

## HISTORY

Following the 1889 municipal elections, the South Shore community area was annexed into the City of Chicago with the entirety of Hyde Park Township, which had grown as workers in the nearby steel industry settled in the area.

As in other parts of Chicago, the desire for affordable housing at the start of the twentieth century led to the large-scale construction of bungalows.

After racially restrictive covenants were declared unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court, African American families began to move out of more overcrowded black neighborhoods into South Shore. By the late 1990s, South Shore had developed into a middle-class African American community.

This neighborhood was home to Bo Diddley, Michelle Obama, James T. Farrell, Jesse Jackson, Ramsey Lewis, Gale Sayers and Kanye West.



Jeffrey-Cyril-Historic District

## WHAT TO DO?

- Visit the **Stony Island Arts Bank**, once a crumbling bank building that's been transformed into a stunning cultural haven.
- Be inspired by a show at **eta Creative Arts Foundation**, a performing arts center that's been showcasing Black culture through theater for more than 50 years.
- Visit **The Quarry Event Center** on Friday nights for their weekly live jazz shows.
- Visit **Full Service Video Productions** on Tuesday nights for a live comedy show.

## GETTING THERE

### BY TRAIN

**Metra Electric line (Millennium Station-University Park) to South Shore (E. 71st St.).**

Please confirm schedules at [www.metra.com](http://www.metra.com)

### BY BUS

**Several CTA lines service the South Shore neighborhood: J14, 6 and 71.**

Please confirm routes and schedules at [www.transitchicago.com](http://www.transitchicago.com)

### BY CAR

**South Shore is conveniently located at the southern terminus of Jean Baptiste Point DuSable Lake Shore Drive on the lakefront. Travel south from the Loop to E. 67th St.**

### BY BIKE

**The Lakefront Trail, which stretches to the Far North Side providing car-free biking across the length of the city, extends south to E. 71st St. in South Shore.**

## CULTURE

Housed in a former country club, the **South Shore Cultural Center** is nestled on manicured, picnic-worthy grounds that include a nature sanctuary, a butterfly garden, and a nine-hole golf course.

Inside, you'll find a rich array of cultural programming, a restaurant run by the in-house culinary institute, and a theater that hosts a variety of community groups like the **South Shore Opera**. The center is also home to the annual **South Shore Summer Festival**.



New Regal Theater

### FUN FACT

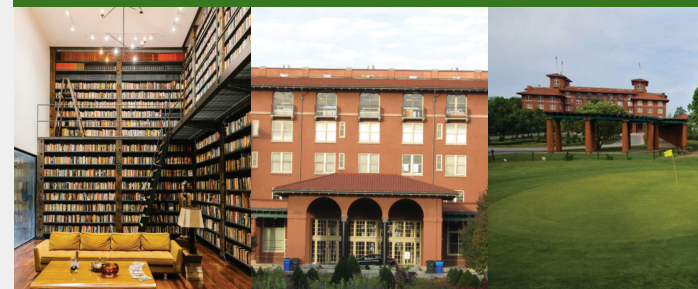
The Center was the site of Barack and Michelle Obama's wedding reception!

Get a glimpse of the area's unique residential architecture in Jackson Park Highlands. This charming pocket of homes features a hodgepodge of architectural styles and towering mansions.

Don't miss the striking Prairie-style home by Frank Lloyd Wright's protege John S. Van Bergen (his only design in Chicago) at 7121 S. Paxton Ave.

South Shore is also home to Back Alley Jazz, a longstanding tradition surrounding Jazz and BBQ. The informal jazz-focused block parties now host some of Chicago's most formidable Jazz musicians.

## VISIT SOUTH SHORE



Stony Island Arts Bank

South Shore Cultural Center

South Shore Golf Course

### SOUTH SHORE

is home to a pristine stretch of lakefront that includes one of the city's largest beaches, a golf course, and the stunning South Shore Cultural Center. These assets have helped bolster the area's reputation as an outdoor destination for families and athletes alike. Wander away from the water and into the neighborhood to discover a wealth of rich cultural offerings and eye-catching architecture!

### INSIDER TIP

Head to Rainbow Beach Park to get a sense of what South Shore has to offer. The gorgeous outdoor space features playgrounds, tennis courts, a public beach, a community garden, and jaw-dropping views of the Chicago lakefront and skyline. As of 2022, you can also enjoy a new restaurant at the beach operated by Norman's Bistro!



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## CULTURE & THEATRE

## FOOD & BEVERAGE

## PARKS & BEACHES

## SERVICES



## FOOD & BEVERAGE

<b>The Slab BBQ</b> 1918 E 71st St .....	25
<b>South Shore Brew</b> 7101 S Yates Blvd .....	26
<b>South Shore Culinary Center</b> .....	27
7049 S South Shore Dr	
<b>Starbucks</b> 7101 S Stony Island Ave .....	28
<b>Surf's Up South Shore</b> 2236 E 71st St .....	29
<b>24 Hour Gyro</b> 2058 E 71st Street .....	30

## PARKS & BEACHES

<b>Arthur Ashe Beach Park</b> 2701 E 74th St .....	31
<b>Chestnut Park</b> 7001 S Dante Ave .....	32
<b>Don Nash Community Center</b> 1833 E 71st St .....	33
<b>Essex Playlot Park</b> 7687 S South Chicago Ave .....	34
<b>Hasan (Elliot) Park</b> 6855 S Oglesby Ave .....	35
<b>Hodes (Barnet) Park Jackson Park</b> .....	36
1607 E 73rd St	
<b>Jackson Park Inner Harbor and Yacht Club</b> ...	37
6400 S Lake Shore Dr	
<b>Museum Shores Boat Harbor</b> .....	38
5900 South Shore Dr	
<b>Rainbow Beach Field House</b> 2873 E 75th St .....	39
<b>Rosenblum Park</b> 7547 S Euclid Ave .....	40
<b>South Shore Beach and Rainbow Beach</b> .....	41
3111 E 77th Street	
<b>South Shore Nature Sanctuary</b> .....	42
Within: <b>South Shore Cultural Center Park</b>	
7059 S South Shore Dr	
<b>South Shore Park</b> S Shore Drive & 68th Street .....	43
<b>Windsor Park Community Garden</b> .....	44
7557 S Saginaw Ave	
<b>Woodhull (Ross) Park</b> 7340 S East End Ave .....	45
<b>59th St Harbor</b> 5900 S Lake Shore Dr .....	46

## SERVICES

<b>Comer Children's Hospital</b> 5721 S Maryland Ave .....	47
<b>Chicago Fire Department</b> 7313 S Kingston Ave .....	48
<b>Jackson Park Hospital</b> 7531 S Stony Island Ave .....	49
<b>South Shore Branch of the Chicago Public Library</b> .....	50
2505 E 73rd St	
<b>South Shore Hospital</b> 8012 S Crandon Ave .....	51
<b>CYC-Rebecca K. Crown Youth Center</b> .....	52
7601 S Phillips Ave	
<b>United States Postal Service</b> .....	53
7436 S Exchange Ave	
<b>5th Ward Alderman Leslie A. Hairston</b> .....	2325 E 71st St
<b>7th Ward Alderman Greg Mitchell</b> .....	2249 E 95th St
<b>8th Ward Alderman Michelle Harris</b> .....	8539 S Cottage Grove Ave

## CULTURE & THEATER

<b>The Artisan Collective</b> 1735 E 71st St .....	1
<b>Avalon Regal Theater</b> 1645 E 79th St .....	2
<b>DuSable Museum of African American History</b> .....	3
740 E 56th Pl	
<b>ETA Creative Arts Foundation</b> .....	4
7558 S South Chicago Ave	
<b>Museum of Science and Industry</b> .....	5
5700 S DuSable Lake Shore Dr	
<b>Pink Giraffe Art Studio</b> 2340 E 75th St .....	6
<b>Sisters In Cinema</b> 2310 E 75th St .....	7
<b>South Shore Cultural Center</b> .....	8
7059 S South Shore Dr	
<b>Stony Island Arts Bank</b> 6760 S Stony Island Ave .....	9

## FOOD & BEVERAGE

<b>AP Deli</b> 1759 E 75th .....	10
<b>Chef Sara's Cafe</b> 7201 S Exchange .....	11
<b>Dominos Pizza</b> 2101 E 71st Street .....	12
<b>Give Me Some Sugah</b> 1966 E 73rd St .....	13
<b>The Foodie's Spot</b> 7350 S Stony Island .....	14
<b>Italian Fiesta Pizzeria</b> 1919 E 71st St .....	15
<b>Jeffery Big Market</b> 2016 E 71st Street .....	16
<b>Jeffery Chicken and Subs</b> 2012 E 71st Street .....	17
<b>Jeffery Pub</b> 7041 S Jeffery Blvd .....	18
<b>Jewel Osco</b> 7530 South Stony Island .....	19
<b>Local Market Foods</b> 2101 E 71st St .....	20
<b>Majani Vegan Restaurant</b> 7167 S Exchange Ave .....	21
<b>Mary Jane Cafe</b> 7112 S Yates Blvd .....	22
<b>The Quarry Event Center</b> 2423 E 75th St .....	23
<b>Reggies on the Beach</b> 6259 S Shore Dr .....	24