



LIBERTY CATS
2014 TICA ANNUAL



TRAVEL GUIDE

Thank you for entering the 2014 TICA Annual show,
brought to you by Liberty Cats!

This travel guide will help you get around while visiting
Massachusetts and Worcester, the home of the show.

Showhall:

The DCU Center, Exhibition Hall
50 Foster Street, Worcester, MA 01608

Show Hotel:

Hilton Garden Inn Worcester
35 Major Taylor Boulevard, Worcester, MA 01608

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Section 1: Important Times, Locations and Local Coordinator Information

Hotel Coordinator:
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Important Times and Locations: Friday, August 29, 2014

Show Set-up and Early Check In	TBA*	DCU Center Main Exhibition Hall
BAND PERFORMANCE and Welcome Party <i>Featuring the 80's Disco throwback band, Motor Booty Affair!</i>	Friday Evening*	TBA

Saturday, August 30, 2014

Check-In and Benching	7:30am – 8:30am	DCU Center Main Exhibition Hall
Judging and Show Hours	9:00am – 5:00pm	DCU Center Main Exhibition Hall
Banquet Cocktail Hour	TBA*	DCU Center Banquet Hall
TICA International Awards Banquet	TBA*	DCU Center Banquet Hall

Sunday, August 31, 2014

Judging and Show Hours	9:00am – 5:00pm	DCU Center Main Exhibition Hall
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*These times will be firmed up as we approach the show!

There will also be a hospitality suite located within the show hotel.
Stay tuned for exact details!

Section 2: Driving directions to DCU Center and Hilton Garden Inn

From the Southwest:

Central/Western CT, New York City, All Points South:

Take I-84 to I-90 E. (the Mass Turnpike East) to Exit 10 (Auburn). After the tollbooth, bear left at the fork. Take Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the bottom of the ramp (there is a light). At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

From the West:

Springfield, Albany, All Points West:

Take I-90 E. (the Mass Turnpike East) to Exit 10 (Auburn). After the tollbooth, bear left at the fork. Take Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the bottom of the ramp (there is a light). At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

From the North:

Fitchburg Area:

Take Rt. 12 S. to Rt. 190 S. to Rt. 290 W. Get off at Exit 18. Follow signs to the DCU Center.

Nashua, NH and Manchester, NH:

Take Rt. 3 S. to Rt. 495 S. to Rt. 290 W. Get off at Exit 18. Follow signs to the DCU Center.

From the Northeast:

Lowell, Seacoast NH, and Maine:

Take Rt. 495 S. Get off at Exit 25B. Take Rt. 290 W. Get off at Exit 18. Follow signs to the DCU Center.

From the East:

Wellesley, Newton, Cambridge, and Boston:

Take I-90W (Mass Turnpike West) to Rt. 495-N to Rt. 290-W. Get off at Exit 18. Follow signs to the DCU Center.

From the Southeast:

Rhode Island:

Take Rt. 146 N to Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the end of the ramp. At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

Cape Cod, Taunton, Attleboro; and Foxboro:

Take Rt. 495-N to Rt. 290-W. Get off at Exit 18. Follow signs to the DCU Center.

Norwood, Brockton; and Quincy:

Take Rt. 95 N (Rt. 128 N) to I-90 W (the Mass Turnpike West) to Rt. 495 N to Rt. 290-W. Get off at Exit 18. Follow signs to the DCU Center.

From the South:**Eastern CT:**

Take Rt. 395 N. to Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the end of the ramp. At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

From Local Airports:**Logan Airport, Boston, MA:**

Take the Sumner Tunnel to Rt. 93 S, to I-90 W (the Mass Turnpike West). Get off at Exit 10 (Auburn). After the tollbooth, bear left at the fork. Take Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the bottom of the ramp (there is light). At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

Bradley International Airport, Windsor Locks, CT:

Take Rt. 91 N to I-90 E. (the Mass Turnpike East) to Exit 10 (Auburn). After the tollbooth, bear left at the fork. Take Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the bottom of the ramp (there is a light). At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

Manchester Airport, Manchester, NH:

Take Rt. 3 S. to Rt. 495 S. to Rt. 290 W. Get off at Exit 16. Take a right at the end of the ramp. At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

TF Green Airport, Warwick, RI:

Take Rt. 95 N to Rt. 146 N to Rt. 290 E. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the end of the ramp. At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left

Worcester Regional Airport, Worcester, MA:

Turn left onto Airport Dr. and follow Airport Dr. to the end, bearing right at the bottom of the hill. Take right onto Pleasant St. Follow Pleasant St. for about 3 miles until you come to a rotary. Take the 3rd exit off the rotary onto Highland St. Follow Highland St. for approximately 1.5 miles, turn right onto Major Taylor Blvd. Follow Major Taylor Blvd. for approximately 0.1 miles, and the DCU Center will be on your right.

Section 3: Parking at the DCU Center and Show Hotel



Easiest Parking is at the Major Taylor Municipal Parking Garage,, marked by a ★ on the map above and accessible from Central Street.

Rates are \$2 for first hour, \$1 for each additional hour.

Those staying at the Hilton Garden Inn may park at the hotel for \$9.95, which can be billed to your room.

Additional Garages are as follows:

Commercial Street Garage - 201 Commercial St. - 508-791-7689

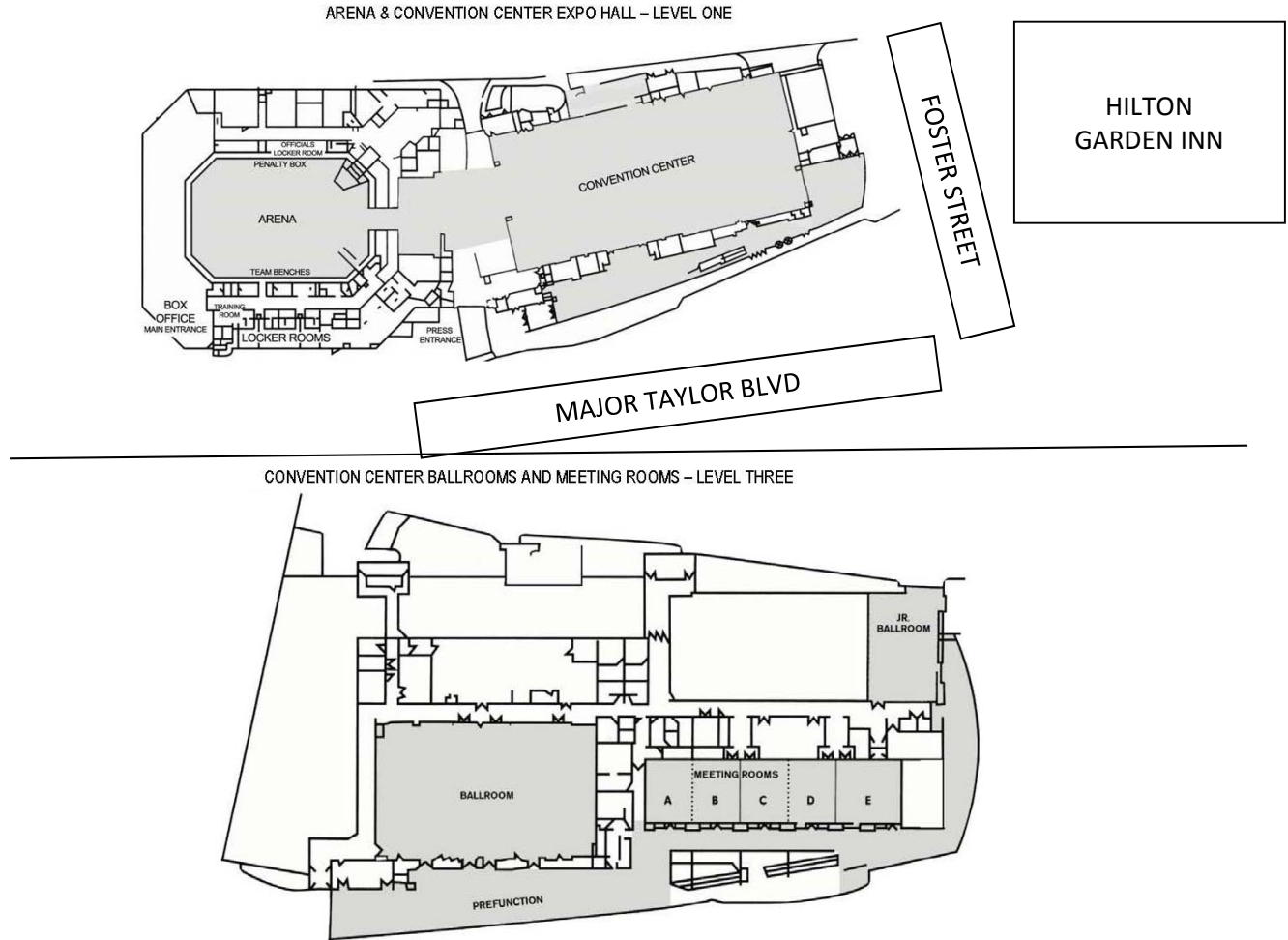
Dwight Foster Parking - 27 Waldo St. - 508-757-2703

Exchange Street Parking - 10 Exchange St. - 508-791-8586

First American Realty Parking - 100 MLK Jr. Blvd. (formerly Central St.) - 508-798-8844

Pearl-Elm Municipal Garage - 20 Pearl St. - 508-799-1463

Section 4: On-foot Directions at DCU Center/Show Hall and Hilton Garden Inn



The **SHOWHALL** is the entire area labeled “CONVENTION CENTER” on the map above.

The Hilton Garden Inn is across Foster Street from the DCU Center.

The **BANQUET** will be held on the third floor of the DCU Center, in the area labeled “BALLROOM”

Section 5: Driving directions to Alternate Show Hotels

Quality Inn & Suites

50 Oriol Dr., Worcester, MA, US, 01605

Phone: (508) 852-2800

From I-290 Eastbound (From DCU Center, Mass Pike/I-90/Points South & West):

Take Exit 20, Burncoat Street, Go straight through the first set of lights at the second set of lights, Lincoln Street, take a left and the Hotel will be approximately 1/4 mile on the right hand side.

From I-290 Westbound (From I-95, I-495, Points East & North):

Take Exit 20, Lincoln Street, at the end of the ramp bear right onto Lincoln Street. The Hotel will be approximately 1/4 mile on your right hand side.

To DCU Center:

Turn left at the end of the Hotel Drive, onto Lincoln Street. At I-290, bear right and follow to I-290 Westbound. Take Exit 18, then follow signs to DCU Center

La Quinta Auburn-Worcester

446 Southbridge St., Auburn, MA, US, 01501

Phone: (508) 832-7000

From I-90, the Mass Pike (From I-84, Points East, West, Southwest, and Northeast):

Take Exit 10 for I-290 and Rt. 12. After the Mas Pike Tollbooths, keep left and then right to take the ramp for Rt 12 North, to Auburn. The Hotel will be on your left, after passing under both Highways.

From I-395 North and I-290 Eastbound (Points South):

Take Exit 9, For Swanson Rd. At the end of the Ramp, turn right. At the light, turn right onto Rt 12 South. The hotel is ahead on your right.

From I-290 Westbound (DCU Center, Points North)

Take Exit 9, for Auburn St. At the end of the ramp, turn left. At the intersection with Rt 12, turn right. Hotel is ahead on the right.

To DCU Center:

Turn left when exiting the hotel, to Rt 12 North. At the third light, turn left onto Auburn St. Take the On ramp to I-290 East. Get off at Exit 16. Take a left at the end of the ramp. At the 3rd set of lights (Major Taylor Blvd.), the DCU Center is on your left.

Section 6: Flying Into Logan and Getting to Worcester

When you arrive at Logan, you have many options to get to Worcester:

CAR RENTALS: If you are renting a car, all Rental Car companies are located at the Rental Car Center. Look for the blue On-Airport Shuttle Buses to get there.

Bus #22 or #33 during Midday hours

Bus #55 during off-peak hours

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

The general trip here would be Silver Line > South Station > Commuter Rail to Worcester

The Silver Line Shuttle and MBTA Commuter rail DO Take Pets.

Silver Line is free from Logan to South Station, and \$2.60 from South Station to Logan

The Commuter rail is \$10.50 each way

Upon leaving the terminal, watch for a Silver Line Shuttle. Take this to South Station, the trip last 20-25 minutes depending on traffic.

At South Station, follow the signs up to the Main Station. Ticketing is to the right as you face the train platforms.

The Commuter Rail Trip lasts about 1.5 hours.

Union Station in Worcester is close to the showhall, see section 3 for local map

See following link for schedules:

http://www.mbta.com/schedules_and_maps/rail/lines/?route=WORCSTER

SHUTTLE SERVICE: See next section!

**Section 7:
Shuttle Service**



KNIGHTS Airport Limousine Service
is providing shuttle transportation wherever you need to go!

Use this link to book:

<http://knightsairportlimo.hudsonltd.net/res?USERIDENTRY=TICA2014&LOGON=GO>

Get together with traveling companions and save.

Shared Van based on a one-way fare (10% discount is included with TICA group)

1 Passenger \$49.00

2 Passengers \$68.00

3 Passengers \$77.00

4 Passengers \$86.00