

Although we have a busy few days in Chicago, we also wanted to make sure you have time to explore the city. You will have free time on Tuesday afternoon/evening and on Thursday after the reception at Rebuild Foundation. Our local organizer, Keinika, has recommended a few activities and restaurants that you might want to check out.

THINGS TO DO

Architectural Boat Tours

Chicago is known for its architecture and the best way to see it is from the river! There are a number of companies that offer architectural boat tours, but they do book up in the summer months, so we recommend purchasing tickets ahead of time.

Chicago Line Cruises

Tickets are typically \$44, but [We found a groupon for \\$29 tours!](#)

You must make an online reservation for your tour.

Blue Chicago

Blue Chicago offers live Chicago blues every night. Doors open at 8pm and the first set begins at 9pm. There's a bar, but no kitchen.

536 N Clark St.

[Schedule](#)

\$10

10 minute walk

[Chicago Riverwalk](#)

If the weather's nice, there's tons to do along the 1.25 mile Chicago Riverwalk. There are a number of restaurants and bars along the way. You can [rent kayaks](#) (\$30 per hour) or take a [water taxi](#) (\$6 one-way or \$10 for a full day).

6am -11pm

Free

9 minute walk

The Second City

If you're into Improv, check out the Chicago's famous Second City.

Now showing... *Algorithm Nation* or *The Static Quo*

Weeknights at 8:00 PM

Unseen forces have assessed the data to create the perfect comedy content for all humans! *Algorithm Nation* or *The Static Quo* takes no prisoners (well, maybe just a few prisoners) during this frenetic, ultra-current, fall-down funny ride that focuses its sights on hyper-violence, astrological love connections, being woke, pyramid schemes, Facebook soldiers, Black Twitter, morning TV and a whole lot more. Consider this show to be the kind of escape room you'll never want to escape from...ever.

[Tickets start at \\$31](#)

10-20 minute ride from the hotel

Cirque du Soleil's Volta

Weeknights

8pm

Soldier Field, 1410 Museum Campus Dr

Tickets start at \$111

[Get tickets](#)

12 minute drive from the hotel

DINNER RECOMMENDATIONS

You're in for a treat because the Omni is located in the heart of Chicago, which means there's amazing food just a short walk away!

How can you visit Chicago without trying some of its famous deep dish pizza?

If you're a cheese-lover, check out [Giordanos](#)

730 N Rush St

11:00 am-11:00 pm

\$\$

2 minute walk

If you're a sauce lover, check out [Gino's East](#)

162 E Superior

11:00am-9:00pm

\$\$

3 minute walk

For big Italian flavors, [Rosebud on Rush](#), is a must!

720 N Rush

11am-11pm

\$\$\$

1 block from the hotel

If you love baseball, SNL, or a good dive restaurant, you can't miss [Billy Goat Tavern!](#)

Their cheezeburgers may have been made famous by an SNL skit, but Billy Goat Tavern plays a key role in baseball history, too. Legend has it the tavern's owner, William "Billy Goat" Sianis brought his pet goat, a tavern mascot, to Game 4 of the 1945 World Series, a home game at Wrigley Field against the Detroit Tigers. Despite paid-for box seat tickets, Cubs owner Philip K. Wrigley allegedly ejected Sianis and goat due to the latter's odor. Supposedly, Sianis placed a curse on the team that they would never win another World Series championship. And they didn't win another one until 2016, thanks to the Curse of the Billy Goat.

430 N Michigan

6am-2am

\$

5 minute walk

Portillo's Hot Dogs

If you're looking for a real Chicago experience, check out [Portillo's](#), a Chicago-born fast food chain known for its hot dogs and Italian beef sandwiches. Beer and wine available.

100 W Ontario St

10am-1am

\$

7 minute walk

[Eataly](#)

If you've never been to an Eataly, here's your chance! Imagine a huge grocery store dedicated to Italian cuisine and sprinkled throughout are small eateries where you can order paninis, pizzas, pastas, and much more! Great for wine flights, shopping, and grazing.

43 East Ohio

7:30am-11:00pm

\$\$

3 minute walk

[Silver Spoon Thai Restaurant](#)

Casual neighborhood BYOB spot serving classic & less-common Thai dishes

710 N Rush St

11am-10:00pm

BYOB

\$

1 minute walk

A few of you said that steak is one of your favorite things! Well, we've got a suggestion for you:

[Lawry's The Prime Rib](#)

100 East Ontario

5pm - 9:30pm

Reservations Recommended

\$\$\$

1 minute walk

For all our seafood lovers, check out [Devon Seafood Grill](#). Not only is the seafood amazing, but the ambiance is beautiful and the wine list is impressive. Food and drink specials from 4-7pm and food specials from 9pm to close.

39 E Chicago Ave

4pm - 10pm

\$\$\$

4 minute walk

If you're looking for a good deal, [Flaco's Tacos](#) has nightly specials including:

Taco Tuesday featuring a \$4 IPA and a special taco for \$1.

Thirsty Thursday with \$3 sangrias and 3 mini burritos for \$9.95

46 E Chicago Ave

10:30am - 10:00pm

\$

4 minute walk

DRINKS

If you're willing to splurge a little for an amazing view of the city, check out the rooftop bar at [Noyane](#), an upscale Japanese restaurant at the Conrad. They're known for their spiked snowballs!

101 E Erie St.

11am-11pm

\$\$\$

1 minute walk

Pull up a chair and sing along at [Redhead Piano Bar](#)

16 W Ontario St.

7pm-4am

\$\$

5 minute walk

If you're looking for a casual pub atmosphere to watch the game, enjoy a beer and snack on some wings, [Jake Melnick's Corner Tap](#) may be just the place for you.

41 E Superior

11:30am - midnight

\$\$

2 minute walk

Whiskey lovers will want to visit [Baptiste and Bottle](#) in the Conrad Hotel.

101 E Erie St

3pm - midnight

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1 minute walk