### **CHICAGO**

State Illinois
Population 2,722,389
Area 234.0 sq. mi

Time Zone
Climate

Central (UTC-6)
Humid Continental

Incorporated 1837

### TOP REASONS TO VISIT THE WINDY CITY

Alive with eclectic music, fine art, and stunning architecture, Chicago is a place not only city-lovers dream of, but also where nature lovers can find a bit of sanctuary amidst a bustling metropolis.

See below for some great options at or around the 2024 NASPE Annual Meeting!

#### **Architecture**

Chicago's architecture is one of the most stunning in the world. Check out the Willis Tower, John Hancock Center, and the iconic Cloud Gate sculpture. Find the perfect tour for you at <u>Chicago</u> Architecture Center.

#### Food

There are over 4,700 restaurants in Chicago. The city is home to some of the world's most elite chefs at the forefront of cutting-edge cuisine. Explore Chicago's palate pleasers here.

#### The Arts

Chicago is home to the finest art galleries. The Art Institute of Chicago has more than 300,000 works. Tripadvisor hails it as the world's #1 museum. Broadway in Chicago welcomes SIX the Musical to Chicago through July 14, just in time to catch a show before the Annual Meeting.

#### **Sports**

Home to some of the most iconic sports teams in the world! While in town, catch a WNBA Game with the Chicago Sky (7/10 or 13) or cheer on the Southsiders when the White Sox take on the Mets (July 9 or 10) or the Pirates (July 12-14).

#### **Green Spaces**

There are over 500 gardens and parks to explore in Chicago. .Pull up a blanket to enjoy world renowned classical music with the Grant Park Music Festival.

#### Live music venues

This city is in love with jazz and blues, as well as music festivals and concerts of all kinds. See a ton of today's best country artists at the Windy City Smokeout July 11-14.



#### **FUN FACTS ABOUT CHICAGO**

An average of 35 million visitors and tourists flock to Chicago every year.



One of the largest collections of Impressionist paintings is found at the Art Institute of Chicago.



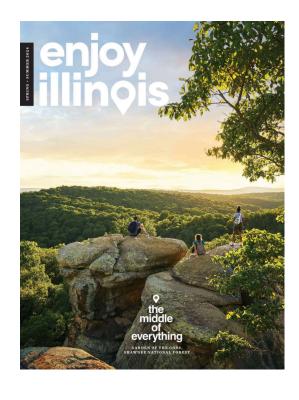


4 states are visible from the top of the Willis Tower: Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.



At 23.5 miles, Chicago's Western Avenue is the world's longest continuous street.

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