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Journalist and Philadelphia native Karrie Gavin guides travelers around her hometown in Moon Philadelphia. She knows the best way to experience the City of Brotherly Love, whether it's exploring the 9,200 acres of Fairmount Park or sampling the city's renowned cheesesteaks, soft pretzels, and hoagies. With advice on the navigating Philly's nightlife, wandering the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and enjoying recreational opportunities on the Schuylkill River, Moon Philadelphia gives travelers the tools they need to create a more personal and memorable experience.

In penning her love letter to Philadelphia, local author Karrie Gavin dusted off 350 years of history and delved into her own personal chronicles. She shared Philly's centuries-old stories and spilled its best-kept secrets, all from the perspective of a 32-year-old born, raised and now residing in the City of Brotherly Love. The result is Moon Philadelphia, a new guidebook from Avalon Travel that celebrates Gavin's loyalty to her hometown as much as it teaches visitors about Philadelphia's tourist attractions....What sets the backpack-friendly book apart from previous area guides is that a single local author was chosen to research, organize, photograph and write up the native flavor. -- The Philadelphia Inquirer, September 24, 2008"It's obvious [Karrie Gavin's] got a love for Philadelphia...she visited hundreds of restaurants, tourist sites and neighborhoods to research and write the book that reads like a friendly conversation. It's as if the author were asked, 'What should I do today?'" --South Philly , October 30, 2008About the AuthorKarrie Gavin comes from a long line of Philadelphians that began with her great-grandparents, who immigrated from County Mayo, Ireland, over a century ago. Born and raised in Germantown and Mt. Airy, Karrie now lives in Center City.Karrie attended Central High School of Philadelphia and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in English at Penn State University and a master's degree in journalism at Temple University. Her interest in writing about Philadelphia was sparked during her time as editor of Campus Philly, a local nonprofit where she was responsible for creating online and print guides and a magazine about Philadelphia for local college students.Karrie is the former Philadelphia/South Jersey Guide for the website About.com, and her writing has appeared in numerous regional and national magazines, including Philadelphia magazine, Philadelphia Wedding, Philadelphia Home, AAA World, and US Airways magazine, and in the anthology PS: What I Didn't Say, published by Seal Press. Her deep Philly roots and knowledge also serve her (and her clients) well in her work as a real estate agent at Elfant Wissahickon Realtors.In her spare time, Karrie assists adults with special needs on vacations and local outings through Special Vacations, an organization founded by her mother. She also enjoys hanging out with her husband, her two sons, their dog, and her large network of family and friends. Luckily for her, they are almost all in Philly! While Philadelphians may leave for a while, they almost always come back.