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### **SOMETHING HUGE IS PACKED INTO THE WEST BOTTOMS**

*First Festival Weekend in August offers an eclectic mix of culture: from Harpist to History Entertainer*

**KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, August 3, 2016** – The West Bottoms launches its first Friday event rebranded as **First Festival Weekend**, August 5-7. The scope of the event is truly huge: it encompasses a six-block area with 35-plus stores that collectively hold the title of the largest indoor, monthly antique and vintage district in the country. The area known for its one-of-a-kind wares that organizers that attract as many as 25,000 visitors within the weekend.

The event promises an eclectic array of entertainment this weekend with harpist, Savannah Rae, Food Truck Wine and Dine event and Kansas City's history storyteller, Octave Chanute.

#### **Things in the Bottoms are going to get even bigger.**

The historic West Bottoms' Entertainment District is announcing **The Garment Factory**, a manufacturer of jeans and other private label apparel, will bring manufacturing back to Kansas City starting in September. The Garment Factory provides full development and manufacturing services for apparel companies nationwide, with an emphasis on assisting apparel companies relocate to Kansas City.

"We are very proud to see the West Bottoms attract apparel manufacturing," said Amber Arnett-Bequeaith, VP of the West Bottoms Entertainment District and Full Moon Productions, "The area has had a couple decades to establish its entertainment and shopping venues but the apparel manufacturing brings yet another dimension to add to its vibrancy."

First Festival Weekend is free to the public. Store times vary but typically lines start around 7AM for entry into the monthly chance to obtain the vintage and antique items as well as repurposed or vintage-inspired home décor and fashion merchandise.

#### **About West Bottoms Entertainment District Association:**

West Bottoms Entertainment District Association [westbottoms.com](http://westbottoms.com) has members committed to directly support the vital work and objectives of the West Bottoms Entertainment District Association and preserve the integrity of this historic area. [www.westbottoms.com](http://www.westbottoms.com)

#### **About Full Moon Productions:**

Full Moon Productions owns and operates world-class haunted house attractions since 1975 and has made the revitalization of the West Bottoms its mission the past 20 years including staging major events, such as Boulevardia, and created retail, photography, warehouse and event spaces. [www.fullmoonprod.com](http://www.fullmoonprod.com)

*Historic*  
**WEST BOTTOMS**  
12th St. Bridge Entertainment District

**FIRST FESTIVAL WEEKEND**

**AUG 5-7, 2016**

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**SAVANNAH RAE, HAPIST**

**AUGUST 5 @ PINK DAISY 4-5:30**

**1413 W. 11TH ST**

**AUGUST 6 @ SERENDIPITY 10AM-NOON**

**13TH & HICKORY**



**FOOD TRUCK  
WINE  
& DINE**



**COFFEE SAMPLES FRI & SAT 9-11 AM  
@ THE 12TH STREET BRIDGE**

**STORE OPENS 11/1/2016**

**SHOPPING | RESTAURANTS | MUSIC | ENTERTAINMENT**

*ALSO*

**AUGUST 5 NOON-2 PM  
MEET OCTAVE CHANUTE AND  
DISCUSS KANSAS CITY HISTORY**

**COMING**

**SOON!**

**VINTAGE WHITES MARKET**

**8/26/2016 & 8/27/2016**

**THE GARMENT FACTORY**

**9/1/2016**

**LUCEY MARIE**

**9/1/2016**

**WWW.WESTBOTTOMS.COM**

**SCHEDULE IN THE WEST BOTTOMS' BUSINESS DISTRICT INCLUDES:**

**First Friday Warehouse Weekend:** Find vintage and antique stores, plus area cafés and food trucks.

**FRIDAY, August 5, 2016**

9AM-9PM | Off the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, KCMO 64102

Meet Octave Chanute and discuss Kansas City History: noon-2 pm

- He designed and built the Hannibal Bridge
- He designed the Union Stockyards in KC AND Chicago
- He mentored the Wright Brothers
- He platted Lenexa
- Chanute, KS is named for him



**SATURDAY, August 6, 2016**

9AM-6PM | Off the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, KCMO 64102

**SUNDAY, August 7, 2015**

12PM-6PM | Off the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, KCMO 64102



**MAP**

- 1) Behind the Vintage Door - 1222 W. 12th St
- 2) Bella Patina - 1324 W. 12th St.
- 3) Bottoms Up Antiques - 1300 W. 13th St.
- 4) Good JuJu - 1420 W. 13th Terrace
- 5) Le Fou Flea - 1300 W. 12th St.
- 6) Nook & Cranny - 1400 W. 13th St.
- 7) The Pink Daisy - 1413 W. 11th St.
- 8) The Red Shed - 1405 W. 12th St.
- 9) Rustic Vintage Rose - 1405 W. 13th St.
- 10) Serendipity - 1401 W. 13th St.
- 11) The Space At 1412 - 1412 W. 12th St.
- 12) Top Hat Mercantile - 1300 W. 13th St.
- 13) Upholstered Elegance - 1308 W. 11th St.
- 14) Goldie & Murtle - 1101 Mulberry St.

