

# **Family Friendly Chicago Attractions**

## Art Institute – 111 S. Michigan Ave.

- Thorne Rooms 68 miniature rooms from around the world capturing various periods in history (13th century to the 1930s)
- The Hall of Armor -a collection of arms and armor dating to the Renaissance period
- Artful Alphabets 5 different artists sculpt letters
- Lions Trail Family Tour designed for kids ages 5-10, it's a dramatic and fun tour of the permanent collection with 32 kid friendly stops

## Field Museum - 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive

- Crown Family Playlab encourages kids exploration and creative play
- Family Adventure Tours can be picked up from the information desk or downloaded in advance.

### Shedd Aguarium - 1200 S. Lake Shore Drive

- Jellies discover the way these translucent animals survive (and thrive) in the world's ocean
- The Wild Reef descend to get a diver's eye view of a diverse marine metropolis
- Polar Play Zone a hands-on area for creative play
- The Aquatic Show dolphins soar and belugas dance (5-6 shows daily)
- Consider a water taxi that circulates between the Shedd and Navy Pier for fun views of the city from the water.

#### Chicago Sports Museum - 835 North Michigan Avenue

- Located seven floors above Chicago's historic Magnificent Mile, in Water Tower Place, the Chicago Sports Museum offers interactive exhibits, virtual reality experiences, and a unique collection of memorabilia. It's a must see for sports fans.
- Guests who dine at the adjacent Harry Caray's 7th Inning Stretch restaurant receive complimentary admission to the Museum.

## Adler Planetarium - 1300 S. Lake Shore Drive

- Planet Explorers offers kids a hands-on space adventure
- One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure a Sesame Street inspired show

#### Museum of Science & Industry – 5700 S. Lake Shore Drive

- Science Storms feel the physics and consider the chemistry of natural phenomena
- Coal Mine descend the mine shaft and ride on the rails to explore coal mining
- Colleen Moore's Fairy Castle an elaborate miniature house where Walt Disney painted some of the murals and real diamonds and emeralds adorn the furnishings
- You: The Experience celebrate the connection between the mind, body and spirit in fun, interactive kiosks
- U-505 board and explore a real German submarine, the only one in the U.S.



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## Navy Pier - 700 E. Grand

- Pier Park Don't miss the Ferris Wheel (modeled after the one built for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition), the musical carousel, Wave Swinger, mini-golf or the interactive maze.
- Children's Museum 13 permanent exhibits that encourage kids to splash, build, climb and explore

#### Lincoln Park Zoo - 2200 N. Cannon Drive

One of the nation's oldest zoos with 1200 animals. Admission is free and the zoo is open daily.

## Millennium Park - 201 E. Randolph

A state-of-the-art collection of art and architecture that appeals to parents, while the fountains and gardens cater to the kids. Frequent family programming includes music, dance and other interactive kid's activities.

#### Seneca Park - 160 E. Pearson

Our neighborhood park is complete with two separate areas of age appropriate play equipment. The area for younger kids features a gigantic fire truck, train and sandbox. The area for older kids has climbing equipment that challenges and entertains. The park backs up to the Fire House and features closing gates for security.

Please note that we have a toy box complete with some family friendly games and DVDs. Please see the concierge for details.