



PARK DISTRICT of OAK PARK

Historic Homes & Gardens Tour



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Cost

- **\$20** without lunch package/per person
- **\$35** including lunch package/per person
- *Minimum 10 people
- Transportation not provided to Oak Park
- Times: Wednesdays or Thursdays, year round based on availability
- *2 weeks minimum booking requirement
- Pleasant Home (no ADA bathrooms)

How to book: Contact Patty Staley at the Oak Park Conservatory at 708-725-2451 or via email at patti.staley@pdop.org

Cancellation Policy: minimum 2 weeks
Final Head Count: 1 week prior



Oak Park Conservatory

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Edwardian-style glass Conservatory, built in 1929, houses a botanical collection of more than 3,000 plants. Enjoy a rich atmosphere of flora and fauna throughout three indoor showrooms, including a Mediterranean, Tropical and Desert room. Urban outdoor gardens surround this city escape. Sweeps of Illinois native grasses welcome you as you enter. We welcome you to visit this hidden oasis.



Pleasant Home

Pleasant Home is considered one of the earliest and most distinguished examples of Prairie School Architecture in the nation. The 30-room architectural gem is a showcase of 19th –century craftsmanship and artistry, with rich custom woodwork throughout the location, extraordinary art glass windows, a massive fireplace, intricate woodcarvings, and tile work. The house was designed by noted architect George W. Maher and is considered the most significant example of his “motif-rhythm theory”. Pleasant Home was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972 and gained National Historic Landmark status in 1996.



Cheney Mansion

Nestled in the Frank Lloyd Wright Historic District of Oak Park, Cheney Mansion is reminiscent of a gracious English country home. The mansion was designed by Charles E. White, Jr. in 1913. White worked in Frank Lloyd Wright’s studio, and was strongly influenced by Wright’s credo that a building should express the spirit of its natural surroundings. The 12,000-square-foot residence features an elegant entry and living room, paneled library, handsome reception rooms, six bedrooms, seven bathrooms, and separate servants’ quarters. The 2.2 acre landscaped campus also boasts a coach house, community garden, a woodland walk and waterfall fountain, greenhouse and an expansive lawn for picnics and private functions. Cheney Mansion was designated a local landmark in 2004.