Lincoln Park Conservatory
Lincoln Park is home to some of Chicago’s most frequently used parks, with 20 million visitors a year. In addition to lakefront access, ponds, and walking paths, Lincoln Park is also home to some of Chicago’s most famous museums. One of the city’s first public museums and the model for the Chicago Park District’s museum-in-the-park program, The Chicago Academy of Arts and Sciences, moved into the park in 1898. They relocated in 1999 and the museum is now called the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. The Lincoln Park Conservatory was completed in 1895 and is described as “paradise under glass” showcasing exotic plants in their four display houses. The Chicago History Museum opened in the park in 1932 and is home to over 22 million artifacts, exhibits and interactive programming.

HISTORY

As one of Chicago’s most visited neighborhoods, Lincoln Park is home to four unique hubs anchored by some of Chicago’s most famous cultural institutions. Treat yourself to Lincoln Park’s incredible culinary scene, one-of-a-kind shopping, award-winning theaters, accessible museums and legendary live music.

WHAT TO DO?

• Catch a show at Steppenwolf Theatre’s sprawling campus on N. Halsted featuring four theaters and two lobby bars.
• Warm up with fondue at Geja’s Café which opened as Chicago’s first wine bar in 1965.
• Head to Armitage and Halsted for a day of shopping while enjoying the historic Victorian-era architecture.
• Enjoy gorgeous lakeside and skyline views while dining at The Lakefront Restaurant located at Chicago’s historic Theater on the Lake.

VISIT LINCOLN PARK

Bustling with culture and activity, Lincoln Park offers world-class theater and entertainment venues, exceptional dining and shopping and amazing cultural attractions, and of course, its lakefront parks and activities. Located just two miles north of the Magnificent Mile and downtown’s many hotels and attractions, Lincoln Park is an urban oasis with impressive architecture and skyline views combined with plentiful parks and outdoor space. The neighborhood is home to a variety of destinations ranging from active to artistic, that are unmatched anywhere else in the city. Whether you want to immerse yourself in arts and culture, dine on award-winning cuisine or enjoy outstanding shopping, Lincoln Park offers an unparalleled experience.

CULTURE

Lakefront-Clark

Spend the day at Lincoln Park Zoo, the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago History Museum or check out a new exhibit at Wrightwood 659.

Armitage – Halsted

In addition to being one of Chicago’s most famous shopping districts and home to the Old Town School of Folk Music’s home on Armitage, this is also known as Lincoln Park’s unofficial wine district anchored by 39 Wine Bar, Summer House Santa Monica and Birch Road Cellar. Lincoln Park’s private wine club.

Lincoln – Halsted

Lincoln Avenue is one of Chicago’s famed diagonal streets and features renowned local theaters and iconic music venues anchored by DePaul University’s School of Music, Theatre School at DePaul and the DePaul Art Museum as well as Lincoln Common.

North – Clybourn

From local gems to national retailers, the North – Clybourn area features the acclaimed Steppenwolf Theatre and NEWCITY complex.

GETTING THERE

BY TRAIN
Lincoln Park is serviced by three CTA lines: the Brown, Red, and Purple Lines.

BY CAR
Lincoln Park is easily accessed from the Kennedy Expressway with exits at Diversey, Fullerton, Damen, Armitage, and North as well as Lake Shore Drive with exits at Fullerton and North Ave.

BY BUS
Several CTA lines service the Lincoln Park neighborhood: 8, 22, 36, 73, 74, 72, 151, 156. Please confirm routes and schedules at www.transitchicago.com

BY BIKE
The Lakefront Trail, which runs from Rogers Park to Hyde Park, provides car-free biking across the length of the city with Lincoln Park exits at Diversey Harbor, W. Fullerton, and W. LaSalle.

FUN FACT

The Lincoln Park Zoo started off small with the gift of two swans and then the purchase of a bear cub for $10 in 1874. Lincoln Park Zoo is now home to more than 1,100 animals and is one of the last free zoos in the country.

LINCOLN PARK

Lincoln Park is home to some of the most Instagrammable spots in Chicago. Grab your camera and check out Lincoln Park’s fantastic murals, sculptures and public art installations.

INSIDER TIP

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