

CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE CENTER

WALKING TOURS



MEET CHICAGO

These tours are great for first-time visitors to Chicago or anyone looking for an introduction to the city's architecture and history.

CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE: A WALK THROUGH TIME

1.5 HRS

Get introduced to Chicago's fascinating architectural history on our only tour that covers buildings in chronological order.

CHICAGO ICONS: CONNECTING PAST AND PRESENT

1.75 HRS

Compare and contrast the histories and styles of buildings located within sight of each other at seven stops in downtown Chicago.

CHICAGO'S FIRST SKYSCRAPERS

Starts at 410 S. Michigan Ave

1.5 HRS

Go back between the years of 1871 and 1934, to watch the city rise from the ashes of the Great Chicago Fire and give the world some of its earliest skyscrapers.

MUST-SEE CHICAGO

1.5 HRS

See some of the city's most famous buildings, like Willis (Sears) Tower, the Chicago Theatre and the Wrigley Building, on this fast-paced, 90-minute introductory tour of Chicago.

AGES AND ERAS

These walks explore specific architectural styles and eras of Chicago's history.

ART DECO SKYSCRAPERS: THE LOOP

Starts at 30 N. LaSalle St

1.5 HRS

View Art Deco masterpieces built in the heart of Chicago's financial district.

ART DECO SKYSCRAPERS: THE RIVERFRONT

1.5 HRS

Tour six opulent Art Deco skyscrapers near the banks of the Chicago River.

HISTORIC TREASURES OF CHICAGO'S GOLDEN AGE

2 HRS

See several breathtaking buildings from the 1890s to the 1930s while learning about architectural landmarks along Michigan Avenue and State Street.

MODERNISM: REVIVING THE LOOP

1.5 HRS

Discover Chicago's unique collection of Modern architecture and enjoy superb views of Chicago's riverfront while learning about this revolutionary mid-20th Century style.

WHAT'S NEW

1.5 HRS

Get a primer on contemporary trends and design innovations during this tour of new buildings near the CAC, all completed within the past decade.

SPOTLIGHT TOURS

These adventures dive deeper into specific themes and building types.

ELEVATED ARCHITECTURE: DOWNTOWN "L" TRAIN

2 HRS

Explore Chicago's amazing architecture from the unique perspective of elevated trains and station platforms. This tour is not ADA accessible. Stairs are required.

ARCHITECTURE OF THE MAGNIFICENT MILE

1.5 HRS

Discover how a dirt road was transformed into the "Mag Mile," the city's premier shopping district, while viewing unique art and architecture hidden in plain sight.

TIFFANY IN CHICAGO

Starts at Chicago Cultural Center's north lobby, 77 E. Randolph St

1.5 HRS

Visit some of Chicago's most magnificent art-glass and mosaic installations, each designed and crafted by the Tiffany Glass and Decorating Company.

Visit architecture.org or call **312.922.8687** to view dates and times for tour departures.

Not seeing what you want? We have many more tours to choose from! Visit architecture.org to tour neighborhoods, individual buildings and Frank Lloyd Wright in Oak Park.

Also visit the Chicago Architecture Center and Design Store at 111 E. Wacker Drive.