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EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF THE RUNWAY

It's time to take off for the Runway 5K



As the plane slowly gathers speed you hear the roar of the engines, feel the powerful vibrations, and the world starts to blur outside the window.

There's a moment of breathlessness as the wheels leave the ground. It's a liminal moment where you're between two worlds—your life on the ground and the boundless realm of the sky. You feel it in your body as the plane fights gravity and launches higher and higher. As you look down, you're at a height that would have seemed impossible just a century ago.

The thrill of aviation is very real, and we want to welcome you to the runway for an up-close and personal experience at this year's Runway 5K. Race down Taxiway Bravo, only 150 feet to the west of our active runway where planes will be taking off and landing.

Spaces are limited, so **sign up today!**

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NEW AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER COMING TO AVL

FAA granted \$15 million to AVL for the project

AVL's air traffic control tower is one of the oldest operational air traffic control towers in the country. Soon, AVL will break ground on a brand new tower.



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DON'T BE LATE, ARRIVE EARLY AT YOUR GATE

Savvy travelers arrive "fashionably early"

Some places are designed for you to be late. For instance, take movie theaters. They always have about half an hour's worth of previews before the movie starts. So, unless you're with one of those people who insists on watching the previews (we all know at least one) you have plenty of time to mosey in at the last minute. And of course, it's also known that you don't show up half an hour early to a party—you want to be fashionably late—it's the cool thing to do!

Airports, however, fall into a different category—you've got to be early...REALLY early for your flight, now more than ever. You've probably heard the advice that you need to get to the airport at least two hours before your flight. But is it really necessary? Knowing more about peak travel times and how airports function will help you understand why it pays to be early for your flight.

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MORE PARKING NOW AVAILABLE

New cell phone lot and more shuttle parking at AVL

We hear this question all the time: “Are you going to add a cell phone lot?” The answer is yes, and very soon (within the next few days)! Construction is complete on the new Cell Phone Lot and an extension of the existing Shuttle Lot opened this month. The Shuttle Lot added approximately 70 new public spaces.

PARKING OPTIONS



CAN'T AGREE ON YOUR VACATION ITINERARY?

Boston has something for everyone

One of the most stressful parts about planning a vacation is putting together an itinerary that will please everybody. However, Boston makes it easy! With so much to do, there is something for everybody in your group. And with convenient flight options from AVL, getting there is a breeze.

Boston is known for its history. Stepping into the places we all grew up learning about in history class can be an exciting experience whether you're a history buff or not. You can visit the Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum, the Paul Revere House, the USS Constitution Museum and so many other historical sites at the epicenter of American History. Nearby in Lexington you can take a guided tour of the Lexington Battle Green or in nearby Salem you can visit the Salem Witch Museum.

If history isn't your thing, there is the Sports Museum at TD Garden, which is a necessity for any Boston sports fan. There's also the Museum of Fine Arts, which has the most Monets of any museum outside of Paris. And for kids there's the Boston Children's Museum and Legoland Discovery Center.

For any aquatic animal lover, a trip to the New England Aquarium is a must. There are over 70 exhibits including the 4 story Giant Ocean Tank, a penguin colony with 50 penguins, and an

Amazon Rainforest exhibit. If you prefer terrestrial animals, you can check out the 72-acre Franklin Park Zoo.

One thing that Boston and Asheville have in common is a love of great beer. City Brew Tours allows you to sample multiple local breweries, including Samuel Adams. Boston also boasts a variety of restaurants (including great fresh seafood) and plenty of opportunities for shopping. **AVL offers nonstop service from three different airlines (Allegiant, American, and JetBlue), which makes flying to Boston for the weekend super convenient.**

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IF IT'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, IT PROBABLY IS

Be aware of common scams involving money and airports

Scams are on the rise, and many people don't realize that airports are a common place for scammers to exploit. AVL has encountered some of these scams firsthand. It's important to be aware of common scams and to look for red flags.

The "Puppy" Scam

One scam involves someone purchasing an animal (usually a dog) online and being told that it is being shipped to the airport and being held at a specific terminal or hanger. The "purchaser" may be told they must pay customs to retrieve their "cargo." When they arrive to pick up their animal, they haven't been given a flight number or airline – this is a red flag. In most cases, the "seller" does not name a known airline, another red flag.

Locally, please be aware that AVL does not have customs, nor a cargo facility. There is no process for freight to be received. Be cautious when purchasing pets (or anything) online and do your research. If someone is unable to give you a flight number or carrier, or if they ask for additional money before you can claim your pet, it's a scam.

The "Overseas" Scam

Sometimes someone will call AVL and say that they have been trying to fly someone in from overseas, yet will not have a flight number, name, or exact time. The scam victim will have met the person on a pen pal or dating site and will only have communicated via text or e-mail. They will have been told their "friend" is being held at customs and they need to pay a fee to get them out of customs. And a new tactic scammers have been using is telling the scam victim that there is a health insurance fee because of COVID, and that their "friend" or cargo is being held in quarantine.

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