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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 is open Tuesday–Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m. and Sunday, noon–4 p.m. The Museum Store is open Tuesday–Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. and Sunday, noon–5 p.m.

CAN I VISIT THE RESEARCH CENTER?
Please inquire at the Ticket Desk. Admission to the Abakanowicz Research Center is free. The current hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 12–3:30 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

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FEATURED HIGHLIGHTS

1. FACING FREEDOM IN AMERICA
What does freedom mean? From women’s suffrage and the formation of labor unions, to Japanese internment, to a local school boycott, Facing Freedom uses images, artifacts, and interactive elements to explore some of the ways Americans have struggled over the meaning of freedom.

2. 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 Tuesday—Saturday at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. and Sundays at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

3. 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.

4. VIVIAN MAIER: IN COLOR
Vivian Maier’s photographs on the streets of Chicago and its suburbs encourage viewers to look beyond the ordinary. This exhibition features 65 color images from the 1950s to 1970s, most of which have never been on display, as well as film clips, quotations, and sound bites.

5. TREASURED TEN: SELECTIONS FROM THE COSTUME COLLECTION
From the Chicago History Museum’s clothing collection of more than 50,000 pieces, ten never-been-exhibited ensembles tell the remarkable stories of five designers. Dating from the 1970s to the 1980s, the garments are expressions of their creators’ experiences and identities.

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