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landmarks

DESTINATION	REASON TO VISIT
Buckingham Fountain	One of the largest fountains in the world with dazzling light displays
Chicago Riverwalk	1.25-mile pathway to Lake Michigan
Chicago Water Tower	One of just a few surviving structures still standing from the Great Chicago Fire of 1871
Civic Opera House	The permanent home of the Lyric Opera of Chicago
Garfield Park Conservatory	One of the largest botanical conservatories in the world
Lincoln Park Zoo/Conservatory	A free, family-oriented wildlife experience in the heart of Chicago
Millennium Park	Cloud Gate ("the Bean"), ice skating, art displays, and outdoor events
Navy Pier	An iconic destination on the lakefront and one of the most-visited attractions in the Midwest
Willis Tower	Once the tallest building in the world and still referred to as the "Sears Tower" by locals

venues

DESTINATION	REASON TO VISIT
Daley Plaza	Hosts seasonal events and festivals, plus features the beloved untitled sculpture by Pablo Picasso
McCormick Place	Convention center and home of the Chicago Sky and DePaul Basketball
Northerly Island/Huntington Bank Pavilion	A 91-acre peninsula that hosts outdoor concerts with sweeping views of the skyline
The Second City	The world's premier comedy club, comedy theater, and school of improvisation

art

DESTINATION	REASON TO VISIT
The Art Institute of Chicago	One of the oldest and largest art museums in the world
Chicago Architecture Center	Tours, exhibitions, programs, and events for all ages
Chicago Cultural Center	Free music, dance and theater events, films, lectures, and art exhibitions
Chicago Theatre	Musicians, comedians, and more perform at this legendary venue
Design Museum of Chicago	Inspires, educates, and fosters innovation through design
Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago	One of the world's largest contemporary art venues
Museum of Contemporary Photography	A collection including over 16,000 objects by over 1,500 artists
Steppenwolf Theatre Company	The nation's premier ensemble theatre located in Lincoln Park

history

DESTINATION	REASON TO VISIT
Frederick C. Robie House	A U.S. National Historic Landmark designed by Frank Lloyd Wright
Harold Washington Library	Named in honor of Chicago's first African American mayor, this is the central library for the Chicago Public Library system
Pullman National Monument	The first National Park Service unit in Chicago and home to many historic buildings
Vietnam Veterans Fountain	One of the largest Vietnam memorials outside of Washington D.C.

museums

DESTINATION	REASON TO VISIT
Adler Planetarium	Inspirational and informative astronomy exhibitions with an amazing skyline view
American Writers Museum	Learn about American writers past and present
Chicago's Children's Museum	Fun and educational space for kids
Chicago Sports Museum	Celebrate the world of Chicago sports
DuSable Museum of African American History	Our nation's first independent museum celebrating Black culture
Field Museum	Home to natural wonders, cultural artifacts, and SUE the T. Rex!
McCormick Bridgehouse & Chicago River Museum	360-degree views of the city and river
Museum of Illusions Chicago	An adventure for all ages where you can immerse yourself in the exhibits
Museum of Science and Industry	One of the last remaining buildings from the 1893 World's Fair and home to many award-winning exhibits
National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum	Learn about contributions made by African Americans to America's labor movement
Richard H. Driehaus Museum	Displays of design, architecture, and decorating tastes of Gilded Age America
Shedd Aquarium	A must-see destination featuring over 32,500 creatures from aquatic habitats around the world

sports

DESTINATION	REASON TO VISIT
Guaranteed Rate Field	Home of the Chicago White Sox
Soldier Field	Home of the Chicago Bears and Chicago Fire
United Center	Home of the Chicago Bulls and Chicago Blackhawks
Wrigley Field	Home of the Chicago Cubs

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