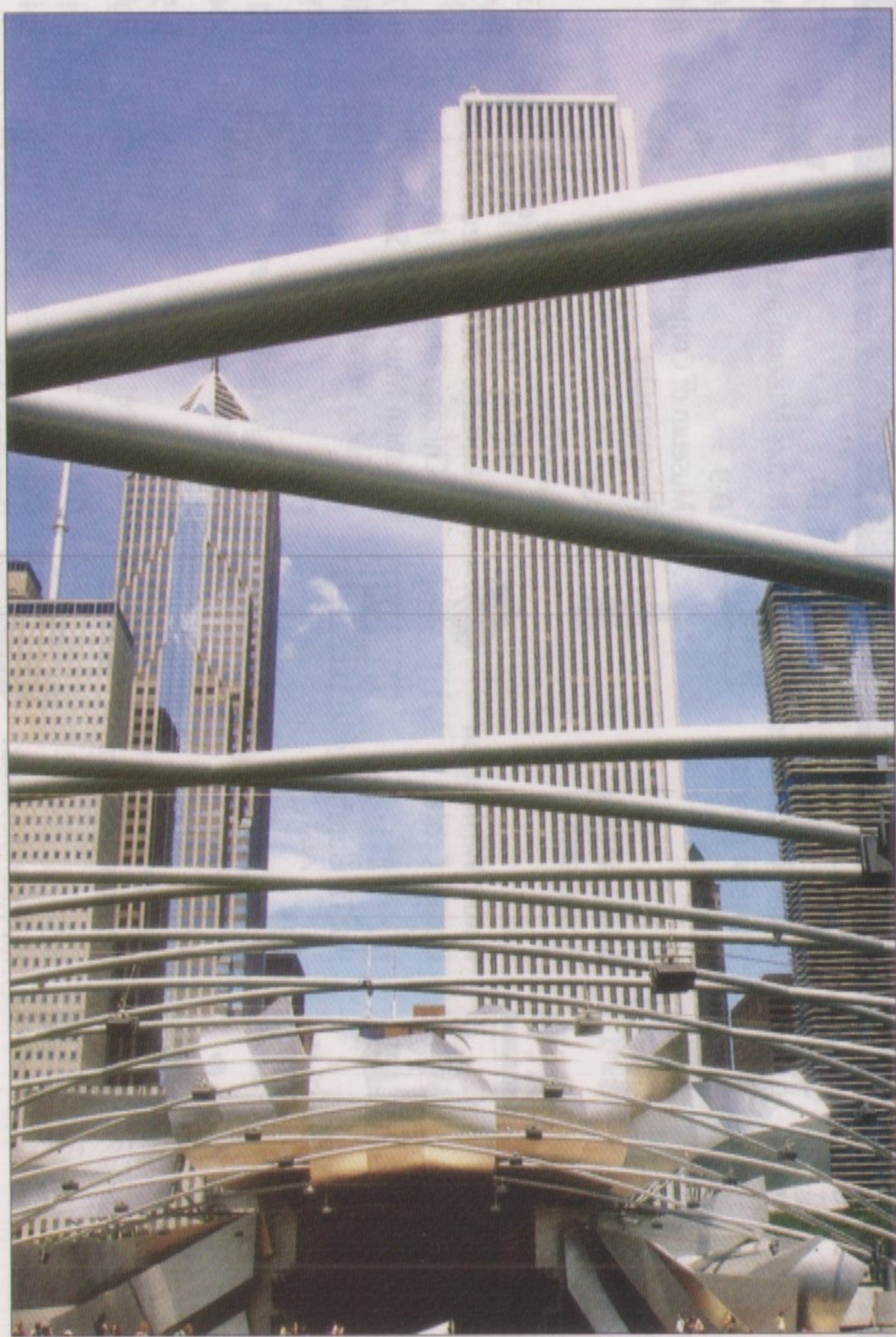


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Downtown Transit

Sightseeing Guide

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Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park

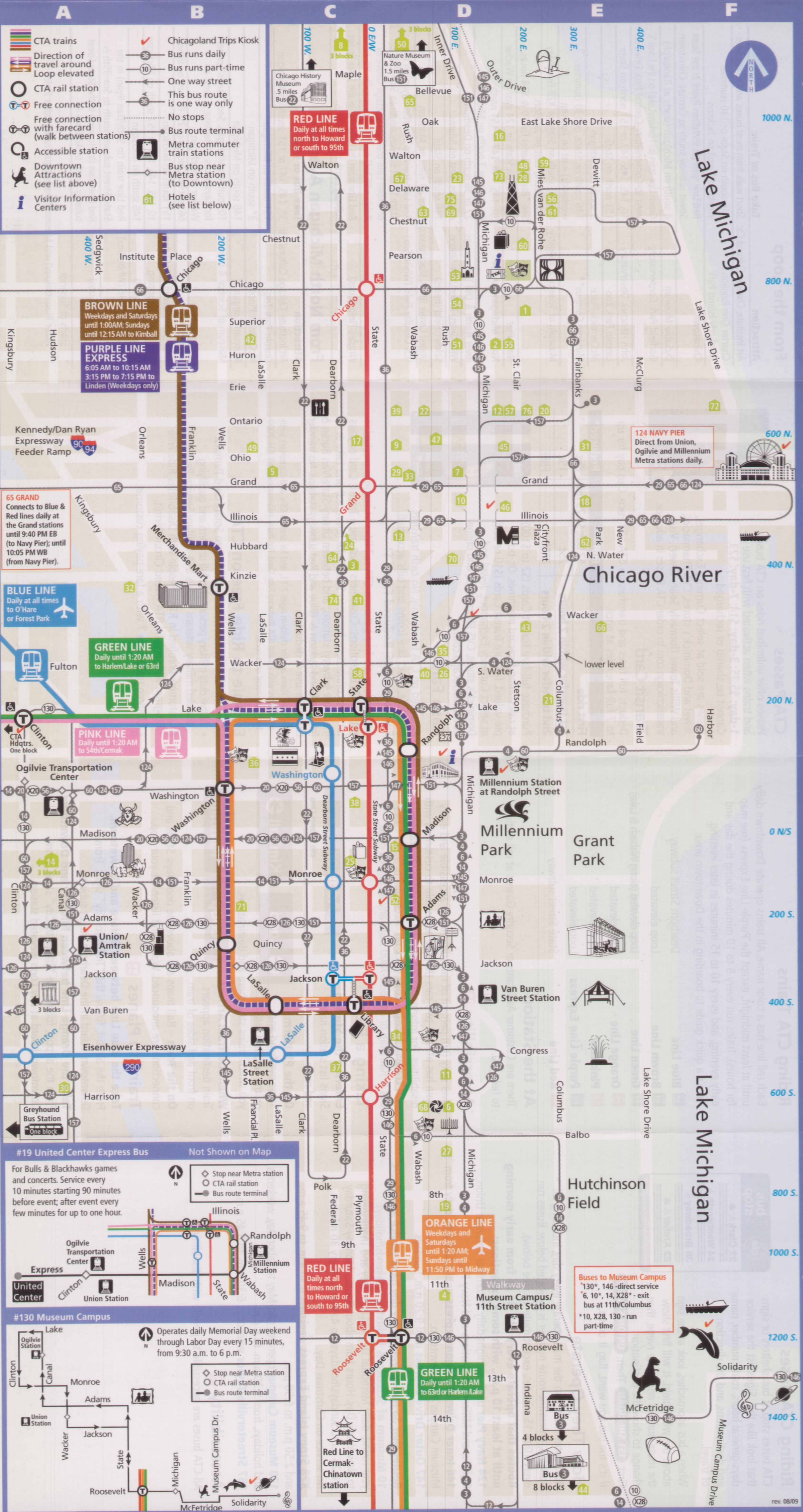


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Downtown Attractions

Visitor Info. Centers: Chicago Cultural Center (Michigan/Randolph) and Chicago Water Works (Michigan/Pearson). Open daily (except Thanksgiving/Christmas Day). **Special Events Hot Line:** (312) 744-3370.
Chicagoland Trips Info. Kiosks: Located at CTA Hdqrs., Chicago Cultural Center, Metra Millennium Station, Palmer House Hilton, Shedd Aquarium, Union Station and Westfield Northbridge Shopping Center.

F-11 Adler Planetarium	A-6 Civic Opera House	C-6 James R. Thompson (State of Illinois) Center	D-1 Nature Museum and Zoo	E-7 Petrillo Music Shell	C-6, C-7 State Street Shopping
D-7 Art Institute of Chicago	A-7 Chicago Mercantile Exchange Tours	D-2 John Hancock Observatory	D-9 Museum of Contemporary Photography	D-6 Pritzker Pavilion - Grant Park Music Festival	D-7 Symphony Center
E-8 Buckingham Fountain	C-6 City Hall/County Bldg.	C-8 Harold Washington Library Center	F-4 Navy Pier: Skyline Stage, Chicago Shakespeare Theatre, Chicago Children's Museum, Smith Museum of Stained Glass Windows	C-3 River North Restaurants & Nightlife	E-8 Taste of Chicago (late June-early July)
F-11 Charter One Pavilion Northerly Island Park	C-6 Daley Center & Picasso	D-2 Hot Tix Booth	D-2 North Michigan Avenue Shopping	B-7 Willis (Sears) Tower Skydeck	Theatres (Live): D-8 Auditorium, B-6 Cadillac Palace, C-6 Chicago, F-4 Chicago Shakespeare (Navy Pier), C-6 Goodman, E-6 Harris Music and Dance, D-2 Lookingglass, C-6 Oriental, D-9 Merle Reskin, C-7 LaSalle Bank
D-7 Chicago Architecture Foundation Tours	C-11 Chinatown	E-11 McCormick Place	E-1 Oak Street Beach	F-10 Shedd Aquarium	E-11 Prairie Avenue Historic District: Clarke House Museum, Glessner House Museum, Vietnam Veterans Art Museum, Women's Park and Gardens
D-6 Chicago Cultural Center - Loop Tour Train Visitor Info. Center	D-6 Gallery 37 Center for the Arts	D-5 McCormick Tribune Freedom Museum	D-2 Old Water Tower & Pumping Station (Chicago Water Works; Visitor Info. Center)	D-5, F-4, F-10 Sightseeing Boats	
C-4, C-6, C-7, D-4, D-6, E-6, F-4 Chicagoland Trips Kiosk	A-8 Greektown	B-5 Merchandise Mart		E-11 Soldier Field	
		E-2 Museum of Contemporary Art		D-9 Spertus Museum of Judaica	



Alphabetical List of Downtown Hotels

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| <p>1 Affinia Chicago Hotel, E-3</p> <p>2 Allerton Hotel, D-3</p> <p>3 Amalfi Hotel, C-5</p> <p>4 Best Western Grant Park Hotel, D-10</p> <p>5 Best Western River North Hotel, C-4</p> <p>6 The Blackstone, A Renaissance Hotel, D-9</p> <p>7 Chicago Marriott Downtown Hotel, D-4</p> <p>8 The Claridge Hotel, C-1</p> <p>9 Comfort Inn & Suites Downtown, C-4</p> <p>10 Conrad Chicago, D-4</p> <p>11 Congress Plaza Hotel, D-8</p> <p>12 Courtyard by Marriott Mag. Mile, D-3</p> <p>13 Courtyard by Marriott Downtown River North, C-4</p> <p>14 Crowne Plaza Chicago Metro, A-6</p> <p>15 Crowne Plaza - Silversmith Hotel, D-7</p> <p>16 The Drake Hotel, D-1</p> <p>17 Embassy Suites Chicago Downtown, C-4</p> <p>18 Embassy Suites Chicago Lakefront, E-4</p> <p>19 Essex Inn, D-9</p> | <p>20 Fairfield Inn Suites Chicago - Downtown, E-3</p> <p>21 The Fairmont Chicago, E-6</p> <p>22 Four Points by Sheraton, C-3</p> <p>23 Four Seasons Hotel Chicago, D-2</p> <p>24 Hampton Inn & Suites, C-4</p> <p>25 Hampton Majestic, C-7</p> <p>26 Hard Rock Hotel, D-5</p> <p>27 Hilton Chicago, D-9</p> <p>28 Hilton Suites Chicago-Mag. Mile, D-2</p> <p>29 Hilton Garden Inn, C-4</p> <p>30 Holiday Inn & Suites, A-9</p> <p>31 Holiday Inn Chicago City Centre, E-4</p> <p>32 Holiday Inn - Mart Plaza, A-5</p> <p>33 Homewood Suites by Hilton, C-4</p> <p>34 Hostelling International, C-8</p> <p>35 Hotel 71, D-5</p> <p>36 Hotel Allegro Chicago, B-6</p> <p>37 Hotel Blake, C-8</p> <p>38 Hotel Burnham, C-6</p> <p>39 Hotel Cass - A Holiday Inn Express, C-3</p> | <p>40 Hotel Monaco, D-5</p> <p>41 Hotel Sax, C-5</p> <p>42 Howard Johnson Inn - Chicago, B-3</p> <p>43 Hyatt Regency Chicago, D-5</p> <p>44 Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, E-11</p> <p>45 Inn of Chicago, D-4</p> <p>46 Inter Continental Chicago, D-4</p> <p>47 The James Hotel Chicago, D-4</p> <p>48 Millennium Knickerbocker Chicago Hotel, D-2</p> <p>49 Ohio House Motel, B-4</p> <p>50 Omni Ambassador East, D-1</p> <p>51 Omni Chicago Hotel, D-3</p> <p>52 Palmer House Hilton, D-7</p> <p>53 Park Hyatt Chicago Hotel, D-2</p> <p>54 The Peninsula Chicago, D-3</p> <p>55 Radisson Hotel & Suites Chicago, D-3</p> <p>56 The Raphael Hotel, D-2</p> <p>57 Red Roof Inn Chicago, D-3</p> <p>58 Renaissance Chicago Hotel, C-5</p> | <p>59 Residence Inn by Marriott Chicago - Downtown Mag. Mile, E-2</p> <p>60 The Ritz-Carlton Chicago, D-2</p> <p>61 The Seneca Hotel & Suites, E-2</p> <p>62 Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers, E-4</p> <p>63 Sofitel Chicago Water Tower, C-2</p> <p>64 Springhill Suites Marriott Chicago - Downtown, C-5</p> <p>65 The Sutton Place Hotel, D-1</p> <p>66 Swissotel Chicago, E-5</p> <p>67 The Talbott Hotel, C-2</p> <p>68 Travelodge Downtown Hotel, D-9</p> <p>69 The Tremont Hotel, D-2</p> <p>70 Trump International Hotel & Tower Chicago, D-5</p> <p>71 W Chicago City Center, B-7</p> <p>72 W Chicago Lake Shore, F-3</p> <p>73 The Westin Michigan Avenue, D-2</p> <p>74 The Westin North, C-5</p> <p>75 Whitehall Hotel, D-2</p> <p>76 Wyndham Chicago, D-3</p> |
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All Aboard!

This guide will show you how to use Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) buses and trains to see Downtown Chicago, North Michigan Avenue, and a few places beyond.

The CTA runs buses and elevated/subway trains (the 'L') that serve Chicago and 40 nearby suburbs. From Downtown, travel to most attractions on one bus or train.

We Have Answers

Get travel information and questions answered about CTA buses and trains, Metra commuter trains, and Pace suburban buses by calling 836-7000 from any local area code, 5 a.m. to 1 a.m. daily (TTY: 312-836-4949 (for hearing and speech impaired)). Or, visit the RTA Trip Planner at rtachicago.org.

Maps, train and bus schedules, and brochures can also be ordered through the RTA Travel Information Center. CTA Bus & Rail Maps and this brochure are also available at CTA rail stations.

We Are Listening

Comment, commendation or inquiry?

Call 1-888-YOUR-CTA (1-888-968-7282) weekdays (excluding holidays) 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., or leave a voice mail message at other times. TTY: 1-888-CTA-TTY1 (1-888-282-8891).

Write us at CTA Customer Service, P.O. Box 7566, Chicago, IL 60680-7566. Or, e-mail us at feedback@transitchicago.com.

Visit Us Online

CTA's web site is **transitchicago.com**. You can get information, see our map, purchase CTA-themed gift items, and even buy your fare in advance! Metra's web site is metrarail.com. Pace's web site is pacebus.com.

Buses

Riding CTA Buses

CTA buses stop at bus shelters or signs that look like this. Signs list the service days/general hours, route number, name and destinations, and the direction of travel.

When a bus approaches, look at the sign above the windshield. It will first show the route number and route name, then change to show the destination.

First: **151 SHERIDAN** Then: **UNION STATION**

If it's the bus you want, flag it down.



How They Operate

Bus routes shown on the map operate every day, including all holidays, unless the route number is indicated below. Buses run every 10 to 15 minutes, except route 10 (see below).

Routes that operate every day do so from early morning until at least 10 p.m., with some exceptions:

124 Navy Pier until midnight daily in summer between Union, Ogilvie, and Millennium stations and Navy Pier.

146 Inner Drive/Michigan Express until 12:20 a.m. daily from Museum Campus and Downtown.

147 Outer Drive Express until 9:20 p.m. Sundays.

Routes that do not operate every day have service as follows:

10 Museum of Science & Industry weekends/holidays year-round; daily Memorial Day to Labor Day and Thanksgiving to New Year's Day. Hours from about 9 a.m., Monday-Saturday (10:25 a.m., Sundays/holidays) to 4:40 p.m. every 30 minutes. No service on Christmas Day.

X28 Stony Island Express weekdays 6:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. and 2:50 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.

130 Museum Campus operates mid-May to Labor Day, weekends and holidays, from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

157 Streeter/Taylor weekdays 6:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Accessibility








All CTA buses are accessible to people with disabilities.

Trains

Riding CTA Trains

Each rail line has a color name. All trains operate Downtown daily until at least midnight, except the Purple Line Express (see map for hours). Trains run every 5 to 10 minutes during the day and early evening, and every 10 to 15 minutes in later evening.

Here's a quick guide to boarding in the Downtown area:

 Blue Line	Dearborn Street subway
 Brown Line	Loop elevated
 Green Line	Loop elevated (along Wabash & Lake)
 Orange Line	Loop elevated
 Pink Line	Loop elevated
 Purple Line Express	Loop elevated
 Red Line	State Street subway

At the Station

There are Customer Assistants or Security Guards at rail stations to help you.

Accessibility

Over sixty (60) percent of rail stations are accessible and every train has at least two cars that are accessible to customers with disabilities. For information on current accessible rail stations, visit **transitchicago.com** (click on "Accessibility"), see CTA's Bus & Rail Map or call 836-7000 from any local area code.

Taking a Ride

Entering the Station –

Signs list station name and route.



Addison

cta Brown Line

On the Platform –

Signs overhead and on the columns tell you which trains stop there and destinations.



Loop

Kimball



When the Train Arrives –

Train destination appears on front and sides of train.

Loop

Kimball

On the Train – Rail maps are above the doorways. Stops and connections are announced. Watch and listen for your stop.

Trains to Planes

Take the Blue Line between O'Hare and Downtown.

From the airport, follow the "Trains to City" signs. From Downtown, board in the Dearborn Street subway.

Take the Orange Line between Midway and Downtown.

From the airport, follow the "Trains to City" signs. From Downtown, board at any Loop elevated station.

Fares

CTA Passes

Passes offer unlimited rides on CTA buses and trains when activated with first use — **1-day:** \$5.75; **3-day:** \$14; **7-day:** \$23. Cannot be shared or recharged.

Passes are sold at select Currency Exchanges, Jewel and Dominick's stores, CVS Pharmacies, and Willis Tower (formerly Sears Tower). Visit transitchicago.com to order CTA Passes in advance.



Transit Card

Deducts full fares and transfers on CTA and Pace. Can pay for up to 7 full-fare rides at once.

	Full	Reduced*
First ride	\$2 bus; \$2.25 rail	85¢
1st transfer within 2 hours	25¢	15¢
2nd transfer within 2 hours	FREE	FREE

Purchase full-fare Transit Cards (\$2 to \$100) at rail station farecard machines. Or, buy pre-valued, full-fare Transit Cards (\$10 or \$20) at select Currency Exchanges, Jewel and Dominick's stores, CVS Pharmacies, and online at transitchicago.com.

Cash Fare

Accepted on CTA buses only. No cash transfers available. Exact fare (coins and bills accepted).

Full Fare: \$2.25; **Reduced Fare*:** \$1



Connections are free between CTA rail lines at stations marked with a **T**. Exceptions: Customers must use a Transit Card or pass for free connections between State/Lake (elevated) and Lake & (Red Line subway) stations; and between Library-State/Van Buren & (elevated) and Jackson & (Blue and Red subway) stations. No transfer charge or use is deducted.

* Reduced Fares are for children ages 7-11, and for seniors 65+ and customers with disabilities with a valid RTA Reduced Fare Card. For more information, call 836-7000 from any local area code.

Eligible to Ride Free on CTA

- Seniors 65+ with RTA Seniors Ride Free Smart Card Permits.
- Active duty military personnel in full uniform and qualifying disabled military veterans with a CTA Military Service Pass.
- Customers enrolled in RTA's People with Disabilities Ride Free Program with a valid RTA issued Circuit Permit.
- Children under age 7 with a fare-paying customer.

Quick Ride Guide

From the Loop

Attraction	Take Bus or Train:
Art Institute, Chicago Cultural Ctr.	Short walk from most buses and all rail lines
Charter One Pavilion at Northerly Island Park	146 south on State or 130 (summer weekends) east on Jackson
Chinatown	Red Line train (to 95th/Dan Ryan) in the State Street subway south to Cermak-Chinatown
DuSable Museum	4 south on Michigan (starts at Randolph)
Garfield Park Conservatory	Green Line train (to Harlem/Lake) on the Loop 'L' west to Conservatory-Central Park Drive &
John Hancock Observatory	10, 145, 146, 147 or 151 north on State
Lincoln Park Zoo	151 north on State
McCormick Place	3 south on Michigan
Museum Campus**	146 south on State, or 130 (summer weekends) east on Jackson
Museum of Science & Industry	6 or 10 south on State or X28 (weekday rush hours) east on Jackson. See "Buses" panel for 10 & X28 hours.
Navy Pier	29 north on State or 124 east on Wacker
North Michigan Avenue	10, 145, 146, 147 or 151 north on State, or 3 north on Michigan
River North & Old Town areas	22 or 36 north on Dearborn
Willis (Sears) Tower/Union Station	Any bus west on Adams
Soldier Field (Bears)	146 south on State
United Center (Bulls, Blackhawks)	19 or 20 west on Madison
U.S. Cellular Field (White Sox)	Red Line train (to 95th/Dan Ryan) in the State Street subway south to Sox-35th &; or Green Line train (to Cottage Grove or Ashland/63rd) to 35th-Bronzeville-IIT &
Wrigley Field (Cubs)	Red Line train (to Howard) in the State Street subway north to Addison &

From North Michigan Avenue

Attraction	Take Bus or Train:
Art Institute, Chicago Cultural Ctr.	3*, 145, 147 or 151 south on Michigan
Lincoln Park Zoo	151 north on Michigan
McCormick Place	3* south on Michigan
Museum Campus**	146 south on Michigan
Museum of Science & Industry	10 south on Michigan. See "Buses" panel for days/hours. Otherwise, 6 west on Wacker at Michigan.
Navy Pier	66 east on Chicago or 29, 65 east on Illinois
Willis (Sears) Tower/Union Station	151 south on Michigan
State Street Shopping	10, 145, 146, 151 or 157 south on Michigan
Soldier Field (Bears)	146 south on Michigan
U.S. Cellular Field (White Sox)	Red Line train (to 95th/Dan Ryan) in the State Street subway south to Sox-35th &
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* starts at Superior

** Adler Planetarium/Field Museum/Shedd Aquarium/Soldier Field