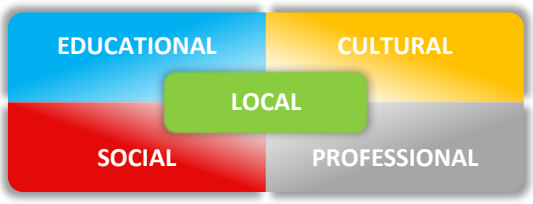
BLEND Community Space



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A unified body of individuals such as:
: a group of people who live in the same area
: a group of people who have the same interests
: an interacting population of various kinds of individuals

BLEND Community Space will operate as a dynamic event space hosting a variety of activities for the Chicagoland area, with a focus on building a stronger community by bringing people together to learn, explore, engage, and connect.

The content of **BLEND** events will be sourced through partnerships with innovative individuals, local businesses, and community organizations; creating a vibrant roster of activity with a range of offerings across five themes.



*Here are a few examples of activities that could appear on the **BLEND** schedule:*

Local
- Attend a "market research" discussion helping a local entrepreneur test a new product or business concept
- Enjoy beer tasting from a local brewery while learning about the beer-making process
- Take an “Intro to _____” class led by a local small business owner explaining the history, features, and uses for their product offerings

Educational
- Learn how to grow your own food
- Watch a documentary on the growth of economic inequality
- Listen to a panel discussion of public officers and community leaders

Cultural
- Watch a traditional dance or musical performance by a local cultural organization
- Partner with a native speaker to practice your language skills, while helping them with their English

Social
- Attend a BYOB movie night
- Indulge and connect with new friends at a pop-up dinner party
- Listen to live performances by artists, story tellers, comedians, musicians, magicians

Professional
- Practice your interview skills one-on-one with an HR Director
- Learn how to tell "your story" to better relate with customers, prospective business partners, and investors
- Listen to a local Executive Chef tell the story of his career path and learn the “ins and outs” of the industry



BLEND Community Space will be a destination for Chicagoans to connect with their neighbors while also engaging with and learning about: local businesses, community organizations, public officials, and more.

The mission of BLEND is to build stronger communities by connecting people through interactive events and social learning opportunities.