

Cubs game on Thursday afternoon

Aryn and Sean are going to Wrigley Field (a 7-minute walk from their apartment) for the Braves vs. Cubs baseball game on Thursday May 23 at 1:20pm. If you're coming in early and want to join, let us know in advance so we can coordinate tickets!

Architecture tour

There are three great ways to see the downtown skyscrapers and learn about Chicago's architectural history:

- [Boat tour](#) through the Chicago river, which runs right through the skyscrapers and is a unique Chicago experience. Both the day and night tours are great. Arrive early as the boats leave right on time.
- [Kayak tour](#) through the Chicago river. Covers less ground than the boat tour but you also have a guide with a megaphone leading a group of kayakers through the river which runs right through the skyscrapers. A must if you like kayaking (and weather is good)!
- [Walking tour](#)

Beaches on Lake Michigan

There are many beaches at various points along the lakefront.

- The closest to the hotels is Oak Street beach, which has a bar/restaurant
- If you want to venture further there is North Avenue Beach in Lincoln Park, which has great skyline views. This is where the photo on our wedding invitation was taken. Part of the shoreline is concrete but nearby there is also a sand beach.
- Montrose Beach has lots of activities: you can rent kayaks and stand up paddleboards, there is a dog beach, and many families bring their kids. There is also a bar/restaurant

Walk/bike/run along Lake Michigan

- There is a path that extends all around the lake, so you can go north or south quite far from downtown along the lake.

Walk through Lincoln Park and the Lincoln Park Zoo

- Beautiful and large park to walk around, with a free [zoo](#)
- [Nature boardwalk](#)
- [Green City Farmer's Market](#) on Saturday mornings

Comedy

Chicago is famous for improv comedy at [Second City](#).

Music

- [Green Mill](#) jazz club
- [Kingston Mines](#) blues club

Shedd Aquarium

- Great place for adults and kids alike.
- Became famous during COVID because they let the [penguins roam free](#) around the aquarium.
- [A photo of Sean's grandma and great aunts at the Shedd Aquarium in 1943](#)

Museums

For those of you who know us well, you know we haven't been to any of these museums. But these are the ones that we hear are good:

- [Art Institute of Chicago](#)
- [Field Museum](#)
- [Museum of Science + Industry](#)
- [Museum of Contemporary Art](#)