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We are so excited to welcome you to Chicago. This Visitors Guide serves as your handbook for how to get the most out of your trip, from finding inspiration for what to do to picking the perfect hotel. Whatever you're looking for, I'm sure that you'll find it in Chicago...and I'm sure that you'll be back soon!

On behalf of the entire hospitality and tourism industry, we look forward to welcoming you to Chicago.

Lynn Osmond,
President & CEO
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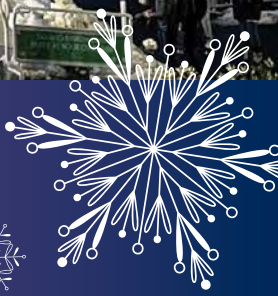


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Chicago was voted Best Big City in the U.S. for a record six years in a row by *Condé Nast Traveler* readers. Photo by Barry Butler Photography.



Rainbow Beach

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FIELD MUSEUM



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SUE the *T. rex* and Máximo the *Titanosaurus* are part of the **Griffin Dinosaur Experience**, made possible by generous support from the Kenneth C. Griffin Charitable Fund.



CAN'T-MISS CHICAGO SPOTS

FROM TIKTOK'S URBAN HISTORIAN

Chicago's @6figga_dilla shares some of his favorite local places for history, food, culture, music, and more.

Shermann "Dilla" Thomas

When Sherman "Dilla" Thomas started a TikTok account in 2020, he began posting videos of his family and stories about one of his favorite topics — the history of Chicago. Just two years later, Dilla has become known as the city's unofficial urban historian, sharing fascinating facts about "the greatest city on earth" to more than 90,000 followers as @6figga_dilla.

"It's one thing to see a picture or see a name on a street sign or a building, but it's not personal," says Dilla. "Telling the story of how that thing or that person came to be or came to prominence, I think hearing those stories keeps history relevant."

The success of his videos led Dilla to launch **Chicago Mahogany Tours**, a series of neighborhood bus tours that immerses visitors and locals in the rich history of the city's south and west sides.

"I'm of the belief that if you know the history of a place, you can't help but

respect it," says Dilla. "History can adjust your perspective. And so many things can be accomplished if you're moving with the correct perspective."

We asked Dilla to share some of his favorite Chicago spots, from little-known historical sites to can't-miss neighborhood history.

BEST SPOTS FOR NATURE LOVERS

In Chinatown, there's **Ping Tom Memorial Park**. The architect, Ernie Wong, is a Chicagoan of Asian ancestry. I love that he understands both cultures, and you can see that and feel that there. The two marry each other.

You gotta go to **Auburn Park** in Auburn Gresham. It has an original lagoon from the 1800s.

I'm also a very big fan of **Maggie Daley Park**. I like that it preserves

the downtown lakefront while also honoring a really cool Chicagoan. And my kids love it.

BEST UNDER-THE-RADAR PIECES OF CHICAGO HISTORY

There's **The National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture** in Humboldt Park. It's a great example of preservation — the building was formerly a horse stable designed by a famous architect. Now it's being used in a thriving Puerto Rican neighborhood, honoring Puerto Rican history.

I also tell people to go to the **Victory Monument** on 35th and King Drive in Bronzeville. It honors the Black World War I veterans.

And you gotta go to the **Union Stock Yard Gate**. Chicago was formerly the largest meatpacking source in



The National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture

the country, and the gate is now a National Historic Landmark.

BEST RESTAURANTS FOR FOOD WITH A SIDE OF HISTORY

I would say **Valois** in Hyde Park. You watch them make your food behind the counter. It's been around for 100 years — and anybody that's had any kind of political power in the city of Chicago in the last 100 years has eaten there.

And you should go to **La Luna** in Pilsen, at 18th and Racine. It's Mexican cuisine, and serves

probably the best taco in the city. There's a hidden gem a few blocks away at **Benito Juarez High School**, where there are life-size sculptures of all the leaders of Mexico from throughout history.

BEST PLACES TO CATCH A SHOW

I like **Metro**. The terracotta on the exterior is amazing. It's a repurposed building, so it preserves history while allowing us to enjoy the present.

Reggies in the South Loop is awesome. I love its proximity to Chess Records and the old Chicago blues scene.

And we gotta add **Buddy Guy's Legends**. It's owned by Buddy Guy, who does a residency there every January. Where else can you walk in and literally see a living blues legend and icon?

BEST NEIGHBORHOODS FOR HISTORY BUFFS

Bronzeville, for sure. Black History Month as a concept comes from Bronzeville, along with gospel music, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, and the Harlem Globetrotters who integrated basketball, to name just a few.

There's also the **Pullman** neighborhood. President Barack Obama designated Pullman as a National Monument, but the Pullman neighborhood has been making history since the late 1800s. It's because of the Pullman railcar strike that we have Labor Day as a holiday. And the architecture and infrastructure of Pullman are original to the neighborhood.

And I wish more people went to **North Lawndale**. It's home to a rich Jewish history, the original Sears Tower, and has ties to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Make sure to take a **Chicago Mahogany Tour** to see all of these awesome neighborhoods I'm talking about.



TOP TO BOTTOM: ABEL ARKINIEGA, ALEJANDRO REYES

FESTIVALS & EVENTS

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Check out just a handful of Chicago's diverse year-round happenings, from colorful cultural celebrations to lively music and food fests. Go to choosechicago.com/events or simply use your phone's camera and scan the QR code for a complete, up-to-date events calendar.

WINTER

CHRISTKINDLMARKET
November - December
Daley Plaza

christkindlmarket.com

Feel the magic at this annual outdoor bazaar, modeled after traditional German Christmas markets.

ZOOLIGHTS
November - January
Lincoln Park Zoo

lpzoo.org/calendar-events

This spectacular holiday display, made up of more than two million lights, transforms Chicago's historic Lincoln Park Zoo into a breathtaking winter wonderland.

CHICAGO RESTAURANT WEEK
Jan. 20 - Feb. 5 | Citywide
eatitupchicago.com

The best time of year to experience Chicago's acclaimed dining scene, Chicago Restaurant Week features special prix fixe menus at hundreds of local restaurants.

CHICAGO AUTO SHOW
Feb. 11 - 20
McCormick Place

chicagoautoshow.com

The nation's largest and longest-running auto show features debut vehicles, concept cars, interactive exhibits, and more.

CHICAGO THEATRE WEEK
Feb. 16 - 26 | Citywide
chicagotheatreweek.com

Experience the thrill of Chicago's vibrant theatre scene with half-price tickets to the city's hottest shows.



Events subject to change.



February - October
CHICAGO FIRE
Soldier Field
chicago-fire.com

Head to lakefront Soldier Field to see a fast-paced match by the Chicago Fire Football Club, winner of the MLS Cup in its very first season.



March - October
CHICAGO CUBS
Wrigley Field
cubs.com

Watch the Chicago Cubs play at historic Wrigley Field, whether you're in the sunny bleachers or perched on the rooftops with a bird's-eye view.



March - October
CHICAGO WHITE SOX
Guaranteed Rate Field
whitesox.com

Catch a White Sox game at the team's modern stadium in Bridgeport and prepare to be awed by the booming home run fireworks.

TOP TO BOTTOM: ABEL ARCINIEGA; JOHAN PERSSON; @CHICAGO BULLS

→ Scan here for the latest Chicago events calendar.



SPRING

GARFIELD PARK CONSERVATORY FLOWER SHOW

February - May
 Garfield Park Conservatory
garfieldconservatory.org
 This annual flower show features the first blooms of spring, housed in one of the largest greenhouses in the country.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

March | Chicago Riverwalk
chicagostpatricksdaysparade.org

One of the world's most famous St. Patrick's Day traditions, Chicago's downtown parade and green river dyeing are bucket list events.

EXPO CHICAGO

April 13 - 16 | Navy Pier
expoichicago.com

This international exposition of contemporary and modern art brings galleries and artists from around the globe to Navy Pier.

SUEÑOS MUSIC FESTIVAL

May | Grant Park
suenosmusicfestival.com
 Chicago's first Latin music festival kicks off summer with a two-day experience in Grant Park.

CHICAGO GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL

May | Millennium Park
chicagogospelmusicfestival.us
 Hear everything from traditional choirs to contemporary gospel groups at this free outdoor festival under the stunning Pritzker Pavilion.



St. Patrick's Day



Sueños Music Festival



March - October
CHICAGO RED STARS
 SeatGeek Stadium
chicagoredstars.com
 See soccer action in Bridgeview by the acclaimed Red Stars team, a prominent player in the National Women's Soccer League.

May - September
CHICAGO SKY
 Wintrust Arena
sky.wnba.com
 Join in fun Chicago Sky on-court experiences and watch the 2021 WNBA champions compete in the South Loop.

September - January
CHICAGO BEARS
 Soldier Field
chicagobears.com
 Get ready to hear the rowdy crowd enthusiastically sing the anthemic *Bear Down, Chicago Bears* every time the team makes a touchdown.

October - April
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS
 United Center
blackhawks.com
 Arrive early for the pre-game skate, and keep an eye out for mascot Tommy Hawk, who wildly dances to *Chelsea Dagger* every time the Blackhawks score.

October - April
CHICAGO BULLS
 United Center
bulls.com
 See the Bulls shoot hoops at the United Center and snap a selfie with the statue of basketball superstar Michael Jordan.

FESTIVALS & EVENTS



Chicago Pride Parade



SailGP

SUMMER

CHICAGO BLUES FESTIVAL

June | Millennium Park

chicagobluesfestival.us

A genre with deep Chicago roots, blues is the star of this outdoor summer festival that attracts some of music's biggest names.

CHICAGO PRIDE FEST & PARADE

June | Northalsted

chicagoprideride.com

This joyful celebration of LGBTQ+ community and culture takes place in the nation's oldest official gay neighborhood.

SAILGP

June | Navy Pier

sailgp.com

Nine national teams race hydro-foiling, 50-foot boats that literally fly over the water while sailing at 60+ mph.

NASCAR CHICAGO STREET RACE WEEKEND

July 1 - 2 | Loop

nascarchicago.com

For the first time in its 75-year history, NASCAR will hold a street race. The 2.2-mile course will zoom past Chicago landmarks, including Buckingham Fountain and the Field Museum.

SUNDAYS ON STATE

July - September

State Street

loopchicago.com/events/sundays-on-state

This free, interactive block party features art, culture, shopping, dining, and more.

WINDY CITY SMOKEOUT

July 13 - 16 | United Center

windycitysmokeout.com

It's all about beer, barbecue, and country music at this laid-back summer festival.

FIESTA DEL SOL

July - August | Pilsen

fiestadelsol.org

This family-friendly festival has been celebrating Mexican culture and music in the Pilsen neighborhood for 50 years.

LOLLAPALOOZA

Aug. 3 - 6 | Grant Park

lollapalooza.com

This iconic music festival takes over lakefront Grant Park with local talent and top acts from around the world.

CHICAGO AIR AND WATER SHOW

August | Lakefront

chicago.gov

This lakefront display is one of the largest free events of its kind, with astonishing aerial and nautical demonstrations.

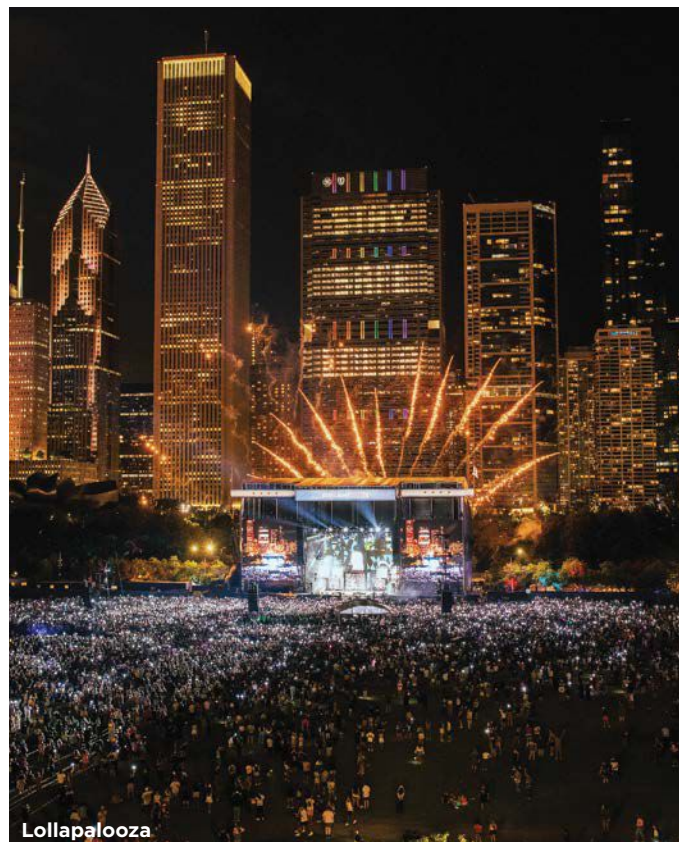
BUD BILLIKEN PARADE

August

Martin Luther King Drive

budbillikenparade.org

The largest African American parade in the country, this exuberant procession of bands, floats, and student performers has been taking place since 1929.



Lollapalooza

→ Scan here for the latest Chicago events calendar.



Open House Chicago



Arts in the Dark

FALL

DESTINOS: CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL LATINO THEATER FESTIVAL
September - October
Citywide

clata.org/destinos
Discover emerging voices in the local Latino theatre community during this multifaceted festival.

CHICAGO GOURMET
Sept. 21 - 24
Millennium Park

chicagogourmet.org
This high-end food festival features elevated tastings and live cooking demos with the country's best chefs.

26TH STREET MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

September | Little Village
littlevillagechamber.org
This lively parade features brightly colored floats, mariachi bands, and folkloric dancing along 26th Street.

BANK OF AMERICA CHICAGO MARATHON
Oct. 8 | Citywide

chicagomarathon.com
Runners from around the world gather for this major marathon that travels through 29 different neighborhoods.

NIGHT OF 1,000 JACK-O'-LANTERNS
October

Chicago Botanic Garden
chicagobotanic.org
Visitors can wander the grounds at night and admire the jack-o'-lanterns carved by expert artists.

OPEN HOUSE CHICAGO
October | Citywide

openhousechicago.org
This one-of-a-kind free architecture festival takes you inside the city's most unique buildings, skyscrapers, and landmarks.

ARTS IN THE DARK
October | State Street

artsinthedark.com
This whimsical evening parade celebrates Halloween as the artist's holiday, with creative puppets, floats, and performances.

DAY OF THE DEAD XICÁGO
October | National Museum of Mexican Art

nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org
The National Museum of Mexican Art in Pilsen hosts this cultural celebration, alongside an annual exhibit featuring traditional altars.

MAGNIFICENT MILE LIGHTS FESTIVAL
November

The Magnificent Mile
themagnificentmile.com/lights-festival
A beloved tradition, this spectacular holiday event includes a parade and the official lighting of the trees along iconic Michigan Avenue.

LIGHT UP THE LAKE
November - January

Navy Pier
navypier.org
Warm up at Chicago's largest indoor light garden, with stunning light sculptures, an ice rink, holiday beer garden, and more.



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chicagoplays.com
features upcoming shows for more than 200 theatres, all in one handy calendar.

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seechicagodance.com
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hottix.org
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MUST-SEE MUSEUM EXHIBITS

LOS HUECOS DEL AGUA

March 31 - Aug. 27

National Museum of Mexican Art
nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org

The works of 20 contemporary Native American artists from Mexico focus on the complex reinvention of their present and the legacy of cultures before Spanish colonization.

FIRST KINGS OF EUROPE

March 31 - Jan. 28, 2024

Field Museum
fieldmuseum.org

Unearth the stories of ancient Europe's first kings and queens with an exquisite collection of the Balkans' greatest historical objects.

VAN GOGH AND THE AVANT-GARDE: THE MODERN LANDSCAPE

May 14 - Sept. 4

Art Institute of Chicago
artic.edu/van-gogh

Get a new view of Van Gogh and other Post-Impressionists during this showcase of their bold experiments with broken brushstrokes and contrasting colors.

GARY SIMMONS: PUBLIC ENEMY

June 10 - Oct. 1

Museum of Contemporary Art
mcachicago.org

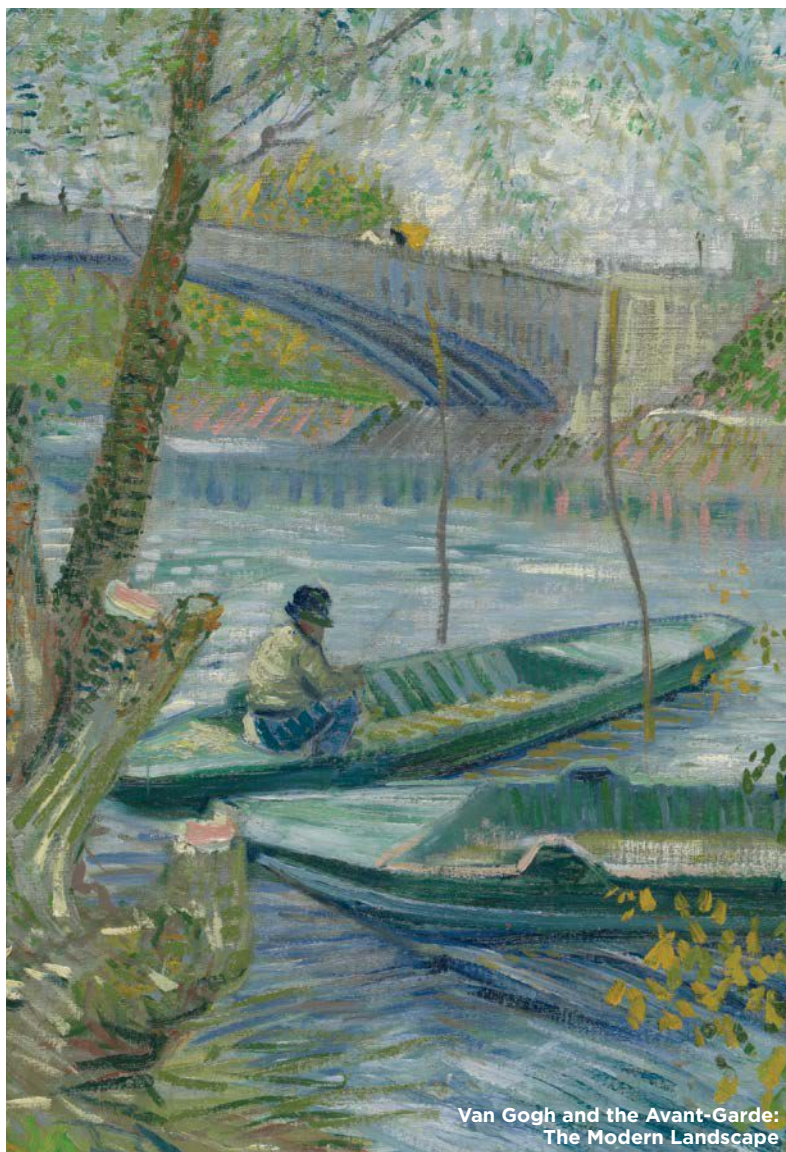
The first comprehensive career survey of influential artist Gary Simmons features some 75 works that analyze the history of racism in U.S. culture.

DARK TESTAMENT: A CENTURY OF BLACK WRITERS ON JUSTICE

Through Sept. 17

American Writers Museum
americanwritersmuseum.org

Explore the significant contributions of Black writers to American literature and history through original artwork and interactive elements that bring their works to life.



Van Gogh and the Avant-Garde:
The Modern Landscape

VINCENT VAN GOGH, *FISHING IN SPRING, THE POINT DE CICGHY (ASNIÈRES)*, 1887, GIFT OF CHARLES DEERING MCCORMICK, BROOKLYN MCCORMICK, AND THE ESTATE OF ROGER MCCORMICK, COURTESY OF ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO.

THEATRE & PERFORMING ARTS PICKS

HOW BLOOD GO

Congo Square
 Theatre Company
 March 16 - April 23
congosquaretheatre.org

This world premiere at the Steppenwolf 1700 Theater tells the story of two African American relatives subjected to medical experiments some 50 years apart.

THE GOSPEL AT COLONUS

Court Theatre
 May 12 - June 11
courttheatre.org

This one-of-a-kind theatrical experience reimagines the story of Oedipus as the centerpiece of a rousing African American Pentecostal church service.

LUCY AND CHARLIE'S HONEYMOON

Lookingglass Theatre Company
 May 24 - Aug. 13
lookingglasstheatre.org

This play follows a pair of young Asian American newlyweds who go on the run, fleeing expectations and finding trouble along the way.

THE WHO'S TOMMY

Goodman Theatre
 June 13 - July 23
goodmantheatre.org

The pop culture musical sensation, based on The Who's iconic 1969 rock concept album *Tommy*, undergoes a fresh reinvention in this Goodman production.

MJ: THE MUSICAL

Broadway In Chicago
 Aug. 1 - Sept. 2
broadwayinchicago.com/show/mj

This Tony Award-winning new musical gives a thrilling glimpse into the creative process behind pop superstar Michael Jackson's 1993 *Dangerous World Tour*.



EXPERIENCE CHICAGO'S NEIGHBORHOODS

Explore Chicago's 77 unique neighborhoods and discover hidden gems like must-see museums, stunning public art, lively shopping districts, and diverse cultural attractions.

BY AMY BIZZARRI



The DuSable Black History Museum and Education Center

ABE ARCINIEGA

PULLMAN

When the **Pullman National Monument** was built in the 1880s as a town for the workers who manufactured luxury train cars, it was considered one of the most beautiful industrial communities in America. Start your tour at the **Visitor Center**, housed in the recently restored clock tower. Then stop at the **Hotel Florence**, the hotel that once accommodated railroad CEOs and dignitaries. At the **National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum**, learn about the African American labor movement and attend the annual **Juneteenth Celebration**. Pullman residents open their doors to the public during the **Historic Pullman House Tour**.

HYDE PARK

The University of Chicago is the academic and cultural epicenter of Hyde Park. Take in a performance at the **Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts** or see a show at the **Court Theatre**, recipient of the 2022 Regional Theatre Tony Award. See more than 5,000 ancient artifacts from the Middle East on display at the **Oriental Institute Museum**. View a wide range of visual arts, from ancient Chinese prints to provocative contemporary works, showcased at the **Smart Museum of Art**. Architecture buffs won't want to miss Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie-style masterpiece, the **Frederick C. Robie House**.

Nearby, **The DuSable Black History Museum and Education Center** in Washington Park highlights African American history, culture, and art. Peruse contemporary art at the **Hyde Park Art Center** or learn via the hands-on exhibits at the **Museum**

of Science and Industry.

Connect with nature at the Japanese-inspired **Garden of the Phoenix** in Jackson Park, home to Yoko Ono's **SKYLANDING** sculpture, a steel representation of unfolding lotus petals. The circa 1923 **Stony Island Arts Bank** is now a modern art gallery, media archive, and creative community hub in the close by South Shore neighborhood.

BRONZEVILLE

Historically known as the city's "Black Metropolis," Bronzeville is a center of Black culture in Chicago. Hop aboard the **Bronzeville Art District Trolley Tour** and visit local galleries. Stroll the stretch of Martin Luther King Drive that features the **Monument to the Great Northern Migration**, the **Victory Monument**, and the many murals along the **Bronzeville Walk of Fame**. Founded in 1940, the **South Side Community Art Center** is the oldest African American art center in the U.S., serving as an artist- and community-centered resource and offering an inspiring array of public exhibits and events. Admire works by emerging and established Black artists and stroll the **Great Migration Sculpture Garden** at **Gallery Guichard**. There are great dining options throughout the neighborhood, with favorites that include **Pearl's Place**, **Norman's Bistro**, and **Bronzeville Winery**.

CHINATOWN

Chicago's century-old Chinatown transports visitors straight to China, minus the long airplane ride. Pass through the picturesque **Chinatown Gate** that marks the entrance to Wentworth Avenue, home to Chinese bakeries, dim sum eateries, and charming gift shops. The **Chinese American Museum of**



Chinatown



National Museum of Mexican Art

Chicago promotes culture and history through public exhibitions and educational programming. The outdoor **Chinatown Square** mall, located just north of the main Wentworth Avenue district, offers numerous cafes, boutiques, and a plaza surrounded by statues of the 12 animal signs of the Chinese zodiac. Nearby, check out the colorful **Nine Dragon Wall** mosaic. The most scenic way to get to Chinatown is via a **Chicago Water Taxi** ride from the Loop to the neighborhood's idyllic **Ping Tom Memorial Park**, where visitors are invited to picnic, play, kayak, and enjoy the picture-perfect city skyline views.

PILSEN

Pilsen offers a vibrant glimpse into Mexican American life in Chicago. The free **National Museum of Mexican Art** celebrates Mexican culture and history through captivating exhibits and special events. Tortillerias, family-run restaurants, bars, breweries, and vintage boutiques line

18th Street. Vivid, large-scale murals abound along **16th Street**. The **Pilsen Arts & Community House** is a space where local artists come together to showcase and develop their talents. The **Chicago Arts District** hosts a monthly gallery night with free receptions at the many galleries and studios along Halsted Street. The landmark **Thalia Hall** sets the stage for a wide array of music and artistic events, and also houses old-school **Dusek's Tavern**, cocktail-forward **Punch House**, and the cozy **Tack Room** bar.

WEST TOWN

Waves of immigrants shaped West Town into the creative, eclectic enclave it is today. On its main commercial avenues, **Chicago Avenue** and **Grand Avenue**, you'll find some of the city's hottest breweries and restaurants. The area is also home to Ukrainian Village, where you'll find cultural artifacts and history exhibits at the **Ukrainian National Museum**, and contemporary artwork at the **Ukrainian Institute**

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TAKE A CHICAGO GREETER TOUR

Set off on a tour of the Chicago neighborhood of your choice, guided by an in-the-know local. The free, fun, and informal **Chicago Greeter** program matches visitors with local volunteers who will customize a tour to your own interests and language. You'll need to book your two- to four-hour tour at least 14 days in advance. If you're short on time, let **InstaGreeter** take you on a free, hour-long guided walk of downtown Chicago. InstaGreeter tours require no advance registration, and depart from the Chicago Cultural Center in the Loop on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Learn more at chicagogreeter.com.

BRONZEVILLE

"I didn't realize, until becoming an adult, the importance of Bronzeville in African American history. It wasn't until after moving away from the city that I began to discover the streets I traveled and places I visited were the same streets and places of some of Chicago's, and the country's, most prominent and influential people."
- Roy Malone

UPTOWN

"I love Uptown for its tremendous diversity of people, architecture, housing, and cultures. It's an American and international melting pot. It is beautiful and gritty at the same time."
- Christine Kandaras

CHINATOWN

"Chinatown is a cultural destination not to be missed. Experience regional cuisines, learn about Chinese traditions and culture, and stroll through Ping Tom Memorial Park while taking in the view of Chicago's magnificent skyline."
- Sharyne Moy Tu

PILSEN

"I enjoy walking visitors through the neighborhood, showing off the murals everywhere, going into La Casa del Pueblo Mexican grocery store, the Nuevo Leon Mexican bakery, and pointing out many of the small mom-and-pop restaurants and shops."
- Stetson Siler

of Modern Art. Intuit: The Center for Intuitive and Outsider Art promotes the understanding and appreciation of art outside the mainstream through rotating and permanent exhibits.

LOGAN SQUARE

Logan Square is a hip, creative neighborhood. Its hot dining scene offers everything from Michelin-rated restaurants to buzzy bars and breweries. With its majestic, 19th-century mansions, stately **Logan Boulevard** leads to the heart of the neighborhood and the eagle-topped **Illinois Centennial Monument**. Chicago blues grace the small stage of the family-owned **Rosa's Lounge**, while the **Concord Music Hall** hosts artists of all genres, from punk to electronic to hip-hop. Rent a Divvy bike and ride **The 606**, a 2.7-mile recreational trail that was once an abandoned rail line.

HUMBOLDT PARK

Iron Puerto Rican flags flank **Paseo Boricua**, Humboldt Park's cultural corridor that stretches along Division Street between Western and California avenues. Learn about Puerto Rico's artistic contributions at **The National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture**, housed in the landmark Humboldt Park stables. Or take a deeper look into the neighborhood's hidden gems with a walking tour



Humboldt Park

hosted by the **Paseo Boricua Tour Company**. Paddle the tranquil lagoon in a swan boat, swim at **Humboldt Beach**, and explore the trails of **Humboldt Park**, the neighborhood's namesake park. Dine at one of the neighborhood's many traditional Boricua eateries, and be sure to try a jibarito (a fried plantain sandwich invented in Chicago). Or check out **Ørkenoy**, a brewery, restaurant, and cocktail bar with an artsy edge, located in the **Kimball Arts Center**. Don't miss the **Puerto Rican People's Parade**, an annual summer event that honors the community's Puerto Rican identity.

ALBANY PARK

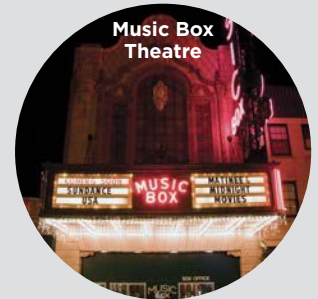
Albany Park is one of the most diverse neighborhoods in the country. See a performance celebrating Spanish culture at the **Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater**. The **Albany Park Theater Project** hosts live shows that highlight its international namesake

neighborhood. Learn more about a rich heritage that dates back more than 4,000 years at the **National Cambodian Heritage Museum**. Snack on Filipino street food while you shop at **Seafood City Supermarket**.

UPTOWN

In the 1920s and '30s, Uptown was a booming entertainment destination. The **Green Mill** takes patrons back to its Prohibition Era heyday and still hosts live music almost every night. On **Argyle Street**, an endless array of Asian restaurants serves everything from banh mi to dim sum. The annual **Argyle Night Market** (July - September) offers alfresco fun, including pop-up eateries and live performances. Catch a show at the **Black Ensemble Theater**, known for its excellent musicals depicting notable African Americans. The **Pride Arts Center** presents queer theatre, movies, and comedy.

CHICAGO ON SCREEN



Chicago's neighborhoods have served as the backdrop for some of the most memorable films and television shows of all time. The crew of **Chicago PD** hangs out at **Lottie's Pub** in Bucktown. Scenes for **Patsy's Pies**, owned by the character Fiona in **Shameless**, were shot at **Golden House Restaurant & Pancake House** in Uptown. The big shootout in **The Untouchables** was filmed at **Union Station**. The characters of **Chicago Fire** attend the real-life training center for the Chicago Fire Department — the **Chicago Fire Academy**. **Ferris Bueller's Day Off** included a trip to see a Cubs game at **Wrigley Field**, while pop geek Rob Gordon (Chicago's own John Cusack) caught a flick at the **Music Box Theatre** in **High Fidelity**.



Scan here to learn about more movie and TV show sites that visitors can check out!

AUTHOR'S TIP

You can easily and affordably explore many of Chicago's neighborhoods via the 'L' train.



Explore more neighborhoods at choosechicago.com/neighborhoods.

CHICAGO PRIDE GUIDE

Pride is in full force at these LGBTQ-friendly shops, restaurants, and nightlife spots found in the city's welcoming neighborhoods.

BY LISA SHAMES

SHOPPING

With new items coming in daily, Northalsted's **CRAM Fashion** offers the latest in casual menswear designer brands plus athleticwear, swim, and loungewear in its Underwear Lounge.

A knowledgeable, friendly staff and unparalleled selection of books, including an extensive collection of LGBTQ+ literature, has earned Northalsted's

Unabridged Bookstore many fans. Check out the sale book section.

Stocking more than 20,000 books, including works by and about women, children's books, and the latest LGBTQ+ literature, Andersonville's **Women & Children First** is one of the country's largest feminist bookstores, celebrating underrepresented voices since 1979.

Andersonville's **Cowboys and Astronauts** believes shopping for men's apparel, accessories, travel supplies, home goods, self-care, and gifts should be a fun adventure, with each hand-selected item offering a unique story.

Equal parts bookstore and art showplace, River West's **Semicolon Bookstore & Gallery** celebrates community and inclusion, reflecting its provenance as the city's first bookstore owned by a Black woman.

In the heart of Logan Square, female-owned and operated **Wolfbait & B-Girls** lovingly celebrates artisan clothing, gifts, personal care, art, and jewelry made by more than 300 Chicago designers.

DINING

Expect continuous party vibes at Northalsted's **Kit Kat Lounge & Supper Club**, which features nightly drag queen diva performers, 30-plus martinis, and delicious contemporary American cuisine.

Six-time Michelin Bib Gourmand-recipient **Wood**, a stylish Northalsted restaurant, spotlights local purveyors in dishes like house-made charcuterie and pasta. Its innovative bar program adds to its charm.

Coastal Southern cuisine, heirloom ingredients, heartfelt hospitality, and an extensive whiskey and bourbon selection all define Andersonville's charming **Big Jones**, from beloved chef Paul Fehribach.

Paying homage to her grandmother, chef Dominique Leach of Pullman's **Lexington Betty Smokehouse** offers Chicago-style barbecue brisket and pork with plenty of soulful sides, including gussied-up candied yams.

Family-owned **Hing Kee Restaurant** has been a Chinatown favorite since 2007, earning plenty of loyal fans for its handmade soup dumplings, traditional pulled noodles, and authentic Cantonese food.

From the same owners of one of the city's oldest gay bars, the South Loop's **Williams Inn Pizza & Sports Bar** celebrates Chicago's Black and LGBTQ+ communities, serving made-to-order deep dish pizza.

Specializing in comfort food made with impeccable ingredients and paired with inventive cocktails, West Town's **Split-Rail** is a cozy neighborhood restaurant paired with a retro basement cocktail bar called **Dorothy**.

At **Kale My Name**, Albany Park's globally inspired, 100% plant-based restaurant and bar, dietary restrictions are fully (and deliciously) embraced, with dishes ranging from cauliflower buffalo wings to veggie sliders.

NIGHTLIFE

Since 1982, Northalsted's **Sidetrack** has been providing a welcoming and inclusive space for its many fans with boozy slushy drinks, a year-round rooftop, showtune nights, and pride for the community it serves.

Since its Pride Week 2003 opening, Northalsted's **Hydrate** quickly became Chicago's top place for dancing, drag shows, theme nights, and music sets from the industry's best DJs into the wee hours of the morning.

Nobody's Darling, a James Beard Award nominee in Andersonville, offers a classy, laid-back lounge vibe with a menu of creative cocktails inspired by influential women.



Pride in the Park



Lips Chicago

For 53 years, Uptown's **The Baton Show Lounge** has been wowing guests with its award-winning drag revues. Up the festive atmosphere with boozy frozen drinks and gelato-infused cocktails.

Five nights a week, the South Loop's **Lips Chicago** offers Vegas-style drag shows paired with contemporary American cuisine and festive cocktails. Sunday Lips Drag Brunch features unlimited beverage specials.

A laid-back Uptown neighborhood bar with good vibes to spare, **Big Chicks** consistently tops Chicago's best LGBTQ bar lists. Revive the next day at sister spot **Tweet**, which specializes in hearty breakfast, lunch, and brunch fare.

As one of the country's longest-running Black-owned gay bars, **Jeffery**

Pub is a beloved LGBTQ+ gathering space in the South Shore neighborhood.

ATTRACTIONS

Along a half-mile stretch of Halsted Street in Northalsted, **The Legacy Walk** features rainbow landmarks that commemorate notable LGBTQ+ individuals whose achievements have helped shape the world.

Located in Rogers Park and founded in 1991, the **Leather Archives & Museum** offers community archives, a library, and a museum of

leather, kink, fetish, and BDSM history and culture.

Founded in 1981, **Gerber/Hart Library and Archives** in Rogers Park is the largest circulating library of gay and lesbian titles in the Midwest, with more than 14,000 volumes, 800 periodical titles, and 100 archival collections.

Celebrate the life and work of social justice activist Jane Addams at the **Jane Addams Hull-House Museum**, the settlement house she co-founded in 1889, which still stands today.

AUTHOR'S TIP

Be sure to make time to explore Northalsted, the oldest official LGBTQ+ neighborhood in the country.



TOP 6 LGBTQ+ EVENTS

Chicago Pride Fest is a two-day celebration of music, live performances, and local food in Northalsted, followed by the lively **Chicago Pride Parade** the following weekend. chicagopride.gopride.com

Grant Park's **Pride in the Park**, typically a two-day music fest celebrating LGBTQ+ Pride, never fails to attract a varied, impressive lineup of top national and local music headliners and DJs. prideintheparkchicago.com

Northalsted Market Days features live music on multiple stages, unique vendors, food and drink booths, DJs, and nonstop dancing along its half-mile-long stretch, making it one of the Midwest's largest street festivals. northalsted.com/marketdays

Chicago's **Reeling Film Festival**, the second longest-running film festival of its kind, showcases LGBTQ+ stories from around the world each year with movie screenings in the fall. reelingfilmfestival.org

Held in Lakeview, the popular **Haunted Halsted Halloween Parade** features live musical performances, marching bands, fire twirlers, and a costume contest. northalsted.com/events/halloween

The **Disability Pride Parade** marches along a two-block area in Chicago's Loop, with a mission to challenge the way people think about "disability." disabilityprideparade.org



EXPLORE OUR 2 WATERFRONTS

Dive into the exciting offerings of the Chicago River and Lake Michigan by exploring waterside attractions, boat tours, and miles of beaches.

BY ROSALIND CUMMINGS-YEATES

CHICAGO RIVER

Stroll the 1.25 miles of the **Chicago Riverwalk** to take in the full scope of riverside fun. Visit the **McCormick Bridgehouse & Chicago River Museum** and discover the gears and inner workings of the city's famous moveable bridges. Absorb the serenity

of the fountains and view commemorative markers at the **Vietnam Veterans Memorial Plaza**. Browse the locally made goods at the **Community Marketplace**. Enjoy the views, bites, and sips at the riverfront cafes and beer gardens.

Head to the **Chicago Architecture Center (CAC)**

to learn how Chicago became known as “the city of architecture,” with interactive exhibits about our diverse neighborhoods, soaring skyscrapers, and influential architects. The CAC also offers tours, cruises, and programs to showcase Chicago's iconic architecture.

Get on the water to see the city in a whole new way. Choose the **Chicago Architecture Foundation Center River Cruise** aboard **Chicago's First Lady** for an engaging, docent-led tour of architectural gems. **Wendella Tours & Cruises** offers a variety of themed cruises, including beer and BBQ. **Mercury Chicago's**



Chicago Riverwalk

Skyline Cruiseline features an urban adventure cruise. Take a sunset brew cruise aboard a retired Chicago fireboat with **Chicago Fireboat Tours**. Float along the river in a glass-enclosed vessel with upscale dining and spectacular views of the Chicago skyline on an **Odyssey Chicago River** dinner cruise. Or

paddle the Chicago River with **Urban Kayaks**, which provides guided kayak tours of Chicago history and landmarks.

Close out your day with the dazzling spectacle of **Art on theMART**, a digital art display synced with music that spans 2.5 acres across the river-facing

AUTHOR'S TIP

Follow Chicago's Lakefront Trail to Ohio Street Beach, one of the city's most secluded beaches, tucked away just northwest of Navy Pier. Grab a drink at the beachside Caffè Oliva and enjoy the water views.



facade of theMART, making it the largest permanent digital art projection in the world. Head to the **Chicago Riverwalk** between Wells and Lake streets for the best view.

LAKE MICHIGAN

Take in the expansive glory of Lake Michigan along the scenic 18.5-mile path of **Chicago's Lakefront Trail**. Grab some wheels at **Bike and Roll Chicago** and glide along the trail solo or opt for a guided bike tour.

Stop by historic **Navy Pier** and soar 200 feet in the air for striking panoramas of Lake Michigan and the skyline on the **Centennial Wheel**. Hop on other

rides like the carousel or the wave swinger at the waterside **Pier Park**. Relax by the tranquil fountain or catch a free performance at **Polk Bros Park**. See award-winning shows at the **Chicago Shakespeare Theater**, home to **The Yard at Chicago Shakespeare**, one of the most flexible theatre venues in the world. Sip chilled brews and listen to free concerts at the **Navy Pier Beer Garden**, which is also a great spot to catch the twice-weekly summertime fireworks.

A variety of sightseeing cruises launch from **Navy Pier**, including the thrilling speedboat rides with **Chicago Seadog**, tranquil skyline lake tours with



Chicago Water Sport Rentals at 31st Street Harbor

Chicago's Lakefront Trail



Shoreline Sightseeing, and the theatrical fun of skyline sails aboard the four-masted schooner **Tall Ship Windy**.

For elegant dining cruises, nothing beats the beauty of Lake Michigan's azure waters. Board **Odyssey Lake Michigan** for a cruise filled with music and a plated menu, the **Spirit of Chicago** for buffet dining and interactive games, and **Mystic Blue** for casual cruising and dancing. On shore, enjoy stunning Lake Michigan views and tasty dishes at **The Lakefront Restaurant**, nestled inside the landmark **Theater on the Lake**.

Play on one of Chicago's many beaches that dot its 26 miles of lakefront. Dip into the lake at **Oak Street Beach**, popular for sunbathing and people watching. **North Avenue Beach** is noted for its sand volleyball tournaments. At **63rd Street Beach**, catch free music at **Reggies on the Beach**. And **Rainbow Beach** offers one of the city's best skyline views. Try water sports like stand-up paddleboarding with **Chicago SUP** and jet skiing with **Jet Ski Chicago**, both offered at **North Avenue Beach**. Or paddle away in a kayak from **Chicago Water Sport Rentals** at **31st Street Harbor**.

IN THE CITY FAMOUS FOR ARCHITECTURE,
**THERE'S ONE NAME
 LEADING THE FIELD**

CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE CENTER



For more than five decades, the Chicago Architecture Center has been demonstrating the importance of architecture and design in Chicago and beyond. Whether you're visiting during Chicago's lively warmer months, or reveling in the city's bustling holiday season, there's a CAC experience for you.

GET OUT ON THE WATER

April–October

Set sail on the **Chicago Architecture Foundation Center River Cruise aboard Chicago's First Lady**. Led by a specially trained CAC docent, this world-renowned, 90-minute cruise has been voted **#1 Boat Tour** in the world by USA Today readers.

Each docent brings a unique perspective as they narrate compelling stories behind more than 50 buildings along the Chicago River— as well as their favorite anecdotes. You'll leave inspired by the city's wide variety of architectural styles including Art Deco, Neoclassicism, Mid-Century Modernism and Postmodernism.



HIT THE PAVEMENT

Year Round

With **dozens of walking tours** exploring architectural themes in downtown Chicago, as well as tours in the city's mosaic of culturally diverse neighborhoods, walking tours are the heart of the CAC.

When the weather is right, nothing can beat stepping out and exploring **Chicago's First Skyscrapers**, **Frank Lloyd Wright in Oak Park** or **Must-See Chicago**. If the Windy City is really living up to its name while you're in town, consider a reprise from the elements on a tour indoors of the **Merchandise Mart**, the **Rookery Building** or **The Old Post Office**.



DISCOVER THE CENTER OF ARCHITECTURE

Year Round

Located in the heart of downtown, the **Chicago Architecture Center** features two floors of thought-provoking special exhibitions, as well as celebrated and engaging permanent installations.

Explore the past, present and future of the city's built environment through the animated and interactive **Chicago City Model Experience**. Then, head upstairs to check out one of our rotating exhibitions and learn about larger themes in the architecture and design world.

However you choose to explore architecture and design in our beautiful city, let the Chicago Architecture Center be your guide!

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CHICAGO'S CULTURE SCENE

Follow our two-day itinerary to experience the best of Chicago culture, from galleries and museums to theatre and dance.

BY LISA SHAMES

DAY 1

MORNING Head to the iconic **Art Institute of Chicago**, one of the oldest and largest art museums in the world, home to works ranging from Impressionist masterpieces to contemporary marvels.

Keep the art appreciation going with a visit to the **Chicago Cultural Center**, a major hub for art exhibits, live music, lectures, films, and dance set in a beautiful Loop landmark.

AFTERNOON Another staple of Chicago's diverse arts scene, the **Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago** features new and experimental works by leading contemporary artists.

Stimulate your curiosity and your senses at the **WNDR Museum**, which features interactive, immersive experiences from an international

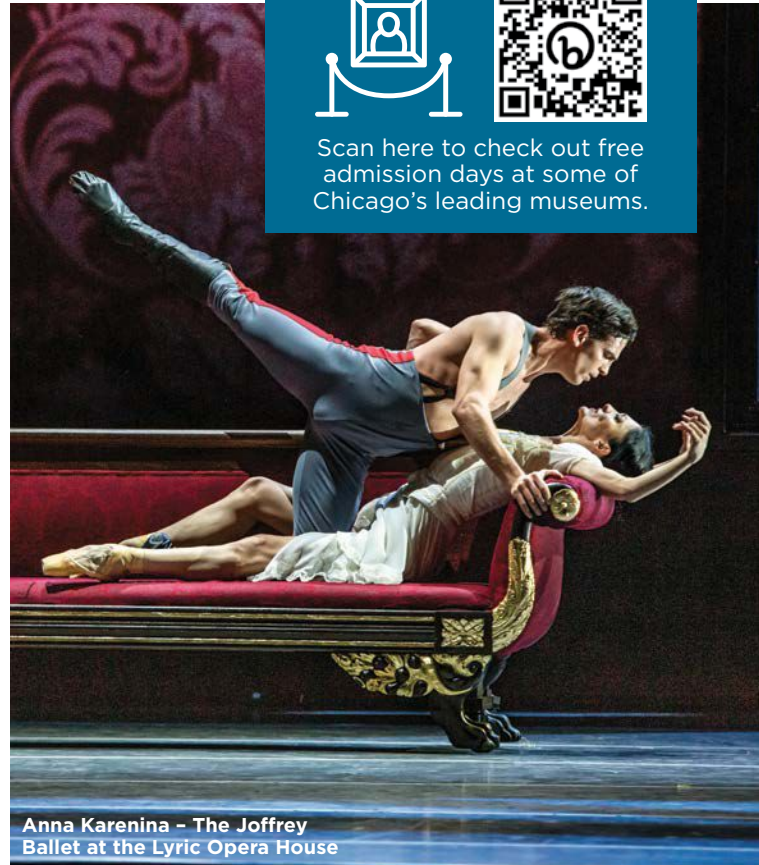
who's who of artists, studios, and collectives.

Located inside a 1920s building transformed into a stunning work of art, **Wrightwood 659** features exhibitions of architecture and socially engaged art.

EVENING A treasure for visitors and locals alike, **Millennium Park** is a 24.5-acre culture lover's dream, from the **Harris Theater for Music and Dance** to the Frank Gehry-designed outdoor **Pritzker Pavilion** that hosts a roster of free concerts.

If live theatre is more your jam, **Broadway In Chicago** delivers with five stellar downtown theatres, featuring some of the country's best touring musicals and plays.

At the Loop's **Goodman Theatre**, Chicago's oldest and largest not-for-profit theatre, expect an exciting



Anna Karenina - The Joffrey Ballet at the Lyric Opera House



Scan here to check out free admission days at some of Chicago's leading museums.

schedule of classic and modern works.

For more than 20 years, **Congo Square Theatre Company** has dedicated itself to staging transformative works rooted in the African Diaspora.

With its gorgeous art deco interior, a visit to the **Lyric Opera of Chicago** rewards in many ways beyond the outstanding performances.

Ranked as one of the premier dance companies in the world, the **Joffrey Ballet** performs classical and contemporary ballets, including its beloved annual holiday presentation of *The Nutcracker*.

DAY 2

MORNING In Washington Park, **The DuSable Black**

History Museum and Education Center is a treasure trove of African and African American history, culture, and art with permanent and visiting exhibitions.

Located in the Pilsen neighborhood, the **National Museum of Mexican Art** showcases 3,600 years of creativity from both sides of the border, representing the diversity of Mexican culture.

AFTERNOON Lovers of the written word won't want to miss the **American Writers Museum**, an interactive museum that spotlights great writing in all its genres through exhibits, events, and author visits.

A place where legendary music magic was made, **Chess Records** is home to **Willie Dixon's Blues Heaven**



Art Institute of Chicago

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Explore Chicago theatre and performing arts at choosechicago.com/things-to-do/theater-performing-arts.

Foundation, which offers tours of the famed recording studio that spawned hits from artists such as Buddy Guy, Muddy Waters, and Chuck Berry.

Once the 1883 residence of a wealthy Chicago banker, the **Driehaus Museum** has been lovingly restored inside and out. It features permanent and temporary exhibitions showcasing the Gilded Age and beyond.

EVENING Michigan Avenue's **Symphony Center** does double duty, acting as home base for the prolific **Chicago Symphony Orchestra**, as well as hosting classical music programs and special open rehearsals.

Refining the landscape of acting and performance since 1974 with an ensemble cast that has included John Malkovich and Pulitzer Prize-winning Tracy Letts,

Steppenwolf Theatre Company plays are always must-see events. A recent multimillion dollar expansion includes a stunning 400-seat theatre-in-the-round.

With a mission to eradicate racism through theatre, the **Black Ensemble Theater** has become a vibrant, internationally renowned arts institution in the Uptown neighborhood.

For more than 60 years, **The Second City** has been making audiences laugh with its unique form of improv comedy, which includes a variety of nightly shows at its multistage Old Town venue.

Rooted in African American dance, music, and folklore, **Muntu Dance Theatre** brings audiences out of their seats and into the aisles with its unique synthesis of dance, rhythm, and song.



National Museum of Mexican Art

AUTHOR'S TIP

Chicago offers numerous free concerts and performances around the city, including at Grant and Millennium Parks, the Chicago Cultural Center, and neighborhood street festivals.

Black Ensemble Theater



CHICAGO THEATRE WEEK

The city celebrates its critically acclaimed theatre scene with a 10-day extravaganza, offering discounted tickets to more than 100 shows. Take the opportunity to discover new talent in neighborhoods across the city, presenting everything from rousing musicals to avant-garde dramas. Learn more at chicagotheatreweek.com.

FAMILY FUN IN CHICAGO

Chicago is the ultimate family playground, with adventures that await at beautiful parks and world-class attractions.

BY AMY BIZZARRI



Shedd Aquarium



Maggie Daley Park Climbing Wall



Scan here to discover even more family-friendly ideas.

Stare into the eyes of a lion at the new Pepper Family Wildlife Center within the always-free **Lincoln Park Zoo**. Beautifully landscaped **Brookfield Zoo** is home to acres of animals from every corner of the world in suburban Brookfield.

At **Navy Pier**, kids can take a spin on the 200-foot-tall **Centennial Wheel**, ride an old-fashioned merry-go-round at **Pier Park**, catch a family show at **Polk Bros Park**, or “drive” a CTA bus at the **Chicago Children’s Museum**. The Pier’s fireworks light up the night sky throughout the summer.

Mingle with over 1,000 fluttering butterflies in the Judy Istock Butterfly Haven at the **Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum**.

The **Chicago History Museum** challenges kids

to catch a fly ball at the White Sox’s ballpark or morph into a giant Chicago-style hot dog.

Skydeck Chicago whisks families from its new Chicago-themed museum experience to the 103rd floor of the Willis Tower. Only the brave dare to step onto **The Ledge**, a set of glass-floored balconies that extend four feet out from the skyscraper.

On the 94th floor of the former John Hancock Center, the **360 CHICAGO** observation deck offers bird’s-eye views of the city. Step onto **TILT**, a glass ledge that tilts outward, 1,000 feet above Michigan Avenue.

Let the kids run free at **Maggie Daley Park**. Ice skate in the winter or rollerblade in warm

weather on the **Skating Ribbon**. Or let the whole family try different types of rock climbing on the 40-foot **Climbing Wall**, with beginner and advanced areas.

One of the many highlights of **The Forge: Lemont Quarries** adventure park in suburban Lemont is the 1,000-foot zip line that whizzes across a picturesque quarry lake.

The Museum of Science and Industry in Hyde Park makes learning fun, inviting kids to stand at the epicenter of a tornado or descend into an Illinois coal mine.

The lakefront **Museum Campus** is home to three amazing institutions. At the **Field Museum**, guests are greeted by Máximo, the largest dinosaur that ever lived. Kids can watch dolphins leap into the air at the **Shedd Aquarium**. And explore the depths of space at the historic **Adler Planetarium**.

The **Bronzeville Children’s Museum** brings African American history to life via interactive exhibits designed for children ages 3 – 9.

AUTHOR’S TIP

Play in the Chicago Cubs’ backyard! The open-air Gallagher Way at Wrigley Field offers a year-round lineup of family-friendly programming, from movies to live music.

A Garden Like No Other

Surrounded by water and wonder, the Chicago Botanic Garden spans 385 acres on and around nine islands. Relax among 28 extraordinary gardens, lakes, woods, and other natural beauty. Enjoy events, music, shopping, and dining, all within easy reach from downtown Chicago.



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

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chicagobotanic.org

One of the treasures of the Forest Preserves of Cook County

FREE THINGS TO DO

A variety of our city's attractions, from flower-filled conservatories to landmark museums, are free to see and explore. We've rounded up a list of standouts to get you started.

BY ALLANA MORTELL



Millennium Park



Garfield Park Conservatory

The **Pullman National Monument** showcases the first planned industrial community in the United States, and was designated a National Monument by former President Barack Obama. See where Pullman train car employees lived and worked in the 1800s.

Spanning a full city block, the **Chicago Cultural Center** is a Loop landmark. Home to the world's largest Tiffany stained-glass dome, it features gallery exhibits, music and dance performances, and building tours of its outstanding architecture.

Big Marsh Bike Park is a 297-acre bike park on the southeast side of the city that includes more than five challenging tracks for biking (with bike rentals available), nature trails for hiking, and a beloved birdwatching spot.

Whether you're taking selfies at **Cloud Gate** (also known as "The Bean"), splashing around in **Crown Fountain**, strolling through **Lurie Garden**, or seeing a concert at the **Jay Pritzker Pavilion**, there are endless opportunities

for fun in **Millennium Park**. For music lovers, check out the park's free festivals, including the **Chicago Gospel Music Festival**, **Chicago Blues Festival**, **Chicago Jazz Festival**, **Grant Park Music Festival**, and **Millennium Park Summer Music Series**.

Dance lovers won't want to miss the **Chicago SummerDance** series. Whether you want to learn how to salsa or two-step, this series features dance lessons and live music at parks across the city.

For a deep dive into the artistry of Mexican culture, the **National Museum of Mexican Art** is a must-visit in Pilsen. The museum showcases everything from photography collections to film and paintings.

Both the **Lincoln Park Conservatory** and **Garfield Park Conservatory** highlight the best of botanicals, featuring thousands of palms, plants, and flowers. These lush indoor gardens transport you to a tropical environment that can't be beat.



Scan here to find more free things to do in Chicago.

AUTHOR'S TIP

The Harold Washington Library Center, one of the largest public libraries in the world, features the sun-filled Winter Garden that makes for a picturesque place to stop and recharge as you're exploring the Loop.



WONDERFUL PLACES

Wide-Open Spaces

McHenry County, IL



Norman's Bistro



Check out Chicago's latest Michelin-awarded restaurants at [choosechicago.com/michelin](https://www.choosechicago.com/michelin).

GLOBAL CUISINE

Chicago's vibrant culinary scene spans the globe, with authentic representations of cuisines from Asia, South America, the Middle East, the Caribbean, and beyond across our diverse neighborhoods.

BY AMBER GIBSON

Norman's Bistro in Bronzeville specializes in Cajun-Creole fare, with highlights that include shrimp and catfish po' boys, chicken gumbo, and sausage jambalaya. Stick around for the DJs spinning everything from house to R&B in **The Bar**, along with live jazz music on Sunday nights.

Husband-and-wife team Beverly Kim and Johnny Clark have garnered James Beard Awards and Michelin stars for their inventive contemporary Korean cuisine at **Parachute** in Avondale. Eclectic beverage

options, including soju, cocktails, and wine, pair with haemul pajeon seafood pancakes and pork bossam accented with kimchi.

In River North, discover **Jaleo** by world-renowned chef José Andrés. Dine on traditional Spanish tapas like gazpacho, Spanish tortillas, and spicy chorizo wrapped in crispy potatoes, along with massive pans of paella, all served with panache.

For Chinese classics like Peking duck and sizzling beef tenderloin, head to **Evergreen Restaurant** in Chinatown. Cantonese

cuisine is the specialty here, but regional favorites from Szechuan like kung pao shrimp and twice-cooked pork also appear on the menu.

If you're in the mood for Mexican food, **Lonesome Rose** in Logan Square

is open for dinner and weekend brunch, slinging tacos, burritos, and frozen mezcals margaritas. There's also vegan queso, made with coconut milk and nutritional yeast. Be sure to check out **Golden Teardrops**, the restaurant's hidden basement bar.

AUTHOR'S TIP

Be sure to try a bubble tea in Chinatown — the ultra-popular Joy Yee offers lots of colorful, fruity versions.





Parson's Chicken & Fish

Arami in West Town is a longtime favorite for high-quality sashimi, nigiri, and makimono sushi rolls at reasonable prices. You'll also find Japanese favorites like fried chicken karaage and grilled Japanese yellowtail collar.

In Hyde Park, **14 Parish Restaurant & Rhum Bar** is open late on weekends, dishing out Caribbean flavors with flair. Try the coconut shrimp, jerk chicken, and red snapper escovitch paired with more

than 100 varieties of rum from the bar.

HaiSous Vietnamese Kitchen is known for its warm service and excellent Vietnamese food in Pilsen. Chef Thai Dang modernizes dishes he grew up with in Hanoi, such as the whole fried fluke and chicken wings in caramelized fish sauce.

Galit earned a Michelin star for the bright Middle Eastern flavors it serves up in Lincoln Park. Lamb

kebabs, wood-roasted cabbage with saffron mudjara, and silky-smooth hummus are accompanied by the fluffiest pita in Chicago for dipping.

Since her *Top Chef* victory, Stephanie Izard has become one of Chicago's most recognized and beloved chefs. **Cabra** is her latest restaurant in the West Loop — a colorful Peruvian rooftop with refreshing ceviches, beet tiradito, and crab causas.

OUTDOOR DINING SPOTS

Mexican street food and ice-cold beer attract baseball fans on game days at the two-story **Big Star Wrigleyville** that overlooks historic Wrigley Field.

The roof deck at **Gibsons Italia** draws a sophisticated clientele with house-made pastas, wagyu steaks, and sweeping views of the Chicago River.

The playful patio at **Recess** in the West Loop serves elevated childhood favorites like loaded tater tots while guests play giant Jenga surrounded by repurposed shipping containers.

Chow down on fried chicken sandwiches and hush puppies at **Parson's Chicken & Fish**, featuring lively patios at all four of its neighborhood locations.

James Beard Award-winning chef Erick Williams serves elegant but hearty Southern fare like blackened catfish and buttered grits from breezy sidewalk tables at **Virtue**.



Don't miss **Chicago Restaurant Week**, when hundreds of restaurants across the city offer special prix fixe menus. Get a preview at the **First Bites Bash** tasting event. Find more details at eatitupchicago.com.

14 Parish Restaurant & Rhum Bar

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ACCESSIBLE CHICAGO

Learn about the many accessible ways to get around the city.



CTA 'L' train

stations around the city and nearby suburbs. Most of Chicago's rail stations are accessible, with features that include audio and Braille on fare vending machines, wheelchair accessible fare gates, Braille station and platform signage, elevators and/or ramps, and tactile platform edging. The All Stations Accessibility Program is committed to making 100% of Chicago's rail stations fully accessible for all riders.

All CTA train cars feature priority seating and designated wheelchair areas, accessible doors and ramps, Braille signage, interior LED signs displaying announcement

text (on certain cars), and automated voice announcements for routes and stops.

Learn more about CTA accessibility features, services, and frequently asked questions at transitchicago.com.

CABS AND RIDESHARE SERVICES

Passengers can request a wheelchair-accessible cab by calling **888-WAV-CABS** (888-928-2227) or using the **CURB** app. Riders can also request a wheelchair-accessible vehicle with the **Uber** app.

Chicago has made it a mission to become one of the most accessible big cities in the country. The city offers a variety of resources to increase accessibility for travelers with disabilities or mobility devices within airports, public transportation, and beyond. Check out the many accessible ways to navigate Chicago.

CHICAGO'S AIRPORTS

O'Hare and **Midway International Airports** both offer various accommodations to help travelers with disabilities get to and from Chicago safely and conveniently, including accessible parking, restrooms, service animal areas, and special accommodations during

security. Find accessibility guides for both airports at flychicago.com.

BUSES AND TRAINS

The **Chicago Transit Authority (CTA)** operates 129 bus routes that make stops throughout the city and surrounding area. All of Chicago's CTA bus routes feature accessible buses for riders with disabilities. These buses are equipped with ramps, designated priority seating, wheelchair securement areas, audio announcements inside and outside of the vehicle, and accompanying text on LED displays for route and stop information.

Chicago's rapid transit train system, known as the 'L', serves more than 140



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Accessibility services at Chicago's airports

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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

When the weather starts to cool, Chicago heats up with holiday events that capture the excitement and traditions of the fall and winter seasons.

BY ROSALIND CUMMINGS-YEATES



Welcome fall's bright foliage and crisp temps with professional pumpkin carvers and autumn-themed food and drink at **Lincoln Park Zoo Fall Fest**. The family-friendly fun continues with **Spooky Zoo**, when kids can trick-or-treat among lions and llamas.

The Loop's historic State Street will glow with creative performances, marching bands, and spectacular floats during the **Arts in the Dark** Halloween parade.

The annual **Day of the Dead Xicágo** celebration at Pilsen's **National Museum of Mexican**

Art honors departed loved ones with music and the decoration of sugar skulls and altars.

The **Chicago Botanic Garden** in suburban Glencoe hosts the thrilling **Night of 1,000 Jack-o'-Lanterns** with an illuminated showcase of artist-carved pumpkins lining its garden paths.

The **Chicago Thanksgiving Parade** ushers in the holiday season with over 100 floats led by Teddy the Turkey, the official parade mascot, who's joined by marching bands, celebrities, and Santa Claus on downtown State Street.

The **Magnificent Mile Lights Festival** twinkles as the



Christkindlmarket Chicago



Magnificent Mile Lights Festival



Lincoln Park Zoo Fall Fest



Day of the Dead Xicágo at National Museum of Mexican Art

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trees along North Michigan Avenue are lit and the largest nighttime parade in the U.S. marches down the iconic boulevard, led by Mickey and Minnie Mouse.

The scent of cinnamon and roasting nuts envelops the Loop's Daley Plaza during the annual **Christkindlmarket Chicago**.

This delightful German holiday market features traditional foods like bratwurst and potato pancakes, alongside handcrafted gifts that include wooden toys, glass ornaments, and beer steins.

Head to **Millennium Park** for more holiday

festivities, like the annual **Lighting of the City of Chicago Christmas Tree**, which towers over Michigan Avenue. And be sure to catch the **Millennium Park Holiday Sing-Along**, a series that features an array of local groups singing holiday songs from various cultural backgrounds.

The **Museum of Science and Industry** hosts one of the most beloved Chicago holiday traditions with **Christmas Around the World** and **Holidays of Light**, featuring a fantastic display of more than 50 trees and exhibits that reflect holiday traditions from all over the globe.

In the evening, wander through the glowing light installations that feature music and dazzling colors during **Lightscape** at the **Chicago Botanic Garden**, set on a mile-long illuminated trail.

ZooLights at **Lincoln Park Zoo** offers a sparkly winter wonderland that includes an enchanted forest, light maze, illuminated animal sculptures, and a holiday bar.

Over two million glowing LED lights brighten **Holiday**

Magic at **Brookfield Zoo**, which includes the 600-foot-long Tunnel of Lights and a 16-foot-tall gingerbread house in suburban Brookfield.

African dancing, drumming, and singing that highlight the seven principles of Kwanzaa are joyful elements of the week-long **Kwanzaa Celebration** at **The DuSable Black History Museum and Education Center**.

Celebrate the first night of Hanukkah with

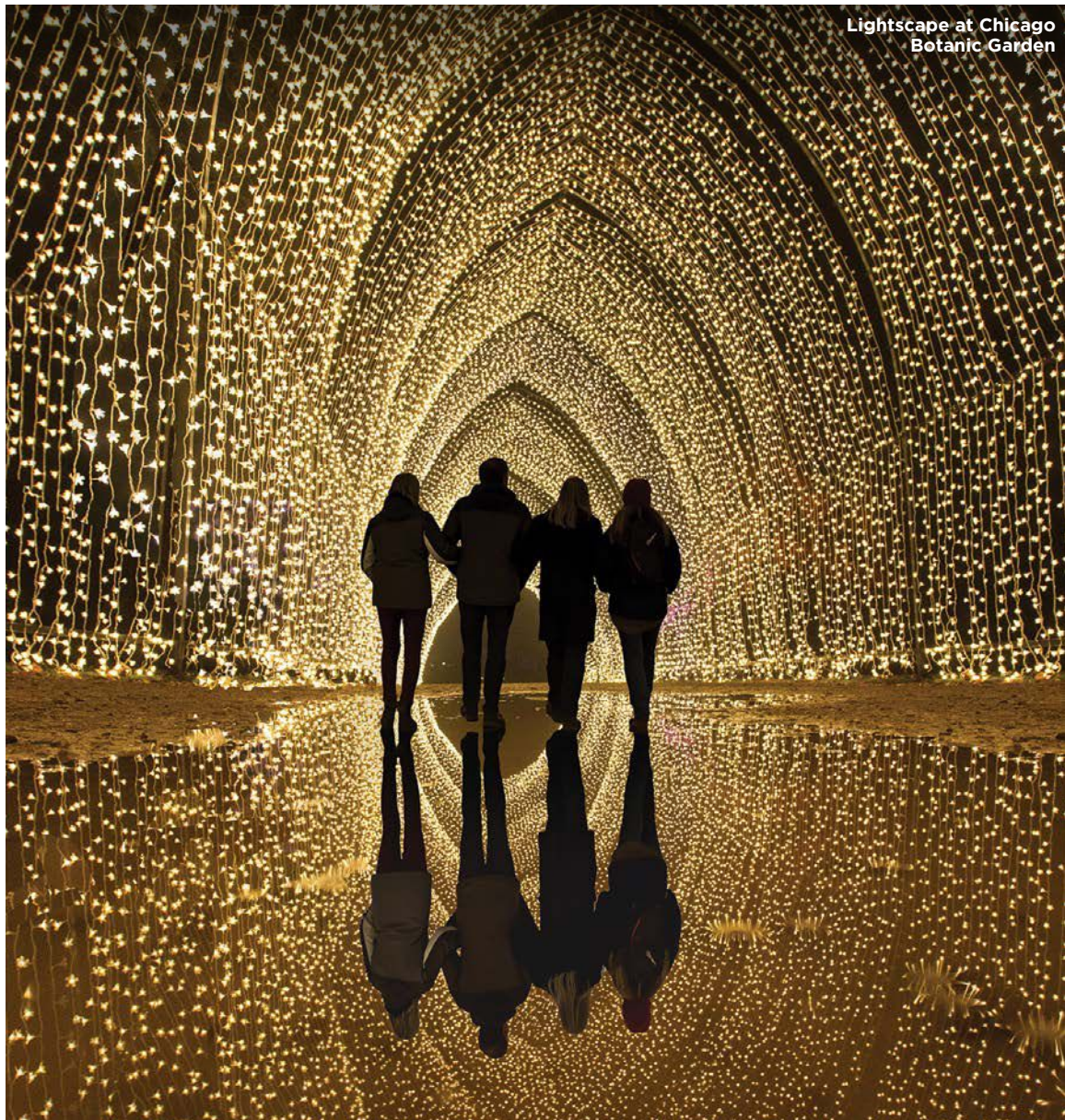
the **Menorah Lighting Celebration** at Daley Plaza in the Loop, featuring a DJ and sufganiyot (traditional fried jelly donuts).

Embrace the magic of the season during **Winterland at Gallagher Way**, which features a

mini **Christkindlmarket Wrigleyville**, **Santa's Workshop** offering photos with St. Nick, **Holiday Movies** for family-friendly flicks, the **8th Night 8th Light Hannukah Celebration**, and **The Rink** for ice skating, curling, and ice bumper cars.

AUTHOR'S TIP

If you miss the Day of the Dead events in Pilsen, the altars (or ofrendas) are displayed outside neighborhood homes and St. Procopius Church for weeks afterwards, so you can do a personal tour of the installations at your own pace.



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CHOOSE YOUR WINTER ADVENTURE

Once colder temperatures hit, Chicago becomes a winter wonderland full of all the wonderful outdoor activities only this season can offer.

BY LISA SHAMES

Maggie Daley Park Skating Ribbon

With views of “The Bean” and the spectacular Michigan Avenue skyline, **McCormick Tribune Ice Rink** offers an ice-skating setting like no other.

It's hard not to feel like you're in Europe when skating at Hyde Park's **Midway Plaisance Ice Rink**, an Olympic-sized rink with views of The University of Chicago's historic architecture.

Surrounded by snow-covered trees, the **Maggie Daley Park Skating Ribbon** is a 1/4-mile meandering path that offers a unique skating experience and

views of the surrounding park and cityscape. Reward your hard work with a hot chocolate from the nearby concession stand.

See husky sled teams, encounter birds of prey, and make nature-inspired crafts during **Northerly Island Polar Adventures Days**, a free winter adventure right on the lakefront. You can also explore the island on snowshoes during Polar Adventure Days and throughout the winter.

Steps from the friendly confines of Wrigley Field, **The Rink at Gallagher**

Way provides plenty of wintertime fun, including ice skating, curling lessons, and ice bumper cars.

During the winter, Chicago's famous stadium serves as a backdrop to the **Soldier Field Sledding Hill**, a 33-foot slope with faux snow to supplement the real stuff, perfect for big and little thrill seekers alike.

Practice your curling technique on a rooftop rink and sip on spiked hot chocolate in the heart of River North at **The Gwen**, an art deco-inspired luxury hotel.

WINTER ROOFTOP BARS

As the nation's largest rooftop venue, with plenty of indoor and outdoor space, Navy Pier's **Offshore Rooftop & Bar** offers panoramic lake views, a full-service bar and kitchen, and cozy fire pits.

Located on the 27th floor of a Loop hotel, **ROOF on theWit** is a stylish indoor/outdoor escape with sweeping city views, a retractable roof, and handcrafted cocktails and cuisine.

On the 13th floor of a beautifully restored landmark turned hotel, **Cindy's** at the Chicago Athletic Association resembles a chic lake house, albeit one with stunning views of Millennium Park paired with classic comfort food.

AUTHOR'S TIP

Shake the winter weather by using the Chicago Pedway to navigate the Loop via a system of underground tunnels.



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Find great gift ideas, from artisan jewelry to handcrafted hats, at these one-of-a-kind Chicago shops.

Founded in 1997 by owner Eric Williams, **The Silver Room** is a chic Hyde Park institution. With the goal of creating a global community through art and culture, The Silver Room showcases a carefully curated selection of jewelry, fashion, artwork, books by Black authors, and music from around the world.

Optimo Hat Company

Optimo Hat Company is a favorite of style-savvy celebrities. Owner Graham Thompson's classic, Hollywood-style men's hats are made with old-world craftsmanship, right down to the antique sewing machines used to hand-stitch each piece. Shop Optimo's stunning hat collection at their Loop store, located in the historic Monadnock Building.

You'll find **Paragon Book Gallery** in Bridgeport's **Zhou B Art Center**, founded by internationally acclaimed painters the Zhou Brothers. Browse rare and antiquarian books on Chinese culture, as well as current titles exploring contemporary art and literature. Afterwards, see the latest works by resident artists on display in the Art Center.



Scan here to explore more Chicago neighborhood shops.



Dulcelandia

Marco Rodriguez literally grew up as a kid in a candy store at **Dulcelandia**. His parents opened the shop in 1995 on 26th Street in Little Village, a stretch populated with family-run Mexican businesses. You'll be wowed by the colorful selection of more than 1,000 different candies, snacks, and piñatas imported from Mexico.

¡WEPA! Mercado del Pueblo in Humboldt Park is modeled after the mercados commonly found throughout Puerto Rico and South America. A diverse group of 15 artisans sell everything from organic honey to jewelry, knitwear, and vegan skincare items at this market that has become a popular local gathering spot.

James Beard Award-nominated baker Stephanie Hart is the powerhouse behind **Brown Sugar Bakery**. Known for its sumptuous caramel layer cake and cupcakes with unique flavors like rainbow sherbet, Brown Sugar Bakery also produces a line of handcrafted chocolates. Grab some sweets to go from the Grand Crossing shop or its outpost at Navy Pier.



Semillas Plant Studio

Angélica Varela's passion for plants and fond memories of her grandmother's garden led her to open **Semillas Plant Studio** in Pilsen. The charming shop features locally grown plants and flowers that can be turned into a unique arrangement. Also check out the preserved flowers that make a beautiful forever bouquet.



ARTISAN MARKETS

Chicago Artisan Market features local fashion, art, food, and home goods in the Fulton Market and Ravenswood neighborhoods on select dates throughout the year. chicagoartisanmarket.com

Renegade Craft Fair showcases the wares of small local businesses once each season at various locations across the city (including the summertime Pitchfork Music Festival). renegadecraft.com/city/chicago

One of a Kind Show at theMART brings together hundreds of talented artists, makers, and designers twice a year for spring and holiday shows. oneofakindshowchicago.com

SAUCED Market is a free evening pop-up featuring emerging chefs, artists, and DJs that's held on select dates at locations around the city. sauce market.com

Maxwell Street Market has been a Chicago tradition for nearly 100 years. Held on Sundays from April through December, the market offers eclectic merchandise, along with Mexican and Latin street food. cityofchicago.org

TOUR CHICAGO

One of the best ways to experience Chicago is on a guided tour. Whether you want to take off on a lakefront bike tour or sample the city's most legendary pizza slices, the options are endless.

BY ALLANA MORTELL

The **Chicago Architecture Center** offers loads of tours via bus, foot, 'L' train, and their iconic river boats. Take your choice from downtown, neighborhood, or suburban tours and soak up the architectural history.

Chicago Beer Experience tours range from beer-and-bacon samplings to tastings at favorite hangouts of infamous gangster Al Capone.

On the spooky side, don't miss **American Ghost Walks**, which offers a variety of walking tours, including a Devil in the White City tour based on the blockbuster book.

From sampling Chicago-style hot dogs to Italian beef and deep dish pizza, **Chicago Food Tours** covers it all. They also offer specialty food tours of Pilsen, Chinatown, and the West Loop.

Bobby's Bike Hike Chicago is perfect for those looking to explore the city on two wheels. The bike company also offers walking food tours and kayaking tours.

You can't go wrong with **Absolutely Chicago Segway Tours** along the lakefront. With both architecture and Museum Campus tours, seeing the city via Segway is always a unique experience.

Double-decker **Big Bus Tours** offer an ideal introduction to the city, with an open-top bus tour perfect for capturing photos of iconic landmarks.

To get a real sense of the city's historic Chinatown, take the **Chicago Chinese Cultural Institute Chinatown Walking Tour**, which embraces the rich culture of this storied neighborhood.

Gone Again Travel & Tours operates the **Chitown Soul Trolley Tour** that explores historic Black communities and makes stops at soul food spots along the way.

Curiosity is the name of the game at **Chicago Detours**, which offers everything from downtown bucket list tours to customized walking, bus, and boat tours.

Is there anything better than a pizza crawl? **Chicago Pizza Tours** and **Pizza City USA Tours** both offer bus and walking tours to taste a variety of local favorites.

Founded by TikTok-famous historian Shermann "Dilla" Thomas, **Chicago Mahogany Tours** showcases historically Black neighborhoods via bus, including Pullman, Bronzeville, and North Lawndale.



AUTHOR'S TIP

Take a self-guided tour of Graceland Cemetery (pick up a free map in the office) and view the monumental graves of Chicago luminaries that include retail magnate Marshall Field and Chicago Cubs baseball legend Ernie Banks.

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- = Indoor Pool
- = LEED Certified
- = Outdoor Pool
- = Pet Friendly
- = Restaurant
- = TAG Approved
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135 rooms

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191 rooms

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218 rooms

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Hampton Inn Chicago-O'Hare Airport

3939 N. Mannheim Rd., Schiller Park 60176
847-671-1700
hamptoninnohare.com
148 rooms

Hilton Chicago O'Hare Airport

O'Hare International Airport 60666
773-686-8000
hilton.com/en/hotels/chiohhh-hilton-chicago-ohare-airport
860 rooms

Hyatt Regency O'Hare Chicago

9300 Bryn Mawr Ave., Rosemont 60018
847-696-1234
ohare.hyatt.com
1,096 rooms

Loews Chicago O'Hare Hotel

5300 N. River Rd., Rosemont 60018
847-544-5300
loewshotels.com/chicago-ohare
556 rooms

Renaissance Chicago O'Hare Suites Hotel

8500 W. Bryn Mawr Ave. 60631
773-380-9600
marriott.com/hotels/travel/chibr-renaissance-chicago-ohare-suites-hotel
362 rooms

RIVER NORTH

21c Museum Hotel Chicago

55 E. Ontario St. 60611
888-345-9009, 888-345-9009
21cchicago.com
297 rooms

ACME Hotel Company Chicago

15 E. Ohio St. 60611
312-894-0800
acmehotelcompany.com
130 rooms

Aloft Chicago Downtown River North

515 N. Clark St. 60654
312-661-1000
marriott.com/chicadowntown-river-north
272 rooms

Best Western River North Hotel

125 W. Ohio St. 60654
312-467-0800
rivernorthhotel.com
150 rooms

The Chicago Hotel Collection River North

312 W. Chestnut St. 60610
312-447-9697
thechicagohotelcollection.com
52 rooms

Courtyard by Marriott Chicago Downtown/River North

30 E. Hubbard St. 60611
312-329-2500
courtyardchicagodowntown.com
337 rooms

Embassy Suites by Hilton Chicago Downtown River North

600 N. State St. 60654
312-943-3800
hilton.com/en/hotels/chidw-embassy-suites-chicago-downtown-river-north
368 rooms

Eurostars Magnificent Mile

660 N. State St. 60654
312-202-6000
eurostarshotels.com/eurostars-magnificent-mile.html
216 rooms

ACCOMMODATIONS

KEY

- = Complimentary Breakfast
- = Exercise Facility
- = Free Wi-Fi in Room
- = Green Certified
- = Indoor Pool
- = LEED Certified
- = Outdoor Pool
- = Pet Friendly
- = Restaurant
- = TAG Approved
- = Minority Owned
- = Women Owned

WEST LOOP

Crowne Plaza Chicago West Loop

25 S. Halsted St. 60661
312-829-5000
cpwestloop.com
398 rooms

The Emily Hotel

311 N. Morgan St. 60607
312-764-1919
emilyhotel.com
159 rooms

Hampton by Hilton Chicago Downtown West Loop

116 N. Jefferson St. 60661
312-648-0000
westloop.hilton.com
210 rooms

Holiday Inn & Suites Chicago-Downtown

506 W. Harrison St. 60607
312-957-9100
ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/chicago/chihw/hoteldetail
145 rooms

Homewood Suites by Hilton Chicago Downtown West Loop

118 N. Jefferson St. 60661
312-930-0000
westloop.hilton.com
126 rooms

The Hoxton Chicago

200 N. Green St. 60607
312-761-1700
thehoxton.com
182 rooms

The Hyatt House Chicago West Loop/Fulton Market

105 N. May St. 60607
312-492-0000
hyathousechicagowestloopfultonmarket.com
200 rooms

Nobu Hotel Chicago

155 N. Peoria St. 60607
312-779-8888
nobuhotelchicago.com
115 rooms

WEST SUBURBS

Carleton of Oak Park

1110 Pleasant St., Oak Park 60302
708-848-5000
carletonhotel.com
154 rooms

The Drake Oak Brook, Autograph Collection

2301 York Rd., Oak Brook 60523
630-571-0000
thedrakeoakbrookhotel.com
154 rooms

Herrington Inn & Spa

15 S. River Ln., Geneva 60134
630-208-7433
herringtoninn.com
61 rooms

Hyatt Lodge Oak Brook Chicago

2815 Jorie Blvd., Oak Brook 60523
630-568-1234
hyatt.com/en-us/hotel/illinois/hyatt-lodge/chilo
218 rooms

The Westin Chicago Lombard

70 Yorktown Center, Lombard 60148
630-719-8000, 888-625-5144
westinlombard.com
500 rooms

WRIGLEYVILLE

The Chicago Hotel Collection Wrigleyville

3475 N. Clark St. 60657
312-291-9922
thechicagohotelcollection.com
21 rooms

Hotel Zachary, Chicago, a Tribute Portfolio Hotel

3630 N. Clark St. 60613
773-302-2300
marriott.com/hotels/travel/chitx-hotel-zachary-chicago-a-tribute-portfolio-hotel
173 rooms



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ARCHITECTURAL/ CULTURAL TOURS


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312-922-3432
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78 E. Washington St.
312-744-3316
chicago.gov/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/chicago_culturalcenter.html
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Chicago Greeter

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312-945-4231
chicagogreeter.com
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shoresightsighting.com
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ATTRACTIONS


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Observation Deck
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360chicago.com
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The DuSable Black History Museum and Education Center

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773-947-0600
dusablemuseum.org
The DuSable Museum shares a unique cultural environment of African American history through thought-provoking exhibits, programs, and celebrations.   


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42 E. Ontario St.
312-453-7753
theescapegame.com/chicago
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River North
61 W. Superior St.
312-790-7070
poetryfoundation.org
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Skydeck Chicago

Loop
233 S. Wacker Dr.
312-875-9696
theskydeck.com
Experience The Ledge at Skydeck Chicago while enjoying 360° views spanning four states and 50 miles. From 1,353 feet up, the glass ledges look straight down.  

Sloomoo Institute

River North
820 N. Orleans St.
tickets.sloomooinstitute.com/
sloomooinstitutechicago/events
Sloomoo Institute is an interactive, immersive experience based on joy through sensory play — think never-ending handmade, scented slime.  

Swedish American Museum

Andersonville
5211 N. Clark St.
773-728-8111
swedishamericanmuseum.org
A nonprofit educational activity center for the celebration and interpretation of Swedish American history and culture. 

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community/public-art/
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Bucktown/Wicker Park
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the606.org
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Chicago neighborhoods.

Buckingham Fountain

Loop
Columbus Dr. and Congress Pkwy.
312-742-4847
chicagoparkdistrict.com/
parks/clarence-f-buckingham-
memorial-fountain
This popular landmark and
tourist attraction offers visitors a
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p.m. through the end of fall.

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Streeterville
300 E. McClurg Ct.
312-751-6633
mwrdd.org
Open from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and
5 p.m. - midnight, with shows
on the hour from May 1 - Oct. 1.

Chicago Botanic Garden

North Suburbs
1000 Lake Cook Rd., Glencoe
847-835-8370
chicagobotanic.org
The Chicago Botanic Garden
features 27 spectacular gardens
on 385 acres in a place of ever-
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Chicago Riverwalk

Loop
376 N. Michigan Ave.
chicagoriverwalk.us
This waterfront park space on
the Chicago River (along Wacker
Drive leading to Lake Michigan)
features a scenic promenade with
dining, boat rentals, and seating.

Chicago's Lakefront Trail

Loop
300 S. Lake Shore Dr.
chicagoparkdistrict.com/
parks-facilities/lakefront-trail
Beautiful skyline views (plus
beaches, parks, and harbors)
stretch along this 18-mile
recreational bike/running path on
the Lake Michigan shoreline.

Garfield Park Conservatory

Garfield Park
300 N. Central Park Ave.
312-746-5100
garfieldconservatory.org
The third-largest garden under
glass in the world, the Garfield
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Humboldt Park

Humboldt Park
1400 N. Sacramento Ave.
312-742-7549
chicagoparkdistrict.
com/parks-facilities/
humboldt-alexander-von-park
Humboldt Park totals 197.26 acres
and is home to an inland beach,
historic lagoons, boat house, and
The National Museum of Puerto
Rican Arts & Culture.

Lincoln Park Conservatory

Lincoln Park
2391 N. Stockton Dr.
312-742-7736
chicagoparkdistrict.com
Peaceful and enchanting gardens
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Maggie Daley Park

Loop
337 E. Randolph St.
312-742-3918
maggiedaley.com
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201 E. Randolph St.
312-744-1168
millenniumpark.org
This award-winning center for
art, music, architecture, and
landscape design features
the Pritzker Pavilion, Crown
Fountain, Lurie Garden, and
Cloud Gate sculpture.

Northerly Island Park

South Loop
1521 S. Linn White Dr.
312-745-2910
chicagoparkdistrict.com/
parks-facilities/northerly-Island
This 91-acre peninsula has skyline
views, a summer music pavilion,
and a year-round nature park
with trails around a lagoon and
native wildlife habitats.

Osaka Garden

Hyde Park
5900 S. Lake Shore Dr.
312-747-2474
choosechicago.com/listing/
osaka-garden
This authentic Japanese garden
with a pavilion, moon bridge,
Shinto gate, and traditional
Japanese horticulture was a gift
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Ping Tom Memorial Park

Chinatown
1700 S. Wentworth Ave.
312-225-3121
chicagoparkdistrict.
com/parks-facilities/
tom-ping-memorial-park
Ping Tom Memorial Park's 17.44-
acre site is a beautiful rolling
green space with impressive river
views and Chinese landscape
design elements.

Washington Park

Hyde Park
5531 S. Martin Luther King Dr.
773-256-1248
chicagoparkdistrict.com/parks-
facilities/washington-george-park
A 372-acre park between Cottage
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South Loop
1800 S. Prairie Ave.
312-326-1480
glessnerhouse.org
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Daley Civic Center



Loop
50 W. Washington St.
312-603-7980
thedaleycenter.com
The Daley Center offers free cultural programming throughout the year, from singing and dance performances to flag raisings, cultural ceremonies, and more.  

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American Writers Museum

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180 N. Michigan Ave.
312-374-8790
americanwritersmuseum.org
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ZOOS

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czs.org
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Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park
Cannon Dr. at Fullerton Pkwy.
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lpzoo.org
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DINING

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- =Minority Owned
- =Women Owned
- B** =Breakfast \$ =less than \$15
- BR** =Brunch \$\$ =\$15-24
- L** =Lunch \$\$\$ =\$25-34
- D** =Dinner \$\$\$ = \$35+
- LN** =Late Night

AMERICAN

676 Restaurant & Bar

Magnificent Mile
676 N. Michigan Ave.
312-944-7676
676restaurant.com
American contemporary restaurant with excellent views of The Magnificent Mile.

720 South Bar & Grill

South Loop
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312-922-4400
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atwoodrestaurant.com
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312-667-6688
baptisteandbottle.com
Surrounded by stunning views of downtown, Baptiste & Bottle is an approachable, bourbon-centric restaurant serving an elevated American menu.

Berghoff Restaurant

Loop
17 W. Adams St.
312-427-3170
theberghoff.com
The Berghoff is an iconic, 120-year-old family-owned Chicago institution that combines the best of traditional German and contemporary American cuisines.

Brass Tack

Gold Coast
11 E. Walton St.
312-646-1402
brasstackchicago.com
Brass Tack is an American brasserie with a Chicago touch. This restaurant is a destination for fashionable cocktails and tasteful dishes.

The Bristol

Bucktown/Wicker Park
2152 N. Damen Ave.
773-862-5555
thebristolchicago.com
The Bristol offers a seasonal contemporary American menu, with diverse cuisine featuring farm-fresh produce, house-made pastas, and a nose-to-tail approach to cooking.

Carver 47 Food & Wellness Market

Kenwood/Oakland
1050 E. 47th St.
773-891-1386
carver47.com
Homestyle Southern cuisine with European bistro influences. Browse our selection of home and body wellness products, and grab a drink at our espresso bar.

The Chicago**Firehouse Restaurant**

South Loop
1401 S. Michigan Ave.
312-786-1401
chicagofirehouse.com
Neighborhood restaurant serving the South Loop community for over 20 years. Family owned and operated.

City Cruises Anchored by Hornblower

Streetsville
Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave.
888-957-2634
cityexperiences.com/chicago/city-cruises
The most elegant, unique way to experience Chicago. Three-course plated dining, entertainment, outstanding service, and stunning views — all for one price.

Columbus Tap

Loop
200 N. Columbus Dr.
312-444-9494
columbustap.com
Columbus Tap offers a quintessential Windy City tap house experience and a fresh Midwest-focused menu.

The Dearborn Tavern

Loop
145 N. Dearborn St.
312-384-1242
thedearborn Tavern.com
Meet at the bar, dine in the restaurant, or grab a post-theatre nightcap at The Dearborn.

Dine Restaurant

West Loop
733 W. Madison Ave.
312-602-2100
dinerestaurant.com
Dine at Chicago's own 1940s-style American eatery, located in the heart of Chicago. Offering eclectic cuisine to fit every palate.

ETA Restaurant + Bar

River North
455 N. Park Dr.
312-840-6605
etarestaurantandbar.com
ETA Restaurant + Bar is a tavern for today's travelers, welcoming guests with rustic American fare and Midwestern warmth.

The Foodie Spot

South Shore
7350 S. Stony Island
773-420-3948
orderthefoodiespot.com
The Foodie Spot is a clean and healthy food hub located in the South Shore area. We serve halal, organic, and non-GMO food.

The Hampton Social - River North

River North
353 W. Hubbard St.
312-464-0500
thehamptonsocial.com
Known for lively dining experiences featuring exceptional coastal-inspired food, cocktails, and live music in a beautifully designed atmosphere.

Hard Rock Cafe

River North
63 W. Ontario St.
312-943-2252
hardrockcafe.com/location/chicago
Authentic rock memorabilia, a high-energy staff, and great service make you feel like a rock star! Serving burgers, BBQ, salads, and a full bar.

Harvest

Magnificent Mile
540 N. Michigan Ave.
312-836-6334
harvestchicago.com
Harvest at the Chicago Marriott Downtown celebrates the integrity of classic Midwestern fare, focusing on farm-fresh, seasonal ingredients.

Harvest 365 Restaurant and Fresh Grill

West Suburbs
7610 W. Roosevelt Rd., Forest Park
708-488-0415
harvest365grill.com
Our culinary experts have created an international menu that will awaken the senses and inspire you to feel as though you have traveled abroad.

HotHouse @ DoubleTree by Hilton Chicago - Magnificent Mile

Streetsville
300 E. Ohio St.
312-787-6100
doubletreemagmile.com
Come explore our urban oasis! Our restaurant and bar invites guests to a communal environment where they can relax over local craft beers.

Hoyt's Modern American Tavern

Loop
71 E. Wacker Dr.
312-346-9870
sonesta.com/us/illinois/chicago/royal-sonesta-chicago-riverfront/hoyts-american-tavern
Hoyt's Chicago redefines the modern American tavern, seamlessly fusing reimagined Midwestern comfort food with a warm social vibe.

Kroll's South Loop

South Loop
1736 S. Michigan Ave.
312-235-1400
krolls-chicago.com
Upscale sports bar and restaurant with private event space. Wide variety of beer and wine; full liquor bar. Walking distance from McCormick Place.

The Lobby at The Peninsula Chicago

Magnificent Mile
108 E. Superior St.
312-573-6760
peninsula.com/chicago/dining.aspx
Select from a contemporary American menu featuring outstanding dishes. Come for the famous Afternoon Tea, Sunday Brunch, or Chocolate at The Pen.

Lockwood Restaurant & Bar

Loop
17 E. Monroe St.
312-917-3404
lockwoodrestaurant.com
An award-winning restaurant located in the Palmer House. Serving up chef-inspired, seasonally influenced modern American cuisine that's sure to delight!

M Avenue Restaurant

Magnificent Mile
701 N. Michigan Ave.
312-440-1500
warwickhotels.com/allerton-hotel-chicago/dining/m-avenue-restaurant-and-lounge
M Avenue Restaurant, a lounge at the Allerton Hotel, features evolving American cuisine using the freshest locally grown produce. Stylish decor.

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LN=Late Night

South Side Social

South Suburbs
 9333 S. Cicero Ave., Oak Lawn
 708-229-8888
 southsidesocialchicago.com
 Locally owned restaurant where south siders and folks of all kinds come together to enjoy an upscale, yet relaxed and comfortable experience.

Staytion Market & Bar

Loop
 One W. Wacker Dr.
 312-372-7200
 marriott.com/hotel-restaurants/chisr-renaissance-chicago-downtown-hotel/
 staytion-market-&-bar/5732263/home-page.mi

Discover a unique place where you can connect, socialize, and relax in a compelling environment while enjoying great street food with a local twist.

Sweetwater Tavern & Grille

Magnificent Mile
 225 N. Michigan Ave.
 312-698-7111
 sweetwatertavernandgrille.com
 Ideally located in the heart of Michigan Avenue, just north of Millennium Park and steps from Chicago's theatre district.

Travelle at The Langham

River North
 330 N. Wabash Ave.
 312-923-7705
 travellechicago.com
 Travelle features a contemporary interpretation of seasonal American cuisine.

WoodWind

Streeterville
 259 E. Erie St.
 312-283-4270
 woodwindchicago.com
 WoodWind brings elegant yet simple dishes made with honest excellence and playful creativity to a beautiful and comfortable Chicago setting.

BAKERY/CAFE/DELI/DINER**AndySunflower Café**

Beverly
 9920 S. Western Ave.
 312-961-3171
 andysunflowercafe.com
 For more than 10 years, we've been in love with making great, flavorful, crafted coffee beverages by using the freshest of beans, sourced from the best local roasters.

Back of the Yards Coffee

Back of the Yards
 2059 W. 47th St.
 773-475-6381
 This Latinx-owned coffee company strives to honor the immigrant working class tradition of the historic Chicago Stockyards.

Dulce De Leche Cafe

Albany Park
 3441 W. Lawrence Ave.
 312-479-0590
 Latin American breakfast and brunch spot.

First Sip Cafe

Uptown
 1057 W. Argyle St.
 773-990-9830
 firstsip.cafe
 Coffee shop serving coffee, tea, and sandwiches.

Southside Grinds Coffee Co.

Hyde Park
 330 E. 51st St.
 312-292-8260
 southsidegrinds.com
 Southside Grinds is a Black woman-owned coffee company with a mission of spreading love and caffeination across the south side of Chicago.

Stan's Donuts & Coffee

Loop
 181 N. Michigan Ave.
 773-939-5312
 stansdonuts.com
 Stan's Donuts & Coffee serves up freshly made donuts of extraordinary flavors and textures, plus an excellent cup of joe.

Starbucks Reserve Roastery

Magnificent Mile
 646 N. Michigan Ave.
 312-283-7100
 starbucksreserve.com/en-us/locations/chicago
 The Chicago Roastery is a theatrical, experiential shrine to coffee passion, and it's like none other in the world.

Subway

Various locations
 773-380-3040
 subway.com
 The world's largest submarine sandwich chain delights customers by serving fresh, delicious, made-to-order sandwiches. **BLD\$**

BBQ/RIBS**Lexington Betty Smokehouse**

Pullman
 756 E. 111th St.
 773-309-8240
 lexingtonbettesmokehouse.com
 Best barbecue in Chicago! Come to the south side and try it.

Mr. E Chef's Barbecue

Avondale
 4131 N. Rockwell St.
 800-676-4923
 mrechefcatering.com
 Grab some takeout, and be sure to try the crispy catfish nuggets or the hand-breaded chicken wings.

Slab BBQ

South Shore
 1918 E. 71st St.
 773-503-8491
 slabbbq.com
 Family-owned Slab BBQ specializes in ribs cooked over an aquarium pit, staying true to the cultural authenticity of Chicago-style barbecue.

BRAZILIAN**Fogo de Chão**

River North
 661 N. LaSalle St.
 312-932-9330
 fogo.com
 Fogo de Chão offers the finest fire-roasted meats, its gourmet Market Table, hot side dishes, creative cocktails, and award-winning wines.

Sinhá Elegant Cuisine

West Loop
 2018 W. Adams St.
 312-491-8200
 sinhaelegantcuisine.com
 Born and raised in Brazil, owner Jorgina Pereira offers homemade dishes at her restaurant for lunch and brunch, as well as catering services.

CAJUN/CREOLE**Buddy Guy's Legends**

South Loop
 700 S. Wabash Ave.
 312-427-1190
 buddyguy.com
 Chicago's premier blues club, owned by Buddy Guy, showcases local and national blues bands every night. Enjoy a full menu and bar.

CARIBBEAN**Cocoa Chili Restaurant & Catering**

Garfield Park
 3101 W. Lake St.
 312-725-3170
 cocoa chili.com
 Mission-driven educational foodie experience serving up Afro-Caribbean-Soul fare with a sweet and spicy flair — foods from across the Black Diaspora.

CHINESE**Honeymoon Cafe**

Uptown
 1138 W. Argyle St.
 773-271-6668
 honeymooncafeil.com
 Family-owned Chinese restaurant serving up traditional Cantonese cuisine.

Shanghai Terrace

Magnificent Mile
 108 E. Superior St.
 312-573-6744
 peninsula.com
 Chinese cuisine in a seductive setting reminiscent of a Shanghai supper club from the 1930s. The semi-private dining room can host up to 30 guests. **LD\$\$\$**

COCKTAIL BAR**Bar Goa**

River North
 116 W. Hubbard St.
 312-900-0197
 bargoa.fun
 A River North cocktail bar that transports Chicagoans year-round to India's sunny southwest coast, a region known for electronic music and beautiful beaches. **DLN**

Ositos Tap

Little Village
 2553 S. Ridgeway Ave.
 773-277-8117
 ositostap.com
 A speakeasy highlighting the art of craft spirits, beer, and cocktails, lending a modern Latinx flair to a classic Chicago era.

CUBAN**Mima's Taste of Cuba**

Irving Park
 2925 W. Irving Park Rd.
 773-654-3075
 mimastoc.com
 By serving up thoughtful Cuban dishes prepared with lots of love (just like our Mima made), we hope to conjure feelings of comfort and satisfaction with each savored bite.

DESSERT BAR**Sugar Factory**

River North
 55 E. Grand Ave.
 312-946-2002
 sugarfactory.com/location/chicago-river-north
 Sugar Factory American brasserie delivers the "MTV meets Willy Wonka" appeal throughout its restaurant, candy shoppe, candy-loaded cocktails, and more!

FAST FOOD**Flippin Flavors**

Beverly
 1848 W. 95th St.
 773-253-2680
 flippinflavors.com
 Flippin Flavors provides delicious, fresh, and healthy foods and seasonings.

Subway

Various locations
 773-380-3040
 subway.com
 The world's largest submarine sandwich chain delights customers by serving fresh, delicious, made-to-order sandwiches. **BLD\$**

FOOD HALL**Time Out Market**

West Loop
 916 W. Fulton Market
 847-644-1975
 timeoutmarket.com
 Time Out Market is a food, beverage, and cultural destination that reflects the best of the city of Chicago.

FOOD TRUCKS

Stan's Donuts & Coffee

Loop
181 N. Michigan Ave.
773-939-5312
stansdonuts.com
The cheerfully pink Stan's Van brings the iconic donut-maker's treats to the street.

FRENCH

Café Robey

Bucktown/Wicker Park
1600 N. Milwaukee Ave.
872-315-3084
therobey.com/#robey
A gathering place for hotel guests and locals alike, Café Robey serves up elevated Midwestern food. **BRD\$\$\$**

CDA

Gold Coast
20 E. Chestnut St.
312-324-4063, 800-763-4835
cafedesarchitectes.com
Delight in contemporary French cuisine that highlights ingredients from local farmers by chef Greg Biggers at award-winning Café des Architectes. **BBRLDLN\$\$**

LB Bistro & Patisserie

Streeterville
301 E. North Water St.
312-329-5900
sheratonchicago.com/lb
LB's Bistro & Patisserie combines fresh ingredients and simple yet unique combinations of flavors for breakfast and lunch. **BL\$**

NoMI Kitchen

Magnificent Mile
800 N. Michigan Ave., 7th Fl.
312-239-4030
nomirestaurant.com
Dine in the globally renowned NoMI, offering exceptional modern French cuisine, panoramic views, and an elegant atmosphere. **BBRLD\$\$\$**

Taureaux Tavern

Loop
155 W. Van Buren St.
312-624-8778
taureauxtavern.com
Located in the downtown Financial District, this French-inspired restaurant and bar has a year-round outdoor patio and serves inventive dishes.

GASTROTAVERN/PUB

The Ashburn

Northwest Suburbs
5300 N. River Rd., Rosemont
847-447-4275
loewshotels.com/chicago-ohare/dining/restaurant
Celebrating the heritage and tradition of aviation with modern interpretations of classic American cuisine in a contemporary and relaxed setting. **BLDLN\$\$\$**

Copper Fox Gastropub

Streeterville
155 E. Ontario St.
312-255-8505
copperfoxchicago.com
A modern American gastropub with shareable dishes and exceptional meals, with local beers, boutique wines, and spirits to match. **BLD\$\$\$**

Pippin's Tavern

Streeterville
39 E. Chicago Ave.
312-982-2752
pippinstavern.com
Chicago's quintessential gastropub carrying on the legacy of good beer and cheer since 1974, now with delectable modern American cuisine. ♀

GREEK

Nisos Mediterranean

West Loop
802 W. Randolph St.
312-584-0288
nisosmediterranean.com
While rooted in Greek tradition, Nisos Mediterranean's cuisine is inspired by a mélange of flavors from the Mediterranean.

INDIAN

Bar Goa

River North
116 W. Hubbard St.
312-900-0197
bargoa.fun
A River North cocktail bar that transports Chicagoans year-round to India's sunny southwest coast, a region known for electronic music and beautiful beaches. **DLN**

India House Restaurant

River North
59 W. Grand Ave.
312-645-9500
indiahousechicago.com
India House Restaurant in downtown Chicago offers dining, catering, and private business meeting services. **BLD**

ROOH Chicago

West Loop
736 W. Randolph St.
312-809-6964
roohchicago.com
A Michelin guide restaurant offering an amalgamation of regional Indian flavors and modern gastronomic techniques. ROOH brings the spirit of India to Chicago. **BRD\$\$\$\$**

Vermilion

River North
10 W. Hubbard St.
312-527-4060
thevermilionrestaurant.com
Unique global Latin-Indian melding. Raves by *Esquire* and *Time*, and rated the #1 worldwide lobster Portuguese by *USA Today*. Artisanal signature cocktails and boutique wines. **LD\$\$\$\$**

INTERNATIONAL FUSION

Adorn Bar & Restaurant

Magnificent Mile
120 E. Delaware Pl.
312-280-8800
adornrestaurant.com
Adorn features globally inspired cuisine starring the bounty of the American Midwest, with a lively, convivial vibe beckoning to be discovered.

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River North
10 W. Hubbard St.
312-527-4060
thevermilionrestaurant.com
Unique global Latin-Indian melding. Raves by *Esquire* and *Time*, and rated the #1 worldwide lobster Portuguese by *USA Today*. Artisanal signature cocktails and boutique wines. **LD\$\$\$\$**

IRISH

Kitty O'Sheas at the Hilton Chicago

South Loop
720 S. Michigan Ave.
312-922-4400
hiltonchicagomeetings.com/hotel-information/hotel-amenities/restaurants-bars/kitty-o-sheas
Enjoy Irish farm-to-fork fare, tap-to-pint favorites, and live entertainment at Kitty O'Sheas. **BRLDLN\$\$**

ITALIAN

312 Chicago

Loop
136 N. LaSalle St.
312-696-2420
312chicago.com
Serving seasonal New World Italian cuisine in a setting reminiscent of a 1930s Chicago supper club. Adjacent to Hotel Allegro and the Cadillac Palace Theatre. **BBRLD\$\$\$**

Andiamo Restaurant

O'Hare
O'Hare International Airport
773-686-8000
www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/city/chiohh/dining/index.html
Andiamo offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner, with the emphasis on an elegant atmosphere. Try the Italian-inspired theme. **BLD\$\$**

Bob's Pizza

Pilsen
1659 W. 21st St.
312-600-6155
famousbobspizza.com
Pilsen-style pizza, with dough made with Old Style beer from executive chef Matt Wilde. Specialties include Pickle Pickle and updated classics.

Coco Pazzo

River North
300 W. Hubbard St.
312-836-0900
cocopazzochicago.com
A world-class restaurant featuring Tuscan, Italian-inspired cuisine, house-made pasta, meat, and fish specials. Extensive Italian wine list. **LD\$\$\$**

Coco Pazzo Café

Streeterville
212 E. Ohio St.
312-664-0212
cocopazzocafe.com
Celebrating the culinary delights from two of Italy's food capitals - Rome and Tuscany. Michelin recommended. Concierge Preferred Best Restaurant Award. **BBRLDLN\$\$**

CURRENT Restaurant at W Lakeshore

Streeterville
644 N. Lake Shore Dr.
312-255-4460
currentchicago.com
At CURRENT, we keep things fresh in our contemporary, flowing space. Situated on Lake Michigan, indulge in American fare by chef Jonathan Meyer. **BBRLDLN\$\$**

Eataly Chicago

River North
43 E. Ohio St.
312-521-8700
eatalychicago.com
Eataly is the largest artisanal Italian food and wine marketplace in the world. At Eataly Chicago, purchase high-quality food and drink. **BBRLD\$\$\$**

FireLake Grill House and Cocktail Bar

Loop
221 N. Columbus Dr.
312-477-0234
firelakechicago.com
Featuring farm-to-table dining, this American grill concept is known for its wood-fired cooking using the Midwest's best meat, freshwater fish, and produce. **BLD\$\$\$**

Fornetto Mei Restaurant

Gold Coast
107 E. Delaware Pl.
312-573-6301
thewhitehallhotel.com/dining/fornetto-mei
Fornetto Mei is a hidden Gold Coast gem offering a cozy, intimate atmosphere with authentic Italian dishes in an elegant venue. **BLD\$\$**

Francesca's on Chestnut

Gold Coast
200 E. Chestnut St.
312-482-8800
miafrancesca.com
Francesca's Restaurants offer handwritten menus of classic Italian favorites in an ambiance of sophisticated comfort.

Mia Francesca

Lakeview
3311 N. Clark St.
773-334-8368
miafrancesca.com
Mia Francesca features the zesty, earthy cuisine of Rome and the surrounding areas of Tuscany, Umbria, and Lazio. **\$\$\$\$**

Nonnina

River North
340 N. Clark St.
312-822-0077
nonninchicago.com
Nonnina echoes old-school cooking techniques inspired by the partners' "nonnas," offering an upscale, yet approachable experience with a retro vibe. **BRLD**

Petterino's

Loop
150 N. Dearborn St.
312-422-0150
petterinos.com
Enjoy timeless flavors, reimagined Italian fare, comfortable interiors, and warm hospitality. **LD**

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LN=Late Night

Piccolo Sogno

West Town
464 N. Halsted St.
312-421-0077
piccolosognorestaurant.com
Fine Italian dining located in River West. Come enjoy our beautiful outdoor seating! **LD\$\$**

Quartino Ristorante & Wine Bar

River North
626 N. State St.
312-698-5000
quartinochicago.com
Where wine is cheaper than water, and the pizza is the finest. Lively urban Italian pizzeria and wine bar featuring house-made pastas and salumi. **LDLN\$\$**

The Village

Loop
71 W. Monroe St.
312-332-7005
italianvillage-chicago.com
Chicago's most celebrated restaurant since 1927. Traditional Northern Italian fare in an authentic Italian Village setting. Boasting a 45,000-bottle wine collection. **LD\$\$**

JAPANESE/SUSHI**Kizami Sushi**

Lincoln Park
2235 N. Lincoln Ave.
773-697-8906
kizamisushi.com
Your favorite neighborhood sushi spot in Lincoln Park, featuring a sake list. **DLN**

Roka Akor Steak & Sushi

River North
456 N. Clark St.
312-477-7652
rokaakor.com/locations/chicago
A stylish sushi and steak restaurant featuring Robotayaki-style cuisine. Enjoy sashimi and sushi, charcoal-grilled meats, and shochu-infused cocktails. **LDLN\$\$\$**

TenGoku Aburiya

West Loop
651 W. Washington Blvd.
312-846-6633
tengokuaburiya.com
TenGoku Aburiya brings a new, izakaya-style restaurant to the city of Chicago! Enjoy sake and drinks with your favorite Japanese dishes. **LDLN**

KOREAN**SoJu BBQ**

West Loop
36 S. Ashland Ave.
815-543-4757
sojubbbq.com
This modern Korean eatery serves a variety of sojus, delicious street food, and Korean barbecue items. **LDLN**

LATIN**Vermilion**

River North
10 W. Hubbard St.
312-527-4060
thevermillionrestaurant.com
Unique global Latin-Indian melding. Raves by *Esquire* and *Time*, and rated the #1 worldwide lobster Portuguese by *USA Today*. Artisanal signature cocktails and boutique wines. **LD\$\$\$\$**

MEDITERRANEAN**Ciazza**

Southwest Suburbs
1200 Burr Ridge Pkwy., Burr Ridge
630-986-4100
marriott.com/hotels/hotel-information/restaurant/chisw-chicago-marriott-southwest-at-burr-ridge
Ciazza features American fare and a mix of Mediterranean favorites paired with wine and cocktails. A relaxing environment welcomes guests and diners. **BBRLD\$\$**

Joe's Imports

West Loop
813 W. Fulton Market
312-736-1750
joeswineimports.com
Joe's Imports invites guests to uncork worldly bottles of wine from Joe's curated selection of unique wines inspired by his travels, while passing plates of modern Mediterranean noshes. **LDLN**

Mary Jane Cafe

South Shore
7112 S. Yates Blvd.
773-570-7707
maryjanecafechicago.com
One-stop shop for cannabis information and infused foods, plus healthy and delicious gourmet items. Vegan options available. **LDLN**

Nia

West Loop
803 W. Randolph St.
312-226-3110
niarestaurant.com
Fine Mediterranean cuisine, an award-winning wine list, and an elegant private dining room. Conveniently located on Randolph Street in the West Loop since 2008. **LDLN\$\$\$**

Nisos Mediterranean

West Loop
802 W. Randolph St.
312-584-0288
nisosmediterranean.com
Nisos Mediterranean embraces the elements of nature — land, sea, and air — with fresh, seasonal cooking and thoughtfully sourced ingredients. **LDLN**

MEXICAN**Mi Tierra**

Little Village
2528 S. Kedzie Ave.
773-254-7722
mitierraenlavillita.com
This family-run restaurant has been serving up authentic Mexican dishes — including its popular parrilladas — in the Little Village neighborhood for more than 30 years. **LDLN**

Solita Tacos & Margaritas

River North
431 N. Wells St.
312-212-5566, 888-867-8455
solitatacos.com
Solita Tacos & Margaritas is about everything that makes us happy: great food, dynamite margaritas, and Southern California's laid-back lifestyle. **LDLN**

Tzucu

River North
720 N. State St.
312-374-8995
tzucu.com
Tzucu, chef Carlos Gaytán's River North restaurant, is an homage to his Mexican culinary heritage and love for French cuisine. **BRD\$\$\$**

Zombie Taco

River North
530 N. LaSalle Dr.
312-527-7200
zombietacochicago.com
River North's first and only 24/7 taco window is where the taco dreams you never knew you had will finally come true. **BLDLN\$**

MIDDLE EASTERN**Beograd Cafe & Restaurant**

Irving Park
2933-39 Irving Park Rd.
773-620-2230
beogradchicago.com
Traditional Balkan food made from scratch. Family-owned restaurant since 1984. **LDLN**

PIZZA**Bob's Pizza**

Pilsen
1659 W. 21st St.
312-600-6155
famousbobspizza.com
Pilsen-style pizza, with dough made with Old Style beer from executive chef Matt Wilde. Specialties include Pickle Pickle and updated classics. **LDLN**

Paisans Pizzeria

South Loop
700 S. Clark St.
312-528-5900
paisanspizza.com
Paisans has been serving the Chicago-style pizza you know and love for over 35 years! **BRDL**

Pizza y Pan Pa Ya

Irving Park
3125 W. Montrose Ave.
773-943-2983
pizzaypanpayachicago.com
Colombian bakery/cafeteria/pizzeria. Offering Colombian-style breakfast, traditional and homemade Colombian eats, and pizzas varying from Colombian to Chicago style. **LDLN**

Pizzeria Uno O'Hare

Northwest Suburbs
4200 N. River Rd., Schiller Park
847-261-6017
unos.com/ohare
The original deep dish recipe is now in the Chicago suburbs. **LDLN**

SEAFOOD**All Star Seafood & Sports**

Loop
730 S. Clark St.
312-225-8822
allstarseafood.com
Chicago sports fans can enjoy great tasting seafood from coast to coast while watching and cheering for their favorite teams. **LDLN**

The Capital Grille

Streeterville
633 N. St. Clair St.
312-337-9400
thecapitalgrille.com
A sophisticated steakhouse specializing in dry-aged steaks, lamb chops, fresh halibut, Chilean sea bass, and salmon. Featuring an extensive wine list. **LD\$\$\$**

Catch 35 Chicago

Loop
35 W. Wacker Dr.
312-346-3500
catch35.com
Located in Chicago's theatre district, Catch 35 is an iconic seafood restaurant featuring critically acclaimed live jazz musicians. **LD\$\$\$**

Chicago Oyster House

South Loop
1933 S. Indiana Ave.
312-225-8833
chicagoosterhouse.com
We specialize in prime seafood and steaks. Chicago's best place for top-quality seafood, such as fresh oysters, lobster and sushi, plus prime, dry-aged steaks. **D\$\$\$**

Cindy's

Loop
12 S. Michigan Ave.
312-940-3552
chicagoathletichotel.com
Cindy's menu focuses on light American fare, driven by seasonally inspired ingredients and a distinctively spirit-driven beverage program. **BRDLN\$\$\$**

Fisk & Co.

Loop
225 N. Wabash Ave.
312-960-8526
fiskandcochicago.com
Hip, modern pub serving creative fare, with an emphasis on mussels, frites, oysters, and craft beer. **BBRLD\$\$**

The Hampton Social - River North


River North
353 W. Hubbard St.
312-464-0500
thehamptonsocial.com
Known for lively dining experiences featuring exceptional coastal-inspired food, cocktails, and live music in a beautifully designed atmosphere. **BRDLN\$\$**

The Hampton Social - Streeterville

Streeterville
164 E. Grand Ave.
312-414-1861
thehamptonsocial.com/streeterville
We evoke East Coast living in every aspect. Hampton Social has a private dining room and semi-private spaces that can accommodate your gathering. **BRDLN\$\$**


Joe's Seafood, Prime Steak & Stone Crab

River North
60 E. Grand Ave.
312-379-5637
joes.net

This Chicago outpost of Miami's legendary Joe's Stone Crab offers Chicago a taste of its world-renowned stone crab claws, prime steaks, signature side dishes, and Key lime pie. 

Ocean Prime


Loop
87 E. Wacker Dr.
312-428-4344
ocean-prime.com

Located on the iconic corner of Michigan Avenue and Upper Wacker Drive, with stunning views, award-winning seafood, steak, cocktails, and genuine hospitality. 

SOUL FOOD

Majani Soulful Vegan Cuisine

South Shore
7167 S. Exchange Ave.
773-359-4019
majani.biz

A cozy and warm atmosphere, featuring exposed brick and an original tin ceiling, offering vegan soul food. 

Two Sisters Catering

Austin
4800 W. Chicago Ave.
773-887-5625
twosiscatering.com

As an African American woman-owned business, Two Sisters Catering and Restaurant executes Southern-inspired cuisine that delivers on the promise of homemade goodness.  

SOUTH AMERICAN

Boleo


Loop
122 W. Monroe St.
312-750-9007
boleochicago.com

Boleo, a rooftop restaurant and lounge with a retractable glass roof, transports you to South America, where the drinks flow, the music is always playing, and the Peruvian-inspired street food is irresistible.

SOUTHERN


Cooking From the Soul Catering

Austin
135 N. Kedzie Ave.
773-706-2574
cookingfromthesoulcatering.com

Cooking From the Soul Catering is a New Orleans-style catering company that specializes in seafood, Cajun food, and more. 


Kingston Mines

Lincoln Park
2548 N. Halsted St.
773-544-5442
kingstonmines.com

Doc's Rib Joint at the back of Kingston Mines features ribs, wings, catfish, shrimp, and red beans and rice. Serving until 3:30 a.m. Sun. - Fri. and 4:30 a.m. Sat. 

Luella's Southern Kitchen

Lincoln Square
4609 N. Lincoln Ave.
773-961-8196
luellassouthernkitchen.com

Chef Darnell Reed honors the cooking of his great-grandmother Luella with a menu of homey Southern dishes like fried chicken with buttermilk waffles. 

SPANISH/TAPAS

Mercat a la Planxa

South Loop
638 S. Michigan Ave.
312-765-0524
mercatchicago.com

Where Catalan cuisine comes to Chicago. Featuring extraordinary tapas, cut-to-order charcuterie and cheeses, fresh seafood, chops, and steaks. 

STEAKHOUSE


About Last Knife (ALK)

Loop
168 N. Michigan Ave.
312-392-2440
alkchicago.com

ALK brings a fresh and inventive approach to classic American steakhouse cuisine to downtown Chicago. 

The Capital Grille

Streeterville
633 N. St. Clair St.
312-337-9400
thecapitalgrille.com

A sophisticated steakhouse specializing in dry-aged steaks, lamb chops, fresh halibut, Chilean sea bass, and salmon. Featuring an extensive wine list. 

The Chicago Firehouse Restaurant

South Loop
1401 S. Michigan Ave.
312-786-1401
chicagofirehouse.com

Neighborhood restaurant serving the South Loop community for over 20 years. Family owned and operated. 

Gibsons Bar & Steakhouse - Chicago

Gold Coast
1028 N. Rush St.
312-266-8999
gibsonssteakhouse.com

Gibsons has been the pinnacle of Gold Coast dining for over 20 years. An energetic atmosphere and unsurpassable service make it a party every night. 


Michael Jordan's Steak House

Magnificent Mile
505 N. Michigan Ave.
312-321-8823
mjshchicago.com

Michael Jordan's Steak House serves prime and dry-aged beef, as well as delicious seafood options, worthy of our iconic namesake. 


Morton's The Steakhouse - Chicago (Wacker Place)

Loop
65 E. Wacker Pl.
312-201-0410
mortons.com/wacker

Morton's continues to set the standard, serving USDA prime aged beef, fresh fish and seafood, hand-picked produce, and elegant desserts. 

Ocean Prime

Loop
87 E. Wacker Dr.
312-428-4344
ocean-prime.com

Located on the iconic corner of Michigan Avenue and Upper Wacker Drive, with stunning views, award-winning seafood, steak, cocktails, and genuine hospitality. 

Prime & Provisions

Loop
222 N. LaSalle St.
312-726-7777
primeandprovisions.com

Chicago's first steakhouse to source only 100% all-natural, USDA prime Black Angus beef. Our menu celebrates the simplicity of true upscale cuisine. 


Roka Akor Steak & Sushi

River North
456 N. Clark St.
312-477-7652
rokaakor.com/locations/chicago

A stylish sushi and steak restaurant featuring Robatayaki-style cuisine. Enjoy sashimi and sushi, charcoal-grilled meats, and shochu-infused cocktails. 


Smith & Wollensky

River North
318 N. State St.
312-670-9900
smithandwollensky.com

The quintessential steakhouse overlooks the Chicago River. Features USDA prime dry-aged steaks and seafood, complemented by an award-winning wine list. 

Steak 48

River North
615 N. Wabash Ave.
312-266-4848
steak48.com

Not just another steakhouse, Steak 48 is a warm, contemporary steakhouse featuring prime steaks, a raw bar, and an extensive fresh seafood selection. 

Stetsons Modern Steak + Sushi

Loop
Hyatt Regency, 151 E. Wacker Dr.
312-239-4491
stetsonschicago.com

We deliver a nontraditional steakhouse experience in a comfortable urban setting. Complimentary valet parking. 


STK Chicago

River North
9 W. Kinzie St.
312-340-5636
togrp.com

A modern, chic steakhouse with a trendy and stylish atmosphere, STK is the perfect place for afternoon drinks or a night out in the Windy City. 

Torali Italian-Steak

Gold Coast
160 E. Pearson St.
312-573-5160
toralichicago.com

Located within The Ritz-Carlton, Chicago, our restaurant is modern in approach and Italian in spirit, featuring a contemporary, chef-driven menu. 

THAI

Chim Thai Cuisine


Irving Park
3254 W. Montrose Ave.
773-754-7239
chimthaicuisine.com

Our Thai street food is about bringing the simplicity of good eats to diners. Every dish represents fresh ingredients, quality, and authentic Thai cuisine. 

VEGETARIAN/VEGAN


India House Restaurant

River North
59 W. Grand Ave.
312-645-9500
indiahousechicago.com

India House Restaurant in downtown Chicago offers dining, catering, and private business meeting services. 

Kale My Name

Irving Park
3300 W. Montrose Ave.
872-208-7125
kalemynname.com

Our food is 100% plant based and globally inspired, with a few American classics like a homemade veggie burger and mac 'n' cheese, along with plenty of different options from other parts of the world. 

VIETNAMESE

HaiSous Vietnamese Kitchen

Pilsen
1800 S. Carpenter St.
609-553-8880, 312-702-1303
haisous.com

This passion project of chef Thai Dang and his wife, Danielle, offers refined Vietnamese cuisine in a plum setting.    

WINE BAR


Joe's Imports

West Loop
813 W. Fulton Market
312-736-1750
joeswineimports.com

Joe's Imports invites guests to uncork worldly bottles of wine from Joe's curated selection of unique wines inspired by his travels, while passing plates of modern Mediterranean noshes.

Mia Francesca

Lakeview
3311 N. Clark St.
773-334-8368
miafrancesca.com

Mia Francesca features the zesty, earthy cuisine of Rome and the surrounding areas of Tuscany, Umbria, and Lazio. 

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- =Live Music
- =Cover Charge
- =Minority Owned
- =Women Owned

ARTS & CULTURE

MUSEUMS, GALLERIES & EXHIBITIONS

Adler Planetarium

South Loop
1300 S. Lake Shore Dr.
312-922-7827

adlerplanetarium.org
America's first planetarium features immersive sky shows, engaging exhibitions, exciting events, and special lectures.

American Writers Museum

Loop
180 N. Michigan Ave.
312-374-8790
americanwritersmuseum.org

This cultural gem features innovative and dynamic state-of-the-art exhibitions. Named Illinois' Best Attraction by *USA Today*.

Art Institute of Chicago

Loop
111 S. Michigan Ave.
312-443-3600
artic.edu

Visit the only museum in the world to be consistently top-ranked by TripAdvisor. Children under 14 are free!

Charnley-Persky House

Gold Coast
1365 N. Astor St.
312-573-1365
charnleyhouse.org

Guided tours of this Louis Sullivan and Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Gold Coast residence are held at noon on Wednesdays and 10 a.m. Saturdays.

Chicago CityPASS

Purchase online or from participating attractions 208-787-4300, 888-330-5008
citypass.com/chicago
Save 48% or more on admission to Chicago's top five attractions, including the Shedd Aquarium and Field Museum, with CityPASS tickets.

Chicago Cultural Center

Loop
78 E. Washington St.
312-744-3316
chicago.gov/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/chicago_culturalcenter.html
Daily programs and exhibitions covering a wide range of the performing and visual arts are presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events.

Chicago History Museum

Lincoln Park
1601 N. Clark St.
312-642-4600
chicagohistory.org
Chicago begins here. Ride the first 'L' car, discover The White City, and become a Chicago-style hot dog. Kids 12 and under are free.

City Gallery at the Historic Water Tower

Magnificent Mile
806 N. Michigan Ave.
chicago.gov/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/city_gallery_in_thehistoricwatertower.html
Located in one of Chicago's most popular landmarks, the City Gallery features photographs of Chicago by Chicago photographers.

Clarke House Museum

South Loop
1827 S. Indiana Ave.
clarkehousemuseum.org
Tours of the Clarke House, an 1836 Greek Revival-style home, show middle-class life in Chicago during the city's formative years before the Civil War.

Color Factory

Loop
233 S. Wacker Dr.
801-231-1112
colorfactory.co
One of Time Out's 22 Best New Experiences in the World, the Color Factory takes guests of all ages on a colorful journey through 15 immersive exhibits.

The DuSable Black History Museum and Education Center

Hyde Park
740 E. 56th Pl.
773-947-0600
dusablemuseum.org
The DuSable shares a unique cultural environment of African American history through thought-provoking exhibits, programs, and celebrations.

Field Museum

South Loop
1400 S. Jean-Baptiste Pointe
DuSable Lake Shore Dr.
312-922-9410
fieldmuseum.org
See the world's wonders at the Field Museum. Explore over 40 million objects including SUE, the largest, most complete *T. rex* in the world.

Glessner House

South Loop
1800 S. Prairie Ave.
312-326-1480
glessnerhouse.org
Richardson-designed architectural treasure. Guided tours by advance ticket only on Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday. \$20 adult, \$17 senior/student.

Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center

North Suburbs
9603 Woods Dr., Skokie
847-967-4800
ilholocaustmuseum.org
The third-largest Holocaust museum in the world!

International Museum of Surgical Science

Gold Coast
1524 N. Lake Shore Dr.
312-642-6502
imss.org
Located in one of the last historic mansions on Lake Shore Drive, with four floors of exhibitions on the art, science, and history of medicine.

Klairmont Collections

Belmont Cragin
3117 N. Knox Ave.
773-685-1904
klairmontcollections.com
Our 100,000-square-foot facility is home to one of the largest collections of automobiles in the Midwest. See 300 classic and antique autos, including one-of-a-kind concept cars, sports cars, and memorabilia.

Mitchell Museum of the American Indian

North Suburbs
3001 Central St., Evanston
847-475-1030
mitchellmuseum.org
Mitchell Museum focuses exclusively on the art, history, and culture of Native American and First Nation peoples from throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Museum of Contemporary Art

Streeterville
220 E. Chicago Ave.
312-280-2660
mcachicago.org
MCA highlights today's most innovative and exciting artists.

Museum of Illusions

Loop
25 E. Washington St.
312-722-6780
moichicago.com
Experience the impossible at the Museum of Illusions! Guests will enjoy immersing themselves in over 60 mind-bending, reality-altering exhibits!

Museum of Science and Industry

Hyde Park
5700 S. Jean-Baptiste Pointe
DuSable Lake Shore Dr.
773-684-1414
msichicago.org
At the largest science museum in the Western Hemisphere explore a WW II German submarine and manipulate a 40-foot tornado, along with other dynamic hands-on activities.

Shedd Aquarium

South Loop
1200 S. DuSable Lake Shore Dr.
312-692-3275
sheddaquarium.org/plan-a-visit/
plan-a-private-event
Immerse yourself! The Shedd's exhibits connect you to 32,000 incredible animals from around the world and close to home.

Smart Museum of Art, The University of Chicago

Hyde Park
5550 S. Greenwood Ave.
773-702-0200
smartmuseum.uchicago.edu
As the museum of The University of Chicago, the Smart is home to thought-provoking exhibitions and an exquisite collection of art. Always free.

Swedish American Museum

Andersonville
5211 N. Clark St.
773-728-8111
swedishamericanmuseum.org
A nonprofit educational activity center for the celebration and interpretation of Swedish American history and culture.

Wrightwood 659

Lincoln Park
659 W. Wrightwood Ave.
773-437-6601
wrightwood659.org
Wrightwood 659 is a stunning exhibition space conceived for the presentation of architecture exhibits and thought-provoking, socially engaged art.

THEATRE & PERFORMING ARTS

Auditorium Theatre

Loop
50 E. Ida B. Wells Dr.
312-341-2300
auditoriumtheatre.org
A National Historic Landmark, the Auditorium Theatre presents the best in dance, music, theatre, and cultural entertainment in Chicago's Loop.

Blue Man Group

Lakeview
Briar Street Theatre,
3133 N. Halsted St.
800-258-3626
blueman.com/chicago
Blue Man Group is a combination of art, music, comedy, and technology, known for its iconic characters and creative explorations.

Broadway In Chicago

Loop
17 N. State St.
312-977-1701
broadwayinchicago.com
Broadway In Chicago brings Broadway's biggest shows to Chicago's finest theatres. Call Ticketmaster at 800-775-2000. For group sales, call 312-977-1701.

Cabaret ZaZou

Loop
Cambria Hotel, 14th Floor
312-488-0900
cabaretzazou.com
A whirlwind of international cirque, comedy, and music served with a multicourse feast in an antique Belgian Spiegelzelt in the Cambria Hotel.

THINGS TO DO

Chicago Cultural Center

Loop
78 E. Washington St.
312-744-3316
chicago.gov/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/chicago_culturalcenter.html
Daily programs and exhibitions covering a wide range of the performing and visual arts are presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events. [S](#) [F](#)

eta Creative Arts Foundation

South Shore
7558 S. South Chicago Ave.
773-752-3955
etacreativearts.org
We provide a platform for African American artists to present their work live on stage, and teach youth art forms related to theatre and the performing arts. [♥](#)

The Harris Theater for Music and Dance

Loop
205 E. Randolph Dr.
312-334-7777
harristheaterchicago.org
Sited in the distinctive setting of Millennium Park, the Harris Theater is an artistic home for the very best of Chicago's music and dance companies. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#) [D](#)

Hot Tix

Loop
72 E. Randolph St.
312-977-9483
hottix.org
Half-price tickets to a wide variety of theatre productions for the current week, as well as future performances. Available both online and in-person. [F](#)

Joffrey Ballet

Loop
Joffrey Tower, 10 E. Randolph St.
312-739-0120
joffrey.org
Chicago's premier ballet company offers VIP savings, service, and seating for groups of 10 or more. [S](#) [F](#)

League of Chicago Theatres

Loop
17 N. Wabash St.
312-554-9800
chicagoplays.com
Experience a show at one of Chicago's 250 theatre companies! "The beating heart of U.S. theatre is in Chicago." - Michael Billington, *The Guardian*. [F](#)

Lyric Opera of Chicago

Loop
20 N. Wacker Dr.
312-827-5600
lyricopera.org
Experience the world-renowned Lyric Opera of Chicago. Featuring operas, musicals, concerts, recitals, family programming, and community performances. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#) [D](#)

Red Clay Dance Company

Woodlawn
808 E. 63rd St.
773-624-8411
redclaydance.com
Red Clay Dance Company lives to awaken "glocal activism" by creating, performing, and teaching dances of the African Diaspora. [♥](#) [♀](#)

South Chicago Dance Theatre

Hyde Park
5728 S. Blackstone Ave.
708-906-7237
southchicagodancetheatre.com
This multicultural troupe fuses classic and contemporary dance styles, while also preserving historic works. [♥](#)



DEPARTMENT STORES

Fashion Outlets of Chicago

Northwest Suburbs
5220 Fashion Outlet Way, Rosemont
847-928-7500
fashionoutletsofchicago.com
Fashion Outlets of Chicago is the only two-level indoor outlet shopping experience in the Midwest, featuring 130+ designer outlets offering up to 75% off. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#) [D](#)

Macy's on State Street

Loop
111 N. State St.
312-781-1000
visitmacyschicago.com
Recognized as a National Historic Landmark, Macy's on State Street is a flagship destination. Ideal for groups of 10 to 1,000 as a nontraditional venue. [S](#) [F](#) [F](#)

GOURMET FOOD & WINE

Love Cork Screw

Online only
773-330-2440, 866-946-3527
lovecorkscrew.com
Love Cork Screw offers vegan wines, candles, and wine-scented body butter. Assemble your own package of goodies or order a wine gift set. [♥](#) [♀](#)

Westfield Concession Management

O'Hare
O'Hare Airport, Terminal 5 - Mezzanine Level
773-462-7963
chicagot5.com
Featuring the shops of Dufry, Emporio Armani, Luxury Watches, Salvatore Ferragamo, Michael Kors, Hudson News, I Love Chicago, XpresSpa, Vosges Haut-Chocolat, Brookstone, and Swatch. [S](#)

OUTLET STORES/MALLS/SHOPPING CENTERS

900 North Michigan Shops

Magnificent Mile
900 N. Michigan Ave.
312-915-3916
shop900.com
Anchoring the chic north end of Michigan Avenue, 900 North Michigan Shops features 70 shops, including Gucci, J. Crew, lululemon athletica, and Michael Kors. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#) [D](#)

Block 37

Loop
108 N. State St.
312-261-4700
blockthirtyseven.com
This urban lifestyle destination located in the heart of the Loop features world-class shopping, an array of restaurants, and a dine-in movie theatre. [S](#) [F](#) [F](#)

Chicago Chinatown

Chinatown
312-326-5320
chicagochinatown.org
A popular destination with Chinese restaurants, gift shops, and more. Offering a rich blend of heritage, culture, people, businesses, and activities. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#)

Fashion Outlets of Chicago

Northwest Suburbs
5220 Fashion Outlet Way, Rosemont
847-928-7500
fashionoutletsofchicago.com
Fashion Outlets of Chicago in Rosemont is a one-of-a-kind shopping experience, with more than 130 designer outlets. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#)

The Shops at North Bridge

Magnificent Mile
520 N. Michigan Ave.
312-870-1622
theshopsatnorthbridge.com
The Shops at North Bridge features 50 world-class specialty shops, 20 restaurants, a flagship Nordstrom, and Eataly, all on Chicago's Magnificent Mile. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#) [D](#)

Water Tower Place

Magnificent Mile
835 N. Michigan Ave.
312-440-3166
shopwatertower.com
Water Tower Place is Chicago's premier shopping, dining, and entertainment destination. Featuring American Girl Place and the Broadway Playhouse. [S](#) [F](#) [P](#) [D](#)

SPAS/SALONS

Haji Healing Salon

Bronzeville
4448 S. Cottage Grove Ave.
312-375-7445
hajihealing.com
Haji Healing Salon is a vibrant social wellness enterprise offering classes and services designed to support healing and wellness. Adjacent to the Healing Salon is an herbal and botanical apothecary. [♥](#) [♀](#)

K'ALMA

Gold Coast
160 E. Pearson St.
312-356-0000
kalmaspas.com
At The Ritz-Carlton Spa Chicago by K'Alma, indulge in a variety of holistic treatments created with the intention to bring wellness to the mind, body, and soul.

The Spa at Trump

River North
401 N. Wabash Ave.
312-588-8020
trumphotels.com/chicago/spa/chicago-spa-services
A tranquil haven, The Spa at Trump is the perfect place to relax and rejuvenate. Signature Natura Bisse services leave patrons red carpet ready. [S](#) [P](#)

SPECIALTY STORES

Gallery 37 Retail Store

Loop
66 E. Randolph St.
312-744-7267
afterschoolmatters.org
Gallery 37 Retail Store is imagination on the loose. All proceeds go back to funding the program that makes this store and everything in it possible.

Room & Board

Streeterville
55 E. Ohio St.
312-222-0970
roomandboard.com/stores/chicago
For more than 35 years, we have created modern furnishings designed to be practical, timeless, and comfortable. Enjoy complimentary design services.



BARS/PUBS/TAVERNS

Bar Goa

River North
116 W. Hubbard St.
312-900-0197
bargoa.fun
A River North cocktail bar that transports Chicagoans year-round to India's sunny southwest coast, a region known for electronic music and beautiful beaches.

Sweetwater Tavern & Grille

Magnificent Mile
225 N. Michigan Ave.
312-698-7111
sweetwatertavernandgrille.com
Ideally located in the heart of Michigan Avenue, just north of Millennium Park and steps from Chicago's theatre district. [F](#) [F](#)

COMEDY CLUBS

The Second City

Old Town
1616 N. Wells St.
312-337-3992
secondcity.com
Celebrating over 60 legendary years! See the next generation of comedy superstars-in-the-making live on stage at The Second City. [S](#)

Treuer Laughs

Online only
720-352-4355
treuerlaughs.com
We produce comedy shows with Chicago's best comics to raise money for local charities. We also bring comics to private and corporate events.

LIVE MUSIC/BLUES/JAZZ

The Bassment

River North
353 W. Hubbard St.
312-386-5778
thebassmentchicago.com
A live music cocktail lounge, located in River North below The Hampton Social. [F](#) [D](#)

THINGS TO DO

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- =Restaurant
- =On-Site Parking
- =Live Music
- =Cover Charge
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- =Women Owned

Buddy Guy's Legends

South Loop
700 S. Wabash Ave.
312-427-1190
buddyguy.com
Chicago's premier blues club, owned by Buddy Guy, features local and national blues bands every night. Enjoy a full menu and bar.

Epiphany Center for the Arts

West Loop
201 S. Ashland Ave.
312-421-4600
epiphanychi.com
Weekly jazz, blues, comedy, cabaret, rock, classical, world, and acoustic performances.

House of Blues

River North
329 N. Dearborn St.
312-923-2000
houseofblues.com/chicago
Offering live music every night of the week, starting at 5 p.m. Also, enjoy a blues acoustic set during dinner.

Kingston Mines

Lincoln Park
2548 N. Halsted St.
773-544-5442
kingstonmines.com
Kingston Mines is a blues nightclub with two bands, two stages, food, and live music all night. Open until 3:30 a.m. Sun. - Fri. and 4:30 a.m. Sat., 365 nights a year.

Lyric Opera of Chicago

Loop
20 N. Wacker Dr.
312-827-5600
lyricopera.org
Lyric Opera of Chicago is one of the world's great opera companies, renowned for its artistic excellence and breathtaking productions.

**NIGHTCLUBS/
DANCE CLUBS**

CHI Bar

Streeterville
301 E. North Water St.
312-329-7005
chibarchicago.com
Located at the Sheraton Grand Chicago, CHI Bar offers a notable wine list, handcrafted cocktails, and bar bites, all overlooking the Chicago River.

SPORTS & RECREATION

BIKE/SKATE RENTAL

Bobby's Bike Hike
Chicago - Bike, Walking, Food Tours & Rentals
Streeterville
540 N. Lake Shore Dr.
312-245-9300
bobbysbikehike.com
With 300+ rental bikes (including comfort and ebikes), kids' equipment, parking, and downtown access to a 20-mile trail, Bobby's is the unofficial launch point of Chicago's lakefront.

GOLF

Chicago Park District Golf Courses

Six Chicago Locations
312-245-0909
cpdgolf.com
With six courses, three driving ranges, and two miniature golf courses, there's golf enjoyment for the whole family, no matter where you are in the city.

Harborside International Golf Center

South Deering
11001 S. Doty Ave. E.
312-782-7837
harborsidegolf.com
A public golf complex located 15 miles south of Chicago, with two award-winning 18-hole golf courses, a driving range, and a golf academy.

SPORTS TEAMS

Chicago Bears

South Loop
Soldier Field,
1410 S. Museum Campus Dr.
847-295-6600
chicagobears.com
The Chicago Bears, a founding franchise of the NFL, uphold the values of the city of Chicago and its people, uniting them as no other organization can.

Chicago Blackhawks

West Loop
United Center, 1901 W. Madison St.
312-455-7000
chicagoblackhawks.com
Since their debut in 1926, the Blackhawks have become a Chicago institution, winning their sixth Stanley Cup Championship in 2015. Season runs October through April.

Chicago Cubs

Wrigleyville
Wrigley Field, 1060 W. Addison St.
773-404-4200
cubs.com
Experience Wrigley Field on game days and non-game days. Entertain your guests today!

Chicago White Sox

Bridgeport
Guaranteed Rate Field,
333 W. 35th St.
312-674-1000
whitesox.com
MLB's Chicago White Sox play March through October at Guaranteed Rate Field. Group, single, and premium seating tickets, plus theme nights, available all season long.

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American Airlines

O'Hare
 800-433-7300
 aa.com

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Chicago Midway International Airport

Midway/Garfield Ridge/Clearing
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 773-838-0600

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MOST CONNECTED AIRPORT IN THE WORLD

In 2022, O'Hare took the title of "most connected airport in the world" for the first time since 2016, replacing London for the top spot according to Official Aviation Guide (OAG) — the global authority on air service information.

Chicago's airports are hubs to three of the four largest carriers in the United States — American Airlines, United Airlines, and Southwest Airlines. More than 45 passenger airlines provide nonstop service

from Chicago to over 250 destinations worldwide, offering visitors their choice of carrier. Four airlines offer flights out of both O'Hare and Midway: Delta Air Lines, Frontier Airlines, Southwest Airlines, and Volaris.

This is the most exciting time for Chicago's airports in 30 years — travel is rebounding and with the support of its partner airlines, the two airports are thinking big for the future.

NEW AT O'HARE

An ambitious plan to modernize the airfield was completed in 2021 and O'Hare now has eight total runways — the most of any commercial airport in the United States. This historic project (building four new runways, extending two existing runways, and constructing two new Air Traffic Control towers) has improved capacity, efficiency, and reliability in all weather conditions.

Following the major investments on the airfield, O'Hare is pivoting to the

next area of focus — its terminals. The "O'Hare 21" project is well underway and will enhance the experience from curb to gate for millions of passengers arriving each year. At the forefront are plans to redevelop Terminal 2 into the O'Hare Global Terminal and add two new satellite concourses. At 2.25 million square feet, this will more than double the space of today's Terminal 2, replacing it with an expansive light-filled arrivals hall with additional gates, concessions, and amenities; new baggage systems; and advanced security screening. American Airlines, United Airlines, and their alliance partners will be able to consolidate operations here, meaning easier domestic and international connections.

10 NEW GATES AT

TERMINAL 5 At 350,000 square feet, the Terminal 5 extension at O'Hare now boasts bigger gate areas, expanded seating, new restrooms, and more amenities — with additional restaurants and shops coming in 2023. Seven new gates in Concourse M opened in 2022, with three more opening in 2023. Large bright windows offer airfield views, while open seating areas, modern furniture, and plentiful charging stations provide comfort and convenience. The expansion brings the total number of security checkpoint lanes to 13 and also improves immigration facilities.

A NEW HOME FOR DELTA IN TERMINAL 5

In October 2022, Delta Air Lines relocated from Terminal 2 to the newly renovated

Terminal 5. The move enables Delta Air Lines and its SkyTeam partners to combine domestic and international flights within the same terminal — making connections quick and seamless. Relax and recharge before flights at the new Delta Sky Club. At over 22,000 square feet, it is four times the size of the previous O'Hare location and the largest premium passenger lounge that Delta offers outside of its hub airports.

NEW AT MIDWAY

The Midway Modernization Program — the most significant capital program at Midway in nearly 20 years — elevates the travel experience for visitors and is nearly complete, preparing the airport for future growth.

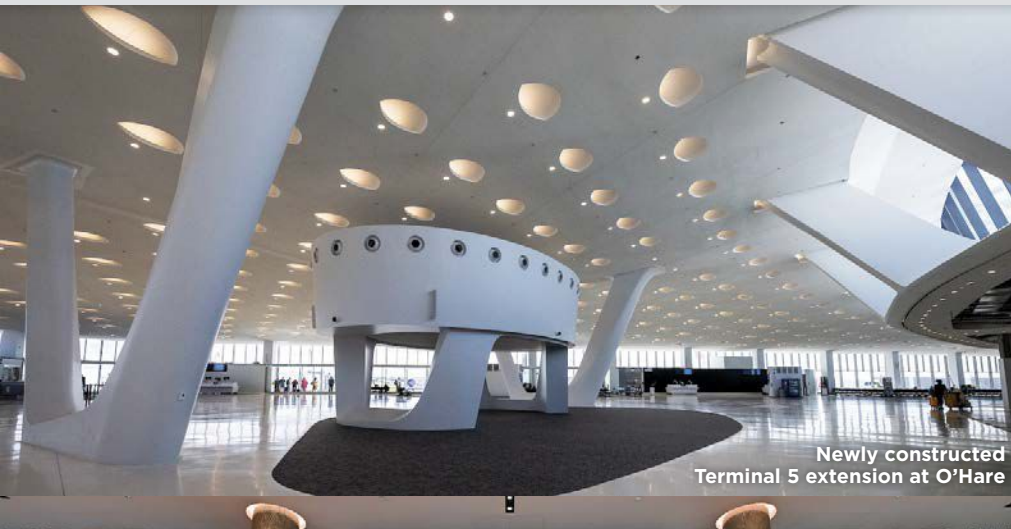
SHOP, DRINK & DINE

Over the last several years, restaurant and retail openings included 30 locations, including Café Descartes (specialty coffee drinks), Gene's Bistro (crowd-pleasing salads and sandwiches) and Billy Goat Tavern (an undisputed Chicago landmark). The newest offerings? Local favorite Garrett Popcorn Shops near Gate B1 and cocktails, seafood, burgers, and more at The Orange Line near Gate B19.

DOUBLE THE CAPACITY

An 80,000-square-foot security pavilion opened in September 2020, touting new technology and a wider, streamlined TSA checkpoint with 23 lanes that double previous capacity while maintaining the highest levels of security. Visitors will see reduced wait times during peak periods with the TSA now able to process as many as 5,000 passengers per hour.

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Newly constructed Terminal 5 extension at O'Hare



New Delta Sky Club at O'Hare in Terminal 5



O'Hare Terminal 5 now offers 13 security checkpoint lanes

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LOCAL FAVORITES

Sample Chicago's top local spots at O'Hare and Midway Airports.

→ SWEET & SAVORY

For tasty travel souvenirs, **Vosges Haut-Chocolat** (ORD Terminals 1, 3) offers one-of-a-kind truffles and signature gift boxes. **Sarah's Candies** (ORD Terminal 2 / MDW Concourse B) is another colorful option. At **Nuts on Clark** (ORD Terminals 1, 2, 3, 5 / MDW Concourse A) you can go sweet, or savory, or both!

→ REFRESHING BREWS

Pair a Cruz Blanca Mexican lager with award-winning sandwiches from **Tortas Frontera by Rick Bayless** (ORD Terminal 1, 3, 5). From pale ale to pilsner, **Goose Island Beer Company** (ORD Terminals 1, 2) has you covered. Belly up to the bar at **Harry Caray's Shortstop** (MDW Concourse A) and pair a cold draft with toasted ravioli.

→ QUICK EATS

Handhelds from fast-casual favorites, like thin crust pizza from **Home Run Inn** (MDW Concourse B) or a fried chicken sandwich from **Big City Chicken** (MDW Concourse B), are great on the go. **Burger Federation** (ORD Terminal 3) touts the "Best Burger in the City" with its Little Miss Figgy Burger.

→ KIDS' PICKS

For your lil' flyers, touch down at **Woodgrain Neapolitan Pizzeria** (MDW Concourse A) for a mini cheese pizzetta and fruit combo. Sports fans will find chicken fingers and "Pitcher's Pasta" on the junior meals menu at **Chicago Cubs Bar & Grill** (ORD Terminal 3).

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O'HARE Catch the CTA Blue Line at O'Hare Station, which directly connects to Terminals 1, 2, and 3. Use the Airport Transit System (ATS) to connect to Terminal 5.

MIDWAY The Midway Station of the CTA Orange Line is located next to the airport terminal and connected by an enclosed walkway.

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The Loop

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RIDE THE BUS

There are 129 CTA bus routes lacing the city — buses stop every few blocks. Several lines operate 24 hours. transitchicago.com

HOP ON METRA

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GRAB A BIKE

Chicago's Divvy bike-sharing program is an inexpensive and easy way to get around. Thousands of bikes are available at hundreds of stations across the city. Single rides are \$1 to unlock and \$0.16 per minute. Or try Divvy's ebike, with a pedal-assist motor. Pay \$1 to unlock the ebike, plus \$0.39 per minute. divvybikes.com

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All fares are subject to change.

CTA FARES

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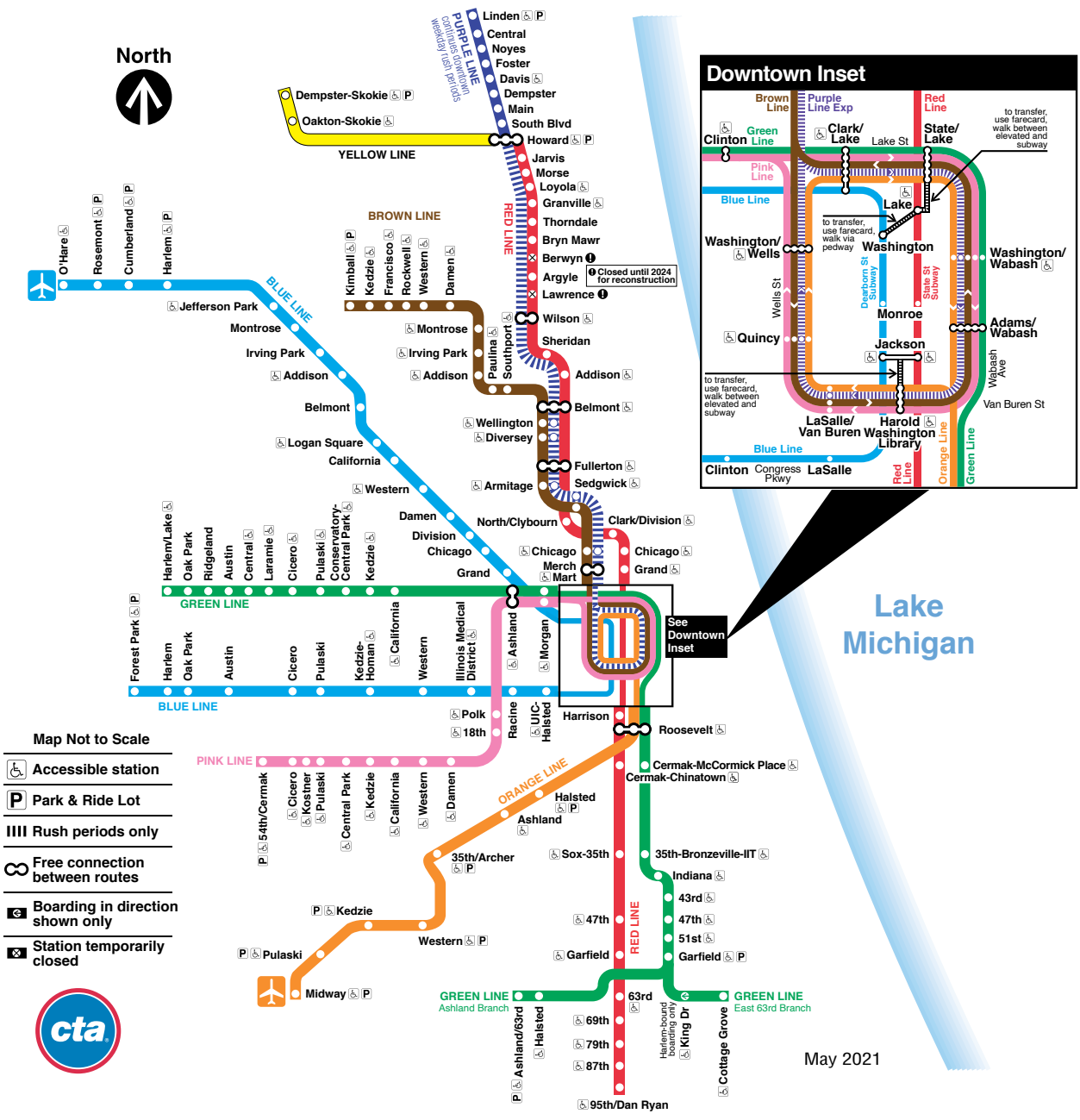
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