



# Lisa says... Fascination Stations!!!

Chicago has many world-renowned museums, art galleries and cultural centers throughout downtown and our neighborhoods. Give yourself at least a day to explore some of the many fascinating options listed below.

## Close to the hostel: a quick walk to great museums!



Adler

**Adler Planetarium:** 1300 S Lake Shore Dr, 20 minute walk or take CTA bus #146. [www.adlerplanetarium.org](http://www.adlerplanetarium.org) \$10. Star gaze by day or night, Adler Planetarium will get your imagination going. See a night sky show in the star flyer theater. Check out Black holes a cool surrounding adventure in the Star flyer theater.



Field

**Field Museum:** 1400 S Lake Shore Dr, 15 minute walk or take CTA bus #146. [www.fieldmuseum.org](http://www.fieldmuseum.org) \$12, see website for FREE days.

Check out Sue the world's largest and most complete T-Rex dinosaur. Founded in 1893, it is one of the world's largest museums of natural history. Featuring world-renowned exhibits like Pompeii, Evolution, Egypt, Mayan, and more.



AIC

**Art Institute of Chicago:** 111 South Michigan Ave, walk north 3 blocks. [www.artic.edu](http://www.artic.edu) \$12, FREE on Thursday evenings from 5-8PM.

Amazing works of art are found here. Check out the impressionist painting wing featuring great works from notable artists Monet, Manet, Seurat, Degas and Van Gough.



Shedd

**Shedd Aquarium:** 1200 S Lake Shore Dr, walk or take CTA bus #146. [www.sheddaquarium.org](http://www.sheddaquarium.org) \$23

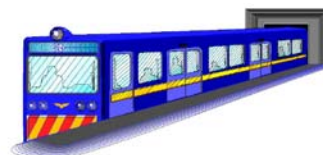
The world's largest and oldest aquarium. Hear the Beluga whales, see the dolphins jump and practice their natural behaviors in the Oceanarium. The wild reef houses an amazing 25 different species of sharks, rays and turtles. Check their website for FREE days - or ask at the hostel for latest info.



CCC

**Chicago Cultural Center:** 78 E Washington St, walk 6 blocks north from hostel. [City of Chicago website](#). FREE! Former library of Chicago the "peoples palace" is known for its free events ranging from concerts, films and art exhibits. The mesmerizing tiffany stained glass domes inscribed with famous authors' names are a must see! Also home to the Chicago Information Center.

### Take public transportation to culture!



MCA

**Museum of Contemporary Art:** 220 E Chicago Ave, Take CTA Red line to Chicago. [www.mcachicago.org](http://www.mcachicago.org) \$6 students, \$10 regular and FREE Tuesdays. Incredible collection of modern art; permanent collection includes Franz Kline, Andy Warhol and Jeff Koons. Experience creativity and challenge your mind.



MSI

**Museum of Science and Industry:** 57<sup>th</sup> St & Lake Shore Drive, take CTA Bus #6 to 56<sup>th</sup> St. [www.msichicago.org](http://www.msichicago.org) \$11 museum, additional fee for special exhibits. Created for the World Columbian Exposition of 1893, opened as museum in 1933. It has many interactive exhibits, one of my favorites in the mining exhibit and the World War II German submarine U-505.



Intuit

**Intuit:** The Center for Intuitive and Outsider Art: 756 N Milwaukee Ave. Take CTA Blue Line to Chicago [www.outsider.art.org](http://www.outsider.art.org) FREE. This "quirky" gallery and shop offers a diversion from mainstream art galleries. Exhibits are ever changing from "lost/found" photographs to artists who aren't "officially" recognized by the mainstream galleries. The shop also has some interesting gifts as well. Hours Tuesday-Saturday 11am-5pm, Thursday until 7:30pm

### Need more inside information? Check out these listings...

- 🕒 metromix [chicago.metromix.com](http://chicago.metromix.com)
- 🕒 UR Magazine [www.urchicago.com](http://www.urchicago.com)
- 🕒 Chicago Reader [www.chicagoreader.com](http://www.chicagoreader.com)
- 🕒 Centerstage [www.centerstage.net](http://www.centerstage.net)

