

Exploring Chicago for 73 Years

The Know Your Chicago Committee takes great pride in welcoming you to our 73rd season of civic engagement with the Chicago community. This season once again offers in-person Tours and an expanded Symposium at a convenient downtown location.

As always, we are delighted to partner with distinguished organizations and neighborhoods across the city to provide Tours on the impact of sports on disadvantaged youth, insights into the cultural diversity of the Pilsen neighborhood, and a behind-the-scenes peek of the proposed improvements to O'Hare International Airport. In addition, at our annual Symposium on September 7, notable speakers will introduce these three topics and two additional discussions on lakefront erosion and the art and architecture of Edgar Miller. This year, the Symposium is being held in the lovely Lincoln Ballroom at the Union League Club of Chicago, conveniently located at 65 West Jackson Boulevard.

Details on all Tours and the Symposium are included in this e-brochure and the Know Your Chicago website (www.knowyourchicago.org), which will be updated this summer. You'll also receive emails with pertinent information.

Registration for our 2022 season begins on July 25.

Welcome to our exciting 73rd season! It'll be wonderful to see you in person. In the meantime, we hope you have a happy and healthy summer.

With best wishes, Kitty Freidheim, Chair

Our Partner



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2022 Schedule

Know Your Chicago 2022 Symposium-9/7/22

Light breakfast and plated lunch will be served

TOUR 1 Game Changer: How Youth Sports are Transforming Communities— 9/21/22

TOUR 2 Pilsen: A Heart of Mexican Culture-9/28/22 or 9/29/22

TOUR 3 O'Hare: Transforming Chicago's Gateway to the World—10/13/22 or 10/14/22

History

Founded in 1948 by Mary Ward Wolkonsky, Know Your Chicago seeks to provide Chicagoans with insight into the forces and institutions that shape our city so that we might be more active and engaged citizens. Over its long history, Know Your Chicago has enabled thousands to experience the unique, the serious, the humorous, the beautiful, and often the little-known aspects of this wonderful city.

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Know Your Chicago Committee

All Know Your Chicago programming is researched, planned, and implemented by the Know Your Chicago committee with the support of the University of Chicago Graham School. Please join us in thanking the 2022 Know Your Chicago Committee Members.

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In some of our city's most under-resourced neighborhoods, where even residents' most diligent efforts and community pride can't fully compensate for the societal hazards and economic perils that threaten the wellbeing of too many, an unexpected and powerful force is transforming children's lives.

This tour demonstrates how a unique group of organizations are reinvesting in their communities through an array of sportscentered enrichment programs specifically aimed to counteract risk factors in the youth they support. Join us as we showcase revitalization efforts thriving on playing fields, racquet courts, foam-matted rings, and putting greens throughout the city.

We will explore transformative sports-based youth development programs to learn how, why, what, and where this is happening and hear about the remarkable impact on kids, families, and neighborhoods. We will

discover how children from kindergarten through college, and even after, participate in powerful, research-proven, athletics-based programs. Programs that offer a safe haven, exceptional guidance, and critical support in social and emotional development, in addition to academics and crucial life skills.

Visits to XS Tennis, Metro Squash, and Beat the Streets will feature tours and demonstrations. Leaders at The Bloc, Lost Boyz, First Tee, and others will share their own life experiences — and how they are collaborating and sharing resources to change the culture of youth sports.

Shown through the eyes of dedicated founders, coaches, counselors, mentors, and aspiring student-athletes, this tour presents a brighter future for our entire city, and will be an eye-opening, inspiring day you don't want to miss.

Tour One

Moderate Walking Involved
Wednesday, September 21



Pilsen, once home to thousands of Czech immigrants, is today the the hub of Mexican culture in Chicago. This vibrant neighborhood is full of families who know each other and walk their children to school, art galleries lining the streets, stunning murals from the 1970s painted on buildings, and lively restaurants found on nearly every block. Today, Pilsen continues to hold onto its identity as developers attempt to move in and change the atmosphere of this proud, cohesive neighborhood.

If you don't get to Mexico, let Mexico come to you! Pilsen also boasts the National Museum of Mexican Art with an 18,000 piece collection, including significant examples of Mexican art, that attracts visitors from around the world while serving its community through outreach programs. Led by a museum curator, we will have a private tour of the "Dios de Los Muertos" exhibition that honors and celebrates the

lives of lost loved ones with work by artists from both sides of the border.

Join us as we walk the neighborhood with our own personal guide describing the stories behind the street murals. And you won't want to miss the culmination of our day — lunch at a delicious, authentic Mexican local restaurant with a chef mentored by restaurateur Rick Bayless.

Come explore with us the art, architecture, food, and people of this one-of-a-kind Chicago neighborhood.

This is a shorter tour day, ending at about 1:30 pm, with bus transport to the Ogilvie Transportation Center after your exciting time and delicious lunch in Pilsen.

Tour Two

Moderate Walking Involved Wednesday, September 28 or Thursday, September 29



O'Hare International, for a time the world's busiest airport, puts Chicago "on the map." It has always been a marker of our great city and the number one economic engine for the state. With our city facing so many challenges and searching for opportunities, investing in this asset is key to Chicago's future success. Not only is O'Hare a gateway through which Chicagoans can visit the rest of the world, but it also brings the rest of the world to us.

Join us for a behind-the-scenes tour of O'Hare's \$8.5 billion infrastructure project in mid-transformation. Learn how improved roads, runways, and additional gates will ease congestion for cars and planes. Hear plans to reimagine terminals to bring opportunities for more restaurants, shops, and amenities. Imagine the increased ease for the traveling public that strategically

placed moving walkways, streamlined baggage handling, and easy-to-navigate security check points will offer.

Listen as expert guides detail the complexities of orchestrating these bigticket projects to ensure the modernization project begun in 2005 will guarantee Chicago's future position in domestic and international commerce.

For the past two years, we've been dreaming of traveling again. Now we can finally spread our wings and journey to both exotic and familiar lands. O'Hare is our gateway on that journey—come learn how it will be part of the adventure.

Although we will not be in the terminals, all attendees will be required to go through airport security and show picture ID.

Tour Three

Moderate Walking Involved

Thursday, October 13 or Friday October 14



ENHANCING TOUR ONE:

YOUTH SPORTS:

TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES





Kamau Murray, Founder, XS Tennis and Education Foundation

Ben Schornack, Laureus USA Program Officer

ENHANCING TOUR TWO:

PILSEN: A HEART OF MEXICAN CULTURE



Carlos Tortolero, Founder and President, National Museum of Mexican Art

ENHANCING TOUR THREE:

O'HARE: TRANSFORMING CHICAGO'S GATEWAY TO THE WORLD



Jamie Rhee, Chicago Department of Aviation Commissioner

SYMPOSIUM-ONLY PRESENTATION:

LAKE MICHIGAN:

RESILIENCY IN A TIME OF UNCERTAINTY



Mark Wagstaff, Principal, SmithGroup, Senior Waterfront Engineer

SYMPOSIUM-ONLY PRESENTATION:

ARTIST & ARCHITECT:

APPLAUDING EDGAR MILLER





Zac Bleicher, Founder Edgar Miller Legacy. Gerald W. Adelmann, President, Openlands

Symposium-Only Presentations

Resiliency in a Time of Uncertainty

If there were only one jewel in the crown that is Chicago, it would be the lakefront. Lake Michigan provides us with



fresh water. It is a center of recreation—boating, swimming, fishing, and more. It is a thoroughfare to the Atlantic Ocean. Keeping it safe, and keeping us safe from it, is a full-time endeavor. Join us as we delve into the many aspects of protecting our lake and ourselves.

Applauding Edgar Miller

The artistic genius of Edgar Miller (1899-1993) is gaining recognition thanks to efforts



of Edgar Miller Legacy. Openlands President Gerald W. Adelmann will join Legacy founder Zac Bleicher to compare notes as current residents of two separate Miller-designed dwellings.

The Old Town community Miller helped construct includes the architectural gems of Carl Street Studios and R.W. Glasner Studio. Miller's "total art" shows in his use of salvaged elements, creating exotic designs and interiors—stained glass, metal

works, ceramics, tiles, paintings, woodcuts, fabric design, and more. Rhythmic patterns, color, and light infused his environments

Symposium

Wednesday, September 7
Program begins at 9:00 a.m.
Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.
Breakfast & Lunch is included

Registration

Online registration

Register at **knowyourchicago.org**, beginning at 9 a.m. CST on Monday. July 25.

Register with a friend

Online registration allows you to register groups of five or smaller. Please have your guests' contact information handy if you plan to register for others.

Register by phone

Those without access to online registration may register by phone at 773.702.1727. We try to respond to all registration phone calls within 24 hours.

Tour and Symposium prices

\$110 for the Symposium plus \$110 per tour

One tour + symposium= \$220 per person Two tours + symposium= \$330 per person Three tours + symposium= \$440 per person (Symposium purchase required to attend tours. Symposium attendance is encouraged, but optional.)

Walking grades and tour questions

Please consult the walking grade accompanying each Tour description for an indication of the difficulty of each Tour. Walking shoes are always recommended. Charter buses can accommodate the storage and transportation of walkers and wheelchairs but are not equipped with a wheelchair lift. Please review our frequently asked questions (FAQs) on the Know Your Chicago website at knowyourchicago.org. For questions on individual Tours, please call 773.702.1727.

Contact

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Transportation

Tour transportation

Buses are provided for the tours. Participants board buses on the north curb of Adams between Clinton and Jefferson. Buses depart promptly at 8:30 a.m. and return by 3:15 p.m. Buses cannot pick up or drop participants off at stops other than the pick up and drop off location. Participants are required to board the bus downtown. At the end of the tour, participants may return home on their own rather than returning with the charter buses.

Symposium transportation

On Symposium day, participants go directly to Union League Club of Chicago. Public Transportation to the Union League Club includes:

Buses that pass near the Union League Club

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- Jackson
- · Dearborn and Adams
- · State and Van Buren
- · LaSalle and Van Buren

Parking Near the Union League Club

- South Loop Garage, 318 S. Federal
- · 111 W Jackson Blvd Garage
- · 300 S State Street Parking
- Buddy's Parking
- · 61 W Adams Street Parking
- · 111 W Adams Street Parking

Accommodations

Those with a disability who believe that they may need assistance to participate in Know Your Chicago should contact Jarquetta Egeston, associate dean of students and manager for student engagement, at 773.702.5178 or jarquetta@uchicago.edu in advance of the event.

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