



CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE CENTER TO HOST CITY IN A SNOW GLOBE. FIRST HOLIDAY EXHIBITION IN CENTER'S HISTORY

CITY IN A SNOW GLOBE ON VIEW NOVEMBER 17 PRESENTS A SERIES OF IMAGINED WORLDS WHERE CHICAGO'S DOWNTOWN LAKEFRONT IS ALIVE WITH ACTIVITY IN THE WINTER MONTHS.

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City In A Snow Globe Media Kit

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(November 8, 2022) CHICAGO – The [Chicago Architecture Center](#) announced today it will have the first holiday exhibition in its history on view in its Skyscraper Gallery. [City In A Snow Globe](#) on view starting November 17 is designed by the Chicago architecture firm UrbanLab and consists of five individual scale models of winter scenes that visitors can peer into. They include Polar Bear Plunge accommodations, monumental snow men, winterized displays at Buckingham Fountain, plus more novel and exciting ways to inhabit the lakefront when it's cold outside.

Accompanying the holiday exhibition will be a display on the first floor featuring more than two dozen snow globes from local designers and architecture firms. Each participating firm is asked to design around the theme of embracing Chicago winters. The results are fantastical and imaginative interpretations of what it means to be in the city during the coldest months.

"Chicago does a great job of celebrating and making use of our public spaces, especially in the summer. But what would happen if we embraced them in the winter as well? We looked to the design community to create concepts for the lakefront that could keep it alive and vibrant through the colder months, and the results are fantastical and thought-provoking," says Director of Exhibitions and Curator Eve Fineman.

The Chicago Architecture Center's holiday programming will include a [Winter Wonderland Lego Workshop](#) for kids on Saturday, December 3. A festive family workshop that will explore buildings suited for frosty environments. Kids will explore the five individual scale models of winter scenes on display in the City in A Snow Globe and then have an opportunity to create their own icy structure to complete a winter wonderland that will be reviewed by a special guest – a beloved snow queen. All supplies for this workshop will be provided at no cost to children 12 and under, including hot chocolate and cookies.

The Chicago Architecture Center is excited to continue its long-lasting tradition as the go-to for unique design and architecture-themed holiday gifts at its [CAC Design Store](#). The store is known for thoughtful and exclusive gifts for everyone from the architecture buff to the design lover, the diehard Chicagoan to the inquisitive child, and everyone in between. In conjunction with [City in a Snow Globe](#), a commemorative snow globe ornament featuring the Chicago River and our world-famous Chicago skyline will be on sale exclusively in the Design Store. The commemorative ornament is included with the purchase of a Chicago Architecture Center Gift Membership.

Find out more about the Chicago Architecture Center and its work at architecture.org.

About the Chicago Architecture Center

The Chicago Architecture Center (CAC) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1966, dedicated to inspiring people to discover why design matters. A national leader in architecture and design education, the CAC offers tours, programs, exhibitions and more that are part of a dynamic journey of lifelong learning.

The CAC's riverfront location opened in 2018 in the heart of the city, where Michigan Avenue meets the Chicago River. It features nearly 10,000 square feet of exhibition space with views of a century of iconic skyscrapers.

Through partnerships with schools and youth-serving organizations, the CAC reaches approximately 30,000 K-12 students annually, while teacher workshops provide educators with tools and resources they need to advance STEM curricula in their classrooms. Committed to serving under-represented communities in construction, engineering and design professions, the CAC offers many of its education programs—and all of its programs for teens—at no cost to participants. CAC programs for adults and members include talks with acclaimed authors and practicing architects, in-depth presentations on issues and trends in urbanism and classes unlocking subjects related to the built environment.

Proceeds from programs, tours and the CAC Design Store, as well as from grants, sponsorships and donations, support the Center's educational mission. Visit architecture.org to learn more and follow @chiarchitecture and #chiarchitecture on social media.

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