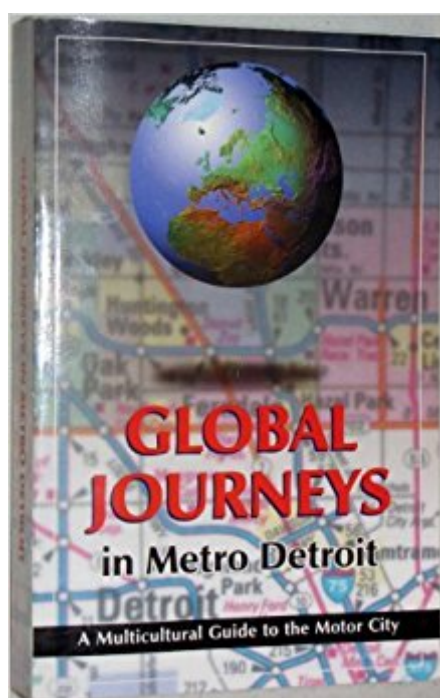


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Global Journeys In Metro Detroit: A Multicultural Guide To The Motor City



Synopsis

This 500-page guidebook features 30 nationalities and cultures represented in metro Detroit. It is organized by continent, with each chapter dedicated to a different country. A suggested journey provides guided tours, maps and directions, along with listings of restaurants, specialty shops, performing arts, exhibits, historical buildings, cultural events, etc. Introductions provide historical and geographical information about the country and an overview of the immigration patterns of the people who have settled in the Detroit area. Sidebars on cultural topics highlight cuisine, music, art, holidays, customs and contributions. Graphics and layout make it user-friendly and fun to read. A great book for anyone who lives in or travels to Detroit and surrounding areas. An excellent classroom resource.

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Global Journeys is more than a simple travel guide. It is a multicultural manual with the potential of bringing the people of Detroit closer together. Our hope is that it opens your heart and mind your very spirit to venture out and experience the world of cultures abundant here in metro Detroit. We hope it will open the invisible fences that too often separate neighborhoods and help you build new friends among people you may not have understood. We hope it will help you see the similarities of all humankind while expanding your appreciation and acceptance of our cultural differences. --

Dennis Archer, Mayor, City of Detroit This is an excellent teaching tool. The description of local festivals and events and the clever background information about the history, geography and culture provide an interesting educational journey for all students. They would learn more about the world (and the area they live in) and it's all in driving distance. -- Jim Fitzpatrick, Royal Oak Kimball H.S.

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I think this is the only travel guide that covers Detroit, that's actually got any real bulk to it. Pretty much everything else deals with all of Michigan, and covers Detroit in ten or fifteen pages -- or less. So I'm pretty pleased to have the volume of information that this guide provides. And I think, if I were planning my trips based on a particular ethnicity, I might find it organized well, also. But I'm not; I'm a pretty ordinary kind of guy. I came to the guide intrigued, hoping to get a solid view of the various neighborhoods in Detroit, where people lived, etc. Instead the guide is organized around nations of the world (which is cool!) and places you can go in the Detroit metro area that exhibit that ethnicity. There's not much in the way of alternate points of entry -- no indexing, no overviews with pointers into deeper content, etc. The information provided is valuable. I'm certainly not giving my copy away. But it doesn't stand alone very well. I'd recommend a good map and a Michigan travel guide to supplement.

Any newcomer to the Detroit area should pick up a copy of Global Journeys in Metro Detroit. I did so when I moved to the area in 2000 and have used my copy almost weekly to find area shops, restaurants and cultural events. Fortunately, and not surprisingly, the book's title and contents cover more than just the bombed out, decrepit, crime ridden, over taxed, city proper. (Much of Detroit's ethnicity resides in the safer suburbs.) As a bonus, the book includes a good amount of information on Detroit's "suburban" neighbor and occasional cultural superior, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. The

lack of any useable index keeps this book from earning the highest rating.

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