

THE WORLD'S GATHERING PLACE
FOR ADVANCING CONCRETE



GUEST PROGRAM

March 24 – 28, 2024
Hyatt Regency New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

Guest Events

✓ = Separate fee required * = Guest-only event

All listings and venues are subject to change.

How to Register for Events

Guests may register for special events up until 24 hours prior to the activity, based on availability. Stop by the ACI Registration Desk to secure your spot. Registration is in the Elite Hall at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans. Registration will be open during the following hours:

Saturday	7:30 am – 6:00 pm
Sunday – Tuesday	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Local information and maps will be available at ACI Registration.

Sunday – Wednesday

***Guest Hospitality – Vitascope Restaurant**
7:00 am – 10:00 am

Coffee, tea, and pastries will be available for guests each morning (Sunday – Wednesday). You must be a registered guest to attend.

Sunday – Wednesday

***Guest Lounge – Imperial 1**
10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Stop by the Guest Lounge to relax and meet other ACI guests. Guests can enjoy the Guest Lounge Sunday-Wednesday.

Play Bridge & Other Card Games

Join ACI guests for a game of Bridge. Never played before? Learn Bridge from experienced players or start another card game of your own. All guests are welcome to play. If interested, meet in the Guest Lounge following the Guest Hospitality each morning. This activity is based on guest participation only.

Sunday, March 24, 2024

***Guest Overview – Vitascope Restaurant**
8:00 am – 9:00 am

Acquaint yourself with the week ahead in New Orleans. Learn about the exciting things to do in and around the city.

Opening Reception – Elite Hall

Immediately following the Opening Session, attendees are invited to the exhibit hall for this evening reception. Reunite with colleagues, network with new acquaintances, and learn about the products and services offered by the exhibitors. A cash bar and light refreshments will be available.

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Concrete Mixer – Empire A&B
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Join ACI attendees and guests for an evening of networking, entertainment, and great food during the Concrete Mixer, held at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans. An assortment of food and beverages will be available.



WELCOME TO NEW ORLEANS!

ACI is excited to bring the ACI Concrete Convention to New Orleans, LA, USA, this Spring.

The music, the food, the revelers – this small city is full of unexpected delights. Creole and Cajun culture make it different than any other city in the United States. Those visiting will find joy in the city's unique history lessons, opulent Garden District mansions, Royal Street art galleries, and Bywater cafes and shops among everything else New Orleans has to offer!

Rental Cars

Hertz is the official car rental agency for the ACI Concrete Convention. Receive discounts on upgrades, weekly rentals, and weekend rentals. To make advance reservations, call +1.800.654.3131 or visit www.hertz.com. Provide Group Code CDP# 0077289 when making your reservation. For a list of all rental car agencies available at MSY, visit flymsy.com/car-rentals/.

Rideshare

Ride App/Uber and Lyft now offer pickup and drop-off transportation service for customers at Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport. For Ride App information, visit flymsy.com/ride-app-2/.

ATTRACTIONS

A timeless city with a unique way of life, New Orleans is a journey and a celebration steeped in European traditions and Caribbean influences. The picturesque Big Easy calls curious minds to the sweet sounds of jazz and the enchanting aroma of savory spices. New Orleans is an enticing, culturally rich haven, a sensory overload, and a truly authentic experience.

French Quarter

Often called the Crown Jewel of New Orleans, the French Quarter is one of NOLA's most historic neighborhoods, but you'll find plenty of new mixed in with the old. There's a reimagined French Market, modern boutiques, and artisan cocktails mixed with beloved antique stores and old restaurants.

Like the Creole aristocrats lining the galleries of the Historic New Orleans Collection, the French Quarter is a timeless portrait. Ghost tours pass Madame LaLaurie's mansion while the nightlife comes alive on Bourbon Street. Start your





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day in the heart of the neighborhood at Jackson Square, the picturesque area is great for sightseeing, picnics, and entertainment. Be sure to allow time for a meal in one of the many wonderful nearby restaurants. If you love shopping, head to the French Market to shop outdoors. With food, art, trinkets, and often live music, walking through the historic district is a fantastic way to spend your day.

Garden District and Uptown

Venture outside of the French Quarter and into the Garden District and Uptown for delicious food, incredible architecture, and vivid nightlife.

Catch the streetcar and enjoy the view of the tree-covered mansions and extravagant buildings that line St. Charles Avenue. In New Orleans, no two houses are the same, making for an interesting architectural experience. Lunch on Magazine Street will set you up for an afternoon of shopping. Some of the city's top dining are located here as well.

Preservation Hall

New Orleans's Preservation Hall venue is situated in the heart of the French Quarter on St. Peter Street. The Preservation Hall presents intimate, acoustic New Orleans Jazz concerts over 360 nights a year featuring ensembles from a current collective of 50+ local master practitioners. On any given night, audiences bear joyful witness to the evolution of this venerable and living tradition.

St. Louis Cathedral

The St. Louis Cathedral is one of New Orleans' most notable landmarks. The city is instantly recognized by the cathedral and its position overlooking Jackson square.

Flanked by the historic Cabildo on one side and the equally historic Presbytere on the other, St. Louis Cathedral is among the tallest and most imposing structures in the French Quarter. It has been seen in hundreds of movies, TV shows, and other visual presentations and is a local and international architectural icon. The rich history and beautiful design appeals to visitors of all faiths and nationalities. The interior is open for self-guided tours. Stop by to admire the stained glass windows and paintings that are extraordinary works of art.

Woldenberg Park

Bike, walk, jog, or just sit back and relax next to the mighty Mississippi at beautiful Woldenberg Park. Enjoy the ships floating by on the river, or the interesting sculptures that dot the landscape near the docks. Plenty of grass for picnicking and ample benches make perfect spots for a quick rest after a jaunt around the French Quarter

Named after philanthropist Malcolm Woldenberg, the Riverfront was opened to the public before the 1984 World's Fair. Floodwalls, warehouses and industrial docks have been replaced by jumping off points for steamboat and dinner cruises. Accessible wide, bricked walkways wind through lush landscape and public art.

Visit Woldenberg Park for the best views of the Mississippi River or use it as a scenic route to visit Audobon's Aquarium of the Americas or The Shops at Canal Place.

Audubon Aquarium

Located on the Mississippi River adjacent to the French Quarter, Audubon Aquarium is consistently highly ranked as one of the top things to do in New Orleans.

The aquarium transports visitors to an underwater world from the Caribbean, to the Amazon Rainforest, to the waters that give New Orleans its lifeblood: The Mississippi River and the Gulf of Mexico. With more than 3600 animals from more than 250 species, including endangered species such as African penguins, and rare animals such as white alligators, the aquarium offers you an experience you'll never forget.

Frenchmen Street

Once a hidden gem among locals, Frenchmen Street is now recognized as one of New Orleans' best spots for finding live music. The sounds of jazz, reggae, and blues spill out of clubs lining the corridor, making for a buzzing and vibrant atmosphere.

Audiences flock to Frenchmen from all over the world to get a taste of authentic New Orleans music. With one trip around Frenchmen, you're likely to hear all kinds of music. You'll find a number of late-night eateries that are open along Frenchmen Street and in the adjacent Faubourg Marigny neighborhood. For shopping, the Frenchmen Art Bazaar is a nighttime showcase of art from a variety of local artists. Enjoy paintings, sculptures, mixed media, and accessories like jewelry and handbags.

The National WWII Museum

Since its opening day on D-Day – June 6, 2000 – nearly two million visitors have toured the National WWII Museum. A must-see for all history lovers, it has been designated by the U.S. Congress as America's official WWII Museum. From the 1930s prelude to war, to the Normandy Invasion and the battles of the Pacific Islands, visitors trace America's role in the war and on the Home Front.

The Louisiana Memorial Pavilion houses, The Union Pacific Train Station, is an immersive exhibit which allows guests to experience the sights, sounds, and emotions of going to war.

The Victory Soloman Theater Pavilion is home to the Soloman Victory Theater, featuring the exclusive cinematic experience from producer Tom Hanks, Beyond All Boundaries; the Stage Door Canteen, a unique entertainment venue that showcases the music of the war years as sung by The Victory Belles; and The American Sector Restaurant + Bar.

SHOPPING

Magazine Street Shopping, Dining, and Architecture

Magazine Street in New Orleans offers a captivating blend of shopping, dining, exploration, and rich historical charm. Magazine Street's shopping experience is a curated journey through local craftsmanship and style, offering a diverse array of boutiques that cater to various tastes.

Magazine Street's culinary landscape highlights traditional New Orleans fare alongside innovative culinary creations, providing a memorable gastronomic experience.

Beyond shopping and dining, Magazine Street invites exploration with its charming architecture and cultural attractions. The New Orleans Arts District along the street features galleries like Jonathan Ferrara Gallery, showcasing contemporary art by local and international artists. Strolling along Magazine Street's tree-lined sidewalks, visitors can enjoy street performances and soak in the rich ambiance of this historic thoroughfare.

Magazine Street's history is intertwined with the city's evolution, dating back to the late eighteenth century. Its architecture reflects changing styles and influences, from Creole cottages to Victorian-era buildings.

DINING LANDMARKS

New Orleans cuisine is built on a tradition that stretches from Paris to Port au Prince and from Cadiz to the Congo. The city's more than 1000 eateries ready themselves to welcome their guests with a gusto. The New Orleans dining scene is a brilliant reflection of the city's diverse history, culture, and neighborhoods.

Commander's Palace Restaurant

Commander's Palace is nestled in the heart of the historic New Orleans Garden District, just steps from the St. Charles Avenue Streetcar. This is the quintessential New Orleans dining experience. Loved by locals and visitors alike, it's known for the award-winning quality of its food and convivial atmosphere. The history of this famous restaurant offers a glimpse into New Orleans' storied past and has been the go-to destination for Haute Creole cuisine and whimsical Louisiana charm.

Arnaud's Restaurant

Arnaud's serves Classic Creole cuisine with the most charming French Quarter ambiance. Featuring the traditional nostalgic main dining room or the lively jazz bistro with a strolling Dixieland trio. Experience their unique Mardi Gras museum afterwards, which features more than two dozen lavish Mardi Gras costumes and more history on the Mardi Gras balls.

GW Fins Restaurant

GW Fins, a culinary gem in the heart of New Orleans, has earned its reputation as one of the city's top restaurants since its opening in 2001. Specializing in seafood sourced both locally from the Gulf of Mexico and internationally, the chefs at GW Fins employ innovative techniques such as dry aging, ensuring every dish showcases the natural flavors and textures of the highest quality fish available. The restaurant's commitment to excellence extends beyond the kitchen, as evidenced by numerous accolades, including being named one of OpenTable's Top 100 Restaurants in the United States, receiving the Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence for 20 consecutive years, and being recognized by local publications and diners alike for its outstanding cuisine and service.

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