

A mural-adorned enclave known for its Mexican heritage, where authentic taquerias, colorful galleries, and vibrant events light up every visit.

PILSEN

Named one of the coolest neighborhoods around the world by Forbes, Pilsen pulses with Mexican culture. Start on 18th Street, a bustling commercial district rich in music, art, culinary tradition, and nightlife. Grab breakfast at a cozy coffee shop or panaderia, browse bookstores and record shops, or settle in for live music at one of the local music venues. Don't miss the National Museum of Mexican Art where you can find exhibits filled with a collection of textiles, folk art, prints, photos, and more. If you're feeling creative, wander the two-mile mural embankment that runs along 16th Street from Halsted to Western, then catch a live concert at Thalia Hall



A nature lover's dream with lakefront trails, lush gardens, a hidden lily pond, and the nation's oldest free zoo.

Just two miles north of the Magnificent Mile, this lakefront community is an urban oasis with impressive architecture and skyline views combined with parks and beaches. Its four vibrant hubs are packed with world class dining, award-winning theaters, and legendary live music venues like Kingston Mines or Old Town School of Folk Music. Head to Armitage and **Halsted** for a day of shopping while enjoying the historic Victorian-era architecture. Explore gems along the lakefront like the Lincoln Park Zoo, Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, or Chicago History Museum. End your day with a show at Steppenwolf Theatre or improv at The Second City.

A historic community near the river, where ornate architecture, lively markets, and family-owned restaurants bring Chinese traditions to life.

Step through the ornate **Chinatown Gate** and experience the best kind of sensory overload. Along Cermak Road and Wentworth Avenue, you'll encounter East Asian-inspired retail, restaurants, and architecture. Snap a photo beside the **Nine Dragon Wall** or the pagoda-styled **Pui Tak Center**, then wander Chinatown Square, an outdoor mall, before digging into dim sum, soup dumplings and pork buns. The seasonal Water Taxi can take you from the Loop to the beautiful Ping Tom Memorial Park in Chinatown. Make sure to come back during the summer to cheer on the boat teams in the **Dragon Boat Race for** Literacy!

Each of these neighborhoods is just a short ride from the Loop and easily accessible by public transit, bike, or car. For CTA bus and train routes and schedules, visit transitchicago.com.

Bronzeville

Take the CTA Green Line south toward Ashland/63rd or Cottage Grove and get off at 35th-Bronzeville-IIT, Indiana, 43rd, or 47th. You can also catch the #3 King Drive or #4 Cottage Grove CTA bus from downtown along Michigan Avenue.

West Town

Go northwest on the CTA Blue Line toward O'Hare and get off at the Grand, Division or Chicago stations.

Pilsen Take the CTA Pink Line toward 54th/Cermak and get off at the

18th Street station.

Chinatown

Take the CTA Red Line toward 95th Street and get off at Cermak-Chinatown or hop on the #62 Archer CTA bus. You can also take a water taxi (seasonally) from the Loop for a scenic route to Ping Tom Memorial Park.

Lincoln Park

Take the CTA Red Line toward Howard and exit at North/ Clybourn or Fullerton, or ride the Brown Line toward Kimball and exit at Armitage, Fullerton, or Diversey. You can also take the #22 Clark or #36 Broadway CTA bus, or bike north along the Lakefront Trail and exit at Diversey Harbor, Fullerton, or LaSalle.





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