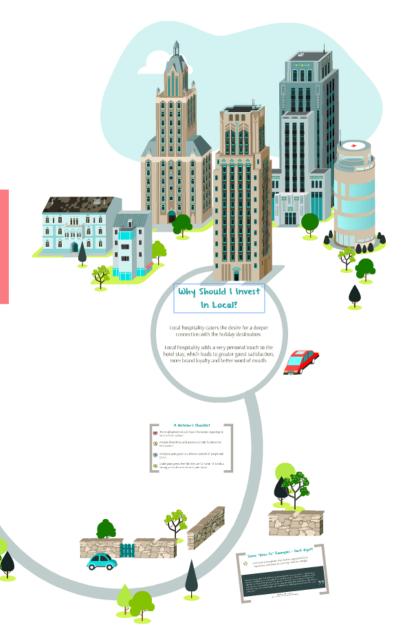


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### Travel Trend

## Localism In The Hospitality

In our "hyper-connected" world, travelers are searching for a personal connection with their holiday destination.

Some hotels have answered travelers' demand by providing local food and experiences.

### How To Cater To Traveler Demands For Local

Hotels are attracting the next generation traveler by engaging with their local communities to provide more authentic and immersive travel experiences.

Source: http://skift.com/travel-trends/the-rise-of-local-in-hospitality

## Some "How To" Examples - Kimpton Hotels



Kimpton Hotels offers its guests employee recommendations (from Housekeeping to GM) of their favored local spots. The recommendations are available online.





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#### Green Mill Lounge

Opened in 1907, this music venue is full of Chicago history! What was once a hangout of many mobsters such as Al Capone, now a perfect place to lax with locals and have a few nks while listening to live jazz. pack & take in the great dary past, Cheers!

#### SHOP Tophop UK/USA

#### Topshop, opening their 2nd US location on September 8th on Magnificent Mile! You'll find a

fabulous selection of designer women and men's clothing. Don't forget visit the makeup section & ask for my friend, Monica at the counter!

#### Gianna

Front Desk Agent

#### Renegade Craft Fair

If you are a big indie craft fan, this is for you! This fair is the largest in Chicago, with 300 local/national artisans, including iewelry & housewares. Take the Blue Line to the fair!

#### Anthony G.

Concierge

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Chicago Jazz Festival

taking place at multiple

This 4-day Labor Day weekend

festival is a big hit in Chicago.

locations. The main fest takes

place in Grant Park on 4 stages.

with great, live entertainment &

#### DRINK

#### 25 Degrees Burger Joint

Taking over a old blues club, 25 Degrees is a new twist on the late night food scene. It offers a casual, yet upscale dining experience & an unique menu with burgers and wine list.

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Front Desk Supervisor

#### South Water Kitchen

SWK is a favorite of mine for their classic American family meals with a modern touch. They cater very well to vegatarian, vegan, and gluten free guests as well.

#### Kimberly

Pastry Chef, 312 Chicago

#### Reggie's Rock Club

Visit Reggie's & bring out your inner rock star! Great food, but even better live music!

#### Katie

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#### Chicago Pub Crawl

It may sound like an oxymoron, but the Chicago History Museum does weekly pub crawls with fun history. The best part is the drink specials & discounted food.

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#### Berghoff Oktoberfest

Known as the best Bavarian-style revelry Chicago has to offer, the 24th annual fest is classic German food, beer, and plenty of live entertainment. Free admission!

#### Joey

Concierge

#### MUST SEE

#### Chris Tucker on Stage

Well-known for his trademark rapid-fire wisecracks actor-comedian Chris Tucker. known from the "Rush Hour" movies, now a successful stand-up comedian. Don't miss him September 16, 7:30pm at The Chicago Theatre

#### Joe

Front Desk Agent

#### Old St. Pat's Church

Hardly any buildings survived the Great Chicago Fire but Old St. Patrick's Catholic Church has been standing since 1854. The amazing architecture & stained glass windows is what makes it a little piece of heaven.

#### Angel

Front Desk

#### ONE-OF-A-KIND

#### International Museum of Surgical Science

Tucked away in an mansion on Lake Shore Drive, this museum is the only one of its kind. Exploring the evolution of surgical techniques & instruments, my skeptical visitors usually hesitate, but after their trip are always impressed. PS: Free on Tuesdays.

#### Erica

Front Office Manager

#### Gene Siskel Film Center

When I feel like I need to unwind & catch a quiet moment, the Gene Siskel Film center has amazing independent movie screenings daily.

#### Katie

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## Some "How-To" Examples - Park Hyatt



Park Hyatt is recognizes that travelers appreciate local experiences and trains its concierge staff accordingly.

Guest are searching for local, authentic travel experience in the luxury sector. It's something we have seen amplified each season, especially in concierge requests. There has also been a recent tide shift in what level of experience they seek out. Guests who used to request standard trail maps are now outnumbered by those calling in advance to plan their adventure to make the most out of their trip, such as local backcountry expeditions, fly fishing experiences and white water rafting tours.

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Skift Interview with - Tom Puntel sales/marketing at Park Hyatt Beaver Creek, Colorado

### A Hotelier's Checklist

- The hotel website should have information regarding its local activity options.
- Provide direct links with partners to help facilitate the first contact.
- Introduce your guest to a diverse network of people and places.
- Make your guests feel like they are "at home." It builds a strong personal connection to your brand.



# Why Should I Invest In Local?

Local hospitality caters the desire for a deeper connection with the holiday destination.

Local hospitality adds a very personal touch to the hotel stay, which leads to greater guest satisfaction, more brand loyalty and better word of mouth.



