



Chicago-Area Museums Work for You

These 16 Chicago-Area Museums and Zoos are partners in the effort to convey the value of museums and their contributions to the people of the State of Illinois.

Adler Planetarium	Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center
Art Institute of Chicago	Lincoln Park Zoo
Chicago Botanic Garden	Museum of Contemporary Art
Chicago Children’s Museum	Museum of Science and Industry
Chicago History Museum	National Museum of Mexican Art
Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo	National Museum of Puerto Rican Arts & Culture
DuSable Black History Museum & Education Center	Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
Field Museum	Shedd Aquarium

Chicago-Area Museums Work for Jobs, Economy, and Tax Base

- 34,000 jobs Estimated number of full-time equivalent jobs generated in 2023 due to the expenditures made by Chicago-Area Museums and Zoos and audiences.
- \$1.1 billion Estimated total expenditures generated in 2023 by Chicago-Area Museums and Zoos and audiences.
- \$823 million Estimated household income paid to community residents in 2023 as a result of the expenditures of Chicago-Area Museums and Zoos and audiences (includes salaries, wages, and proprietary income).
- \$48 million Estimated local government tax revenue generated in 2023 due to the expenditures of the Chicago-Area Museums and Zoos and audiences.
- \$57 million Estimated state government tax revenue generated in 2023 due to the expenditures of the Chicago-Area Museums and Zoos and audiences.

Source: Americans for the Arts “Arts & Economic Prosperity Calculator” based on combined operating expenditures and attendance figures.

Chicago-Area Museum Attendance in 2023

13,421,562	Total Visitors
1,232,902	Free Day attendance
952,832	School Group attendance

In 2023 **45%** of all attendees visited for FREE

CHICAGO has world-class **MUSEUMS**, **ZOOS** and **GARDENS**, which have so much to offer. These remarkable institutions inspire people of all ages to discover and experience art, science, history, wildlife and nature. Museums are a top reason tourists visit our state. Chicago **MUSEUMS**, **ZOOS** and **GARDENS** welcome you!

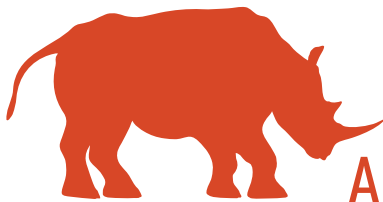
13+ MILLION VISITORS IN 2023



SIXTEEN MEMBER INSTITUTIONS



35,000 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFERED EVERY YEAR



6,000 ZOO ANIMALS

2.5 MILLION PLANTS



1.5 MILLION SCHOOL VISITS EACH YEAR



325,000 WORKS OF ART

65,000 SCIENTIFIC OBJECTS



23 MILLION SPECIMENS FROM NATURE

22 MILLION HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS

32,000 AQUATIC ANIMALS



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