

To Be Released: January 20, 2016

Contact: Maila Yang Phone: 913.321.5800

Email: maila@VisitKansasCityKS.com

Sporting KC and Lewis & Clark Park at Kaw Point on Kansans' Top 70 Bucket List

Sporting KC and Lewis & Clark Park at Kaw Point in Kansas City, KS have been named one of the Top 70 Bucket List experiences in Kansas, as announced in the current winter issue of KANSAS! Magazine.

"To celebrate the 70th anniversary of KANSAS! Magazine, we wanted to find out the top 70 experiences on Kansans' bucket list," explained Linda Craghead, Assistant Secretary for Kansas Parks and Tourism. The tourism division asked the magazine's readers and other Kansas enthusiasts to submit their must-do lists, and the top 70 results are featured in KANSAS! Magazine on its 70th birthday.

"We're hoping to get the word out about all the unique, scenic and fun experiences the state offers," said Craghead. "And while 70 choices is just a start, it's a great introduction to what's special about Kansas!"

Kansas City, KS is proud to have two attractions on the Kansans' Top 70 Bucket List. Root for the 2015 U.S. Open Cup champions on their home field at Children's Mercy Park. **Sporting KC** became the fourth MLS team to win the U.S. Open Cup three times and the fifth team to lift three major trophies in a four-year span since 2005. Their recent success has made Kansas City the soccer capital of the world! Follow the footsteps of two American explorers to the **Lewis & Clark Park at Kaw Point**. The expedition arrived at Kaw Point, the confluence of the Kansas and Missouri rivers on June 26, 1804. The crew camped there for three days to rest, repair their boats and explore. Today visitors can walk and bike along the beautiful wooded trails, access the river and learn more about the expedition through the park's Education Pavilion.

Kansas Tourism is continuing the Bucket List promotion in 2016 with a monthly social media contest. People visiting any of the 70 locations can take a photo at the site and post it to Instagram or Twitter using the hashtag #KSBucketList (one entry per person per location). One winner will be drawn at random each month and awarded a prize, and a grand prize winner will be announced at the end of 2016.

The Bucket List is available in KANSAS! Magazine, at the state's Travel Information Centers or at www.TravelKS.com.