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MOVIE TOUR

Begin your tour at the end of Four-Mile Bayou Road in Stephenville at the former location of T-Man Bailey's Store. The original T-Man Bailey's store was blown up during the shooting of Tony Scott's movie *Déjà Vu*, starring Denzel Washington, Paula Patton, Val Kilmer and Jim Cavaziel in the story of an ATF agent who goes back in time to prevent a terrorist act. The waterways surrounding the road were the setting for the water chase scenes.

Heading back towards Stephenville along Four-Mile Bayou, the swamps you'll see represented the jungles of Africa in the first *Tarzan of the Apes*, a silent movie featuring Elmo Lincoln that was filmed in Morgan City in 1917.

Driving along Highway 70, you'll see more swampland near Doiron's Landing. This swampland was used as the backdrop for Willie Stark's campaign speech in *All the King's Men*, a political drama loosely based on former Louisiana Governor Huey Long and starring Sean Penn, Jude Law, Kate Winslet, Patricia Clarkson and James Gandolfini. This swampland was also the location of the family home in the sci-fi, futuristic flick, *The Fire Next Time*, a story about global warming and the greenhouse effect that starred Bonnie Bedelia and Craig T. Nelson.

Once in Morgan City, travel to Railroad Avenue. Railroad Avenue and its stores were dressed out to represent the 1940s hometown of Willie Stark in *All the King's Men*.

From Railroad Avenue, travel to the Front Street area near the docks. This site was the scene of the terrible flooding in *The Fire Next Time*.

The wharf area was the major setting for the movie *Thunder Bay*, starring Jimmy Stewart in the story of the conflicts between the fishing and oil industries. Willie Stark in *All the King's Men* made another campaign speech at the docks. The dock

and the storefronts facing the seawall were the setting for *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, which received 13 Academy Award nominations starring Brad Pitt and Cate Blanchett. The story is about a man who is born in his eighties, ages backwards and falls in love.

The International Petroleum Museum & Exposition, also known as the “Mr. Charlie,” was the setting of a scene in 2014’s *The Best of Me*, based on a novel by Nicholas Sparks. James Marsden and Michelle Monaghan star as a pair of former high school sweethearts who reunite after many years when they return to visit their small hometown.

Peter Fonda and Dennis Hopper took a motorcycle ride through St. Mary Parish in 1969’s *Easy Rider*, showcasing the Cajun Coast’s iconic bridges and landscape. The LA 182 bridge traversing the Atchafalaya River between Morgan City and Berwick is an iconic backdrop in the movie.

From Front Street, travel to Berwick and the wharf area near the seawall. The Berwick dock and several locations throughout the downtown area were the setting for *The Yellow Handkerchief* starring William Hurt, Maria Bello, and Kristen Stewart, a movie about three strangers brought together by their loneliness.

From Berwick, travel to Franklin along highway 182 to Dixie Plantation (private), the site of a scene

starring Jude Law as Jack Burton in the movie *All the King’s Men*. In Franklin, visit Oaklawn Manor, the setting for *The Drowning Pool*, starring Paul Newman and Jo Anne Woodward. The plot revolves around a big city detective called to the South to help out an old girlfriend and her hellion daughter. An aviary built during the production of the movie is still used today.

From Franklin, travel to Baldwin to the Baptist Church on Martin Luther King Road, the setting for an impassioned political speech by Willie Stark in *All the King’s Men*.

The last stop is Albania Plantation (private) in Jeanerette, the setting of scenes during the characters’ idealistic youth between Jude Law, Kate Winslet and Mark Raffalo for *All the King’s Men*.