

# Travelin'

April-August 2021

## Cet Day Trips and Extended Tours Announced for 2021

### Please Read!

#### Important Instructions for Day Trip Reservations

1. Reservations will be accepted beginning April 15, 2021 at 10am.
2. No in-person reservations will be accepted. Please do not come to the CET office. Reservations can be made by phone at 847-718-7709 between the hours of 10am-2pm, Mon-Fri only. If you leave a message, include the trip(s) you have selected and we will get back to you as soon as possible. You can also email your selections beginning April 15 at 10am to [cetravel@d214.org](mailto:cetravel@d214.org) (emails are preferred).
3. Our payment method for Day Trips has changed. We will now accept credit/debit cards only for payment (exceptions made for those who do not have a credit/debit card). We will need the credit card number when you book the tour. Your credit card will not, however, be charged at that time. We will automatically charge your card 60 days prior to the trip. If you email or leave a message with your Day Trip selections, do not include your credit/debit card number in your email or phone message, we will contact you for the necessary information.
4. Once your reservation is confirmed we will email (preferred method) or postal mail you a confirmation for your Day Trip that will include the date your credit/debit card will be charged.
5. Any CET Discounts you have should be mentioned at time of reservation, or at the very least prior to final payment, as no discounts will be refunded after final payment is charged. The only discounts accepted for Day Trips are CET Day Trip Rewards (three rewards equal three points for \$5 off a trip) and Birthday Cards. Rewards that expired between March 1, 2020 through April 1, 2021 will be honored through December 31, 2021.

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#### 2021 CET DAY TRIPS

Rates are per person and include free parking at CET lot on day of tour, transportation on restroom-equipped deluxe motorcoach, sightseeing and admissions, event/theatre tickets, meal as described, city guide on Chicago tours, guide and driver gratuities, CET Tour Director and CET Rewards.

#### Spectacular Gardens of Rock River Valley

Take a guided tour of the majestic Rotary Botanical Gardens in Janesville, WI. Features include 24 garden areas, 4,000 plant varieties, themed and sunken gardens and colorful blooms. At Anderson Japanese Gardens in Rockford, IL, tour meandering streams, koi-filled ponds and plunging waterfalls. Lunch is at Rockford's historic Stockholm Inn. • **Tue. June 15 | \$106**

#### Wisconsin Fish Fry & Boat Cruise

Travel to Milwaukee for a 90-minute narrated cruise on the Milwaukee River and Lake Michigan to see an amazing view of the city. Before our Fish Fry at Milwaukee's Lakefront Brewery, we'll tour the Brewery, housed in the old Milwaukee Electric Railway power plant and sample their much sought-after beer. Lakefront's award-winning Fish Fry includes beer-battered cod and traditional sides served while the Brewhaus Polka Kings provide music.

**Fri. June 25 | \$120**

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## 2021 Cet Day Trips (Continued from page 1.)

### Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Game

At press time, COVID-19 mitigations do not permit Major League Baseball to operate at full capacity, so group tickets are not yet available. Please let us know if you are interested and if group tickets do become available we will call you with price and seat location to see if you would like to purchase the tour.

**Wed. June 30 | \$TBA**

### The Chicago Outfit

Get the inside story of Operation Family Secrets, an FBI investigation of mob-related crimes in Chicago. We'll "take a ride" with Frank Calabrese Jr, as he recounts his days and nights working as a soldier in his father's Chinatown crew, shows us actual crime scenes he experienced firsthand, and tells why he made the decision to turn against his father and the outfit in the famous 2007 trial. Lunch is at Harry Caray's Restaurant on Kinzie St.

**Tue. July 13 | \$109**

### Hoosier Cabinets & Coppes Commons

Travel to northern Indiana's Elkhart County to learn the history of Hoosier Cabinets, manufacturers of quality kitchen cabinets, including a popular stand-alone kitchen cabinet on small casters. Now known as Coppes Commons, it houses specialty shops offering locally-made, handcrafted and freshly-baked items. In Nappanee, tour a working cabinet factory, see one of the best Quilt Gardens in Elkhart County and visit the special displays of the Culp Heritage Collection. Lunch will be an Amish homemade threshers lunch at a private home in Nappanee. Shop at the Wakarusa Dime Store as well.

**Tue. July 20 | \$108**

### Lake Geneva's Black Pointe Estate

Step back to the 1890s as we visit this Queen Anne mansion built for Chicago beer baron Conrad Seipp and hear stories of the family's summer visits. It features thirteen bedrooms, a four-story "crow's nest" observation tower and 620 feet of pristine Lake Geneva shoreline. Lunch is at the lakeside Pier 290. After lunch, visit the downtown area for a stroll or to shop.

**Wed. July 28 | \$113**



### Frida Kahlo Exhibit

A diverse collection of Kahlo's works are coming to the College of DuPage. After an orientation on arrival, visit displays of 26 original pieces as well as a framework of the life, circumstances and events that led to Kahlo becoming one of the most important painters of the 20th century. Also see photographic images from the artist's life, a multimedia timeline and a Kahlo-inspired garden designed by Ball Horticultural. Lunch will be in the Oak Brook area. Our tour ends at the Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art with its displays of gemstones, mosaics and jade carvings from around the world.

**Tue. August 3 | \$122**

### Chicago River Lunch Cruise & Maritime Museum

Visit the Chicago Maritime Museum in the Bridgeport Art Center to learn the story of Chicago's waterways and their impact on Chicago's history. Then board the Odyssey river cruise vessel, a 200-seat single-level boat that offers you an upscale order-from-the-menu, three-course, full-service luncheon and set sail for a two-hour cruise with light narration along the Chicago River's scenic main branch as well as the seldom-traveled north branch, to Goose Island, and then on the south branch of the river to Chinatown's Ping Tom Park. This glass-covered boat offers an unparalleled 360-degree view of Chicago's incredible architecture.

**Wed. August 18 | \$136**

### Chinatown Explorer

We join a local Chinatown guide who will take us behind the scenes on a walking tour of this fascinating neighborhood. See the Chinatown Gate, Nine Dragon Wall, Chinese Buddhist Temple, Chinese Zodiac Square, Chinese Marble Lions, Four Greatest Inventions of ancient Chinese, the Chinatown Mural and more. Lunch is family-style Chinese at the Phoenix Restaurant on Archer Avenue. After lunch, enjoy free time to visit the area's bakeries, gift stores, teahouses and candy stores. Please note that this tour requires about 4 to 5 blocks of walking.

**Fri. September 10 | \$100**

### East Troy Electric Train

We'll travel to East Troy, WI to experience lunch aboard Art Deco railroad cars as they did in past generations. These meticulously-restored coaches built in 1927 are the last remaining electric inter-urban dining car trains in North America. We ride to Phantom Lake, before returning to the East Troy depot and museum. On the way home, we stop at Royal Oak Farm for an antique tractor-drawn wagon tour, an opportunity to pick apples and a visit to the Royal Oak Bakery and Country Market.

**Tue. September 21 | \$126**

### The Sanfilippo Mansion

The late Jasper Sanfilippo, the Fisher nut and snack food magnate, spent over 30 years assembling one of the world's greatest collections of restored antique music machines at his 57-acre estate known as "Place de la Musique". On a guided tour, you'll see the Music Room, the world's largest theatre pipe organ and collections of chandeliers, tiffany-style lamps, and phonographs. In the Carousel Building see the "Eden Palais", the only complete European Salon carousel in the world. Lunch is at Chessie's Restaurant inside a vintage 1927 rail car!

**Tue. October 5 | \$103**



### Oktoberfest Celebration!

Travel to Starved Rock State Park Lodge for a celebration of Germany's Oktoberfest. Sample German wine and beer. Enjoy a buffet of German foods and listen to authentic German music by The Dusseldorfers German Band. Come join the fun!

**Tue. October 19 | \$104**

## 2021-22 CET THEATRE TRIPS

All performances are matinees with dress circle seating or equivalent and include lunch and gratuities.

### Kinky Boots at Aurora's Paramount Theatre

This flashy, sassy, sexy story of big heels invading a small town shook Broadway. Charlie Price is a reluctant shoemaker. Lola is a fierce drag queen. These two could not be any more different, but when they find common ground in shoes, a whole new world of possibilities open up to them that will turn their small town around. Score by Cyndi Lauper and book by Harvey Fierstein. Buffet lunch included (subject to change).

**Wed. July 7 | \$111**

### Holiday Inn at Fireside Theatre

Irving Berlin's creation tells the story of Jim, who leaves the bright lights of show business behind to settle down on his farmhouse in Connecticut, but life just isn't the same without a bit of song and dance. Jim's luck takes a turn when he meets Linda, a spirited schoolteacher with talent to spare. Together they turn the farmhouse into a fabulous inn with dazzling performances to celebrate every holiday. But when Jim's best friend Ted tries to lure Linda away to be his new dance partner in Hollywood, will Jim be able to salvage his last chance at love? Lunch included at the theatre.

**Thu. November 18 | \$139**

### Disney's Frozen at the Cadillac Palace

A mysterious secret. A family torn apart. As one sister struggles with being an outsider and harnessing her powers within, the other sets out on a thrilling adventure to bring her family together once again. Both are searching for love, but they'll learn that to find it they'll have to look inside themselves first. Lunch at Petterino's.

**Wed. January 12, 2022 | \$195**

**CET's 2021 Holiday Tours will be announced in our Autumn Edition of the Travelin' Newsletter.**

### Come From Away at Cadillac Palace

The true story of smalltown Gander, Newfoundland, Canada that welcomed 7,000 stranded passengers on 9/11. Cultures clashed and nerves ran high, but uneasiness turned into trust, music soared into the night, and gratitude grew into enduring friendships. On 9/11, the world stopped. On 9/12, their stories moved us all. Lunch at Petterino's.

**Wed. February 23, 2022 | \$194**

### Moulin Rouge at the Nederlander Theatre

Enter a world of splendor and romance, of eye-popping excess, of glitz, grandeur and glory! Set in 1900, Christian, a young poet and talented writer, has come to Paris to pursue a career and become a member of the Bohemian movement. He ends up falling hopelessly in love with Satine, the star of the famous Moulin Rouge. However, Satine has already been promised to the unscrupulous Duke. A love triangle ensues and Satine is holding a terrible secret of her own. Lunch at Petterino's.

**Wed. March 23, 2022 | \$229**

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6. Cancellations received prior to the final payment date will be refunded to your credit/debit card less a \$10 administrative fee. Cancellations after the final payment is charged are nonrefundable unless a replacement is found.
7. Approximately two weeks prior to the date of your Day Trip you will receive final instructions via email (preferred method) or postal mail. This letter will give you details such as where to board the motorcoach, times, Tour Director, and other details relevant to the trip.
8. At the time of publication, the state of Illinois was in Phase Four Covid Protocol. Based on mitigations imposed at the time of your Day Trip, CET may need to make changes to the tour, reschedule or cancel the tour. We ask for your flexibility and patience should this be necessary.
9. Proof of COVID-19 vaccination(s) will not be required, but it is highly recommended. The only exception to this is if any of our suppliers (theatre, restaurant, motorcoach company, etc) requires proof of vaccination, then CET will also. You will be notified if this is the case. All travelers will be asked to sign a waiver of liability prior to your trip.
10. Face masks and hand sanitizing will be required until further notice. Social distancing aboard the motorcoach/ in restaurants and attractions will be enforced based on the COVID-19 mitigation regulations at the time of your Day Trip.
11. A brief description of CET Day Trips is found in this issue. If you'd like more information we can email you a more detailed list, or visit our website at [ce.d214.org](http://ce.d214.org).
12. *We look forward to seeing you aboard again!*

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*Travel Talks!* returning soon!

## CET 2021 EXTENDED TOURS

### Chicago Cubs in Minneapolis

Cheer for the Cubbies in your box seats for two games at Target Field, home of the Twins. Other highlights include: Minneapolis Tour, Target Field Tour, Mall of America visit and more. (Trip subject to change based on COVID-19 restrictions.) • **August 30–September 2**

### Canada's Fall Foliage

All aboard the Algoma Central Railway for the Agawa Canyon Fall Foliage Train Excursion with breakfast, lunch and views of Canadian ravines draped in brilliant fall color. Also visit Mackinac Island for a horse-drawn carriage ride and the Grand Hotel Luncheon Buffet. A stop at Sleeping Bear Dunes National and much more included. **September 26–30**

### Autumn in the Adirondacks

See the autumn majesty of upstate New York on a scenic train ride along the Hudson River and on two boat rides on Lake Placid and Lake George. Other highlights: Olympic sites in Lake Placid, Saratoga Springs Guided Tour, the Culinary Institute of America, West Point Military Academy, FDR's Hyde Park complex, Vanderbilt and Boscobel mansions, a Broadway show and tour of New York City. **October 7–14**

### South Dakota

See the rugged Black Hills covered with pine forests, grasslands with herds of pronghorn and buffalo and desert canyons with dramatic rock formations. Stay four nights at the historic Custer State Park Game Lodge. Highlights: Custer State Park, Badlands National Park, Deadwood, Spearfish Canyon, Jeep Safari Ride, Wall Drug, Crazy Horse Memorial, Train Ride, Chuckwagon Dinner, Mount Rushmore and more. • **October 4–9**

### French Lick

Embrace elegance on this fall getaway to the historic landmark resort, West Baden Springs Hotel in southern Indiana. Lavish guest rooms, grand ballrooms, superb cuisine, fine amenities, afternoon tea, artfully designed landscaped grounds and the awe-inspiring, domed grand atrium await you. Also enjoy a narrated wildlife cruise on scenic Patoka Lake. • **October 19–21**

### Nashville Christmas

Stay four-nights in atrium-view rooms at the Opryland Hotel to see the glittering holiday displays such as nine acres of lavishly decorated indoor gardens, impressive ice carvings and the Delta River Flatboat which cruises down a scenic river inside the hotel. Other features include a guided tour of Nashville, Grand Ole Opry Show, General Jackson Showboat, Opry House Christmas Production and Opryland Hotel Christmas Dinner Show. • **November 29–December 3**

### Tournament of Roses Parade & LA

Take your reserved seat for this American New Year's Day tradition, with magnificent floral floats, high-stepping equestrians, spirited marching bands, celebrities and more! The day before the parade, visit the pavilions to witness how each rose is put into place and how other natural elements are assembled to make the intricate floats. Other highlights: Los Angeles & Hollywood tour, Catalina Island, the Queen Mary, Warner Brothers Studio Tour, Ronald Reagan Presidential Library & Museum and more.

**December 28, 2021–January 2, 2022**

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