GET THE REAL STORY™

For more than 25 years, this tour has been the gold standard and is the only Chicago architecture boat tour led by highly-trained, expert docents. In 90 minutes, our tour provides an overview of historic and modern architectural styles, plus stories about the people who designed and built Chicago. No visit to Chicago is complete without experiencing this unique tour, so accept no substitutes.

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2022 RATES COMING IN MARCH

THINGS TO KNOW

• 90-minute tours depart daily from late March to mid-November
• Frequent and multiple departures available mornings, afternoons and evenings
• Departing from Chicago’s Riverwalk at Michigan Avenue and Wacker Drive (112 E. Wacker Drive)
• Mobility access and motorcoach drop-off on Sub-Wacker Drive at river level
• Beverage packages available
• Private departures can be arranged for groups of 80 to 250
• Rates include applicable tax
• Add-on a visit to the Chicago Architecture Center for $5 per person

To learn more about the CAFC River Cruise aboard Chicago’s First Lady, visit architecture.org/cruise

*CAC is proud to partner with Chicago’s First Lady, home of Chicago’s finest fleet of yachts. Vessels hold a maximum of 125–250 passengers and are equipped with a full-service bar, climate-controlled lower cabins and upscale marble and mahogany bathrooms. A cruise on one of their boats is sure to please, visit cruisechicago.com to learn more.
TOURS & EXHIBITS

WALKING TOURS

Groups of 8 or more are welcome to take some of our most popular tours (listed below). You can also choose a different tour that better fits your plans—just contact our group sales department at 312.322.1130 to discuss your options.

CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE: A WALK THROUGH TIME
1.5 hours / $23 ($250 minimum required)
Get a comprehensive look at Chicago’s architectural history on this unique tour that covers buildings in chronological order. Hear important stories about the city while viewing some of its earliest buildings and new, super-tall high rises.

HISTORIC TREASURES OF CHICAGO’S GOLDEN AGE
1.5 hours / $23 ($250 minimum required)
Learn about the great architectural landmarks of Michigan Avenue and State Street, with glimpses inside beautiful buildings from the 1890s–1930s. Highlights include the dazzling interiors of the Palmer House Hotel and the Chicago Cultural Center.

CHICAGO’S FIRST SKYSCRAPERS
1.5 hours / $23 ($250 minimum required)
Chicago is home to some of the world’s earliest skyscrapers. Get an up-close look at these 19th Century marvels, learn about innovations used to build them and discover how they transformed Chicago into a center of skyscraper design and engineering.

EXHIBITS

Admission: Retail $15 • Groups $12
The Chicago Architecture Center is the city’s newest must-see cultural destination! Come to the CAC to discover the stories and secrets behind Chicago’s architectural wonders—through tours, programs and exciting, interactive exhibits, including:

CHICAGO GALLERY
Learn how Chicago became the “city of architecture,” explore the stories of five evolving neighborhoods, see Chicago’s residential architecture, discover architects who shaped the city and view new up-and-coming projects in this unique gallery.

CHICAGO MODEL EXPERIENCE
The Chicago City Model Experience is the star attraction in the Chicago Gallery, featuring more than 4,000 buildings and interactive elements that tell amazing stories of the city. A film and light show illuminates the Model to show Chicago’s early growth and rebirth after the Great Chicago Fire.

BUILDING TALL
Located on the second floor of the CAC, in the stunning Drake Family Skyscraper Gallery, Building Tall is filled with supersized scale models of famous skyscrapers from Chicago and around the world, including a nearly 40-foot-tall model of Saudi Arabia’s Jeddah Tower, soon to be the tallest building in the world.

1 group leader is complimentary. Student groups require 1 adult chaperone for every 10 students. Chaperones are complementary within a 1:10 ratio.

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