

Multicultural Council of America
non-profit umbrella organization,
promoting world cultures, education
&
healthcare

<https://www.multiculturalcouncil.org>

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We're a non-profit membership organization, helping you connect with people and organizations within USA and beyond, for better communication, exchanging ideas, learning and helping communities locally, nationally and globally.

We encourage you to please become a [member](#), join one of our committees, be a [volunteer or mentor](#) and share your ideas to help the communities. Membership is open to individuals, organizations, corporations & governments.

Please advertise your organization, services or products to reach out to local, regional and global multicultural communities.

Tourism Promotion has become our special project during these uncertain times, which is hurting the United States' \$1.17 trillion Yearly Tourism Revenue (2019), employing about 16.7 million people, directly & indirectly.

It is estimated that more than 32 million people visited the State of Arkansas during 2018, adding around \$7.6 billion to state's economy, generating more than \$569 million in state and local tax revenues, and 68,000 direct & indirect jobs in Arkansas. Unfortunately COVID-19 is also hurting Tourism revenues in Arkansas significantly.

The Multicultural Communities within Arkansas and throughout the world have always been instrumental in increasing Tourism Revenues for AR, for employment and our economic growth. Let's work together to help each other.



A 501 (c)(3) charitable organization
Since 2001

ARKANSAS (AR)

Population: 3,013,825 (USA Rank: 33)

Per Capita Income: \$26,626 (USA Rank:48)

U.S.Governments: <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>
(Federal, State & local - most recent elected officials)

Arkansas: <https://portal.arkansas.gov>

Governor's office:

<https://portal.arkansas.gov/agency/governors-office>

Secretary of State:

<https://portal.arkansas.gov/agency/secretary-of-state>

Minority & Women Owned Business Office:

Tel: 501-682-6105

Tourism Development: Tel: 501-682-1926

Major Cities: Little Rock, Fayetteville, Fort Smith, Bentonville, Jonesboro, Hot springs, Pine Bluff, Hope

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The land of freedom-fighters, revolutionaries, and leaders, Arkansas has been through a lot of ups and downs beginning with the Caddo, Quapaw, Tunica - Biloxi and Cherokee Indians, their encounters with the Europeans, and eventual unjust removal, followed by the inhumane slavery, the struggles to join the United States, the secession and re-joining of the Union, the political, natural and economic turmoil, the Civil Rights Movement and ending the school segregation. It is the resilience of the people of Arkansas that has changed the United States and the world.

Besides the Native Americans and the African-Americans, another innocent group of Americans that suffered in Arkansas were about 16,000 Japanese who were forcibly removed from the West Coast and interned in Arkansas between 1942 and 1945.

Arkansas currently ranks as the 35th best state for business, with the 10th-lowest cost of doing business, 8th-lowest cost of living, 41st best workforce, 29th-best economic climate, 41st-best educated workforce, 41st-best infrastructure and the 32nd-friendliest regulatory environment. Arkansas ranks as one of the top states for charitable giving, ranking it as the seventh-most generous state.

The state is rich in heritage and culture which is reflected in its museums, theaters, restaurants and other venues. The state was once referred to as ‘The Land of Opportunity’ but is now often called ‘**The Natural State**’. Many distinguished individuals were born in Arkansas, including President Bill Clinton, Johnny Cash, Glen Campbell, Sonny Liston but the most well-known is Sam Walton, the founder of Walmart – the largest privately owned corporation in the world, with over 2.2 million employees worldwide.

Germans were the largest European group who settled in Kansas back in the 1800s. This Germanic heritage can be seen in many town names across Kansas, such as Humboldt in Allen County, Bremen in Marshall County, Stuttgart in Phillips County, Marienthal in Wichita County, Windthorst in Ford County, Olmitz in Barton County, Olpe in Lyon County, Bern in Nemaha County, and many others. Anti-German sentiment in the state was so strong with the outbreak of World War I and WW II that many locations, businesses and even individuals changed their names, to become more Americanized.

Tourism is a \$7.6 billion industry (2018), employing more than 68,000 people. “The Natural State”, is a nature wonderland with three national forests, nearly 9,000 miles of pristine streams and rivers, awe-inspiring settings in the Ozark and Quachita mountains and sparkling lakes. Agri-Tourism has become very popular in Arkansas.

Arkansas Population by Race Source: Census Bureau – American Community Survey (<https://census.gov/acs>) 2018

1	White	76.5%
2	Black or African American	15.2%
3	Hispanic or Latino	7.6%
4	Asian	1.6%
5	American Indian and Alaska Native	0.7%
6	Two or more Races	2.9%
7	Pacific Islanders	0.3%
8	Arkansans speaking foreign language at home	7.7%

Arkansas Information, Contacts & Resources

1. **History & Culture:** https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Arkansas
2. **History & Culture:** <https://www.britannica.com/place/Arkansas-state/History>
3. **Demographics:** <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/AR>
4. **Health:** <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov>
5. **Drug Information** (*Interactions, side-effects, etc.*): Call your local pharmacist or FDA at 1-855-543-3784 and 1-301-796-3400 or write to druginfo@fda.hhs.gov
6. **Immigration & Citizenship:** www.uscis.gov/citizenship Email: Office.of.Citizenship@uscis.dhs.gov
7. **IRS-Taxpayer Advocate Service:** 877-777-4778 www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov
8. **Fraud, Scams & Bad Business Practices:** 1-877-382-4357 <https://reportfraud.ftc.gov>

Arkansas Crisis Hotlines: 911 (9-1-1 is a confidential and multilingual **EMERGENCY** #)

The Safe Place: 888-554-2501 <https://thesafeplacearkansas.com>

Arkansas Crisis Center: 888.274.7472 - <https://www.arcrisis.org>

Drug Abuse: <https://www.drugabuse.gov/drug-topics/opioids>

Arkansas Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-482-5964 <https://humanservices.arkansas.gov>

Arkansas domestic violence shelters:

1. **Courage House**, PO.Box 924 Arkadelphia, AR 71923 Phone: (870) 246-2587 or 246-3122
2. **Family Violence Prevention and Rape Crisis Center**, PO. Box 2943 Batesville, AR 72503 Toll Free: (800) 894-8821 Phone: (870) 793-4011 Phone: 870-793-8111
3. **AK Coalition Against Domestic Violence:** 700 S. Rock St., Little Rock, AR 72202 Tel: 501-907-5612 Toll-Free: 800-269-4668 Email: info@domesticpeace.com

National Crisis Resources: 24-hour nationwide – Services may be available in many languages

Addiction Hotline: 800-784-2433

Child Abuse: 1-800-4-A-Child or 1-800-422-4453 (National Child Abuse Hotline) www.childhelp.org

Domestic Violence: 1-800-799-7233 (National Domestic Violence Hotline)

StrongHearts Native Helpline: Call/Chat: 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) www.strongheartshelpline.org

Shelters: <https://www.domesticshelters.org>

Online Chat (7am-2am CST) <https://www.thehotline.org> - All calls are toll-free & confidential

Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-373-7888 (Text # 233733)

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children: 1-800-THE-LOST or 1-800-843-5678

National Indigenous Women's Resource Center – 855-649-7299 – www.niwrc.org - info@niwrc.org

National Problem Gambling Helpline: 1-800-522-4700-**Text:** 1-800-522-4700-**Chat:** www.ncpgambling.org/chat

Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255) **Soon to be 9-8-8**

Poison Control Center For Emergencies: 1-800-222-1222

Covenant House Nineline: 1-800-RUNAWAY (1-800-786-2929) <https://teenlineonline.org>

Girls & Boys Town National Hotline: Phone, Chat, Text, and Email - 1-800-448-3000

National Youth Crisis Hotline: 1-800-442-HOPE (1-800-442-4673)

Samariteens: 1-800-252-TEENS (1-800-252-8336) - 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Youth Crisis Hotline: 1-800-HIT-HOME (1-800-448-4663)

Youth America Hotline (YAH!): 1-877-YOUTHLINE (1-877-968-8454)

The Trevor Lifeline: 1-866-488-7386

** The Trevor Lifeline is a service of The Trevor Project, a non-profit endeavor devoted to promoting tolerance and understanding for **LGBTQ youth**.*

Festivals & Events in Arkansas

For Festival & Events throughout Arkansas, please visit: [Events | Arkansas.com](#), and/or <https://www.everfest.com/>

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, many events and festivals are either cancelled, postponed or livestreamed online (Zoom or Facebook). Please check with MCC or the organizers for updated information.

The Multicultural Council maintains a list of all Ethno-Cultural Events in Arkansas. Kindly send us an email at info@multiculturalcouncil.org to list your event.

Arkansas Attractions

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Aerospace Education Center: www.aerospaced.org2. Arkansas Museum of Science & History: www.amod.org3. Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: www.arkansassymphony.org4. Fort Smith National Historic Site: www.nps.gov/fosm5. Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site: www.nps.gov/chsc6. McArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History: www.arkmilitaryheritage.com | <ol style="list-style-type: none">7. Museum of Discovery: www.amod.org8. Museum of Native American History: www.monah.us9. North Shore Riverwalk: www.northlittlerock.org10. Quapaw Quarter: www.quapaw.com11. Walmart Museum: www.walmartmuseum.com12. William J. Clinton Presidential Center: www.clintonfoundation.org |
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Your Ad or Video

Multicultural Groups & Native American Nations in Arkansas

Afghans	Chadians	Herzegovinians	Micronesians	Seychellois
Albanians	Chickasaw Indians	Hmong	Moldovans	Sierra Leoneans
Algerians	Chileans	Hondurans	Mongolians	Singaporeans
Americans	Chinese	HongKongers	Montserratians	Slovak
Angolans	Colombians	Hungarians	Moroccans	Slovenes
Antiguans/Barbudan	Congolese	Icelanders	Mozambicans	Solomon Islanders
Argentinians	Costa Ricans	Indians (East)	Myanmarese (Burmese)	Somali
Armenians	Croats	Indonesians	Namibians	South Africans
Austrians	Cubans	Iranians	Native Indian Nations	Spaniards
Australians	Cypriots	Iraqis	Nauruan	Sri Lankans
Azerbaijanis	Czech	Irish	Nepalese	Sudanese
Bahamians	Danes	Israelis	New Zealanders	Surinamers
Bahraini	Djibouti	Italians	Nicaraguans	Swazi (Now Eswatinis)
Bangladeshis	Dominicans (Dominica)	Ivoirians	Nigerians	Swedes
Barbadians	Dominicans (Dom Rep)	Jamaicans	Norwegians	Swiss
Basotho (Lesotho)	Dutch	Japanese	Omanis	Syrians
Belarusians	East Timorese	Jordanians	Osage Indian Tribe	Taiwanese
Belgians	Ecuadoreans	Kazakhstanis	Pakistanis	Tajiks
Belizeans	Egyptian	Kenyans	Palestinians	Tanzanians
Bengalis	Eritrean	Koreans	Panamanians	Thai
Beninese	Estonian	Kuwaitis	Paraguayans	Togolese
Bermudians	Ethiopian	Kyrgyzstani	Papua New Guineans	Tongans
Bhutanese	Equatoguineans	Laotians	Peruvians	Trinidadians
Bolivians	Fijians	Latvians	Poles	Tunica Indian Tribe
Bosnians	Filipinos	Lebanese	Portuguese	Tunisians
Batswana	Finns	Liberians	Puerto Ricans	Turk
Brazilians	French	Libyans	Qataris	Turkmens
British	Gabonese	Liechtensteiner	Quapaw Indian Tribe	Tuvaluans
British Virgin Islanders	Gambians	Lithuanians	Romanians	Ugandans
Bruneians	Georgians	Luxembourger	Russians	Ukrainians
Bulgarians	German	Macedonians	Rwandans	UAE (Emiratis)
Burkinabe	Ghanaians	Makah Nation	Kittians/Nevisian	Uruguayans
Burundian	Gibraltarians	Malagasy	Saint-Lucians	Uyghurs
Caddo Indian Tribe	Greeks	Malawians	Salvadoran	Uzbekistanis
Cambodians	Grenadians	Malaysians	Sao Tomeans	Venezuelans
Cameroonians	Guadeloupians	Maldivians	Sammarinese	Vietnamese
Canadians	Guatemalans	Malians	Samoans	Virgin Islanders
Cape Verdeans	Guineans	Maltese	Saudis	Welsh
Caymanians	Guinea-Bissauans	Mauritanians	Scottish	Yemeni
Central Africans	Guyanese	Mauritians	Senegalese	Zambians
Chaldeans	Haitians	Mexicans	Serbian/Montenegrin	Zimbabweans

- We believe that there are individuals from almost all of the above ethno-cultural groups living, working or studying in Arkansas.

Foreign-Born Population of USA & Arkansas (2017)

Africans:		Countries	USA	Arkansas
1	Eastern Africa	Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Uganda, Zimbabwe, etc.	693,784	1,117
2	Northern Africa	Egypt, Morocco, Sudan, Others	359,559	778
3	Western Africa	Cabo Verde, Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, others	837,290	920
4	Middle Africa	Cameroon, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo (Zaire), others	163,364	▼
5	Southern Africa	South Africa, other <i>* included in #4 Middle Africa</i>	116,297	1,618
6	Other Africa	No specific countries	122,734	-

Totals: 2,293,028 4,433

Americas:		Countries	USA	Arkansas
1	Latin Americans		22,425,056	95,245
2	Caribbean	Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Vincent & Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Others	4,414,943	1,589
3	Central Americans	Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, others	14,796,926	90,034
4	South Americans	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela, others	3,213,187	3,622
5	North Americans	Canada, Bermuda, Greenland and St. Pierre & Miquelon	816,903	1,873

			USA	Arkansas
6	Native Americans	Caddo, Chickasaw, Osage, Quapaw, Tunica & other Nations	5,641,641	59,120

Asians:		Countries	USA	Arkansas
1	Eastern Asia	China (mainland & Hong Kong), Japan, Korea, Mongolia, Taiwan	4,267,303	8,694
2	South Central Asians	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Uzbekistan, others	4,113,013	11,056
3	South Eastern Asians	Brunei, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, others	4,318,647	14,017
4	Western Asians	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Cyprus, Georgia, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Yemen, others	1,159,835	1,319
5	Other Asians	No specific countries	49,046	-

Totals: 13,907,844 35,176

Europeans:		Countries	USA	Arkansas
1	Northern Europe	Denmark, Ireland, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom, others	941,796	3,075
2	Western Europe	Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Netherlands, Switzerland, others	949,591	3,552
3	Southern Europe	Greece, Italy, Portugal, Spain, others	761,390	496
4	Eastern Europe	Albania, Belarus, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Ukraine, others	2,153,855	2,508
5	Other Europe	No specific countries	12,030	50

Totals: 4,818,662 9,681

Oceanians (Pacific Region)		Countries	USA	Arkansas
1	Australia & New Zealand		123,080	704
2	Pacific Islands , including Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru island, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Western Samoa .		88,357	7,174

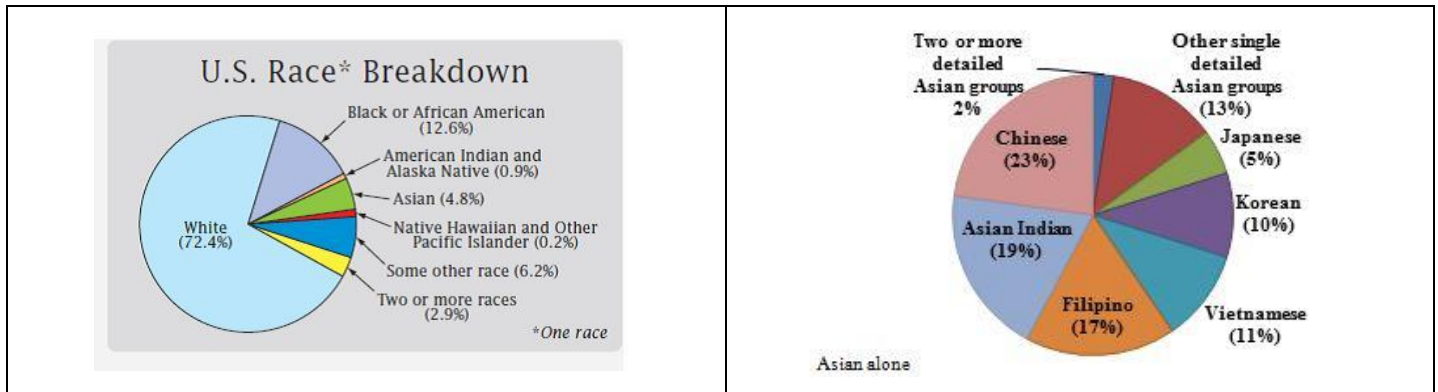
- Source: Census Bureau – American Community Survey, migration policy institute & many others.

Major Multicultural Population:

Although the Multicultural Population of Arkansas has been growing steadily, the African-Americans have been returning from Northern States to Arkansas in larger numbers, because of family ties, better economic opportunities and culture (15.5%), followed by the Irish (13.6%), German (12.5%), French (2.6%), Dutch (1.9%), Scottish (1.9%) and Italians (1.7%).

The largest population of Pacific Islanders (Marshall Islands), more than 12,000 live in Arkansas, followed by individuals of East Indian origin. There is a sizeable population of Chinese, Koreans, Filipinos, Vietnamese, Pakistanis, Japanese, and from the Middle East.

2010 U.S. Census: A Profile of the Asian Population



While the total U.S. population grew by 9.7 percent to 308.7 million in 2010, the Asian population grew more than four times faster than any other racial group. The Asian alone population increased from 10.2 million in 2000 to 14.7 million in 2010, registering a 43 percent growth. Likewise, the Asian alone-or-in-combination population increased by 46 percent as it grew from 11.9 million in 2000 to 17.3 million in 2010.

The Asian population grew in all regions of the U.S. The alone-or-in-combination population grew the fastest in the South, boasting a 69 percent increase. This is followed by a 48 percent growth in the Midwest, a 45 percent growth in the Northeast, and a 36 percent growth in the West. While more Asians alone or in combination reside in the West, their overall proportion declined by three percentage points. Roughly 75 percent of the Asian population lives in ten states: California, New York, Texas, New Jersey, Hawaii, Illinois, Washington, Florida, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. Of these ten, Texas, Florida, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Washington, and New Jersey recorded the highest growth rates. Although the Asian population increased in all fifty states, it still represents less than 2 percent of the total population in West Virginia, Mississippi, Alabama, Kentucky, Arkansas, South Carolina, Tennessee, Louisiana, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, South Dakota, North Dakota, Maine, and Vermont.

Asian subgroups also experienced growth. The Chinese alone-or-in-combination population is the largest detailed Asian group with a population of four million. While the Bhutanese population remains proportionally smaller than that of other detailed Asian groups, it recorded the fastest growth, increasing from 200 in 2000 to 19,000 in 2010. Asian Indians recorded the largest growth with a 68 percent increase from 2000. Filipinos followed with a 44 percent increase; the Vietnamese, 42 percent; Koreans, 39 percent. The Japanese recorded the slowest growth at 14 percent. Together, the Asian Indians, Chinese, and Filipinos form 60 percent of the Asian alone population.

To learn more about the 2010 Census Brief "The Asian Population: 2010," please visit <https://www.census.gov/prod/cen2010/briefs/c2010br-11.pdf>

ARKANSAS MULTICULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

List of organizations dedicated to helping promote world cultures, education, healthcare, provide information and support issues facing the Native Americans, Immigrant Communities, Refugees & Foreign Students/Workers.

Your Support, Donations & Volunteer Work helps MCC and many Ethno-Cultural Organizations provide humanitarian services, educational and health resources to your local community, making an impact for the future of our community members for decades to come!

- **If you are aware of other organizations, kindly email us the information.**

Arkansas Chinese-American Association

Tel: Website: <https://www.arkcaa.org> Email: via website

Arkansas Coalition of Marshallese (Pacific Islanders)

614 E. Emma Ave., Ste. 113, Springdale, AR 72764

Tel: 479-365-6625 Web: <http://www.arkansasmarshallese.org> Email: info@arkansasmarshallese.org

Arkansas Philippine Association

Tel: 501-225-9123 Web: <http://arkansasphilippineassociation.org> Email: arkansasphilassn@hotmail.com

Arkansas Kerala Association

PO Box 242041, Little Rock, AR 72223

Tel: Website: <https://www.arkeralaassociation.com> Email: keralaassociation@hotmail.com

Arkansas Nepali Society (ANS)

Tel: 501-413-0715 Website: <https://www.arkansasnepal.org> Email: info@arkansasnepal.org

Arkansas Tamil Sangam

5 Cherry Leaf Cove, Little Rock, AR 72223

Tel: 501-291-1170 Website: <https://www.artamilsangam.org> Email: secretary@artamilsangam.org

Arkansas Telugu Samithi

Tel: Website: <https://www.telugusamithi.org> Email: arkansastelugusamithi@gmail.com

Chinese Association of Northwest Arkansas

T-350 E. Millsap Road, Fayetteville, AK 72703

Tel: 479-587-8753 Website: <https://www.canwa.org> Email: canwa.info@gmail.com

Friends of India Association - Central Arkansas

PO Box 23115, Little Rock, AR 72211-3115

Tel: Website: <http://foirar.org> Email: foirar@gmail.com

German-American Club of Little Rock

5813 Alta Vista Dr., North Little Rock, AR 72118

Tel: 501-565-4930 Web: www.facebook.com/GermanClubOfLittleRock Email: via Facebook

Hindu Association of Northwest Arkansas

P. O. Box 262, Bentonville, AR 72712

Tel: 479-464-8600 Website: <https://www.nwahindutemple.org> Email: bod@nwahindutemple.org

Irish Cultural Society of Arkansas

P.O. Box 56018, Little Rock, AR 72215

Tel: 501-213-5832 (Keith Melton) Website: www.irisharkansas.org Email: info@irisharkansas.org

Little Italy Arkansas

33223 Highway 300, Roland (Little Italy), Arkansas 72135

Tel: Website: www.littleitalyarkansas.com Email: kristyeanes@yahoo.com

Northwest Arkansas African American Heritage Association

Tel: 479-442-9312 Website: <http://nwaheritage.org> Email: cs.killian@gmail.com

Northwest Arkansas Filipino American Association

P.O. Box 9434, Fayetteville, AR 72703- 0024

Tel: 479-422-5888 Web: facebook.com/NWAFilipinoAmericanAssociation Email: nwafaa.org@gmail.com

Scottish Society of Northwest Arkansas

Tel: 479-267-2242 Web: facebook.com/scottish-society-of-northwest-arkansas Email: pblore@uark.edu

Scottish Society of the Ozark Region

2300 Highland Ave., Batesville, AR 72503

Tel: Will Muirhead Website: Email:

UALR German Club

2801 S. University Ave., Little Rock, AR 72204

Tel: 501-569-8038 Website: <http://ualr.edu/ba/gers> Email: germanclub@ualr.edu

Vendata Society of Arkansas (Shiva Vishnu Temple)

10224 Nash Lane, Mabelvale, AR 72103

Tel: 501-260-7989 Website: www.vsalr.org Email: vsalrorg@gmail.com

University of Arkansas – Multicultural Center ,

P. O. Box 1018, State University, AR 72467

870-680-4052 Web: <https://www.astate.edu/a/multicultural-center> Email: astateMC@astate.edu

Tel:

- *Arkansas State University has many foreign students and student organizations.*

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Advertise here to reach out to the Multicultural Community of Arkansas & Beyond

The ad could be a business card, display ad of any size, or a video. Please contact us at info@multiculturalcouncil.org or advertising rates.

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ARKANSAS TOURISM MARKETPLACE

Reach out to the Tourists & Adventurers within USA and from Around the World.

The ad could be a business card, display ad of any size, or a video. Please contact us at info@multiculturalcouncil.org for advertising rates.

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