The Jaffee History Trail is an interpretive path incorporating features such as a native species information feature and a 13,000-pound, metal relic from the 1871 Great Chicago Fire. The trail is an interactive path with events, exhibitions, previews, discounts, and more.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

DO YOU HAVE A RESTAURANT AND A MUSEUM STORE?
Yes, the North & Clark Café and the Museum Store are on the 1st floor near the entrance of the Museum. The Café closes approximately 1 hour prior to the Museum closing. The Museum Store is open during Museum hours.

CAN I VISIT THE RESEARCH CENTER?
As a free resource, visit chicagohistory.org/research for ARC hours. Masks are required in the Research Center.

CAN I BECOME A MEMBER OF THE MUSEUM?
Absolutely, and the price of your ticket can be applied to membership! Join today for exclusive access to events, exhibition previews, discounts, and more.

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**FEATURED HIGHLIGHTS**

**CITY ON FIRE: CHICAGO 1871**
Designed for children 13 and under, City on Fire offers visitors of all ages a chance to learn what life was like before, during, and after the Great Chicago Fire.

**DESIGNING FOR CHANGE: CHICAGO PROTEST ART OF THE 1960s–70s**
See how Chicago activists in the 1960s and '70s used design to amplify their visions of a more just world and to fight for social change.

**CHICAGO: CROSSROADS OF AMERICA**
Explore the city's history through a series of galleries that illustrate Chicago's crossroads nature and highlight artifacts from the Museum's remarkable collection.

**FACING FREEDOM IN AMERICA**
From women's suffrage to Japanese internment, Facing Freedom uses images, artifacts, and interactive elements to explore some of the ways Americans have struggled over the meaning of freedom.

**THE GREAT CHICAGO ADVENTURE**
In this exciting all-ages film, travel through time with Roger and his babysitter, Jean, to see major events in Chicago's history. Showtimes are posted at the Ticket Desk and theater door.

**SENSING CHICAGO**
Stimulate your senses as you explore the sights, sounds, smells, and tastes of past and present-day Chicago.

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**Floor 3 (not pictured)**
The Abakanowicz Research Center is located on the third floor. Admission is free; register at the Ticket Desk.