

what's happening

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hours and pricing



HOURS OF OPERATION

The Museum will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the following dates: March 25 – March 31; April 1, 2; April 8 – April 15. The Museum's regular hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Museum is closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

ILLINOIS FREE DAYS

The Museum offers 52 free days for Illinois residents each year. Museum Entry is free for Illinois residents during these remaining dates in 2017: June 5-9, 12; September 5-8, 11-15, 18-22, 25-29; October 2-5.

PARKING

Parking in the Museum of Science and Industry's convenient, on-site underground garage is \$22.

MUSEUM ENTRY AND PRICING

\$18 for adults and \$11 for children 3-11. City of Chicago residents receive a discount as follows: \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 3-11.

The *U-505* optional, on-board tour; the *Coal Mine*; the *WOW! Tour*; theater films and certain special exhibitions are not included in Museum Entry but can be added as part of a Museum Explorer ticket package. Check msichicago.org for show times, pricing and to purchase tickets online.

The Museum is part of the Chicago CityPASS program, in which guests can receive admission to five of the city's most famous attractions for one low price. Buy CityPASS at the Museum or online at citypass.com.

featured exhibits and events, spring/summer 2017



EXTREME ICE

Opening March 23, 2017 through 2019
Included in Museum Entry

Extreme Ice is a new temporary exhibit that uses world-renowned photographer James Balog's stunning footage to explain and illustrate the immediacy of climate change. Balog and his Extreme Ice Survey team highlighted in the documentary "Chasing Ice" captured these thought-provoking scenes that showcase the dramatic melting of glaciers around the world. The exhibit also features compelling artifacts and hands-on interactive elements—including a real, 7-foot ice wall. See the impact vanishing ice has on our planet, and discover how people around the world—including you—can make a difference.



BRICK BY BRICK

NOW EXTENDED through September 4, 2017
Requires an additional, timed-entry ticket

Now open through Labor Day 2017, *Brick by Brick* features more than a dozen of the world's most iconic landmarks—built entirely out of LEGO®. *Brick by Brick* immerses guests in the world of architecture and engineering, with 13 LEGO-built structures, including a 60-foot-long Golden Gate Bridge, and hands-on design challenges. In honor of the exhibit's extension, a 5-foot-tall replica of the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition Ferris wheel is also on display in the Entry Hall. Each structure was constructed by LEGO® Certified Professional and Chicago native Adam Reed Tucker, giving guests a one-of-a-kind look into how architects and engineers push the limits of design to make the seemingly impossible, possible.

Brick by Brick is sponsored by ArcelorMittal.

upcoming exhibits and events



MSI AFTER HOURS: EXTREME ICE

Friday, March 24, 7 – 10 p.m.
[Ticket purchase required at msichicago.org/afterhours](http://msichicago.org/afterhours)

MSI's next adults-only event offers exclusive access to the Museum's newest temporary exhibit *Extreme Ice*. The evening features a special on-site presentation by James Balog, the photographer whose work illustrating climate change is displayed in the exhibit. Throughout the night, guests 21 and up can enjoy cocktails, snacks, music and after-hours access to MSI's exhibits, including *Extreme Ice*. Admission is \$30 and includes parking, snacks and a complimentary cocktail.



NATIONAL ROBOTICS WEEK

April 8, 9, 15
Included in Museum Entry

Join MSI for an exciting week filled with robots! During National Robotics Week, guests can interact with robots and the latest robotic technology through a variety of activities and competitions—including an exciting drone-racing demonstration. On April 8, 9 and 15, demonstrations from university, after-school and hobbyist robotics teams will take place in the Museum. Different robots designed by Chicago-area students and amateur teams will be on display, guests can watch a live robotics competition, and more!



ROBOT REVOLUTION

May 11, 2017 through February 4, 2018
Requires an additional, timed-entry ticket

MSI's national touring exhibit, *Robot Revolution* is returning to Chicago! This popular exhibit explores how robots, created by human ingenuity, will ultimately be our companions and colleagues, changing how we play, live and work together. Guests have extraordinary opportunities to control, see and interact with more than 40 cutting-edge robots that are rarely shown to the public. The return of this exciting and innovative exhibition will feature several new robots, allowing guests to further interact and learn more about robots' roles in society.

Robot Revolution is supported by Google.org with additional major support from The Boeing Company.

SUMMER BRAIN GAMES

Launching June 2017
Free instructions to activities will be available online

Calling all superheroes! Summer Brain Games is back for a sixth year at MSI—complete with a powerful superhero theme!

Enjoy eight weeks of free and fun at-home science experiments designed to combat and fight off the evil villain, “summer brain drain,” when kids lose months of critical learning. Kids of all ages will get firsthand experience with STEM subjects including engineering and physics. Sign up at msichicago.org/summerbrain.



TURN BACK THE CLOCK

June 2017 through mid-2018
Included in Museum Entry

The dawn of the nuclear age in recent history has created a cause for conversation, education and collaboration. Over the past seven decades, the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists has worked to foster global conversation between policy makers, scientists and the public. Focusing on the Bulletin's iconic Doomsday Clock, *Turn Back the Clock* teaches guests about the intersection of science and policy around how the nuclear age has shaped our world today.

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD AND HOLIDAYS OF LIGHT: 75TH ANNIVERSARY



November 16, 2017 – January 7, 2018
Included in Museum Entry

Join us for the 75th anniversary of a beloved holiday tradition, *Christmas Around the World*, as well as the 22nd annual *Holidays of Light*. This custom began in 1942 as a United Nations Day salute to the Allies during World War II with one tree decorated to represent 12 Allied countries. Over the years, the exhibit has grown into a forest of dazzling trees and homemade displays, created by dedicated volunteers. This year, the Museum's Main Floor will be adorned with more than 50 trees and displays beautifully decorated by volunteers from Chicago's ethnic communities, representing holiday traditions from around the world. Our 45-foot Grand Tree will be decked in more 30,000 lights and hundreds of ornaments, with “snow” falling indoors. Celebrate global traditions of light or enlightenment, such as Hanukkah and Kwanzaa, in our *Holidays of Light* displays.

showing in the theater

Films are not included in Museum Entry, but are available in a ticket package.



DREAM BIG: ENGINEERING OUR WORLD

Through February 2018

Soar above the world's tallest bridge and travel at speeds approaching 700 mph with the MSI's newest film, Dream Big: Engineering Our World. The film celebrates human ingenuity and innovation, revealing the creativity that drives engineers to create better lives for people and a more sustainable future. Narrated by Academy Award® winner Jeff Bridges, Dream Big is the first giant-screen project of its kind to promote science, technology, engineering and math. Produced in partnership with the American Society of Civil Engineers and presented by Bechtel Corporation, this film showcases engineering breakthroughs and inspiring stories of the men, women and young people behind these innovations.



GREAT WHITE SHARK

Through April 23, 2017

Unravel the mystery of the creature we love to fear in Great White Shark. Guests will dive deep into the myths of the great white as the true story of its role atop the oceanic food chain is revealed. Narrated by acclaimed stage and screen actor Bill Nighy, the film examines what we know about great whites through the eyes of several people whose lives and work have become linked to these animals. Great White Shark partnered with conservation organizations Oceana and WildAid to educate guests about the dangers sharks face at the hands of their greatest predator—humans.

special experiences



U-505: IN-DEPTH EXPERIENCE

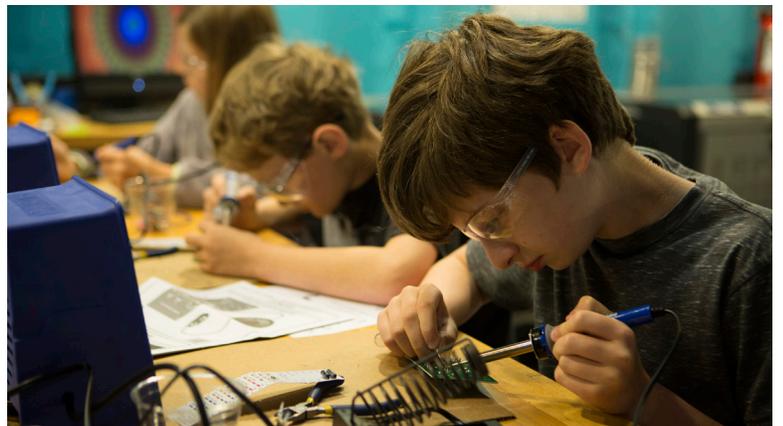
This private tour of the *U-505 Submarine* takes place on select Saturday and Sunday mornings, before the Museum is open to the public. The tour begins with coffee, tea and a presentation about the capture, acquisition and restoration of the U-505. Following the in-depth guided tour of the exhibit and an on-board tour of the submarine, guests can enjoy the rest of the day at the Museum.

Current 2017 Tour Dates: Sunday, April 23; Saturday, May 20;
Cost: \$40 plus Museum Entry (adults, \$18; children ages 3-11, \$11)

WANGER FAMILY FAB LAB

Available in an Explorer ticket package.

This state-of-the-art digital fabrication laboratory features a small-scale workshop for computer-based innovation, design and fabrication. Guests can dream up, design and make almost anything you can imagine using cutting-edge software and equipment, like 3D printers, laser cutters and CAD workstations. Fab Lab users engage in problem-based learning and hands-on fabrication, becoming innovators of new projects and prototypes for limitless use and application. Depending on the session, the experience lasts 20 to 60 minutes.



permanent exhibit highlights



NUMBERS IN NATURE: A MIRROR MAZE

Included in Museum Entry, but requires a free, timed-entry ticket, available on site.

Navigate an elaborate mirror maze to explore a seemingly infinite repeating pattern of mirrors! Interactive stations and artifacts allow you to explore shapes and forms in nature, the human body, art and architecture. Step in front of a mirror that will reveal the patterns in your body. Learn how to produce digital animation with fractal branching—and more.



YOU! THE EXPERIENCE

Included in Museum Entry

Use your own heartbeat to make the Museum's 13-foot Giant Heart come alive. Get moving on a human-sized Hamster Wheel that provides real-time feedback on your body's responses to aerobic activity. *YOU! The Experience* lets you explore what it means to live a vital, healthy life in the 21st century, while experimenting with nearly 50 fun, interactive displays.



SCIENCE STORMS

Included in Museum Entry

Manipulate a 40-foot tornado and see the vapor whirling before you. Trigger an avalanche using a 20-foot avalanche disk. See 1.5 million volts strike above your head. *Science Storms* unravels the mysteries of physics and chemistry through recreations of nature's most powerful phenomena—tornados, lightning, tsunamis and more.

museum offerings



OWN A PIECE OF MSI HISTORY!

MSI photographic prints for sale

The general public can now take home a piece of Museum history! Images representing the collection of MSI being offered as prints, posters, canvases and wall clings, providing a unique opportunity to experience the Museum's history, artifacts and exhibits at home or office. More than 260 select images are available at www.photography.msichicago.org. Proceeds from sales of the photographs will support the Museum's commitment to science education and its extensive teacher and student programming. Prices begin at \$20.

MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP

Enjoy all that MSI has to offer—jaw-dropping exhibits, hands-on science experiences and special member perks—while supporting award-winning education programs. Members receive unlimited free Museum Entry for an entire year, as well as passes to the theater, discounted special exhibition passes, behind-the-scenes peeks, invitations to amazing family-friendly events throughout the year, and free or discounted parking at the Individual Premium level and up.

THE BRAIN FOOD COURT AND MUSEUM CAFÉ

Refuel and recharge during a visit to MSI! The Brain Food Court serves something for everyone in the family to enjoy—delicious hot lunches, convenient grab-and-go items and healthy menu options. Starbucks coffee drinks and other tasty treats are available at the Museum Café.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Just steps from Lake Michigan and minutes from downtown Chicago, MSI offers incredible spaces for transformative events. From meetings to parties to weddings, fabulous settings can be created throughout the Museum. Our culinary and event teams' impeccable attention to detail will bring your big idea to life.



social media



FACEBOOK

"Like" the Museum on Facebook and receive insider MSI knowledge, special offers, photos, updates and link up with other science-savvy Facebookers at: facebook.com/msichicago.



TWITTER

We are also "tweeting" science facts, news and MSI happenings on Twitter. Follow us and see where it leads: twitter.com/msichicago.



INSTAGRAM

See amazing photos of MSI favorites, behind-the-scenes of the Museum, and more. Follow us—and be sure to tag us in your photos: [@msichicago](https://www.instagram.com/msichicago).



YOUTUBE

Check out videos from the Museum on our YouTube channel: youtube.com/msichicago.



PINTEREST

Follow the Museum on Pinterest to discover some of our favorite things—from exhibits to artifacts, experiments to scientists: pinterest.com/msichicago.



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