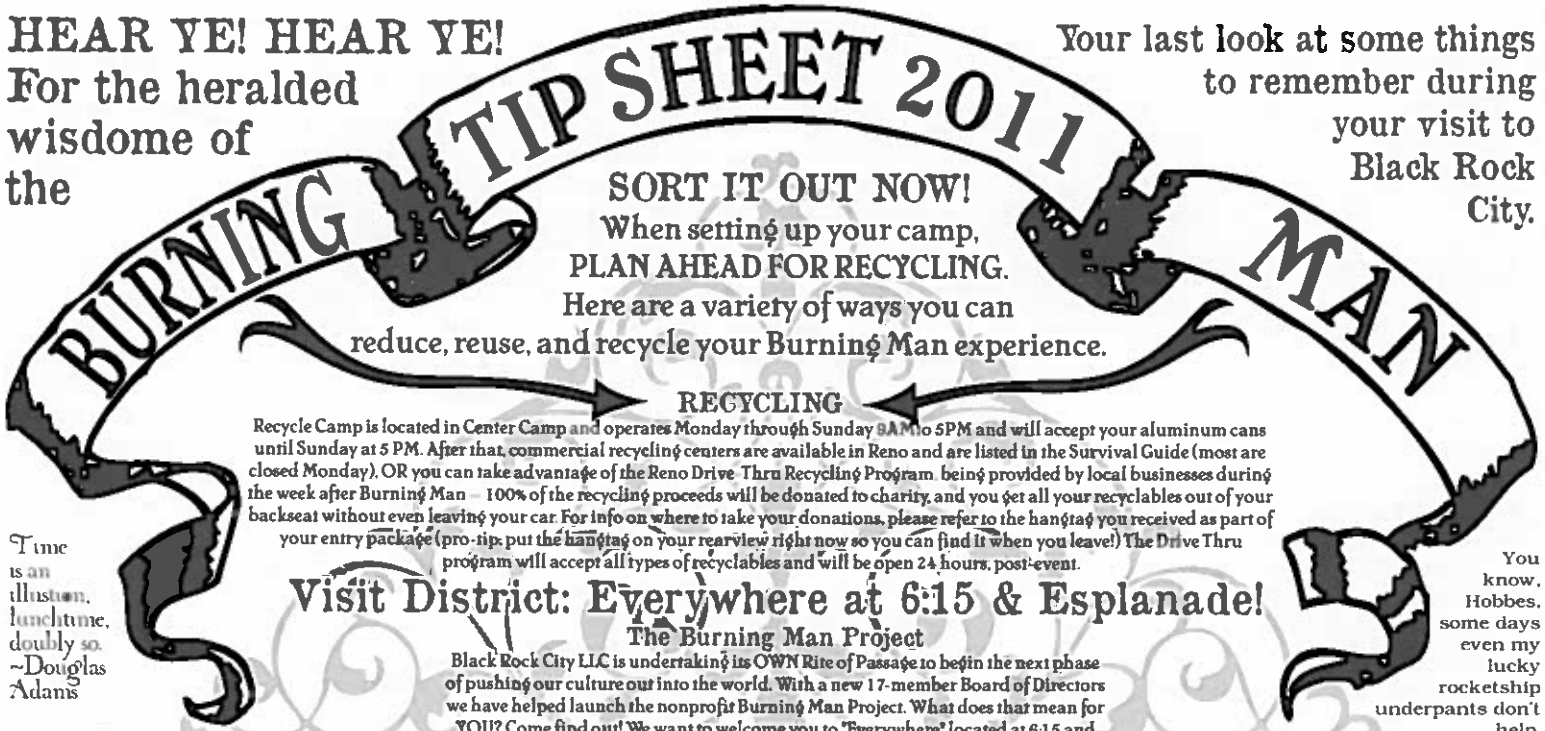


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Your last look at some things
to remember during
your visit to
Black Rock
City.



SORT IT OUT NOW!
When setting up your camp,
PLAN AHEAD FOR RECYCLING.
Here are a variety of ways you can
reduce, reuse, and recycle your Burning Man experience.

RECYCLING

Recycle Camp is located in Center Camp and operates Monday through Sunday 8AM to 5PM and will accept your aluminum cans until Sunday at 5 PM. After that, commercial recycling centers are available in Reno and are listed in the Survival Guide (most are closed Monday). OR you can take advantage of the Reno Drive Thru Recycling Program, being provided by local businesses during the week after Burning Man - 100% of the recycling proceeds will be donated to charity, and you get all your recyclables out of your backseat without even leaving your car. For info on where to take your donations, please refer to the hashtag you received as part of your entry package (pro-tip: put the hashtag on your rearview right now so you can find it when you leave!) The Drive Thru program will accept all types of recyclables and will be open 24 hours, post-event.

Visit District: Everywhere at 6:15 & Esplanade!

The Burning Man Project

Black Rock City LLC is undertaking its OWN Rite of Passage to begin the next phase of pushing our culture out into the world. With a new 17-member Board of Directors we have helped launch the nonprofit Burning Man Project. What does that mean for YOU? Come find out! We want to welcome you to "Everywhere" located at 6:15 and Esplanade each day from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. Share your thoughts on what you think the Project can become. Post your ideas on the postcard in the Greeters packet and bring it to Everywhere. Maybe you'll even receive something special in return!

Time is an illusion, lunchtime doubly so. ~Douglas Adams

You know, Hobbes, some days even my lucky rocketship underpants don't help. -Calvin

Black Rock Arts Foundation (BRAAF) works year round to support and promote community-based interactive art and civic engagement in your own backyard, beyond the trash fence at BRC. Stop by to learn about BRAAF grants, current projects.

Black Rock Solar helps expand the use of renewable energy through installation, art, education, and job training. Come by to learn how you can volunteer for Black Rock Solar and to hear about the exciting work BRS has done, including their donation of a full Megawatt of solar power to buildings all over Nevada.

The Regional Network Volunteer Regional Contacts work to support the Burning Man culture worldwide every day. Stop by to find your nearest Regional Contact, connect with your local community, and hear about the ways that Burners are keeping the playa alive year-round.

Burners Without Borders has emerged as a community-led, grassroots group that addresses gaps in needs where existing cultural and societal systems are failing. From disaster relief efforts to community clean-up events and other civic activism, stop by BWB to find out how you can start your own local BWB projects.

BRING YOUR PROTECT

We say this all the time, and we're saying it again: **IF IT WASN'T IN YOUR BODY, DON'T PUT IT IN THE POTTY.** This means, do NOT put hand wipes or other related items in the porta potties. Do you think we mean it, or what? For serious: don't be the jackass that causes the pumper truck driver to stop his routine to reach shoulder deep to unblock your handy wipes or other trash. That's just nasty, and we could risk being turned away from processing plants in Reno if there's MOOP in the poop. We like to keep those potty service guys happy, for the sake of everyone who uses their services (um, that's all of us, get it?). We implore you to do the same.

THE POTTIES

You've brought yourself out to a desert where sudden winds can carry trash life at Burning Man. It only takes a few minutes to bury a stray object instantly, out of sight until the spring rain. Therefore, we remind you once again, **NEVER LET IT HIT THE GROUND.** Don't think you'll pick up those stray bottle caps right before you go home; they may disappear under dust by then! Out here, any trash that hits the ground is called **Master Out Of Place (MOOP)** and it's time to make MOOP your sworn enemy. Burning Man is one of the largest Leave No Trace events in the world! Take pride, take the time, do it for the desert, make your mother proud and **MASTER THE MOOP!**

SPARE THE TREES

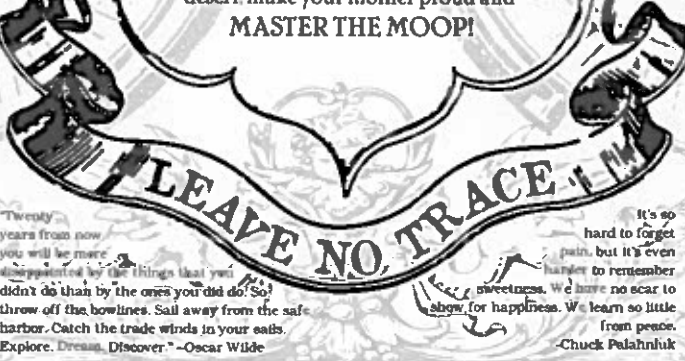
Don't burn that leftover wood! Drop off your full size pieces of usable wood (2x4, 4x4, sheet, etc.) at collection stations on the Esplanade and at 3, 6, and 9 o'clock. It will be reused by DPW, and other Burning Man departments next year. Collection stations will be open all day Sunday and Monday. Volunteer sorters are very much appreciated.

DONATE THE LUMBER

BRING YOUR OWN CUP

Bring your own cup to use at the Café and elsewhere! Your friendly neighbors and theme camps will thank you for having your own chalice and you'll reduce unnecessary waste! Stick that in your cup and drink it.

OWN CUP



"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." -Oscar Wilde

It's so hard to forget pain, but it's even harder to remember sweetness. We have no scar to show for happiness. We learn so little from peace. -Chuck Palahniuk

WEATHER STORMS

Remember, the weather can turn on a dime in the desert and go from mild to strong in a blink. ALWAYS keep camp items (tents, chairs, papers) battened down, and secure your belongings well before leaving your camp. In the event the clouds part or things get truly hairy, tune in to BMIR (94.5 FM) for more info - and stay put (do not drive) if it really starts to rain in earnest - you'll get stuck! Look at all that gear you brought with you - we'll be just fine where we are if adverse weather happens. Just stay tuned in for what to expect and how to deal.

Parkit. Leave it. There is **NO DRIVING** in Black Rock City. You may not cruise around in your car to check things out. The only motor vehicles allowed to move around are staff/emergency vehicles and the delightfully artistic Mutant Vehicles that roam our city - which must register pre-event. Find your camp, park your car, and leave it parked all week. On your way into the city, keep it to

GIFTING Remember, while "gifting" is the order of the day in BRC, that doesn't mean you need to wander around handing gifts out to each person you see. Giving of yourself is more important than any pocketful of trinkets, so just be genuine and relax a little about the whole "gift culture" thing. You'll find a way to contribute something, whatever it may be. Also, having a gift culture doesn't mean that anyone owes you anything. Don't walk into camps thinking they owe you a drink and don't expect your fellow citizens to bear responsibility for you, instead of providing

FREEDOM AND THE MEDIA Filmmakers and reporters are Burners too! Photography is art and a form of self-expression! Yes, there are thousands of cameras in Black Rock City, and yes, some of them are professionals. But you can relax: the pros and the media are required to register with Burning Man, and to comport themselves in accordance with an agreement designed to protect your right to express yourself

Wireless Internet in the Desert??? Burning Man DOES NOT provide wireless internet access. There is wireless to be had in Black Rock City, but it is a gift from some of your fellow citizens. You can pick it up just about anywhere in Center Camp, and in other spots around the city. PLEASE note: Playa Info, Media Mecca, Rangers, and other Center Camp staff cannot help you connect, nor will they provide you with a better place to access the Internet - these working camps can't serve as public internet cafes. There are no public terminals or stations. Use your own laptop in the Center Camp Café, or make friends with someone else who has one. (Or you could just forget the status updates and your inbox for the week and enjoy the here and now with

the 3 o'clock & 9 o'clock plazas. Please share all positive and negative feedback: Did an officer help you? Do you feel that an officer treated you unfairly? Be sure to obtain as much information as you can for the Feedback Form including the officer's name, state agency (e.g. federal BLM, Pershing County), vehicle license plate number, badge number, time of day, details of the event, and the names of any witnesses.

RESPECT YOUR COMMUNITY

Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "Men are respectable only as they respect." With that in mind, respect your fellow Black Rock City citizens. Introduce yourself. Help each other out. Do your part. Make a creative contribution to YOUR City. Whether it's your first year or you're a jaded veteran, we're all in this together. Don't "tag" or destroy someone else's hard work! Many people spend all year creating art to share on the playa. Respect that effort and DO NOT burn, deface or otherwise mutilate anything you didn't create. Also, don't waste time, passing judgment on others for how they're expressing themselves (or not) - just because someone isn't sporting a costume (or one you don't like) doesn't mean they aren't participating in our community. Maintain an open mind.

WORKING IT OUT WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

Problems with your neighbors? Music too loud? Have a dialogue and work it out! Peaceful negotiation, polite requests, gifts and the like may all help your cause if there is just too much sound for you at any hour of the day or night. Don't forget that Black Rock City is rockin' 24/7 and your best bet for some silence will be a pair of ear plugs and an eye mask - or a meditative trip to the open playa to soothe your ears and soul.

BE SAFE!

The end of the event can be an emotional and exhausting time for participants, staff, and volunteers alike. Breaking down camp, MOOPing, days of partial sleep, and physical exertion can all take their toll and make for some very tired commuters. The Nevada Highway Patrol warns that EACH YEAR THERE ARE ACCIDENTS LEAVING THE PLAYA ON HWY 447 WHEN DRIVERS FALL ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL! We love you, (really!) and we want you to be safe so please make sure that someone is alert and able to drive. You may also consider taking just one extra day (hey, it's just work right?) and staying the night in Reno or Divorce & Funeral and 5:00-5:30, some other stop before trying to do the high speed burn all the way to your front door. Whatever you choose, please BE DISTINCTLY GROWN-UP ACTIVITIES OR ART, PLEASE SAFE! locate yourself well away from this particular part of our city. Always take precautions to prevent minors from entering your camp during such activities -- and from being served alcohol -- just as you would in any other city.

Volunteering for the Man!

Where do you go if you want to lend a hand? You've looked around, but you're not seeing any opportunities to help with a project? Come on down to the V-Spot at Playa Information, and get plugged-in on the spot. (WARNING: by volunteering, you may accidentally meet really incredible people and may also experience an amazing sense of accomplishment and belonging by helping to make Black Rock City possible. Don't say we didn't warn you.)

- 4. Drugs and drug paraphernalia are illegal.
- 5. Gifting drugs could rise to the level of drug trafficking, not just simple possession.
- 6. Medical marijuana is NOT recognized by the federal government, and BLM federal agents do patrol the event. Furthermore, the State of Nevada does not recognize marijuana cards issued by other states.

MUTANT VEHICLES AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Owners of Mutant Vehicles are asked to share their available space with the community while they trek around the city, so you are welcome to approach, say hello, and ASK PERMISSION to come aboard - operators will generally welcome you if there is room...but DO NOT CLIMB ABOARD MOVING VEHICLES, and do not try to disembark unless the vehicle has come to a complete stop. "Hopping on" a moving ride, even at 5MPH, can quickly turn dangerous, and many of these vehicles are modified in ways that may hamper your attempt to get on and off safely. Jumping in front of mutant vehicles on the move is not only stupid but also wildly inadvisable. Some vehicles may have difficulty stopping quickly, not to mention that it's really not any fun (for the driver or passengers) to suddenly slam on the brakes with a giant fire-breathing-dragonload of 40 dancing people. Admire the art, but stay out of their path!



Exodus

Yep, we know you just arrived, but remember this for later: a two-lane highway accommodates only so many cars at once so it will take a long time to get out of BRC if you leave when everyone else does. Before heading out, tune in to BMIR 94.5 for BRC traffic information and the best departure times. If you plan to leave during peak hours (Sunday midday, and again Monday midday) be prepared to be patient and expect to experience a long wait to get to the main road. Pay careful attention to the flagging teams who are there to keep traffic moving. Delays are to be expected so make it as easy on yourself as you can: Pack a snack, keep water handy, and think of the slow crawl as your final chance to interact with other citizens and say good-bye to BRC. NO CUTS! If you think you'll skip the line by heading out any "side entrances" or sneaking around to the front of the line, please be aware that doing so is a TICKETABLE OFFENSE - you'll be fined by the Bureau of Land Management, who take this issue very seriously.

Oh that the desert were my dwelling place,

With only one fair spirit for my minster.

That I might forget the human race,

And hating no one, love her only. -Lord Byron

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permit application is required if you plan to give away food or fresh juice beverages, or even if you are serving over 125 campers at a time in your camp's private community kitchen. Public pools and public showers are prohibited. If you'd like more information, visit the NSHD at Playa Info from 1:00-2:30 PM, Sat 8/27 - Fri 9/2.

A WORD ABOUT VEHICLES

AROUND THE MAN & OTHER ARTWORKS

There is a subtle understanding about vehicles near the Burning Man in the center of our city. The area inside the Man's "L3K" perimeter of orange ground lights is populated with pedestrians at every hour of the day. While it's understood that sometimes a piece of mobile art or a mutant vehicle interacts with the Man in a creative way, for the most part, vehicles are encouraged to park away from the Man and outside of the "L3K" perimeter (and avoid driving over it). Flame effects and fire-breathing vehicles are discouraged from this area, for obvious reasons. Pay attention to the vibe when you pull into the Man, or up to any other art piece - blasting your music - may or may not be a welcome addition to the moment at hand, but don't assume.

YOUR BIKE IN BRC

LIGHTS! Make sure you have both front and rear lights on your bike. ALWAYS LOCK YOUR BIKE if you want to find it where you left it. Bicycles only get stolen or "borrowed" when they're unlocked, and the unfortunate reality is that many bikes are stolen or misappropriated in BRC every year. The only bikes that should NEVER be locked are green Community Bikes - these bikes are

PROTECT YOUR STUFF

only really yours when you're on them. Avoid parking your bike in highly congested areas during large burns. They can become a hazard in the dark. (Pro tip: try including your bike with your name, phone number, and email address and/or camp info. Each year dozens of "found items" bikes go missing in the later- a two-lane that end up at BMHQ cannot be reunited with their owners because they lack identifying information. Community Bikes, you say? A group of volunteer burners from Reno maintains a fleet of anonymously donated community bikes, available for anyone to ride. Community bikes are easy to spot because they are painted BRIGHT GREEN with the words "Yellow Bike" painted on the frame. Here are a few things to keep in mind when using a Community Bike: It's only really "yours" when you're riding it. Community Bikes should be treated with respect, as if it was your own. Don't trash it, break it, or vandalize it! Don't forget personal hygiene - pants are required while riding a community bike. Yep, seriously DON'T EVER LOCK UP A COMMUNITY BIKE. The Bike Camp team will cut any locks from these green bikes if they see them. Don't bring a

Community Bike into your tent or RV and please, don't take it home when you leave the playa. If a Community Bike breaks while you're using it, use your Radical Self-Reliance to get it repaired for the next person. Check with Playa Info at Center Camp for a bike repair camp if you don't have the tools to or can't do it yourself (DIY). Community Bikes are meant for short trips. Grab a community bike, make your trek, and then drop it off where you found it, or leave it in an obvious public place.