

WEPAN Conference 2008 (Hyatt Hotel, Union Station)
Come Early; Stay Late
Things to See and Do in St. Louis
Summer 2008 Information

FOREST PARK* (Approximately 5 miles from Union Station)

<http://stlouis.missouri.org/citygov/parks/forestpark/>

Forest Park is one of St. Louis' most treasured resources. At 1,293 acres, it is approximately 500 acres larger than Central Park in New York. Monuments, historic buildings, wildlife, waterways and landscapes combine to form a unique cultural institution. It was the site of the 1904 World's Fair and contains a golf course, tennis facility, bike paths and rentals, a skating rink and boat rentals. Some of the most famous attractions in the park include:

ST. LOUIS ART MUSEUM*

(314) 721-0072

<http://www.stlouis.art.museum/>

Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday, 10 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Admission to the Museum and its collection is free every day. Admission fees to featured exhibitions vary; admission to featured exhibitions is always free on Fridays.

ST. LOUIS HISTORY MUSEUM*

(314) 646-4599

<http://www.mohistory.org/>

Saturday-Thursday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Admission is free.

ST. LOUIS ZOO*

(314) 781-0900

<http://www.stlzoo.org/>

Daily 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Admission to the zoo is free, however, a \$10 pass includes admission to the Children's Zoo; Zooline Railroad; Conservation Carousel; Sea Lion Show; Wild Ride Motion Simulator; and 3D Movie. ZOOMagination Station is \$2 per person. Children under 2 are free. The 45-minute sessions begin on the hour from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays (some exceptions, see website).

THE JEWEL BOX (Greenhouse & Floral Display)

(314) 531-0080

<http://stlouis.missouri.org/citygov/parks/jewelbox/>

Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Admission is \$1, but is free from 9 a.m. to noon on Monday and Tuesday

ST. LOUIS SCIENCE CENTER (see details in list that follows)

<http://www.slsc.org/>

***Stop off choice on Trolley Tours of St. Louis**

ANHEUSER-BUSCH BREWERY TOUR* (2.5 miles from Union Station)

12th & Lynch Streets

(314) 577-2626

<http://www.budweisertours.com/home.htm>

Monday-Saturday 9 am – 4 pm

Sunday 11:30 am – 4 pm

Admission: Free

Guests experience the making of Budweiser from the Brew House, Beechwood Aging Cellars and state-of-the-art Packaging Facilities. In the Hospitality Room, guests 21 years of age and over can sample their favorite brews. Soft drinks and snacks are also served.

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BLACK WORLD HISTORY MUSEUM* (approximately 2 miles from Union Station)

2505 St. Louis Avenue

(314) 241-7057

<http://www.explorestlouis.com/myStl/memberDetails.asp?mID=1271&pt=1>

Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Admission: \$5 adults; \$4 youth 13 - 17; \$3.50 seniors; \$2.50 children 12 and under.

The museum includes life-size likenesses of famous African-American Missourians including George Washington Carver, Dred and Harriett Scott and Josephine Baker.

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CASINOS (Metrolink from Union Station)

St. Louis has seven casinos in the area, but two of them are within a short cab ride from the conference hotel in Union Station and one can be reach on MetroLink:

Lumière Place Casino	999 North Second Street	314-881-7777/877-450-7711
President Casino on the Admiral	Laclede’s Landing (north of Gateway Arch)	314-622-3000/800-772-3647
Casino Queen	East St. Louis, IL (on Metrolink)	800-777-0777

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CATHEDRAL BASILICA* (approximately 3 miles from Union Station)

4431 Lindell Boulevard

(314) 373-8240

<http://cathedralstl.org/site/>

7am – 5pm with tours: 10am – 4 pm

Admission: a donation of \$1 is requested

Tours: Adult \$2; Student \$1

The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis is a masterpiece of art and history. It rivals the grandest Cathedrals in the world. Artisans, craftsmen, stonecutters, and masons spent almost a century creating this incomparable church. The many beautiful mosaics are particularly noteworthy.

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CITY MUSEUM* (walk or trolley from Union Station)
701 North 15th St.
(314) 231-2489
<http://www.citymuseum.org>

Sunday 11am - 5pm
Monday - Tuesday Closed
Wednesday - Thursday 9am - 5pm
Friday 9am - 1am
Saturday 10am - 1am
General Admission \$12

The museum is an eclectic mixture of children's playground, funhouse, surrealistic pavilion, and architectural marvel made out of unique, found objects.

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FAUST PARK AND HISTORIC VILLAGE (approximately 30 miles from Union Station)
15185 Olive Blvd.
Chesterfield, MO 63017-1805
(636) 532-7298
www.stlouisco.com/parks/faust_home.html

Park Admission: Free
Faust Historic Village: Free – open Saturday and Sunday only 1 – 5pm
Carousel & Gift Shop: \$1 ride – open Tuesday-Sunday 10am – 4pm
Butterfly House: - \$6; \$4.50 seniors (65+); \$4 children (4-12)
open daily (except Monday) 9am – 5pm

Faust Park is the 1820s estate (Thornhill) of Missouri's second governor, Faust Historical Village, restored 1920s Dentzel carousel, the Butterfly House and Webster University Community Music School. Village interprets history of 1840s-1880s. Historic reenactors, spring through fall. Thornhill tours by appointment. \$1 carousel rides.

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GATEWAY ARCH & MUSEUM OF WESTWARD EXPANSION* (1.5 miles from Union Station)
St. Louis Riverfront
(314) 923-3048
(877) 982-1410
<http://www.gatewayarch.com>

Hours: 8 am – 10pm (Tram to top 8:20am – 9:10pm)
Admission: Free

Tram to the top of the Arch: Adults \$10; Adults with National Park Passport \$7; Youth (ages 13-15) \$7; Children (ages 3-12) \$3

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GRANT'S FARM (approximately 12 miles from Union Station)
10501 Gravois Rd
(314) 843-1700
<http://www.grantsfarm.com/>

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Grant's Farm (continued)

Closed Monday (except 5/26)
Tuesday - Friday: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission: Free (Parking is \$10 per vehicle)

Grant's Farm is the 281-acre ancestral home of the Busch family (now operated by Anheuser-Busch, Inc.). The Farm is home to more than 1,000 animals representing more than 100 different species from six continents. The famous Clydesdale Horses are housed across the road from the parking lot. Also across the road is the National Historic Site, Whitehaven, home of Ulysses S. Grant (see **WHITEHAVEN** for details)

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LAUMEIER SCULPTURE PARK (approximately 15 miles from Union Station)

12580 Rott Road
(314) 821-1209
<http://www.laumeiersculpturepark.org/welcome>

Admission is Free

Open daily from 8:00 AM to sunset with the exception of Christmas and New Year's Day.

Museum Galleries and Museum Shop Hours:
Closed on Mondays and legal holidays.
Tuesday-Friday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Saturday-Sunday: 12:00 PM to 5:00PM

Laumeier Sculpture Park collects, commissions, and exhibits monumental, contemporary sculpture. Laumeier also collects additional works by related artists in mediums such as photography, prints, drawings, maquettes and book arts. Laumeier plays a unique role in the domain of site-specific and environmental sculpture.

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MAGIC HOUSE St. Louis Children's Museum (Approximately 14 miles from Union Station)

516 S. Kirkwood Road
(314) 822-8900
<http://www.magichouse.org/>

Admission: \$7.50 (ages 1 and above)

M, W, Th, & Sat 9:30am to 5:30 pm
T & F 9:30 am to 9:00 pm
Sun 11:00 am to 5:30 pm

At The Magic House you will find four floors packed with more than 100 hands-on exhibits designed to be fun, engaging and memorable in a creative and stimulating environment—touch an electrically charged ball and make your hair stand on end; transform your silhouette into a kaleidoscope of color; lift yourself with a pulley; freeze your shadow on a wall; experiment in a water playground; make a three-dimensional impression of yourself; and zoom down a three-story slide!

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MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDENS* (4 miles from Union Station)

4344 Shaw Boulevard
(314) 577-9400 Automated events hotline
(800) 642-8842
<http://www.mobot.org/>

Daily 9 am - 5 pm
Wednesday evenings until 8 p.m.

Adults (age 13 and up) \$8
Children's Garden (Adults free) \$3 per child
Tower Grove House Free

The Missouri Botanical Garden is a serene oasis for humans and other creatures in the heart of St. Louis. Some noted features are the Japanese Gardens and the Climatron, a geodesic dome designed by Buckminster Fuller, providing controlled multiple tropical climates. From April 27 through October 31, the Garden welcomes the passionate pop art of *Niki* in the Garden, an exhibition of 40 playful, larger-than-life mosaic sculptures in a rainbow of colors and materials.

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MUSEUM OF TRANSPORTATION (19 miles from Union Station)

2967 Barrett Station Road
(314) 965-6885
<http://www.transportmuseumassociation.org/plan.html>

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday: 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Adults: \$6.00.
Children (5 - 12), Seniors and military with a valid ID: \$4.00.
Children 4 and under: Free.
Teachers with valid current teaching ID: Free

Creation Station and Miniature Train Ride have additional fees.

The Museum of Transportation in West St. Louis County houses one of the largest and best collections of transportation vehicles in the world.

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OLD COURTHOUSE* – SITE OF DRED SCOTT DECISION (1 mile from Union Station)

11 North Fourth Street
(314) 655-1600
<http://www.slfpc.com/OldCourthouse.html>

Open Daily 8 am to 4:30 pm

Admission is free

A special exhibit, *Dred Scott, Slavery and The Struggle to Be Free*, is currently on display in the Rotunda of the Old Courthouse. The exhibit describes several aspects of African-American society and culture, from slavery to free black business owners to the "colored aristocracy" of rich landowners. In 1940, the city of St. Louis deeded the Old Courthouse to the Federal Government. Today, this nineteenth-century courthouse features restored courtrooms, a decorated dome, Dioramas, the "Gateway To The West" film and galleries depicting the history of St. Louis.

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SCIENCE CENTER* (Approximately 4 miles from Union Station)

5050 Oakland Ave

(314) 289-4400

<http://www.slsc.org/>

Monday - Thursday - 9:30am - 4:30pm

Friday - 9:30am - 9:30pm

Saturday - 9:30am - 4:30pm

Sunday - 11:30am - 4:30pm

General Admission: Free

Parking: \$8

This outstanding science museum appeals to children and adults alike. In addition to many wonderful exhibits at no cost, the museum includes a Discovery Room-\$3; Lego®

MINDSTORMS™-\$3; OMINIMAX® Theater: \$10 (The Alps, Dinosaurs Alive, Night at the Museum (weekends); The McDonnell Planetarium Space Show-\$5; Monsters! Exhibit: \$8; and Segway courses: \$5

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SIX FLAGS AMUSEMENT PARK (30 miles from Union Station on I-44 West at exit 261)

Eureka, MO.

636-938-4800 (recorded info) 636-938-5300 (administration & guest services)

<http://www.sixflags.com/stLouis/index.aspx>

Monday-Wednesday 10:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Thursday & Friday 10:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.

General Admission: \$44.99 (buy online for \$39.99)

Children under 48": \$29.99

2 & Under: FREE

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TROLLEY TOURS OF ST. LOUIS

(314) 241-1400 for reservations

<http://www.tourstlouis.net/> (\$2 off coupon on-line)

Grand Tour (\$45) with three stop offs; 1/2 Day Tour (\$35) with two stop offs. Child (\$15); Teen (\$25)

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WHITE HAVEN (approximately 12 miles from Union Station)

7400 Grant Road

(314) 842-3298 ext. 245

<http://www.nps.gov/ulsg/>

Daily 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Visits inside the Main House begin at 9:30 a.m. and are offered every half hour. The last visit to the Main House begins at 4:00 p.m.

Admission is free.

White Haven is a National Historic Site and the home of Ulysses S. Grant and his wife, Julia Dent.

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