Pittsburgh: Museums and Other Sites to Visit

Artifacts
110 S. Main St.
Pittsburgh 15220
(412) 921-6544
artifactsweb.com

It’s technically a store. But it’s so large, with so many eclectic objects, that Artifacts bills itself as “a museum with a price tag.” The West End shop boasts more than 25,000 new and antique rugs and the nation’s largest collection of African sculpture and furniture, among many, many other items.

Bayernhof Museum
225 St. Charles Place
O’Hara Township 15215
(412) 782-4231
http://bayernhofmuseum.com/

This spot is so secret press coverage typically is shunned — you have to check it out yourself to discover what’s hidden inside the stately O’Hara Township spot, which features everything from waterfalls to a large collection of automatic musical instruments. As you approach the stone structure with heavy wood double doors, you may feel as if you signed up for a murder mystery weekend. The hidden passageways and secret doors inside will only reinforce that feeling.

Reservations required

Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh
http://www.carnegiemuseums.org/

Carnegie Museum of Art
4400 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-4080
Tel: 412-622-3131
http://www.cmoa.org/

Carnegie Museum of Natural History
4400 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-4080
Tel: 412-622-3131
http://carnegiemnh.org/
Carnegie Science Center
One Allegheny Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
Tel: 412-237-3400
http://www.carnegiesciencecenter.org

The Andy Warhol Museum
117 Sandusky Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
Tel: 412-237-8300
http://www.warhol.org

Children’s Museum of Pittsburgh
10 Children’s Way, Allegheny Square
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
412-322-5058
http://www.pittsburghkids.org

Come see how we've grown! The new museum continues to delight and inspire children of all ages (and groups of all sizes), providing four times more space to learn, play and create amidst "Real Stuff" exhibits that include the Studio, Attic, Backyard, Garage, Workshop, Nursery, Theater and MAKESHOP.

The Clemente Museum
3339 Penn Ave.
Pittsburgh 15201
(412)621-1268
clementemuseum.com

This nondescript Lawrenceville spot has a fascinating history, amazing artifacts and classy basement winery. This appointment-only museum inside a former fire station holds a vast collection of items from the Clemente-era Pirates — and more.

Duquesne Incline
1197 West Carson Street
Pittsburgh 15219
412-381-1665
http://www.duquesneincline.org

Funicular railway on the side of Mt. Washington providing views of the Golden Triangle
**Fort Pitt Museum**  
601 Commonwealth Place  
Point State Park  
Pittsburgh 15222  
(412) 281-9284  
heinzhistorycenter.org

You’ve noticed this building off to the side as you walk down to the Point, but chances are you haven’t set foot inside since your elementary school took a field trip. Change that, because this space — larger than it appears from the outside — is worth a visit as an adult. Operated by the Sen. John Heinz History Center and a Smithsonian affiliate, the museum takes you through Pittsburgh’s Colonial days in the actual spot where Pittsburgh became well, Pittsburgh. Bonus: nearly every weekend in the summer, you can experience a “Living History demonstration” with activities such as blacksmithing, cooking and musket volleys.

**Frick Art and Historical Center**  
(Henry Clay Frick Mansion and Café)  
7227 Reynolds Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15208  
412-371-0600  
http://www.frickart.org

The Frick Pittsburgh is a museum located on five acres of beautifully landscaped lawns and gardens in the city's historic East End. Tour the Henry Clay Frick family home, Clayton—one of the best preserved Gilded Age mansions in America . . . enjoy masterpieces of European art and changing exhibitions in the art museum . . . and explore the collection of historic cars and carriages.

**Gateway Clipper**  
https://www.gatewayclipper.com/

For the best in Pittsburgh Riverboat Tours, cruise with Gateway Clipper Fleet. For over 50 years we have been sailing the Three Rivers hosting Pittsburgh Sightseeing and Dining Cruises. We also present breathtaking Pittsburgh Weddings, elegant Corporate Outings, and fun School & Social Events with the picturesque city skyline as the backdrop. Join us and experience the best Pittsburgh tours. It only happens out on the water!
James Gallery
413 S. Main St.
Pittsburgh 15220
(412) 922-9800
jamesgallery.net

With changing exhibits and one of the most charming atmospheres of any museum in Pittsburgh — be sure to check out the courtyard — this West End spot is perfect for intimate viewings of regional, national and international (emerging and established) artists’ work.

Mattress Factory Museum of Contemporary Art and annex galleries
500 Sampsonia Way and 1414 Monterey St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
412-231-3169
http://www.mattress.org

After you’ve seen the well-known Infinity Dots Mirrored Room and the Danaë (the room with the blue square) at the Mattress Factory, don’t just visit the (albeit incredibly cool) gift shop and head home. Be sure you make it over to the separate annex galleries — they’re included in your admission price and well worth the extra time and short walk.

Monongahela Incline
Carson Street
Pittsburgh 15219
412-442-2000
http://www.portauthority.org

Funicular railway carrying passengers up and down Mount Washington. Located across Carson Street from Station Square
National Aviary
Allegheny Commons West
700 Arch Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
412-323-7235
http://www.aviary.org

The National Aviary is America's only independent indoor nonprofit zoo dedicated exclusively to birds. Located in West Park on Pittsburgh's historic North Side, the National Aviary’s diverse collection comprises more than 500 birds representing more than 150 species from around the world, many of them threatened or endangered in the wild.

Nationality Rooms at the University of Pittsburgh Cathedral of Learning
4200 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15260
(Please use the Fifth Avenue entrance)
412-624-6000
http://www.pitt.edu/~natrooms/

The Nationality Rooms are a collection of 30 classrooms in the University of Pittsburgh's Cathedral of Learning depicting and donated by the national and ethnic groups that helped build the city of Pittsburgh. The rooms are designated as a Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation historical landmark and are located on the 1st and 3rd floors of the Cathedral of Learning, itself a national historic landmark,[4][5] on the University of Pittsburgh's main campus in the Oakland neighborhood of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States.

Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens
One Schenley Park
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-622-6914
http://www.phipps.conservatory.org

Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, a great steel and glass Victorian greenhouse, has been inviting visitors to explore the beauty and mysteries of plants since 1893. Set amidst one of Pittsburgh's largest greenspaces, Schenley Park, Phipps Conservatory stands as a cultural and architectural centerpiece of the city's Oakland neighborhood.
Pittsburgh Tour Company
445 S. 27th Street
Pittsburgh PA 15203
412-381-TOUR (8687)
http://www.pghtours.com/

Pittsburgh's Only Hop On Hop Off City Tour on a Double Decker Bus

Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation
100 West Station Square Drive, STE 450
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
412-471-5808

http://phlf.org/education-department/self-guided-walking-tours/

Self-guided walking tours

Pittsburgh Winery
2815 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
(412) 566-1000

https://www.pittsburghwinery.com/

Winery and entertainment venue located in Pittsburgh’s Strip District.

Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium
7340 Butler Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15206
412-665-3640
http://www.pittsburghzoo.org

Every visit is a wild new adventure at the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium. From adorable to awe-inspiring, visitors are sure to roar for more after a day with our animals. Situated on 77-acres in Pittsburgh’s Highland Park neighborhood, the Zoo features approximately 4,000 mammals, birds, reptiles, fish, and amphibians from all corners of the world. This eclectic collection of animals is featured in naturalistic habitats representative of each species’ often exotic native ranges.
R Wine Cellar
2014 Smallman Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
(412) 562-WINE (9463)
http://www.rwinecellar.com/rhome.html

Urban Winery located in Pittsburgh's Strip District

Senator John Heinz History Center
1212 Smallman Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
412-454-6000
http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org

Devoted to the history and heritage of Western Pennsylvania, the History Center (legal name – the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania) is Pennsylvania’s largest history museum and a proud affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution.

Trundle Manor
7724 Juniata St
Swissville, PA 15218
trundlemanor.com

Visit Mr. ARM and Velda von Minx in their own home, which they’ve opened to the public to exhibit their vast, eccentric collection. Just a few of the items you’ll find as listed on their website: “vast array of jarred animals, antique taxidermy, things for which to murder with, old world charm, sadistic medical devices, coffins and coffin like items, Steampunk-influenced creations, cryptozoology, and any other thing your twisted mind will want to look at.” You can’t say you’ve visited all of the 'Burgh’s best hidden museums until you’ve made a stop here.

Toonseum
945 Liberty Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
412-232-0199
http://www.toonseum.org/

The ToonSeum is a small boutique style museum dedicated to the comic and cartoon arts. While the museum itself is quite small there are on average over 100 pieces of art exhibited at any given time. Exhibits rotate every few months. The ToonSeum is located in downtown Pittsburgh's Cultural District
USS Requin Submarine  
Carnegie Science Center  
One Allegheny Ave  
Pittsburgh, PA 15212  
412-237-3400  
http://www.carnegiesciencecenter.org/exhibits/requin-submarine/  

Come aboard to learn how 80 men used their expertise, humor and sheer ingenuity to carve out a rough and adventurous life during *Requin*'s lengthy defense and scientific missions, some of which are still classified to this day! State-of-the-art and battle ready when she set out just days before the end of World War II, USS *Requin* holds the distinction of being the Navy's first Radar Picket submarine.

Places to Visit Outside of Pittsburgh

**Fallingwater**  
1491 Mill Run Road  
Mill Run, PA 15464  
724-329-8501  
http://www.fallingwater.org  

Recognized as one of architect Frank Lloyd Wright's most acclaimed works, it is built right on a waterfall in Western Pennsylvania’s Laurel Highlands area about 65 miles from Pittsburgh.

**Kentuck Knob**  
723 Kentuck Road  
Chalk Hill, PA 15421  
724-329-1901  
http://www.kentuckknob.com  

About 10 miles from Fallingwater is another home designed by Frank Lloyd Wright.

**Laurel Caverns**  
200 Caverns Park Road  
Farmington, PA 15478  
800-515-4150 or 724-438-3003  
http://www.laurelcaverns.com  

Pennsylvania’s largest cave located 50 miles south of Pittsburgh.