



# THE GATEWAY ARCH EXPERIENCE

JOURNEY TO THE TOP  
GATEWAY ARCH RIVERBOAT CRUISES  
OLD COURTHOUSE  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS  
DOCUMENTARY MOVIE  
SHOPPING  
ARCH VIEW CAFÉ



FIND YOUR  
**PARK**



*the Gateway Arch*

# BE AMONG THE FIRST TO EXPLORE THE NEW ARCH EXPERIENCE

More than fifty years after completing the construction of the Gateway Arch, St. Louis is continuing the legacy of Eero Saarinen's vision for our National Park as an interactive gateway to history. His vision called for the celebration of, and education about, the city's role as a hub for early settlers pioneering westward into uncharted territory.

The Arch grounds and park areas are being transformed, creating a more accessible experience for groups. A new park over the highway and sloping pathways will allow visitors to traverse from the Old Courthouse to the Arch and all the way to the riverfront. Your groups will be able to delve more deeply in the history, purpose and culture surrounding the Arch in enhanced educational and performance spaces.

Visiting the grounds will be made easier with newly designed bus drop-off and loading zones, as well as free, dedicated parking for buses. When the project is completed, experiencing the updated Gateway Arch grounds and attractions will be even more enjoyable and memorable than ever before.



## RENOVATED RIVERFRONT

- Elevated road for fewer riverfront attraction closures due to flooding
- Increased pedestrian-friendly pathways along the riverfront
- New bike paths that connect with existing bike trail networks



## NEW SPACES & PLACES

- Newly created green spaces for educational programming (completed in 2016)
- Brand new, more accessible grand entrance to the Gateway Arch (coming in 2018)
- Reinvented venues for River City Music Days performances (completed in 2016)



## INCREASED ACCESSIBILITY

- New park over the highway creates walkways free of street crossings and stairs (completed in January 2016)
- Gracefully sloped pathways from the Arch grounds down to the Gateway Arch Riverboats and revitalized riverfront (Winter 2016-17)
- Enhanced accessibility to second floor exhibits in the Old Courthouse (coming in 2018)



## IMPROVED AMENITIES FOR BUSES

- Free, striped, bus-designated parking (completed in 2015)
- Additional drop-off locations closer to the new Gateway Arch entrance



## NEW MUSEUM EXHIBITS AT THE ARCH 2018

- Six interactive, interpretive spaces, each with a unique historical theme (Colonial St. Louis, Jefferson's Vision, Manifest Destiny, Riverfront Era, New Frontiers & Building the Arch)
- Open floor plan for easier interaction
- Exhibit layout designed to be explored in any order



**SEE THE STORY UNFOLD**

AT [CITYARCHRIVER.ORG](http://CITYARCHRIVER.ORG)



**PLEASE NOTE:** While the Museum under the Arch is under construction, the capacity of the Gateway Arch Visitor Center is limited. All guests planning to enter the Arch are required to have a paid, timed ticket in advance of their visit. Both "Journey to the Top" and "Entry Only" tickets include the "Monument to the Dream" documentary. The tram ride to the top of the Gateway Arch will be **TEMPORARILY CLOSED** for system improvements until March 2017. The Visitor Center, The Arch Store, Monument to the Dream documentary film and Arch grounds will remain available to visitors. **TRAM RIDES WILL RESUME IN SPRING 2017.** Please visit [gatewayarch.com](http://gatewayarch.com) for the latest updates on construction.

# DELVE INTO HISTORY AT YOUR NATIONAL PARK

## EXPLORE OUR SHARED PAST TO UNDERSTAND OUR PRESENT

Located mere footsteps from where Lewis and Clark completed their journey, the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial is a 90-acre park on the banks of the Mississippi River, designated as a National Historic Site in 1935. Encompassing the Gateway Arch, the Old Courthouse, Luther Ely Square and surrounding grounds, the park is dominated by the nation's tallest monument—Eero Saarinen's iconic Gateway Arch. Bring history to life with a Gateway Arch Riverboat Cruise on the mighty Mississippi and trial reenactments in the Old Courthouse. Educate, entertain and inspire your groups of all ages at several points of interest in this national park.



### GATEWAY ARCH

Ride a tram 630 feet up to the top of the iconic Gateway Arch, where you'll find a 30-mile, awe-inspiring view of St. Louis—including Busch Stadium—and the Mississippi River. Understand the river's role in turn of the century commerce, while viewing the bridges and train trestle that span the mighty Mississippi.

**NOTE: During construction, all visitors must have a paid, timed ticket to enter the Gateway Arch.**



### GATEWAY ARCH RIVERBOAT CRUISES

Venture to the riverfront, where you can journey back to a time when steamboats ruled the Mississippi. Enjoy a One-Hour Sightseeing Cruise, Skyline Dinner Cruise, any of our specialty cruises or book a private charter aboard the Tom Sawyer or Becky Thatcher. Visit [gatewayarch.com](http://gatewayarch.com) for schedules and a full list of specialty cruise options.

**NOTE: Cruises run March through November, rain or shine. However, schedules may be altered due to weather or river conditions for the safety of your guests.**



### ARCH VIEW CAFÉ

Feed your explorers with cooked-to-order café fare that can be enjoyed dockside, with a spectacular view of the Arch. Or order boxed lunches to eat on the dock, during a sightseeing cruise or on the go (24-hour notice requested). The Arch View Café is open April through October; box lunches are available March through November.



### OLD COURTHOUSE

Explore one of St. Louis' most visually memorable and historical sites, the Old Courthouse. Built between 1839 and 1862, this architectural masterpiece served as the setting for the Dred Scott trial and Virginia Minor's women's suffrage campaign. Temporary museum exhibits with artifacts from the now-closed Museum of Westward Expansion tell the story of Lewis & Clark, Native Americans, the fur trade and life in colonial St. Louis. Ranger-led tours of these exhibits can be booked in advance. Visit our website for more details.

**NOTE: During construction, the Old Courthouse is serving as the Gateway Arch Ticketing and Visitor Center. All visitors to the Gateway Arch must have a paid, timed ticket.**



### SHOPPING

Invite your guests to take home a unique piece of American history to commemorate their experiences. The Arch Store, Old Courthouse Shop and Gateway Arch Riverboats Gift Shop offer a selection of keepsakes, apparel and educational materials to commemorate your group's trip.

## NATIONAL PARK SERVICE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FREE



National Park Service rangers bring history to life for your students visiting the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial. Trials and tours are 60 minutes long. Maximum group size is 30 students (one adult required for every 10 students). National Park Service educational program reservations must be made at least 30 days in advance.

Program Options:

- BUBBLE GUM TRIAL
- FREEDOM SUIT: Dred Scott v. Irene Emerson
- TRIAL FOR THE RIGHT TO VOTE: Virginia Minor v. Happersett
- Westward Expansion Tour
- SEGREGATION LAWS IN THE 1800s: Williams v. Bellefontaine
- TORT LIABILITY: Franke v. City of St. Louis
- Old Courthouse Building Tour

# FIND YOUR PARK

Programs are subject to availability. Museum Education Programs and Old Courthouse tours are also available by request.





## DRIVING TIME TO ST. LOUIS

Chicago, IL	296 Miles	4 hrs, 25 min	Kansas City, MO	248 Miles	3 hrs, 40 min
Nashville, TN	308 Miles	4 hrs, 35 min	Oklahoma City, OK	500 Miles	7 hrs, 10 min
Memphis, TN	284 Miles	4 hrs	Omaha, NE	437 Miles	6 hrs, 25 min
Louisville, KY	259 Miles	3 hrs, 50 min	Quad Cities	257 Miles	3 hrs, 50 min
Indianapolis, IN	242 Miles	3 hrs, 45 min	Cincinnati, OH	358 Miles	5 hrs, 15 min



- 1 GATEWAY ARCH EXPERIENCE**
- 2 GATEWAY ARCH RIVERBOATS**
- 3 OLD COURTHOUSE**
- BUS DROP-OFF/PICK-UP**
- P COMPLIMENTARY BUS PARKING**
- TICKET LOCATIONS**
  - Old Courthouse
  - Outside of the Gateway Arch\*
  - Gateway Arch Riverboats Ticket Office

\*Subject to change due to construction. Please contact group sales with any questions about your visit.

## GROUP SALES

Contact the Gateway Arch group sales office for more information or to schedule your event. You may also fill out our online form and someone will contact you. **Advance group sales are strongly recommended. Contact our Group Sales team for more info.**

- Minimum group size is 20.
- Reservations accepted up to one day in advance. Additional notice will allow us to better accommodate requests for your group.
- Payment is accepted with organization or business check, or Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express.
- Group purchases and payment requirements vary depending on your selected activities.
- Every 20<sup>th</sup> ticket is complimentary. Restrictions apply.
- Complimentary bus parking is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

### GATEWAY ARCH

Summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day): daily, 8am – 10pm\*  
 Winter (Labor Day to Memorial Day): daily, 9am – 6pm\*

### OLD COURTHOUSE

Summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day): daily, 7:30am – 8pm  
 Winter (Labor Day to Memorial Day): daily, 8am – 5pm

The Gateway Arch and Old Courthouse are closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

\*last tram departs 1 hour prior to closing

## GATEWAY ARCH GROUP SALES

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