



Ladies of Charity National Assembly September 5-7, 2024

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Things To See and Do

Located in downtown St. Louis:

The Old Cathedral (Basilica of St. Louis, King of France)

On the grounds of the Gateway National Park, the Basilica of St Louis, King of France is a beautiful facility. The architectural work is breathtaking and there are pathways to walk between the two attractions. Self-Guided Tour- Visitor's Guide brochure features a self-guided tour of the Cathedral's historical and architectural highlights. Available on the pedestal inside the main entrance or [UPDATED Visitor Guide.pdf \(ecatholic.com\)](#)
FREE



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Gateway Arch National Park (U.S. National Park Service) (nps.gov)

This national park and its famous arch are dedicated to the country's westward expansion. The stainless steel Gateway Arch, an engineering marvel, was designed and submitted by Eero Saarinen during a national competition in the mid-1940s. It rises 630 feet into the air and spans 630 feet from leg to leg. Visitors can learn more about the arch's construction, Colonial St. Louis, the Lewis and Clark Expedition and more at the Museum at the Gateway Arch, which is located beneath the arch and houses six galleries.

For those who want to head to the top of the Gateway Arch (63 stories high), a tram ticket is required. From the indoor observation deck at the top of the arch, you can see as far as 30 miles on a clear day. Keep in mind: The tram is not accessible for wheelchairs and there are no restrooms at the top of the Gateway Arch FREE



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Things To See and Do (continued)

Located in mid-town St. Louis:

Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis

The Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, the superstructure of the Cathedral was built between 1907 and 1914. The Cathedral's 100th Anniversary is being celebrated in 2014. It is known for its' beautiful interior mosaics, which took nearly 80 years to create using more than 41 million pieces of glass tesserae. The Cathedral is known for having one of the largest mosaic collections in the Western Hemisphere. Tour Info | The Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis (<https://cathedralstl.org>) FREE



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Missouri Botanical Garden

The Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis was founded in 1859 by Henry Shaw. Today, the Garden is a National Historic Landmark and a center for science, conservation, education and horticultural display - widely considered one of the top three botanical gardens in the world. It features 79 acres of horticultural displays, including indoor conservatories and demonstration, formal and international gardens. Fee: \$14 for adults <https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org>



**The following are in, or very near,
Forest Park:**

Forest Park

The site of the 1904 World's Fair, America's second largest urban park is a prime St. Louis recreation spot. FREE

St. Louis Zoo

This world class zoo that has 6,600 animals and 15 major exhibit areas. Saint Louis Zoo | Saint Louis Zoo (stlzoo.org)



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Forest Park (continued):

St. Louis Art Museum

The Saint Louis Art Museum hosts a world-class and varied collection of original works of art and artifacts, spanning five millennia and six continents, in one of the most impressive buildings in the city. Admission to the Museum is free every day, and admission to special exhibitions is free on Fridays. Saint Louis Art Museum (slam.org) FREE



St. Louis Science Center

The Saint Louis Science Center is one of the top five science centers in the United States. The complex includes over 96,000 sq-ft of interactive science-technology exhibits. The most recent major permanent exhibit is GROW, a one-acre outdoor exhibit that will take visitors on a journey of food, to gain a deeper understanding of our food supply. The Science Center's ticketed areas include the OMNIMAX, a four-story IMAX Dome theater; the James S. McDonnell Planetarium, one of the world's largest planetariums. (slsc.org) FREE



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Missouri History Museum

Originally built as the first national monument to Thomas Jefferson, the Missouri History Museum looks at the history of St. Louis from 1764 to the present day. (mohistory.org) FREE

