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Recently the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) designated San Antonio a Creative City of Gastronomy, making the city part of the UNEESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN). San Antonio is only the second city in the U.S. to earn this distinction, and the first in Texas.

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MARRIOTT CONVENTION RESORT NETWORK NEW YORK CITY

BY STEVEN GONZALEZ

I performed a full site visit on the Marriott Convention Resort Network (CRN) in New York City. The Marriott CRN NYC consists of the Marriott Marquis, Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel, and the New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge. The purpose of the Marriott CRN is to provide meeting planners with a national wide network of hotels in which they can plan their meetings over multiple destinations and years under one contract. I met the hotel management for each property and was given a full property tour. I would recommend all three of these properties to meeting planners, while each property is different they all meet the Marriott standard, and their close network is an asset to meeting planners.

Marriott Marquis

The Marriott Marquis is in the heart of Times Square conveniently located to several major attractions including many of the Broadway theaters. The hotel has a total of 1,949 guest rooms. The guest rooms are quite comfortable and include all the standard amenities. It has 108,788 square feet of total meeting space and its largest ballroom is 28,258 square feet. The property is certainly five-stars and it delivers on expectations. What makes this property extra special is the hotel staff. From the valet, to the doorman, the front desk, the chefs and their staff, the restaurant staff, to the management. They all are focused on the guests and providing a great experience for them. I was very impressed with Mr. Scott Nadeau, General Manager, Mr. Leon Goldberg, Complex Director of Sales and Marketing for the Marriott Marquis and Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel and Mr. Ted Hosmer, Destination Sales Executive for the Marriott Marquis. Their level of professionalism, leadership and willingness to exceed guest and meeting expectations is clearly apparent.



Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel

The Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel is lead by Marriott Veteran, Mr. Stephen Batta, and General Manager. Mr. Stephen Batta understands the importance of his hotel guests

having a fantastic stay. He is a "hands on" manager that is in constant communication with his staff to ensure everything is up to Marriott standards. The hotel has a total of 1,780 guest rooms featuring Starbucks Coffee and great views of the city. The hotel has a total of 62,733 square feet of flexible meeting

space and its largest ballroom is 16,477 square feet. The hotel lobby is very welcoming and sets the standard for the hotel. The Sheraton is within walking distance of Central Park and the Museum of Modern Art along with countless other destinations.

New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge

The New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge is the best kept secret in the New York Marriott Convention Resort Network. This newly renovated property sits across the river providing meeting planners with all that New York has to offer without the constant hustle and bustle. The hotel completed a 43 million dollar renovation in 2015. The hotel has 667 rooms with 47,430 sq. ft of meeting space. The largest ballroom is 18,105 square feet. Executive Chef David Umatum works with meeting planners to create fantastic menus for events.

Hotel guests can explore Brooklyn on foot and experience all that the borough has to offer. From historic sites, great dining, shopping, fantastic views of New York City and of course the Brooklyn Bridge. The subway to New York City is a block away from the hotel. It runs directly through New York City with stations at all the major tourist sites throughout the city providing easy on and off access.

For more information on meeting within the Marriott Convention and Resort Network please visit: www.marriott.com/convention-resort-network/home.mi

