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Providence, Rhode Island deftly mixes the vibrancy and amenities of a big city with the walkability and personal service of a small town. This blend helps create a VIP experience for meeting planners and attendees, and has generated buzz and critical acclaim for the destination.

Providence once again scored big in *Travel + Leisure* magazine’s annual “America’s Favorite Cities” poll, earning top marks in culinary- and arts-related categories.

The Rhode Island Convention & Entertainment Complex stands in the heart of the city, and includes the Rhode Island Convention Center (RICC), the Dunkin’ Donuts Center (Dunk) and the Veterans Memorial Auditorium (VMA). The Complex is conveniently located within one mile of 2,200 hotel rooms, and a total of 5,500 rooms are available in the Greater Providence area.

The RICC consists of a 100,000-contiguous-square-foot exhibition hall, a 20,000-square-foot ballroom, 23 meeting rooms, and the Rotunda Room which provides spectacular views of the city. There are also two adjacent garages with 2,400 parking spaces.

The 13,000-seat Dunk, the area’s premier events arena, is connected to the RICC via a skywalk. The Dunk features 31,000 square feet of arena space, a ceiling height of 90 feet, a 25,000-square-foot concourse, a new 12,000-square-foot lobby, two party suites, two loges, a new restaurant, and five renovated meeting/hospitality rooms.

The 1,900-seat VMA, a historic performing arts venue, is the newest addition to the Rhode Island Convention Center’s family.

Known for its unique combination of size and intimacy, superb acoustics and great sight lines, the VMA is also available for elegant corporate events, speaking engagements and more.

Recognized as one of the nation’s hottest culinary destinations, Providence is home to the renowned culinary school, Johnson & Wales University. Many of the university’s chefs remain in Providence after graduation, which is reflected in the city’s dining scene. Restaurants specialize in a variety of cuisines, but the city is perhaps most famous for its Italian food, with the Federal Hill section of Providence named “One of the Five Best Little Italys in the U.S.” by Food Network Chef Mario Batali.

Located between New York City and Boston, Providence is easily accessible for event attendees, and about 25 percent of the United States’ population lives within 500 miles of the city. The Amtrak train station is located within walking distance of the Complex, and offers rail service throughout the Northeast Corridor.

Nearby Warwick, Rhode Island features miles of scenic coastline and spectacular views, and offers additional hotel, dining, shopping and entertainment options. For those flying into Providence, Warwick’s T.F. Green Airport is just a short, 10-minute drive from downtown.

Planners can look to the award-winning Providence Warwick Convention & Visitors Bureau to provide knowledgeable staff, a welcoming spirit, and services that can aid them with all the details that will make their convention or meeting program successful.



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Whether you are a rock star, CEO, athlete or conventioner, the **Rhode Island Convention & Entertainment Complex** has everything you need.



A Complex made simple

Rhode Island Convention Center

- Accommodates up to 5,000
- Exhibition Hall and Grand Ballroom
- Meeting rooms and pre-function space
- Two parking garages



Dunkin' Donuts Center - Providence

- Seating for up to 13,000
- Luxury suites
- Hospitality and meeting rooms
- Sky-bridge to the RICC



Veterans Memorial Auditorium

- Seating for up to 1,900
- Hospitality and meeting space
- National Register of Historic Places



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