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WOMEN'S BUSINESS CONFERENCE CHICAGO 2009



NAWBO Chicago STAY & PLAY *Sponsored by National City/PNC*

Stay an extra day to play in the Windy City. This event begins at 11 am with brunch at the hotel. Then, board a charter bus for your choice of the following tours:

CHICAGO CHOCOLATE TOUR 12:30 – 3:00 pm

Be a VIP of chocolate with Chicago Chocolate Tours founder Valerie Beck, NAWBO Chicago President Elect, on this guided walking and tasting tour of select Chicago chocolate shops. Savor the creative chocolates of talented chocolatiers, learn about the history and health benefits of chocolate, and discover beautiful architectural details of Chicago—the historical candy and chocolate capital of America—while walking off the calories! Is white chocolate really chocolate? Does chocolate really contain caffeine? Is chocolate really an aphrodisiac? Find out whether these are chocolate facts or chocolate myths, and more!

The 5-block route is an easy walk for all levels with plenty of seating opportunities, we'll walk to 6 chocolate shops along and around Michigan Avenue—one of the world's most beautiful boulevards—and Oak Street—one of the city's most fashionable side streets. We will sample chocolates, talk with chocolate experts, and learn chocolate secrets. Along the way, we'll ply you with so much chocolate that the tour comes with an “overflow bag”—a cute goody bag to deposit any extra chocolate samples, so that you can take the tour with you and continue to enjoy premium chocolate at home or in your hotel!

OBAMA'S CHICAGO! 12:30 – 4:30 pm

Chicago is the very proud home of the 44th US President, Barack Obama and his family—join us on a day of discovering “presidential picks” as we explore favorite and now historical sites from the Obama's courtship, law career, wedding, married life, children, leisure pastimes and landmark moments in American history.

EXPLORE THE PRESIDENT'S NEIGHBORHOOD—Hyde Park—Kenwood is something old and historic, something new and progressive, always exciting, always changing and the Jewel of Chicago's south lakefront. Visit family favorite, 57th STREET BOOKS, and WALK THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO QUAD patterned after Cambridge in England, the University is one of the finest in the world today and both the Law School and the Lab School have played an important role in Obama's family life.

TOUR the beautifully restored SOUTH SHORE COUNTRY CLUB, site of the OBAMA wedding reception 16 years ago, and graced with its period ballrooms, luxurious dining room, stunning solarium and glorious grounds. Once the private enclave of a privileged few, today this national historic landmark serves the south side community as a park and recreational center.

SNACK LIKE A PRESIDENT!—at VALOIS, in the heart of Hyde Park.

DRIVE past now legendary Obama sites: Grant Park’s Hutchinson Field, site of the 2008 Election Night Rally, his former campaign office, law firm, first Chicago apartment, see the former Gordon’s where Barack proposed to Michelle, the law firm where they met, the ice cream parlor where they shared their first kiss, their 1st condo, their current home, drive past his favorite workout club and neighborhood basketball court and their favorite “date” restaurants. Admire Promontory Point on Lake Michigan, a landmark of Alfred Caldwell design and a favorite play spot of Sasha and Malia and their Dad. Stop at 57th Street Books and see so much more of the 44th US President’s own unique Chicago.

END your tour at the new boutique of Chicago designer Maria Pinto, a favorite of First Lady Michelle Obama, or, visit the “O” STORE where the Obama’s good friend and inspiration, Oprah Winfrey, has opened the ultimate shop for fans of all ages.

“NEW CITY RISING” 1:30 – 4:30 pm

CRUISE the Chicago River and Lake Michigan for the most unique and interesting way to see the city. On this narrated 90 minute Lake& River Cruise, see the best of Chicago’s historic and state-of-the-art architecture. Learn why Chicago is known as the “Architectural Capital of the World”.

ENJOY a guided tour of the new and exciting downtown 26 acre Millennium Park. The park features a 1500 seat theatre for music and dance, the 120 foot high music pavilion designed by Frank Gehry, the architect acclaimed for his Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, Spain and Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles and donated by the Pritzker family of the Hyatt Hotel chain, a fountain with a reflecting pool book ended by two 50-foot high towers of glass brick with changing video images projecting onto the towers, and of course, The Bean!

CHICAGO “WONDERFUL TOWN” TOUR 1:00 – 5:00 pm **THE CITY WITH SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY—HISTORICALLY, CULTURALLY,** **COMMERCIALY, AND ARCHITECTURALLY.... IT’S “OUR KIND OF TOWN”**

LOOP: Old and new architecturally important buildings. Daley Center, Marina City, Sears Tower, Merchandise Mart, Harold Washington Library, Board of Trade and LaSalle St., South Michigan Ave.’s Art Institute Chicago Cultural Center and Louis Sullivan’s masterpiece Auditorium Building, The “El”, Chicago’s Public Art—Calder’s Flamingo, Picasso’s Sculpture at the Daley Center, Miro’s Lady, Oldenburg’s Batcolumn, and Chagall’s Mosaic Wall, and the State of the Art, State of Illinois Center.

LAKEFRONT: Drive through the best of the 26 miles of Chicago’s lakefront park system including the stunning new MILLENNIUM PARK, passing major landmarks—Buckingham Fountain, Soldier Field, the Shedd Oceanarium, Field Museum, the Adler Planetarium, McCormick Place Complex, the exciting Navy Pier and the breathtaking Chicago skyline.

NEAR NORTH SIDE: The magnificent mile of Michigan Ave., Wrigley Building, Tribune Tower, Terra Museum, the new Museum of Contemporary Art, Water Tower Place, the Old Chicago Water Tower, Astor Street, Frank Lloyd Wright’s Charnley House, the Chicago Archdiocese in an 1882 mansion, the Chicago History Museum and the grandeur of Lincoln Park—the largest in Chicago with over 1100 lakefront acres.

NEAR WEST SIDE: Harpo Studio and the new “O” Store, MJ’s Statue at the Chicago Stadium, University of Illinois Circle Campus, Jane Addams’ Hull House, Maxwell Street Market, Greektown, Old St. Patrick’s Church, Chicago Fire Academy where the great “Chicago Fire” of 1871 began its devastating course.

SOUTH SIDE: Vintage 1880’s PRAIRIE AVENUE, Historic BRONZEVILLE, HYDE-PARK & KENWOOD, PRESIDENT OBAMA’S neighborhood, including the Site of World Colombian Exposition of 1893, Museum of Science and Industry, Gothic splendor of The University of Chicago and Rockefeller Chapel, the site of the first self-sustained nuclear reaction, commemorated by Henry Moore’s sculpture, “Nuclear Energy.”

TOUR Frank Lloyd Wright’s masterpiece ROBIE HOUSE in Hyde Park

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