



**KITCHENER - WATERLOO  
ART GALLERY**

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The Art Institute of Chicago, one of the world's leading art museums.



Anish Kapoor's *Cloud Gate* on view at Millennium Park.

**Gallery Hours:**

Mon - Wed 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Thurs 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Fri - Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sun 1 - 5 p.m.

## Experience the Artistic Treasures of Chicago

*Presented by the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery in partnership with Beechwood Travel & Cruise*

*Kitchener, Ontario, Canada* – The Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery (KW|AG), in partnership with Beechwood Travel & Cruise, Waterloo ON, is pleased to offer a dramatically different art tour of Chicago. The *Chicago Treasures Art Tour*, presented exclusively through the Gallery, offers an interesting itinerary exploring Chicago's fascinating architectural history, culture, and artistic treasures during the 4th of July and *Taste of Chicago* festivals.

The *Chicago Treasures Art Tour* is a weekend that no art lover should miss. From Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> to Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> participants will enjoy Chicago's spectacular architectural achievements through a guided tour; admission and guided tours of the Art Institute of Chicago - one of the world's leading art museums - and the Museum of Contemporary Art. Sightseeing stop-overs, some hosted luncheons and buffets, and time for shopping along the Magnificent Mile, strolling by the harbourfront, personal excursions, and taking in the fireworks festivities are included.

*Chicago Treasures Art Tour* participants will travel by deluxe motor coach and stay at Chicago's Sheraton Hotel and Towers, a five minutes' walk from the Art Institute of Chicago and Navy Pier, the centre of Chicago's 4th of July festivities. For a complete *Chicago Treasures Art Tour* itinerary, you can read our [promotional brochure](#).

Cost of the *Chicago Treasures Art Tour* is \$995 (Cdn) per person based on twin/double occupancy (single rate on request) with a \$250 (Cdn) per person deposit required by Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. The balance of the cost is due by June 5, 2009.

A portion of the \$995 tour cost helps support the Gallery's programming. Each participant will receive a charitable tax receipt from the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery for \$150.

An information session will be held at the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery by Beechwood Travel & Cruise on **Tuesday, February 3 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.** Refreshments will be served. For booking and tour information, contact:

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The Chicago skyline during 4th of July festivities.



The Water Tower in downtown Chicago at night.

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**About the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery**

Through thoughtful and engaging programs, the Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery (KW|AG) connects people and ideas through art. The Gallery's exhibits and programs are built on the mission that art is the catalyst for shared experience, dialogue and imagination. The Gallery emphasizes contemporary art, often premiering works by Canadian and international artists. Exhibitions frequently draw upon selections from the 4 000 -work permanent collection to provide a forum for dialogue. KW|AG plays a vital educational role in the community, offering a full spectrum of artistic experience for adults, children and families alike. Established in 1956 and operating within Centre In The Square, KW|AG is the oldest and largest public gallery in Waterloo region: roots in the community, eyes on the world. For more information, contact [mail@kwag.on.ca](mailto:mail@kwag.on.ca) or visit [www.kwag.on.ca](http://www.kwag.on.ca).

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