



# MOTOR BUS SOCIETY

## SPRING 2025 CONVENTION

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

**Date and Location:** The Spring 2025 Motor Bus Society Convention will be held from Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> in Jacksonville, Florida.

**Host Hotel:** The host hotel for the convention will be the Homewood Suites Jacksonville South St. John's Town Center, 10434 Mid Town Parkway in Jacksonville. The hotel is close to premier outlets and restaurants at the Town Center mall. The University of North Florida is also a short distance away. The hotel has free high-speed Wi-Fi internet access and a business center.

**Hotel Information:** The special MBS room rate is **\$149** per night for a standard King room and **\$159** for a standard room with two Queen beds. The room rates do not include applicable state and city taxes (currently at 13.5%, subject to change). A block of rooms has been put aside for MBS members from Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> to Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

The hotel offers a daily free hot buffet breakfast. Many other restaurants are within a short walk of the hotel. There is no charge for on site parking.

Please note that **hotel reservations must be made by Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.** The hotel room space and rate cannot be guaranteed after that date. All hotel reservations must be made by either calling the hotel directly or by visiting the Homewood Suites website. The phone number for the hotel is (904) 641-7988. Remember to mention the group name "Motor Bus Society" when booking by telephone. The attached "Hotel Reservation Information" form (page 3) has the link for online reservations.

Motor Bus Society is currently in the planning stages for its Spring convention. There cannot be guarantees that we will be admitted to all the garages and maintenance facilities due to either health and security protocols or shortages of personnel to handle our visits. Some of the facility

tours may require a safety vest. If you have one available, please bring it.

**Registration:** The MBS convention registration fee is \$125 per person per day or \$350 for all three days for **MBS members**. For **non-MBS members**, the registration fee is \$145 per day or \$410 for all three days. To assure that space will be available for the garage and facility tours, advance registration is strongly recommended. In case of any shortage of seat space on the tour buses, persons with reservations will be given priority. ***MBS is pleased to announce that online booking is available on its new website at: <https://bit.ly/3CQYZH0>***. Please refer to the convention registration page (#4) for more details. The deadline for MBS convention registration is Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Transportation Information:**

For autos, the hotel is in the south Jacksonville area. Coming from the north, follow I-95 south, I-295 south, to exit 53 (FL-202, Butler Blvd.). Follow FL-202 east to the first exit (Gate Parkway). Continue right on Gate Parkway, right on Town Center Parkway, right on Mid Town Parkway and follow Mid Town Parkway to the Homewood Suites entrance.

From the Jacksonville International Airport (JAX), follow Dixie Clipper Drive and Airport Service Road to I-95 south and follow the directions above.

For transit from JAX, take Jacksonville Transit Authority route 1 to Bay Street and Jefferson Street in downtown Jacksonville. Transfer to route 8 at Forsyth Street and Jefferson Street. Take route 8 to St. John's Town Center and walk east a short distance to Homewood Suites.

The FLiXBUS and Greyhound Terminal is at 1111 West Forsyth Street in downtown. JTA route 8 is a short walk from the terminal.



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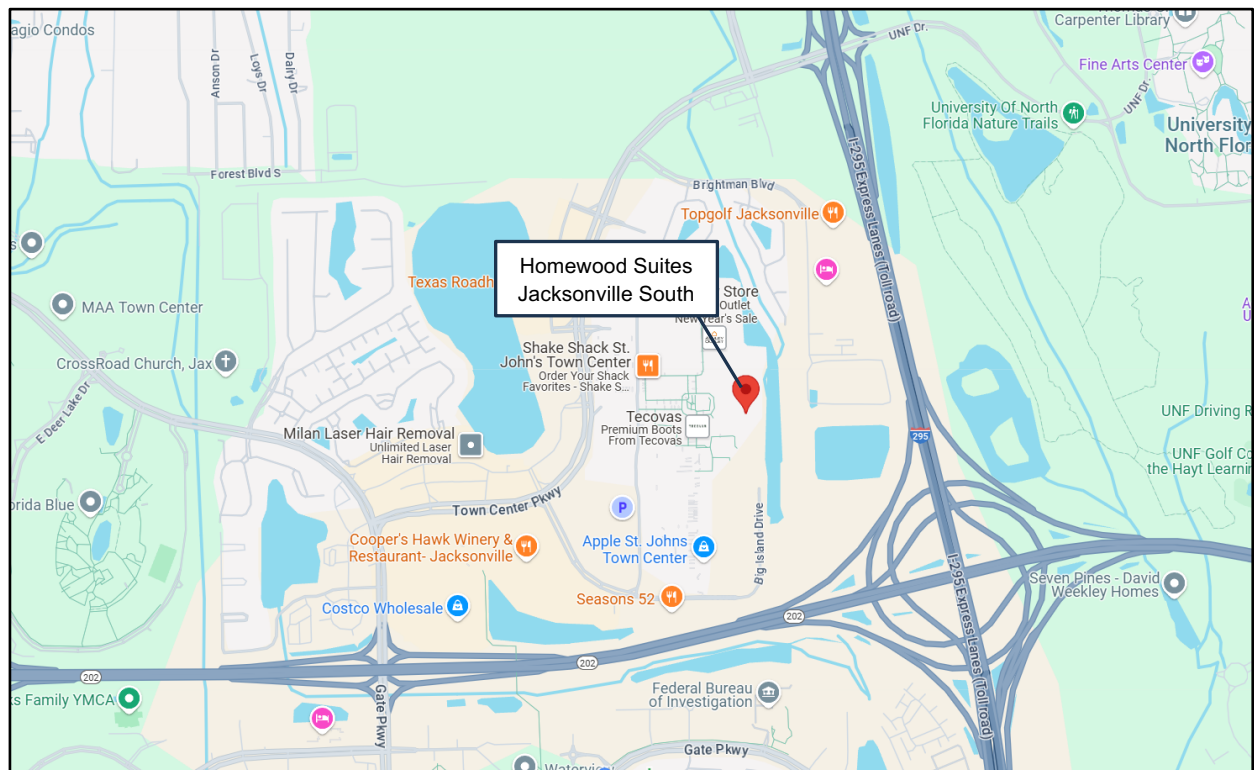
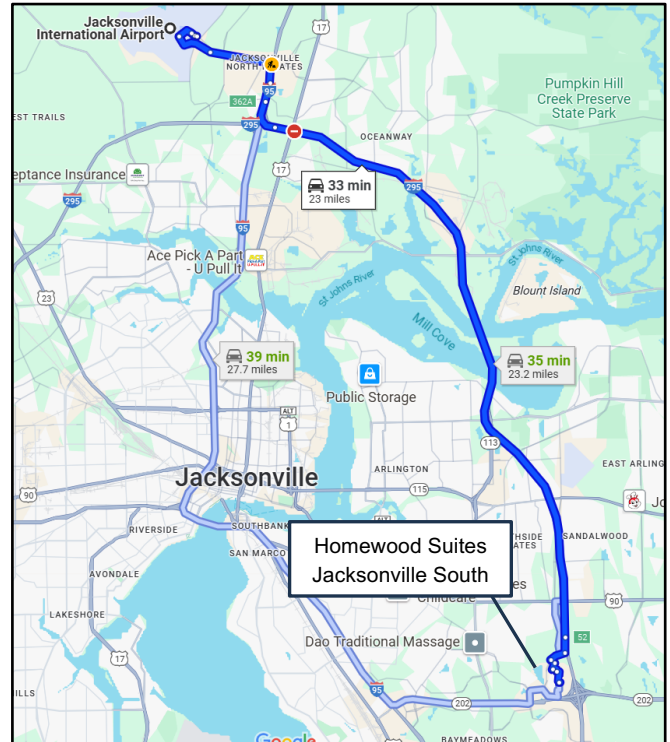
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The Amtrak station is at 3570 Clifford Lane. JTA Route 4 will take you downtown to transfer to route 8. More JTA information is at: <https://www.jtafla.com/>

**Convention Activities:** Registration and sign-in will take place in the Homewood Suites lobby starting at 7:30 AM on all three days, with buses departing **promptly at 8:00 AM** each day.

**Garage and Facility Tours:** The itinerary has not been finalized and is highly dependent on whether properties are receptive to having visitors. The final lists of stops will be posted on the MBS website and MBS Facebook pages 1 week prior to the convention.

- Thursday, April 24 – Savannah, GA.
- Friday, April 25 – Local Jacksonville day (including Jacksonville Skyway), Annual meeting and Flea Market in the evening.
- Saturday, April 26 – Daytona Beach and Gainesville.





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## HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION

Room reservations must be made by either the online website (link below) or by calling the Hotel directly.

### Homewood Suites Jacksonville South - St. John's Town Center

10434 Mid Town Parkway

Jacksonville, FL, 32246

Phone: (904) 641-7988



Group Name: **The Motor Bus Society**  
(Please use the group name when booking room via phone)

A block of rooms has been set aside for MBS members based on the room rates and dates shown below. For dates outside of the dates shown, MBS members are asked to use the Homewood Suites by Hilton website. The MBS room rate will only be available from April 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

<b>Homewood Suites Jacksonville South St. John's Town Center</b>	Wednesday, April 23	Thursday, April 24	Friday, April 25	Saturday, April 26	Sunday, April 27
<b>Deluxe King</b>	\$ 149	\$ 149	\$ 149	\$ 149	\$ 149
<b>Deluxe Two Queens</b>	\$ 159	\$ 159	\$ 159	\$ 159	\$ 159
<i>The room rates do not include local, State and Federal taxes, currently at 13.5%, subject to change.</i>					

To book online, please click on the link below for the Homewood Suites by Hilton secured website:

Click the link to: [Book your group rate for MOTOR BUS SOCIETY](#)

- This link should take you directly to the MBS room block page for the Homewood Suites by Hilton website.
- The dates are defaulted to Wednesday night to Saturday night; If you need to change this, click on the individual date you want to change, then click on the update tab.
- There are four options for rooms and suites listed. Click on the "Quick Book" button and follow the instructions on the screen after that.
- Reservations can be cancelled up to 48 hours up to 11:59 PM on April 22<sup>nd</sup> with no penalty. After that time, cancellation will result in a penalty of one night's rate.

Hotel reservations **must be made Wednesday, April 2, 2025.** Rooms can be guaranteed by a credit card for late arrival. If you are making a reservation by phone, please be sure to have the following information easily accessible when making the phone call:

Type of card: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Full name on card: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Attendance Registration Form

**Please Mail to:** Motor Bus Society, Michael Glikin, Director of Conventions,  
8440 South Dixie Highway, Apt. 1402, Miami, FL, 33143-7825  
Phone Number: (917) 714-7087

Please make \_\_\_\_ reservations for me for the Jacksonville MBS Convention. I will be attending the following days:

Thursday \_\_\_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday \_\_\_\_\_

**Convention Registration Fees** – Please read table below carefully – Remember to register early!  
**The deadline to register is Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Convention Registration Fees (Per Person) <i>Please circle appropriate box for the payment you will be making</i>	Rates Shown are in U.S. \$			
	All Three Days		Individual Days	
	MBS Members	Non MBS Members	MBS Members	Non MBS Members
<b>Payment via Check or Money Order</b>	\$ 350	\$ 410	\$ 125	\$ 145

**Payment may be made Online on the new MBS website, or by Check or Money Order:**

To book online, click on this link: <https://bit.ly/3CQYZH0>. You may complete your entire registration there.

Payments by check or money order should be payable to "Motor Bus Society II". Canadian and International registrants should pay in US\$. A check / money order is enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ U.S.\$

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP/Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

If paying for additional guests, please list their name and city for their name badge:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov: \_\_\_\_\_

*By submitting this Registration Form to MBS, I recognize that there are certain inherent risks associated with participating in the activities of this Convention and agree for myself and those registering with me that I/we assume full responsibility for personal injury to myself and (if applicable) those registering with me, and further release and discharge the Motor Bus Society for injury, loss or damage arising out of my or their participation in the Spring 2025 Convention. I further understand and agree that the Motor Bus Society is not responsible for actions or injuries caused by participants upon other participants.*

*Please bring a face covering/mask in case masking is required by certain venues or the bus carrier. By submitting this Registration Form to MBS, I agree to release and hold harmless MBS and its officers and trustees from and against damages, liability, claims and expenses arising from the contraction or spread of disease due to my travel to or participation in any aspect of the MBS Spring Convention.*