

Summer Marketing Educators' Conference

Welcome to Chicago...

the home town of the AMA! Chicago is known for being a city of neighborhoods, so we've listed below a few of the premier neighborhoods that you might want to visit. Each has a very different vibe, but they're all classic Chicago.

Destination Option #1 – Magnificent Mile

The Summer Marketing Educators' Conference will be held in the Magnificent Mile

The Magnificent Mile is a unique urban experience that awaits you. Prestigious shops, fine restaurants, world-class hotels, and exciting museums and entertainment attractions line Chicago's most opulent avenue. It is the center of fashion and culture, service and hospitality, ambience and elegance. To learn more about the Magnificent Mile (the a Here, surrounded by the timeless beauty of some of the world's most famous architecture, the city's finest treasures are for your choosing. To learn more, go to: www.themagnificentmile.com

Smith & Wollensky – On the River – 318 North State Street Phone Number: 312-670-9900

Smith & Wollensky are America's premier traditional steakhouses. We are committed to providing you with outstanding hospitality and serving you the best steaks. The Private Dining rooms at Smith & Wollensky steakhouses are perfect venues. Whether you are planning a business dinner, graduation, anniversary, rehearsal dinner, birthday or a large corporate meeting, we will satisfy your needs in a friendly and professional manner.

Pizzeria Uno – 29 East Ohio Phone Number: 312-321-1000

In 1943, when Ike Sewell opened a restaurant at the corner of Ohio Street and Wabash Avenue in Chicago, Americans ate pizza primarily as a snack. Ike figured that if you combined some of Italy's old, authentic recipes with impressive quantities of the finest meats, fresh cheeses, ripe vegetables and flavorful spices, pizza would become a hearty meal. It was the start of an American tradition - the Chicago Deep Dish Pizza. Ike's Original Deep Dish Pizza has been imitated many times, but never quite duplicated.

Gibson's Bar & Steakhouse – 1028 N Rush Phone Number: 312-266-8999

Gibson's Bar & Steakhouse embodies the big city dining experience with big flavor steaks and chops, fresh fish daily, and enormous lobster tails—all matched with an extensive wine list. An evening out at Gibson's will include a fun and happening atmosphere with light entertainment, large portions of great food, and uncompromising service.

Harry Caray's Italian Steakhouse – 33 West Kinzie Phone Number: 312-828-0966

Harry Caray's Italian Steakhouse, named for the late Hall of Fame baseball announcer, opened on October 23, 1987 and has become one of the country's most nationally recognized restaurants. This legendary Italian Steakhouse serves the finest prime, aged steaks and chops in a truly warm "Chicago" atmosphere. Harry Caray's has won numerous awards including "Best Steakhouse" by the Chicago Tribune's Dining Poll and Best of Citysearch Poll, Wine Spectator's prestigious "Award of Excellence" every year since 1989, and has been ranked continuously in the top 100 highest grossing restaurants in America.

Destination Option #2—Wrigleyville

Home of the Chicago Cubs, the Wrigleyville neighborhood is tailored to sports lovers. It is the place to go if you are looking for a laid back sports bar experience. The clientele tends to be a bit on the younger side and the bars can be a bit rowdy and possibly reminiscent of your college days. If you are planning to visit Wrigleyville, be prepared to have a good time – it is one of the most popular places in Chicago to go for a night out on the town.

Dinner Vines on Clark – 3554 N. Clark St. Phone Number: 773-327-8572

Located in the heart of Wrigleyville, Vines on Clark offers a great selection of Italian American cuisine from sandwiches to flatbread pizzas. It is also home of the largest outdoor seating area in Wrigleyville with a huge beer garden and a 50 person capacity rooftop deck. With 50 flat screen TV's you will be sure not miss any sports action.

Harry Caray's Tavern – 3551 N. Sheffield Ave. Phone Number: 773-327-7800

Located across the street from the classic Wrigley Field, Harry Caray's is the quintessential sports bar experience. With over 70 flat screen TVs on two floors, you are sure not to miss a beat of what is going on in the world of sports. Bar like food is available along with outdoor seating if the weather permits.

Murphy's Bleachers – 3655 N. Sheffield Ave. Phone Number: 773-281-5356

Also located across the street from Wrigley Field, Murphy's Bleachers is an institution to Cubs Fans during home games. With the Cubs out of town this weekend, it will be a more relaxed atmosphere with both indoor and outdoor seating and grill serving up typical baseball field cuisine.

Red Ivy/1914 – 3525 N. Clark St. Phone Number: 773-472-0900

This upscale sports bar offers a scene for everyone's taste. Guests can watch a game, dance to the latest top 40 hits, enjoy a pizza from the 40 year culinary institution on South Side of Chicago, or even slip into an underground 1900's themed speakeasy (1914 – Enter through Red Ivy and ask to be escorted to the separate space) . 1914 offers everything from servers dressed as flappers to classic cocktails served in tea cups.

Destination Option #3—Bucktown

Once an up-and-coming area, Bucktown has blossomed into one of the most desirable locations in Chicago to live and visit. The streets are lined with trendy restaurants and upscale shops which are frequented by local young professional, hipsters and artists alike. The neighborhood has great energy; you can't help but get caught up in the eclectic vibe.

Dinner Piece – 1927 W. North Ave Phone Number: 773-772-4422

Piece is the place to go for New Haven style pizza and beer in Bucktown. The pizza has hand padded crust and can be topped with typical pizza toppings or for a more unique experience, top your pizza with mashed potatoes. Wash your pizza down with one of Piece's 7 house made beers which are also available in 64 oz growlers to take home. Saturday night Piece gets packed for the Live Band Karaoke – so be prepared for a crowd.

Dinner and Drinks Chaise lounge – 1840 W. North Ave. Phone Number: 773-342-1840

Chaise Lounge is a little taste of Miami Beach right in the heart of Bucktown - Offering contemporary American cuisine in both "taste" and "indulge" portions. The chic lounge atmosphere both inside and on the rooftop deck makes this a perfect place to dine or finish your evening off with a signature cocktail.

Violet Hour – 1520 N. Damen Ave. Phone Number: 773-252-1500

In true underground speakeasy style, the Violet Hour is marked only with a yellow light bulb outside the door. Behind the hidden façade you will enter into an elegant room donned with cornflower walls, crystal chandeliers and high backed blue leather chairs. A small bites menu is available however, most clientele visit the Violet Hour for its expansive selection of classic cocktails broken down by liquor type. It is recommended to arrive early to ensure seating.

Louie's Pub – 1659 W. North Ave. Phone Number: 773-227-7947

Finish off the night at this Bucktown staple for late night drinks. Louie's Pub offers pool, darts, a jukebox and inexpensive drinks – however, most visitors come for the Karaoke.

Destination Option #4—River North

River North has a definite urban feel and is filled mostly with high-end restaurants, upscale lounges and clubs. People flock to this neighborhood for the see-and-be-seen aspect – do not be surprised if you run into the likes of Jeremy Piven. If you are planning to visit River North during your stay, it would be wise to dress to impress – many establishments in the area have a dress code.

Dinner – Brasserie Jo – 59 W. Hubbard St. Phone Number*: 312-595-0800

Visit this see-and-be-seen authentic French brasserie in the River North neighborhood. Serving up everything from the classic steak frites to baked French macaroni and cheese – the menu has something for everyone's appetite. Don't skip an after dinner cocktail at the bar which was voted one of the "Best bars in the US" by GQ magazine.

Howl at the Moon – 26 W Hubbard St. Phone Number: 312-863-7427

For a perfect after dinner experience visit Howl at the Moon – a dueling piano club. Have a song you want to hear? Requests are accepted and money talks to make sure your song is played. As the evening goes on, the line grows to get into this popular spot - Plan to arrive early to make sure you end up with a seat to watch all the action.

Dirty Martini 23 W. Hubbard St. Phone Number: 312-661-1230

Step into this location to enjoy everything from small bite food offerings to over 15 signature martinis. Dirty Martini also features the first establishment in Chicago offering martinis on tap. Decorated with blue and green and oversized lounge chairs, Dirty Martini is the perfect spot for a relaxed cocktail experience. Saturday "Stimulus Package" special available and includes – buy one get one free appetizers and \$2.00 off all martinis

Rockit Bar & Grill – 22 W Hubbard St. Phone Number: 312-645-6000

Rockit Bar and Grill is the see-and-be-seen place to be in the River North neighborhood. This upscale bar and lounge is founded by Chicago club hot shots Billy Dec., Arturo Gomez and Brad Young with the interior designed by Oprah's designer Nate Berkus. A full dining menu and