AN UNEXPECTED NATIONAL TREASURE in a place where colossal steel mills and a tangle of rail lines exemplify the revolutionary impact of American industry, a rich array of plants and animals offer more diversity than most national parks. It's a landscape shaped by generations of grit and passion.

A GUIDE TO THE diverse museums, heritage-based galleries, & local history centers

OF THE CALUMET
INTRO
& PICTURES
& SPONSORS
POINTS OF INTEREST
in the Calumet region

1. **ALBEE HOUSE (BLUE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY)**
   Brings together those people interested in history, especially in the history of Blue Island and neighboring communities. Tours of historic homes start here.

   By appointment or for special events
   13018 Maple Ave
   Blue Island, Illinois 60406
   blueislandhistoricalsociety.com

2. **ALTON GOIN MUSEUM (PORTAGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY)**
   Located inside Countryside Park and operated by the Portage Community Historical Society, houses many cultural artifacts from the Portage region.

   April-Nov. Sat/Sun: 1-4pm, F: by appointment
   5250 U.S. Hwy 6; Countryside Park; Portage, IN 46368
   (219) 762-8349
   inpchs.com/

3. **AMERICAN MUSEUM OF MILITARY VEHICLES**
   An outdoor Museum with military tanks, transports, and military buildings on a 5 acre lot. Learn about artifacts & the lifestyle of our veterans.

   Sun: 10am-4pm
   1313 E North St (southwest corner of Sportsplex, north side of the intersection of Route 231 and W 113th Ave) Crown Point, IN 46307
   (219) 484-3148
   ammvofcp.org

4. **BAILLY HOMESTEAD & CEMETARY & CHELLBERG FARM**
   Historic homes and homesteads within the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. Learn about early settlers and farmers who came to this region in the 1800s. Help feed farm animals and go on historic hikes.

   Daily: 7am-30 min. past sunset (NOTE: homes open only during special programs/events)
   US-20 & N Mineral Springs Rd, Porter, IN 46304
   (219) 926-7561
   indianaclunes.com/eat-play-shop/recreation/bailly-homestead-and-chellberg-farm/

5. **BARKER MANSION**
   Lives as a historic monument of industry, charity, and turn of the century life in Michigan City, highlighting the legacy of the Barker family through interpretive tours and special programs for all.

   T-Sun: 11am-3pm
   631 Washington St, Michigan City, IN 46360
   (219) 873-1520
   barkermansion.com

6. **BEVERLY ART CENTER**
   A vibrant and multi-faceted non-profit organization serving the Chicago metro area with high-quality programs in dance, visual arts, film, and theater founded in 1967.

   M-Th: 9am-9pm, F: 9am-6pm, Sat: 9am-3pm (unless there's an evening show), Sun: Closed
   2407 W 111th St, Chicago, IL 60655
   (773) 445-3838
   beverlyartcenter.org

7. **BEVERLY SHORES HISTORIC PASSENGER DEPOT, SOUTH SHORE LINE**
   A historic South Shore Line flag stop that serves a small nearby beach community and surrounding nearby areas in Porter County.

   May-Oct. F-Sun: 11am-3pm, 4th of July-Labor Day: M:11am-3pm
   25 S Broadway, Beverly Shores, IN 46301
   (219) 871-0832

Call number or check website for most updated prices & hours of operation
BEVERLY SHORES MUSEUM & ART GALLERY

Located within the South Shore Train Station, the history museum and art gallery was founded after the Dunes Woman’s Club and other concerned citizens saved the Depot from destruction, organized to have it placed on the National Register of Historic Places, and raised funds to restore it.

May-Oct. F-Sun: 11am-3pm
525 S Broadway, Beverly Shores, IN 46301
thedeptomag.org

BUCKLEY HOMESTEAD

Historic traditions, culture and heritage of farming life during the 19th to early 20th centuries are re-created on this living history farm, where visitors learn about our local history.

Park open 7am to sunset year round, historic buildings open seasonally
3606 Belshaw Rd, Lowell, IN 46356
(219) 696-0769
lakecountyparks.com/149/Buckley-Homestead

BLUE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY & HISTORY MUSEUM

Works to discover and collect any material that may help to establish or illustrate the history of the area; its exploration, settlement, development, and activities, printed, photographic, and audio-visual material including art and artifacts.

M-Th: 9am-9pm, F-Sat: 9am-5pm
Lower level of the Blue Island Public Library, 2433 York Street; Blue Island, IL 60406
blueislandhistoricalsociety.com

BRAUER MUSEUM OF ART

Home to a nationally recognized collection of 19th-, 20th-, and 21st-century American art at Valparaiso University.

M: Closed, T & Th & F: 10am-5pm, W: 10am-8:30pm Sat & Sun: 12pm-5pm
1709 Chapel Dr, Valparaiso, IN 46383
valpo.edu/brauer-museum-of-art

BRINCKA CROSS GARDENS

Developed by an artist, and it is clear that this was his masterpiece. Bill Brincka, a professor at the Art Institute of Chicago, and his companion, Basil Cross, spent more than 40 years developing and nurturing four acres of landscaped gardens chosen to create a sense of wonder and delight.

Daily: Dawn-Dusk
475 E. Furness Road, Michigan City, IN
(219) 465-3586
indianadunes.com/eat-play-shop/recreation/brincka-cross-gardens

BROKEN WAGON BISON FARM

Have your own personal encounter with North America’s largest native land mammal. You’ll get a true sense of the size, strength, and power of these remarkable animals through tours and bison-centric products.

M-Sat: 9am-5pm
563 W 450 North, Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 759-3523
brokenwagonbison.com

CALUMET CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

Located in the Calumet City Cultural Center and features period clothing from the 1890s to the present, photographs on the history of Calumet City, a 1930s kitchen, the post office recreation, as well as free educational programs.

Th: 1pm-4pm, second Sunday: 1pm-4pm, Tue and Sat. by appointment
760 Wentworth Ave, Calumet City, IL 60409
calumetcityhistoricalsociety.org

CALUMET HERITAGE PARTNERSHIP

A diverse, bi-state partnership of environmental, cultural and historical organizations and individuals, libraries, educational institutions, municipalities, and governmental agencies.

Check website for events
13300 S. Baltimore, Chicago, IL 60633
(312) 646-0436
calumetheritage.org
16. CALUMET REGIONAL ARCHIVES (INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST LIBRARY)
Dedicated to researching, sharing, and celebrating the history of the people and communities of Northern Porter County, IN

Online access or by appointment for in person
3400 Broadway, Gary, IN 46408
(888) 968-7486
iun.edu/~cra/

17. CARTER G. WOODSON REGIONAL PUBLIC LIBRARY (VIVIAN HARSH RESEARCH COLLECTION)
The largest African American history and literature collection in the Midwest documenting the black experience with a strong Chicago focus.

M-Th: 10am-8pm Sat: 10am-4pm
9525 S Halsted St, Chicago, IL 60628
(312) 745-2080
chipublib.org/vivian-g-harsh-research-collection

18. CEDAR LAKE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
An escape to the past for visitors and residents through our unique programs, special events, and history museum.

May-Sept Th-Fr: 3pm-6pm, Sat-Sun: 2pm-6pm
7408 Constitution Ave, Cedar Lake, IN 46303
(219) 390.9423
lakecounty_parks.com/149/Buckley-Homestead

19. CENTURY OF PROGRESS ARCHITECTURAL DISTRICT
With the theme of a Century of Progress, the houses were built for the 1933 Chicago World’s Fair to demonstrate modern architectural design, experimental materials, and new technologies of the time.

Self-guided anytime year-round, annual guided tour third Sat. in Oct. (ticket sales in Sept.)
127 W Lake Front Dr, Michigan City, IN 46360
(219) 395-1882
nps.gov/indu/learn/historyculture

20. COUNTY LINE ORCHARD
Pick high quality apples, eat delicious donuts, get lost in the corn maze, and other fall festivities during autumn season.

Aug-Oct. 9pm-6pm
200 S. County Line Rd, Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 947-4477
countylineorchard.com

21. CROWN POINT COMMUNITY LIBRARY, INDIANA ROOM
History comes alive as you uncover Indiana history through books, genealogies, old directories, and maps; even old Crown Point High School yearbooks, where you can find pictures of some community parents, teachers, and even a famous astronaut.

M-T: 9am-8pm, F-Sat: 9am-5pm, Sun: Closed
122 North Main Street
Crown Point, IN 46307
crownpointlibrary.org/research/indianaroom

22. DEEP RIVER COUNTY PARK/WOOD HISTORIC GRIST MILL
Historic area of the serene park stretches along the Deep River corridor behind the Historic Wood’s Grist Mill. The original wood frame structure was later rebuilt of brick in 1876 and is surrounded by gardens, a wedding gazebo, a visitor center, and Grinder Field, home of the Deep River Grinders historic baseball team.

Daily: 7am-dusk
9410 Old Lincoln Hwy, Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 947-1958
lakecounty_parks.com/151/Deep-River-County-Park

23. DORBAND HOWE HOUSE MUSEUM (HOMEOOD HISTORICAL SOCIETY)
An 1891 workingman’s cottage constructed of “HOMEOOOD” stamped bricks and features exhibits and collections of local history.

M-Th: 10am-5pm, F-Sat: 10am-4pm
2035 W 183rd Street Homewood, IL 60430
(708) 799-1896 or (708) 957-0640
homewoodhistoricalsociety.com
### DUNELAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Dedicated to researching, sharing, and celebrating the history of the people and communities of Northern Porter County, Indiana.

Meetings on third Thu. of month (Feb-May and Sept-Nov) 7:30pm
Westchester Public Library Service Center, 100 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton, IN 46304
dunelandhistoricalsociety.westch/raw

### GARY HISTORICAL & CULTURAL SOCIETY
The Gary Land Company Building, Gary's first building constructed in 1906, was preserved and re-dedicated by GHSC in 1984, and presently maintains it as an historical museum and visitor's bureau for school tour groups and visitors to the City of Gary.

**March-Oct:** 9am-5pm, Nov-Feb: 9am-4pm
Environmental Awareness Center: 11am-4pm; Closed Mondays
6201 Parrish Avenue, Hammond, IN 46323
lakecountyparks.com/152/Gibson-Woods-Nature-Preserve

### GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY
At GSU, The University Library is often considered the campus living room. Here, it is possible to find a quiet corner to study or group study rooms where students can work together. It’s also where students, faculty, staff and the community can find study areas surrounded by art.

M-Th: 8:30am-10pm, F-Sat: 8:30am-5pm, Sun: 1-5pm
2nd floor of D building, 1 University Pkwy, University Park, IL 60484-0975
govst.edu/gsu-library/

### Dyer Historical Society
Works to preserve and document the history of Dyer with a museum full of historical pictures, video history, audio interviews on tape, wide range of albums, etc.

Most days: 9:30 am-2:30 pm
1 Town Sq., Dyer, IN 46311
(219) 865-6108
townofdyer.net/edc/Residents/HistoricalSociety

### Garwood Orchard
The Garwood family has been farming the same land for over 180 years. Through six generations, we’ve maintained a focus on farming, family, and community.

May 12-Dec. 23 Daily: 9am-5:30pm
5911 W 50 S LaPorte, IN 46350
(219) 362-4385
appleupick.com/upick/

### East Side Chamber of Commerce
Organized in 1925 for the purpose to strengthen and promote businesses and provide resources for the enrichment of the Chicago South East Side area.

M-F: 10am-2pm
6625, 3501 E 106th St, Chicago, IL 60617
eastsidechamber.net

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### Gibson Woods Nature Preserve
One of last sizeable remnant of high quality dune and swale in Midwest. Because of the widespread urbanization and industrialization in Northwest Indiana, this type of topography and its associated natural communities have been almost entirely eliminated.

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### Griffith Historical Society, Park & Railroad Museum
Consists of historic 1911 depot, Caboose 503, Pullman Troop Sleeper 8731, Transfer Caboose 197, the Elgin Joliet & Eastern Interlocking Tower, and a museum of artifacts of Griffith.

May 12-Dec. 23 Daily: 9am-5:30pm
201 S. Broad Street Griffith, IN 46319
(219) 924-9701
gdpress.com/
32 HAMMOND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER
A classroom and 3 additional break-out areas for where ages preschool through adult can learn about the environment and sustainability. The EEC is also home to Indiana's first indoor trout stream as well as a 2-story tree slide.

T-F: 2-4pm
2405 Calumet Ave, Hammond, IN 46320
lcswm.com/education/schedule-a-field-trip/

33 HAMMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY
In 1902, the Hammond Public Library was founded. The Library's Calumet Room was established in 1967. The Library and the Hammond Historical Society joined together in this cooperative effort to collect, preserve, and make accessible materials relating to Hammond and the Calumet Region.

T, Th-F: 1-5; W: 1-9, Sat: appointment recommended, closed Sun/Mon
564 State Street, Hammond, IN 46320
(219) 931-5100 Ext. 306
hammond.lib.in.us/tablet/local-history.html

34 HERITAGE CABIN (VETERANS PARK, CALUMET CITY)
The "oldest cabin in the Calumet Area", it is estimated that the lower part of the cabin was built in the 1830s and the upper portion of the cabin was built in the 1860s by German immigrants coming to America for work. In 1979, the cabin was rediscovered and the Calumet City Historical Society worked to restore it.

166 Heritage Drive, Calumet City, IL 60409
calumetcityhistoricalsociety.org/heritage-cabin.html

35 HESSTON STEAM MUSEUM
Ride three different steam railroads & experience machines of the industrial age.

Check website for dates, generally trains run 12-5pm when museum is open
1201 E 1000 N, La Porte, IN 46350
hesston.org

36 HIGHLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Preserves and promotes the history of Highland, Indiana. Presently operate The Town Museum in The Lincoln Center.

Sat: 10 am - noon or by appointment
2450 Lincoln St; Highland, IN 46322
facebook.com/Highland-IN-Historical-Society-328921084884/

37 HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OGDEN DUNES INDIANA
To preserve, protect and present the history of Ogden Dunes, Indiana. The "Hour Glass" is a house built by Professor O. D. Frank in 1934. It houses the Society's collections of books, papers, & records; artifacts; and paintings & sculpture.

Open third Sunday of month
4-5:30pm or by appointment
8 Lupine Lane, Ogden Dunes, IN 46368
odhistory.org/501.html

38 HOBART HISTORICAL SOCIETY
The Hobart Historical Society Museum preserving Hobart's history is housed at the historic Carnegie library built in 1914-1915 and is a one-story, Tudor Revival style brick building.

Sat: 10am-2pm
706 E 4th St, Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 942-0970
facebook.com/HobartIndianahistorical society/
**INDIANA DUNES NATIONAL LAKE SHORE**
While best known for its world class beaches, the Indiana Dunes and its surrounding areas offer so much more. World class cuisine, breathtaking scenery, eclectic nightlife and exhilarating biking and hiking await you on your next trip to the Dunes.

**INDIANA HARBOR PUBLIC LIBRARY**
A historic Carnegie library built in 1913. It is a one-story, Arts and Crafts style brick building on a raised basement. The library was abandoned in 1983, but was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2005. Since 2005, efforts have been made by the City of East Chicago to save the building and begin a $4M renovation.

3605 Grand Blvd East
Chicago, IN 46312
landmarkhunter.com/142484-indiana-harbor-public-library

**INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP GARDENS**
Among the visitors to the Chicago World’s Fair were Dr. and Mrs. Frank Warren of Michigan City, IN. They were so impressed with the garden and theme, “Peace and Friendship To All Nations” that they made an offer of a site near their home to create an International Friendship Garden at that site.

2,182 acres of beach, dunes, marshes, swamps, hardwood forests, and white pine groves and is surrounded by National Lakeshore lands. In the early 1900s scientists, recreationists and nature enthusiasts, recognizing the value and potential of the Indiana dunes area, fought to have the region preserved in 1925.

**LAKE COUNTY HISTORY CENTER**
Located on the second floor, the museum houses many interesting exhibits that reflect the history of Lake County and its many communities. Within its four spacious rooms are documents, pictures, and artifacts.

Th-Sat: 1-4pm
1 Courthouse Sq #205, Crown Point, IN 46307
cpcourthouse.com

**LAKE STATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY**
Proudly preserving the history of Lake Station, IN.

2400 Central Ave; Lake Station, IN 46405
facebook.com/lakestationmuseum.org

**LAKE STREET GALLERY**
Proudly serving Northwest Indiana with original art, fine American crafts and custom framing since 1993. We specialize in local art inspired by the Indiana Dunes and the shores of Lake Michigan but are equally comfortable with a wide selection of abstract art and photography.

T-F: 10am - 6pm, Sat: 10am - 4pm
613 S Lake St, Gary, IN 46403
lakestreetgallery.com
**LANSING HISTORY MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
Serving the past for the future of Lansing, IL.  
M (except 4th Monday of month): 6am-8pm, W: 3-5pm,  
Sat: 11am-1pm  
Lower level of the Lansing Public Library, 2750 Indiana Ave., Lansing IL 60438  
lansinghistoricalsociety.org

**LAPORTE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
La Porte County is rich in history and the wonderful museum reflects that. The La Porte County Historical Society Museum hosts many events and exhibits each year; from re-enacting the Civil War to filling an acre of land with old cars, permanent exhibits to special current exhibits, there is something for everyone!  
T-Sat: 10am-4:30pm  
2405 Indiana Ave # 1, La Porte, IN 46350  
(219) 324-6767  
alaportecountyhistory.org

**LUEBNIK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
A dynamic, contemporary arts center whose mission is to creatively interweave art exhibitions, the performing arts, educational programming and community outreach to enrich the arts within the region.  
M-F: 10am-5pm,  
Sat-Sun: 11am-4pm  
101 W. 2nd Street  
Michigan City, IN 46360  
(219) 874-4900  
lubeznikcenter.org

**MARKTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT**  
This unique neighborhood was designed by Chicago architect Howard Van Doren Shaw in 1917 for industrialist Clayton Mark. It has been referred to as "the Brigadoon of Industrial Housing, rising out of the mists of industry every few years."  
Sun: 1-4, April- Oct.  
13 West 73rd Avenue,  
Merrillville, IN 46410  
(219) 756-2042  
merrillvillehistory.org

**MERGE BUILDING**  
Where people and ideas come together for the arts, meetings, presentations, and creativity.  
M-F: 8am-5pm  
5920 Hohman Ave, Hammond, IN 46320  
mergebuilding.com

**LUHR PARK NATURE CENTER**  
Features four ecosystems: upland forest, wetland, prairie and stocked pond (fishing pole rental available), paved trails, picnic shelter rental, picnic tables, fishing pier, playground, boardwalks, observation tower, and Dog Exercise Area.  
T-Th, Sat-Sun: 1-4pm, Closed Fri and Mon  
3178 S 150 W, La Porte, IN 46350  
(219) 324-5855  
laportecountyparks.org/luhr.html

**MELVIN A. HALSTED HOUSE**  
Built in 1850, and is a two-story, five bay, Federal style brick dwelling with a gable roof.  
First Sat of month: 11am-3pm  
207 E. Main St. (Corner of Halsted and Main St.); Lowell, IN 46356  
(219) 696-8137

**MERRILLVILLE-ROSS TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
Filled with artifacts, historical photographs and other treasures that tell the story of the area.  
Sun: 1-4, April-Oct.  
13 West 73rd Avenue,  
Merrillville, IN 46410  
(219) 756-2042  
merrillvillehistory.org
**54 MICHIGAN CITY OLD LIGHTHOUSE MUSEUM**

Tour the historic Michigan City Lighthouses, learn about notable people of Michigan City, learn about Abraham Lincoln’s funeral train and its stop in Michigan City, learn about local maritime history, and the history of Michigan City.

T-Sun: 1-4pm
1 Washington St, Michigan City, IN 46360
oldlighthousemuseum.org

**55 MICHIGAN CITY ZOO & ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

To dedicate and promote the appreciation of animals in ways that delight and educate audiences through public display, while meeting the biological and psychological needs of the animals. Around 250 animals in residence.

April-Oct  M-Sun: 10am-4/5pm
115 Lakeshore Drive, Michigan City, IN 46360
(219) 873-1510
washingtonparkzoo.com/get-involved/zooloical-society

**56 MILLER BEACH ARTS AND CREATIVE DISTRICT**

A dynamic hub of creative cultural and economic activity that transforms the unique community and environment of Miller into a vital part of the city of Gary and the surrounding region.

Check website for events
Marshall J. Gardner Center for the Arts
540 S. Lake Street, Gary, IN 46403
(219) 938-6278
millerbeacharts.org/

**57 MOSNART**

An ongoing art project by JB Daniel bringing artists to Pullman and Pullman to artists through mini art residencies housed in an original Pullman workers flat.

Self guided anytime
11319 S Saint Lawrence Ave
Chicago, IL 60628
tallskinny.com/mosnart/
facebook.com/mosnart/

**58 MUNSTER MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Helping to protect and preserve Munster history, meeting interesting people with common interests, and making a difference in the local community.

Check website or contact for hours
1154 Ridge Road, Munster, IN 46321
(219) 836-6530
munsterhistory.org/_index.php

**59 NATHAN MANILOW SCULPTURE PARK**

Volunteer-supported campus park offering 29 sculptures on over 100 acres of green prairie landscape.

Check website or call
1 University Dr, University Park, IL 60484
govst.edu/sculpture/

**60 NATIONAL A. PHILIP RANDOLPH PULLMAN PORTER MUSEUM**

Nationally recognized as a valuable and unique African-American museum paying tribute to the influential A. Philip Randolph who redefined American labor, American democracy, and American society.

Th-Sat: 11am-4pm
10406 S Maryland Ave, Chicago, IL 60628
aprpullmanportermuseum.org

**61 PAUL H. DOUGLAS CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION**

Named after U.S. Senator Paul H. Douglas from Illinois, who was instrumental in the creation of the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. Provides visitors with hiking, interactive exhibits, and a Nature Play Zone.

Memorial Day-Labor Day
Daily: 9-5, Otherwise
Mon-Sat: 9am-4pm
100 North Lake Street;
Gary, IN 46403
nps.gov/indu/planyourvisit/deec.htm
62 PAUL HENRY'S ART GALLERY
Art Gallery featuring a number of works and installations located in downtown Hammond, IN.

T-Sat: 10am-7pm, Sun: 12-5pm
416 Sibley St. Hammond, IN 46320
(219) 678-5015
paulhenrysartgallery.com

63 PARK FOREST 1950S HOUSE MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY
founded in 1985 to preserve Park Forest history, to educate people on that history, and to solicit donations to and volunteers for the Park Forest Local History Collection and Archive.

W and Sat: 1-3:30, small groups by appointment, closed January
227 Monee Road (in St. Mary's Catholic Church), Park Forest, IL 60466
parkforesthistory.org

64 PORTER COUNTY MUSEUM OF HISTORY
Award winning historical society engaging Porter County's rich past with its evolving present to educate, enrich, and inspire our communities.

W-Sat: 10am-5pm
153 Franklin St, Valparaiso, IN 46383
facebook.com/pocomuse/

65 PULLMAN NATIONAL MONUMENT VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER
The first planned industrial community in the US significant for its historical origins in the Pullman Company, one of the most famous company towns in the United States, and scene of the violent 1894 Pullman strike.

11141 S. Cottage Grove; Chicago, IL 60628
(773) 468-9310
nps.gov/pull/index.htm

66 PULLMAN STATE HISTORIC SITE ARCHIVES
Uses historic structures, public programs, and archives to showcase 19th and 20th Century industrial society.

M-F: 10am-4pm, Sat: 10am-12pm or by appointment
11111 S. Forrestville Avenue;
Chicago, IL 60628
(773) 660-2341
pullman-museum.org

67 ROBBINS HISTORY MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY
First black built, owned and operated airport in the US. It is also the true beginnings of the famous Tuskegee Airmen.

Sat: 12-5pm, or by appointment
3644 W. 139th St,
Robbins, IL 60472
robbinshistorymuseum.org

68 RIDGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Preserving and interpreting the distinct history of the Morgan Park, Beverly Hills, Washington Heights, and Mount Greenwood communities of Chicago while exploring the communities in relationship to the social and cultural history of the US. Located in a Tudor Revival-style manor house built in 1920s.

M, W, F: 9am-1 or by appointment
10621 S Seeley Ave, Chicago, IL 60643
773-881-1675
ridgehistoricalsociety.org

69 PARK FOREST 1950S HOUSE MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY
founded in 1985 to preserve Park Forest history, to educate people on that history, and to solicit donations to and volunteers for the Park Forest Local History Collection and Archive.
SOUTH SUBURBAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

One of the largest and most active groups of its kind in Illinois including programs, excavation fieldwork, and field trips.

Meetings at 7:30 PM on the 3rd Thursday of each month (Jan-May, and Sept-Nov). Check website for excursion and event details.

18120 Highland Avenue, Homewood, IL
southsuburbanarchsociety.weebly.com

SOUTH LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Preserving and displaying antique farm tools, equipment, old cars and trucks, and household items which are of interest or educational value to the general public.

General meeting: 2nd Monday of the month at 7 PM, check website for show details

101 S East St, Crown Point, IN, 46307
slcahs.org

SKYART

Free visual arts programming as a vehicle for young people to create, to communicate effectively, and to learn the essential skills and creative thinking needed to succeed.

M-F: 9am-6pm, Sat & Sun: Closed
3026 E. 91st Street, Chicago, IL 60617
(773) 731-9287
skyart.org

SOUTHWEST ARTS

Includes the 5,000 sq foot William J. Bachman Gallery, the South Shore Arts Gift Shop, studios and general offices offering classes, artist opportunities, exhibits, and other events programming.

M-F: 10am-5pm, Sat: 10am-4pm, Sun: 12-4pm
The Center for Visual and Performing Arts
1040 Ridge Road
Munster, IN 46321
(219) 836-1839
southshoreartsonline.org

SAND RIDGE NATURE CENTER

Features exhibits on the natural and cultural history of the Calumet. Find native wildlife, and a Kid’s Corner with hands-on activities, and bird feeders. Take an outside stroll through a colorful butterfly garden, and enjoy a number of interpretive gardens. Reproduced log cabins depict the lifestyles of 19th Century Illinois.

Closed Fri, otherwise daily 9am-5pm
15891 Paxton Ave, South Holland, IL 60473
fdcc.com/nature-centers/sand-ridge-nature-center/

SIDECAR GALLERY

An independent contemporary art space located in Northwest Indiana.

Sat: 1pm-6pm during the run of the exhibitions. 'By appointment' visits can be arranged
411 Huehn, Hammond, IN 46327
(708) 337-1090
gallerysidecar.com/home.html

SAVANNAH GALLERY FOR CONTEMPORARY ART AT IU NORTHWEST

An art gallery with forms and issues of contemporary and historic art from all cultures.

Saturday open by request, please call
3400 Broadway
Savannah Center, Room
131 Gary, IN 46408
(219) 980-6891
iun.edu/art-gallery/

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3400 Broadway
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131 Gary, IN 46408
(219) 980-6891
iun.edu/art-gallery/

RUMELY ALLIS-CHALMERS LAPORTE HERITAGE CENTER

Preserving the history of two farming and industrial equipment companies, their employees, dealers, and customers.

First Sat of month: 9am-1pm
2859 W State Road 2, La Porte, IN 46350
(219) 369-1690
rumelyallis.com

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**THREE-CREEKS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**
Preserving the history of Lowell, IN.

Meetings on each second Wed at the Cedar Creek Community Center at 7pm
151 N Fremont St, Lowell, IN 46356
facebook.com/Three-Creek's-Historical-Association-143320479170240/?fref=nr

**STAGECOACH INN AND PANHANDLE DEPOT MUSEUM**
A saltbox style house, built in 1849, that has served as an inn, residence, post office, and museum. Furnished with period items and display important community artifacts. Built in 1868, the Panhandle Depot closed in the 1960s.

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Promotes public education and appreciation of visual art through exhibitions, classes and the Park Forest Art Fair.

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A 300-acre, oak preserve of formal gardens, woodlands, wetlands, prairies and hiking trails, and model railway garden located near Valparaiso, IN. Provides an enriching, natural habitat for public, educational, recreation, and conservation.

**SOUTH SUBURBAN GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY**
Preserving the history of two farming and industrial equipment companies, their employees, dealers, and customers.

M, W, F: 10am-4pm, T: 1-5pm, first and second Sat. of the month: 11:30-4pm
3000 West 170th Place, Hazel Crest, IL 60429
(708) 335-3340
ssghs.org

**SOUTHEAST CHICAGO MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY**
Collections are particularly strong in materials related to the steel industry on the SE side of Chicago and labor history. The Museum also has a rich collection of photographs and other materials related to the commerce, industry, schools, churches, families, and social and ethnic organizations of the area.

Th: 1-4pm
9801 S. Avenue G, Chicago, IL 60617
calumetstewardship.org/member-organizations/southeast-chicago-historical-society#.W5WkmehKjb0

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May-Oct Sat: 1-3pm
Jan-Apr First and third Sat: 1-3 pm
114 N Hunter Street
Thornton IL 60476
(708) 877-6569
thorntonilhistory.com

T-Sat: 11am-4pm
Sun & Mon: Closed
367 Artists Walk
Park Forest, IL 60466
(708) 748-3377
tallgrassarts.org

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**Wolf Mansion**

CT: 11am-2pm
1610 19th St., Whiting, IN 46394
(219) 659-8129
wolphistoricalsoociety.com

1909 historic home and English barn turned into a public park.

**Wilhelmina Stallbohm Kaske House and Barn**

TOWLE THEATER
NW Indiana's only paying year-round, non-equity Theater.

Check shows and times on website
5205 Hohman Avenue
Hammond, IN 46320
(219) 937-8780
towletheater.org

UNDER THE BRIDGE STUDIOS
Putting on events on a regular basis incorporating the Visual arts as well as Musical performances for all ages.

Valparaiso Fire Museum
Fascinating view of fire-fighting from the age of leather buckets to the modern era of gasoline fire trucks. Guided tours available.

Mon - Fri: 9am-6pm
10052 S. Ewing Ave
Chicago, IL 60617
underthebridgestudios.com

UNION STREET GALLERY
Three-story historic landmark building now houses fifteen artist studios and two floors of gallery space. Facilitates a variety of engaging art experiences and opportunities that support the creative growth of artists and art appreciators.

Thru-Fri: 12-4pm, Sat: 11am-4pm
1527 Otto Blvd, Chicago Heights, IL 60411
(708) 754-2601
unionstreetgallery.org

WANATAH MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Located in a fully restored 1888 Caboose from the Monon Railroad, features hundreds of items of local historical interest, photos, etc. to promote awareness of the area's rich history.

May-Sept: weekend by appointment
West Cross St. Wanatah, IN 46390
219-733-2822
wanatah.org

WESTCHESTER TOWNSHIP HISTORY MUSEUM
Offers tours of the historic 1885 home and of the museum's collection of local art, as well as public programs, local history archives of surrounding community and Indiana Dunes, and a museum store.

Wed-Sun: 1-5pm
700 W. Porter Ave.
Chesterton, IN 46304
(219) 983-9715
chestertonin.org/195/Westchester-History-Museum

WOLF MANSION

Victorian Italianate mansion built in 1875. It was the center piece of a family farm with a white cupola on top.

Call for tour details
453 W. 700 North, Valparaiso, IN 46385
(219) 364-8102
indianadunes.com/eat-play-shop/history-and-culture/wolf-mansion/
CHICAGO HISTORY MUSEUM
Sharing Chicago’s stories, serving as a hub of scholarship and learning, inspiration, and civic engagement since 1856.

M, W-S: 9:30am-4:30pm, T: 9:30am-9pm, Sun: 12-5pm
1601 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60614
(312) 642-4600
chicagohistory.org

CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY COLLECTIONS
Biographical, business, church, community and school records in addition to photographs, scrapbooks, community histories and artifacts spanning more than one hundred years of South Chicago and Calumet Region. (Calumet Region Collection, South Chicago Community Collection, Chicago Defender & Tribune Archives.)

M-F: 9am-9pm, Sat: 9am-1pm, Sun-Mon: Closed
400 S. State St., Chicago, IL 60605
(312) 747-4300
chipublib.org/archival_post/

NEWBERRY LIBRARY
A world-renowned independent research library in Chicago, the Newberry offers readers an extensive noncirculating collection of rare books, maps, music, manuscripts, and other printed material spanning six centuries.

T-F: 9am-5pm, Sat: 9am-1pm, Sun-Mon: Closed
60 West Walton Street
Chicago, IL 60610
(312) 943-9090
newberry.org

FLIGHT PATHS (WELCOME PROJECT)
Maps the changing neighborhoods of Gary and Northwest Indiana through digital stories from local residents. An initiative of the Welcome Project, a story collection and facilitation practice launched at Valparaiso University.

ONLINE ARCHIVES; ANYTIME
welcomeproject.valpo.edu/category/flight-paths-project/wel comeproject.valpo.edu/category/flight-paths-project/

RYERSON/BURNHAM LIBRARIES
The art and architecture research collection of the Art Institute of Chicago. The libraries cover all periods with extensive holdings in the areas of 18th-, 19th- and 20th-century architecture and 19th-century painting, prints, drawings, and decorative arts.

M-W, F: 1-5pm, Th: 10:30am-8pm, Sat-Sun: Closed
111 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60603
(312) 443-3600
artic.edu/node/2474