

Valley Metro

# ARTS & CULTURE

DESTINATION GUIDE



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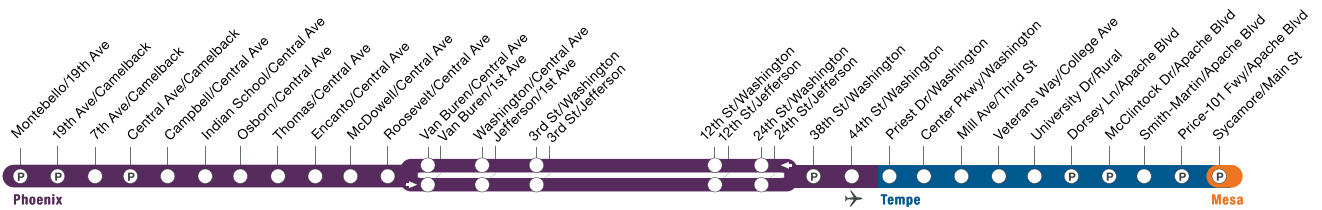


**Valley Metro Rail** is your connection to the best of the Valley's arts and culture destinations. Most are within walking distance from a light rail station or just a quick bus connection away. Buy a day pass at any light rail station for unlimited light rail and bus rides on the same day. Leave the driving to Valley Metro and also enjoy one of the many local restaurants along the line. Just a few great reasons to ride Valley Metro Rail and leave your car at home.

Let Valley Metro help you discover the arts. Visit us online at [valleymetro.org/destinations](http://valleymetro.org/destinations).



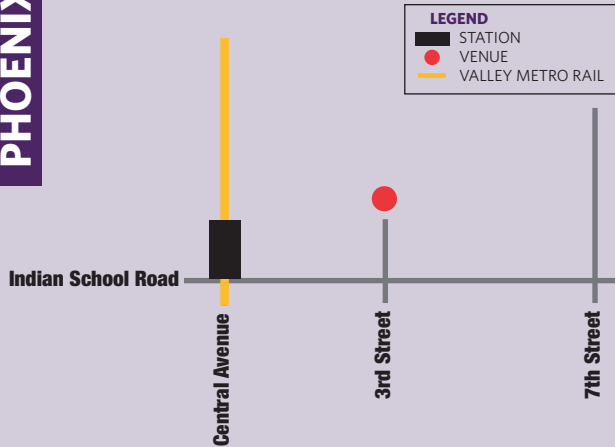
## VALLEY METRO RAIL MAP



## HOW TO RIDE

- 1** Buy a transit pass at any light rail station. A day pass costs \$4.00 and is good for unlimited rides the same day on both light rail and the local bus.
- 2** Activate your pass before boarding.
- 3** Check the system map at the light rail station to make sure you know the train you need to board.
- 4** Pay attention to the signs on the front and side of the train that show the train's final destination.
- 5** Remember that trains stop at every station. Upcoming stops are announced on the train so be alert.

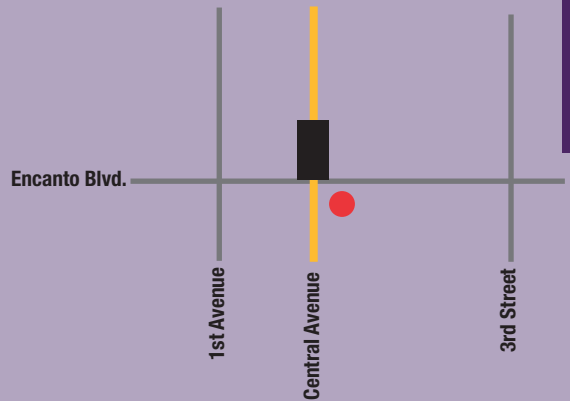




**EXIT**  
**INDIAN SCHOOL/CENTRAL AVENUE**

**Steele Indian School Park - Memorial Hall**  
 300 E. Indian School Rd.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85012  
 602.495.0739  
[phoenix.gov/parks/sisp.html](http://phoenix.gov/parks/sisp.html)

The newly rehabilitated Memorial Hall, built in 1922 and situated in Steele Indian School Park, the former site of the Phoenix Indian School, is a historic building that offers an affordable venue for performing artists and a meeting space for community groups. Memorial Hall offers a stunning setting for special arts presentations, performances, meetings and community space. The outstanding acoustics of this building make it an ideal facility for choral and musical presentations.



**EXIT**  
**ENCANTO/CENTRAL AVENUE**

**Heard Museum**  
 2301 N. Central Ave.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.252.8840  
[heard.org](http://heard.org)

The Heard Museum is one of the nation's top centers for American Indian art and culture. Its 11 exhibit galleries explore ancestral and historic cultures and art and celebrate today's finest contemporary artists. Visitors can enjoy free guided tours, interactive hands-on activities, world-class shopping and distinctive Southwest-inspired dining set in the museum's charming sculpture courtyard.





EXIT

**MCDOWELL/CENTRAL AVENUE**

**Burton Barr Central Library**  
 1221 N. Central Ave.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.262.4636  
[phoenixpubliclibrary.org](http://phoenixpubliclibrary.org)

Burton Barr Central Library houses a collection of more than 760,000 items, @Central Gallery, the Rare Book Room, the Arizona Room, Accessibility Center, Teen Central and the Center for Children’s Literature. Phoenix Public Library connects today’s community to a world of possibilities.



**Phoenix Art Museum**  
 1625 N. Central Ave.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.257.1222  
[phxart.org](http://phxart.org)

Phoenix Art Museum is the largest art museum in the Southwest and has provided access to visual arts for over 50 years. Critically acclaimed national and international exhibitions are shown alongside the Museum’s collection of more than 17,000 works of American, Asian, European, Latin American, Western American, modern and contemporary art and fashion design. Phoenix Art Museum also presents festivals, live performances, independent art films and educational programs that will enlighten and entertain people of all ages.

**Phoenix Center for the Arts**  
 1202 N. 3rd St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.254.3100  
[phoenixcenterforthearts.org](http://phoenixcenterforthearts.org)

Phoenix Center for the Arts provides opportunities to participate in the visual and performing arts through quality classes and programming. Classes are available for youth, adults and families year round. The organization’s annual Phoenix Festival of the Arts serves as an annual celebration of arts and culture in the Valley of the Sun. The Center is home to several other nonprofit arts organizations including Artlink, Roosevelt Row, Rising Youth Theatre, Phoenix Children’s Chorus, Radio Phoenix and Cyphers.





- Phoenix Theatre**  
 100 E. McDowell Rd.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.254.2151  
[phoenixtheatre.com](http://phoenixtheatre.com)

Phoenix Theatre, the longest running arts organization in Arizona and Phoenix's largest producing theatre, serves children and adults throughout the valley with a large breadth of theatrical programming performed over three stages including regional premieres of Broadway favorites, daring pieces from Off-Broadway, world premieres and theatre for young audiences. The theatre is approaching its 100th consecutive season.

- Playhouse on the Park**  
 1850 N. Central Ave.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.889.5295  
[playhouseonthepark.com](http://playhouseonthepark.com)

Playhouse on the Park is a 199-seat theater at Viad Corporate Center near the intersection of Palm Lane and Central Avenue. The venue is home to multiple resident theatre and dance companies. The mission of Playhouse on the Park is to provide low-cost rental space to emerging and established arts groups, giving them a permanent home where they can focus on growing their artistic body of work.



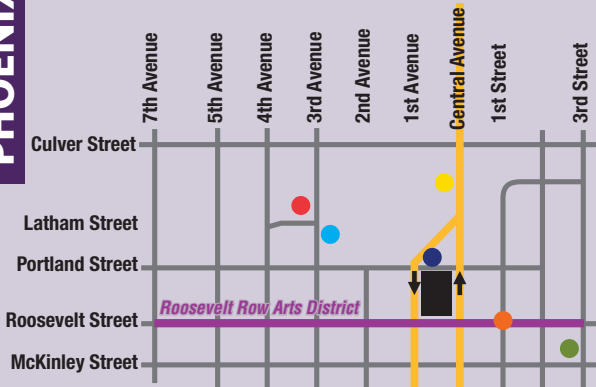
- Arizona Opera**  
 1636 N. Central Ave.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.266.7464  
[azopera.org](http://azopera.org)

Arizona's only professional opera company produces fully-staged opera performances, concerts, in-school touring productions and outreach programs that reach over 70,000 school children and adults annually. The Arizona Opera Center houses all staging and musical rehearsals, costume and wig shops, production and administrative offices and a black-box theater to host the company's extensive educational and outreach programs. The company's fully staged opera performances are held downtown at Symphony Hall.



- Cutler-Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center**  
 122 E. Culver St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.241.7870  
[azjhs.org](http://azjhs.org)

The Cutler-Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center is located in the restored building of Phoenix's first synagogue, originally constructed in 1922. Open to people of all faiths, the center features regular museum exhibitions, as well as educational programming including film screenings, book discussions, lectures and classes. The center is also available for rental and private events.



### Roosevelt Row Arts District

Roosevelt Street, 7th St. to 7th Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85003

602.614.8727

[rooseveltrow.org](http://rooseveltrow.org)

The Roosevelt Row Arts District spans the half-mile radius around the Arts District light rail station located at Central Avenue and Roosevelt Street. Roosevelt Row is home to numerous cultural facilities, art galleries, artist studios, live music venues, vintage and art boutiques, restaurants and other distinctive small businesses along with a range of urban housing options. Roosevelt Row Arts District is a dense, diverse, walkable and bikeable area connecting historic and mixed-use neighborhoods with the downtown core along the light rail corridor. The Roosevelt Row Arts District hosts weekly, monthly and annual events including the First Fridays Artwalk, Third Fridays Gallery Night, Second Saturdays Flea Market, Annual Chili Pepper Festival, Taste of the Trucks and Pie Social.

### Japanese Friendship Garden of Phoenix

1125 N. 3rd Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85003

602.256.3204

[japanesefriendshipgarden.org](http://japanesefriendshipgarden.org)

The 3.5-acre Japanese strolling garden, complete with tea garden and teahouse, offers visitors a beautiful and peaceful respite from the hectic pace of daily life. The garden features more than 1,500 tons of hand-picked rock, stone footbridges, lanterns, more than 50 varieties of plants and more than 300 colorful koi fish.

EXIT

## ROOSEVELT/CENTRAL AVENUE

### Great Arizona Puppet Theater

302 W. Latham St.

Phoenix, AZ 85003

602.262.2050

[azpuppets.org](http://azpuppets.org)

The Great Arizona Puppet Theater is open five days a week year round, offering shows for children and adults by the resident professional company and visiting guest artists. Its beautifully restored historic building also includes a gift shop, puppet exhibit and puppet research library.

### Irish Cultural Center

1106 N. Central Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85004

602.258.0109

[azirish.org](http://azirish.org)

The Irish Cultural Center is dedicated to bringing a little bit of Ireland to the Valley of the Sun every day. The center features academy classes in music, language, dance and twice monthly Ceilis (dances). The McClelland Irish Library offers library and genealogy services and art exhibitions. The center is available for private rentals including weddings, meetings and parties.



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### ASU Art Museum International Artist Residency

821 N. 3rd St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
(Half-mile walk from station)  
480.965.2787

[asuartmuseum.asu.edu/education/artistresidencies.php](http://asuartmuseum.asu.edu/education/artistresidencies.php)

The ASU Art Museum International Artist Residency Program brings leading artists from around the world to live and create new artwork in downtown Phoenix, in partnership with the research resources of Arizona State University and diverse community organizations across Arizona.

### The Nash

110 E. Roosevelt St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
602.795.0464  
[thenash.org](http://thenash.org)

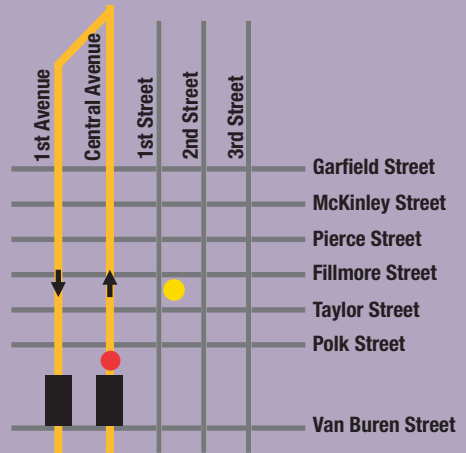


The Nash has been designated as one of the "Great Jazz Venues in the World" by Downbeat Magazine. The Nash presents exciting live music performances in a relaxed urban-chic setting, as well as unique education programs and art exhibitions. The Nash has performances throughout the week and a jam session every Sunday evening. The Nash is a "Best First Friday" hangout and offers an exceptional setting for recitals, receptions, meetings and other special events. Jazz happens here!

### Trinity Cathedral

100 W. Roosevelt St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85003  
602.254.7126  
[trinitymusicaz.org](http://trinitymusicaz.org)

Trinity Cathedral plays host to numerous musical events presented by Music at Trinity and includes everything from student recitals to concerts of premier organist and choral ensembles. The Cathedral is also home to the Olney Art Gallery, an open, light-filled space showing the work of established community artists.



EXIT

**VAN BUREN/CENTRAL AVENUE (WESTBOUND)**  
**VAN BUREN/1ST AVENUE (EASTBOUND)**

### Civic Space Park and A.E. England Building

424 N Central Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
602.262.7490

[phoenix.gov/parks/civicprk.html](http://phoenix.gov/parks/civicprk.html)

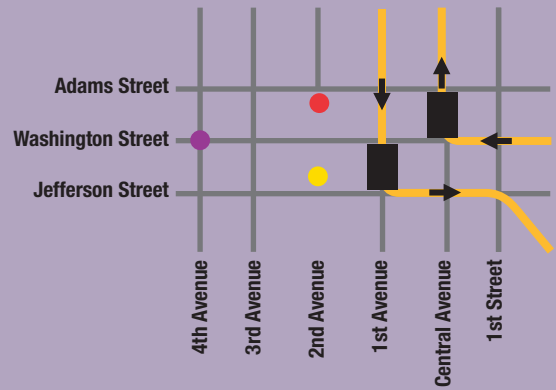
Civic Space Park is nestled into 2.77 acres in the heart of Downtown Phoenix located between First and Central Avenues and Van Buren and Fillmore Street. The park offers residents, workers, ASU students and downtown visitors a park with a unique urban design, sustainable construction, operational features and a landmark public sculpture titled "Her Secret is Patience." Amenities include a splash pad, interactive water and light features, lighted artwork and chess/checker tables.





● **Valley Youth Theatre**  
 525 N. 1st St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.253.8188  
**vyt.com**

Valley Youth Theatre (VYT), established in 1989, is dedicated to having a positive impact on the children of the greater Phoenix metropolitan area through a wide variety of performing arts opportunities. VYT is located in downtown Phoenix. However, children and their families from every corner of the Valley and beyond regularly participate in productions and programs.



EXIT  
**WASHINGTON/CENTRAL (WESTBOUND)**  
**JEFFERSON/1ST AVE (EASTBOUND)**

● **Orpheum Theatre**  
 203 W. Adams St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85003  
 602.262.6225  
**orpheumtheatrephx.com**

The historic Orpheum Theatre, originally built in 1929, is a 1,364-seat auditorium, which features performing arts presentations, touring Broadway shows, community festivals and local cultural events. The Orpheum Theatre, a part of the downtown theatre district, received an extensive renovation in the 1990s and reopened for business in 1997.





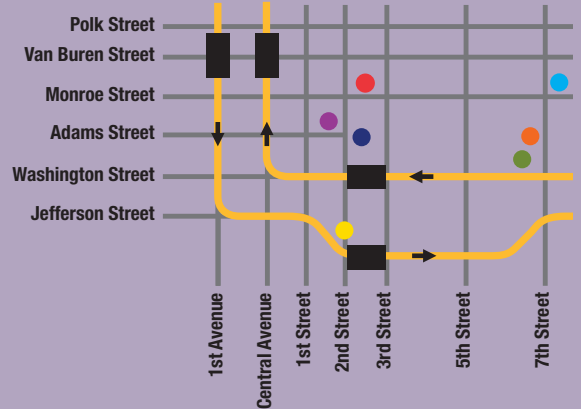


**The Gallery @ City Hall**  
 200 W. Washington St., Ground Floor  
 Phoenix, AZ 85003  
 602.262.4637  
[phoenix.gov/arts](http://phoenix.gov/arts)

The Gallery @ City Hall was created in 2012 to celebrate Arizona's Centennial and the legacy of art that Phoenicians began building in 1915. The gallery features art from the city's Municipal Collection of more than 1,000 works and presents exhibitions highlighting works from the city's award-winning public art program. Open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays, it is staffed by volunteers and supported by private contributions from businesses and residents throughout the city and region.

**Comerica Theatre**  
 400 W. Washington St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85003  
 602.379.2800  
[comericatheatre.com](http://comericatheatre.com)

Comerica Theatre is a 5,000 seat entertainment venue located in downtown Phoenix. The unique design of Comerica Theatre has changed the way people think about live entertainment, as it marries the classic theatre style with the pulsating excitement of modern arena technologies. The theatre's state-of-the-art music and sound systems are perfect for concerts and comedy performances, as well as theatre and family-friendly shows.



**EXIT**  
**3RD STREET/WASHINGTON (WESTBOUND)**  
**3RD STREET/JEFFERSON (EASTBOUND)**

**The Herberger Theater Center**  
 222 E. Monroe St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.254.7399  
[herbergertheater.org](http://herbergertheater.org)

The Herberger Theater Center is a 501(C)(3) Arizona non-profit organization that supports and fosters the growth of the arts in Phoenix. The Herberger Theater is host to several Valley theater and dance companies and offers three theater venues - Center Stage, Stage West and The Kax Stage, an art gallery, as well as event space available for a variety of community uses.





- US Airways Center**  
201 E. Jefferson St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
602.379.2000  
[usairwayscenter.com](http://usairwayscenter.com)

US Airways Center is a sports and entertainment arena located in downtown Phoenix. It is the home of the Phoenix Suns and Phoenix Mercury, in addition to concerts, ice shows and other events. The Coors Light Cold Zone, on the east side of the building, is a flexible outdoor entertainment venue covered by a football field-length canopy featuring state-of-the-art sound and video projection systems and facilities that double as television studio facilities for Suns telecasts and a performance stage for music events. Don't forget, Valley Metro offers **free rail rides** with your US Airways event ticket! Visit [valleymetro.org/railride](http://valleymetro.org/railride) for details.

- Arizona Latino Arts and Cultural Center**  
147 E. Adams St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
602.254.9817  
[alacaz.org](http://alacaz.org)



The Arizona Latino Arts and Cultural Center (ALAC) was founded in December 2009.

Its mission is to promote and preserve the Latino Culture in the United States through arts and education. ALAC supports local visual and performing artists who strive to highlight the Latino culture, its people, history and future. ALAC is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free. Membership opportunities are available.

- Children's Museum of Phoenix**  
215 N. 7th St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85034  
602.253.0501  
[childrensmuseumofphoenix.org](http://childrensmuseumofphoenix.org)

The Children's Museum of Phoenix is a wondrous place of imagination, inspiration, creativity and just plain fun! Here we want you to touch everything. The Museum offers more than 300 play experiences, spread throughout 3 floors in the historic Monroe School Building. Designed for children from birth to 10, the Museum engages the minds, muscles and imaginations of children and the grown-ups who care about them. Come play and learn today!

- Arizona Science Center**  
600 E. Washington St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
602.716.2000  
[azscience.org](http://azscience.org)

From pre-K to gray, Arizona Science Center makes learning fun for everyone! A visit to the Science Center provides a fun-filled day of adventure and discovery through more than 300 hands-on exhibits, live demonstrations, state-of-the-art Dorrance Planetarium, giant screen IMAX® Theater, Sybil B. Harrington traveling exhibition gallery, The Lab Café and Awesome Atoms science store.



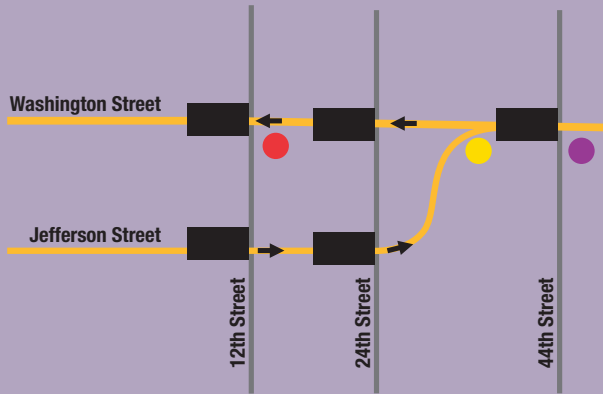


**Rosson House Museum at Heritage Square**  
 113 N. 6th St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.262.5070  
[rossonhousemuseum.org](http://rossonhousemuseum.org)

Located in Heritage and Science Park, this beautifully restored 1895 Victorian home offers visitors a glimpse of what life was like for the residents of Heritage Square, the oldest residential block in Phoenix.

**Symphony Hall**  
 75 N. 2nd St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85004  
 602.262.6225  
[symphonyhallphx.com](http://symphonyhallphx.com)

The multi-purpose Symphony Hall is home to The Phoenix Symphony, Arizona Opera and Ballet Arizona. In addition, numerous Broadway touring companies, a variety of dance productions and popular entertainers perform in Symphony Hall.



**EXIT**  
**12TH STREET/WASHINGTON (WESTBOUND)**  
**12TH STREET/JEFFERSON (EASTBOUND)**

**Black Theatre Troupe**  
 1333 E Washington St.  
 Phoenix, AZ 85034  
 602.258.8128  
[blacktheatretroupe.org](http://blacktheatretroupe.org)

Since July 1970, The Black Theatre Troupe and its programs have promoted excellence in the performing arts with an emphasis on people of color. The Helen K. Mason Performing Arts Center is a 15,300 square foot facility that provides BTT with a 151 main stage proscenium theater, a flexible Black Box/rehearsal space, administrative offices, box office and costume and scene shops.





EXIT

**24TH STREET/WASHINGTON (WESTBOUND)****24TH STREET/JEFFERSON (EASTBOUND)****Ballet Arizona**

2835 E. Washington St.

Phoenix, AZ 85034

602.381.1096

**balletaz.org**

Ballet Arizona is an innovative and provocative professional ballet company that creates, performs and teaches outstanding classical and contemporary ballet. The Ballet Arizona Center for Dance gives rise to the artists of tomorrow through training, mentoring and educating young audiences and dancers. The Center houses 7 dance studios, The School of Ballet Arizona, a 299-seat performance theatre, box office and administrative offices. The Ballet performs its main stage season in downtown Phoenix at Symphony Hall and the Orpheum Theatre.

EXIT

**44TH STREET/WASHINGTON****Pueblo Grande Museum**

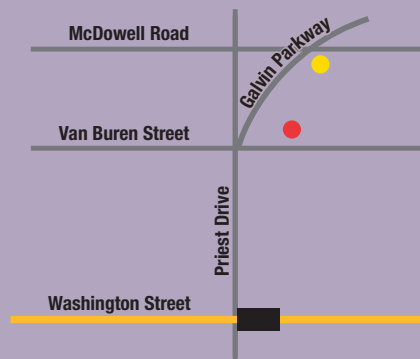
4619 E. Washington St.

Phoenix, AZ 85034

602.495.0900

**pueblogrande.com**

Explore the ancient heart of Phoenix at a 1,000 year old preserved Hohokam archaeological site. Visit the past along our ADA accessible trail, where you'll see a platform mound, ball court and replicated houses. Learn more about Pueblo Grande and the Hohokam inside the museum galleries, including the science of archaeology in our hands-on children's gallery. Shop at the Museum Store for authentic American Indian gifts, art and jewelry.

*Destinations require bus connection*

EXIT

**PRIEST DRIVE/WASHINGTON****Phoenix Zoo**

455 N. Galvin Pkwy.

Phoenix, AZ 85008

602.273.1341

**phoenixzoo.org***Connect to bus route: 56*

The Phoenix Zoo, nestled within the buttes of Papago Park on 125 acres of beautiful and varied landscapes, is home to more than 1,400 animals from around the globe and includes several endangered or threatened species. The zoo is designed around four distinct trails - Africa, Tropics, Children's and Arizona - and offers amazing experiences and opportunities to see and learn about some of the planet's most wonderful creatures.

**Desert Botanical Garden**

1201 N. Galvin Pkwy.

Phoenix, AZ 85008

480.481.8188

**dbg.org***Connect to bus route: 56*

Nestled amid the red buttes of Papago Park, the Desert Botanical Garden is a unique destination for discovering the wonders of the Sonoran Desert. The Garden is home to the world's finest and most diverse collection of succulent plants. Discover saguaros, prickly pears, agaves and desert wildflowers. Enjoy guided and self-guided tours, demonstrations and seasonal exhibits.





EXIT

**CENTER PARKWAY/WASHINGTON**

**● Marquee Theatre**  
 730 N. Mill Ave.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.829.0607  
**luckymanonline.com**

The Marquee originally opened in 1993 as "the Red River Opry" and catered to country music. New ownership took over in the early 2000s, changed the name and removed the seats. The theater now features festival seating with the back of the house approximately 80 feet from the stage. Marquee Theatre features high-grade sound in intimate surroundings, giving it the feel of a big concert venue. Acts like Sonic Youth, Ice Cube, The Strokes, Henry Rollins and Roger Clyne and the Peacemakers have graced the theater's stage over the years.



*Most destinations require bus connection*

EXIT

**MILL AVENUE/THIRD STREET**

**● ASU Gammage**  
 1200 S. Forest Ave.  
 Tempe, AZ 85287-0105  
 480.965.3434  
**asugammage.com**

*Connect to bus routes: 65, 66, Orbit: Venus and Jupiter*  
 ASU Gammage is among the largest university-based presenters of performing arts in the world. ASU Gammage, designed by internationally renowned architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, is the home theater of the M&I Bank Broadway Across America - Arizona series and the ASU Gammage Beyond series.





**Arizona Historical Museum**  
 1300 N. College Ave.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.929.9499  
[arizonahistoricalociety.org/museums](http://arizonahistoricalociety.org/museums)

*Connect to bus route: Orbit: Earth*  
 The Museum at Papago Park interprets central Arizona’s history with special emphasis on the 20th Century. Exhibits include desert water use and Arizona’s World War II Home Front.

**ASU Art Museum**  
 51 E. 10th St.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.965.2787  
[asuartmuseum.asu.edu](http://asuartmuseum.asu.edu)

*Connect to bus routes: 65, 66, Orbit: Venus and Jupiter*  
 Art in America magazine selected the Arizona State University Art Museum as “the single most impressive venue for contemporary art in Arizona.” The inventive ASU Art Museum serves a diverse community of artists and audiences through innovative programming that is interdisciplinary, educational and relevant to life today.



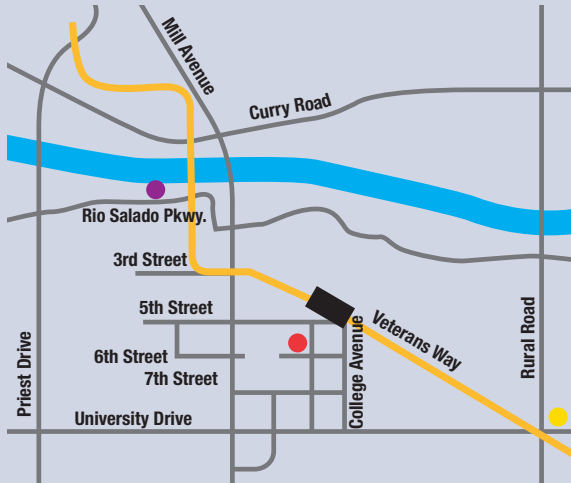
**Eisendrath House**  
 1400 N. College Ave.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281

*Connect to bus routes: Orbit: Earth*  
 The Eisendrath House is the largest remaining and best-preserved Pueblo Revival style house in the Tempe area. The house is unique for its construction of adobe brick, rarely used in a two-story building, which is complemented by the imposing sandstone buttes in the desert at the eastern edge of Papago Park.

**U.S. Post Office Window Gallery**  
 5th St. & Mill Ave.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.350.2867  
[tempe.gov/communitygalleries](http://tempe.gov/communitygalleries)

Exhibitions at the U.S. Post Office highlight local artists working in a variety of media and themes. The space is located in the heart of the Mill Avenue district and special emphasis is placed on work that is fun, eye-catching and unusual.





Most destinations require bus connection

EXIT

**VETERANS WAY/COLLEGE AVENUE**

**● Tempe Performing Arts Center**  
 132 E. 6th St.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.350.2829

This intimate theater seats 170 people and is home to the cutting-edge performance company, Stray Cat Theatre. The theater is located just off of Mill Avenue in the heart of downtown Tempe, where there are plenty of shopping and dining options before and after the shows.

**● Tempe Improv**  
 930 E. University Dr. #201  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.921.9877  
**tempeimprov.com**

Connect to bus routes: 72, Orbit: Earth and Mercury  
 The world-famous Improv in Tempe brings top comedians such as Jamie Kennedy, Pablo Francisco, Aisha Tyler and many more to its stage for unforgettable performances.



**● Tempe Center for the Arts**  
 700 W. Rio Salado Pkwy.  
 Tempe, AZ 85281  
 480.350.2822  
**tempe.gov/tca**

Connect to bus route: 48  
 The strikingly magnificent Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA), designed by Tempe-based Architekton and award-winning Barton Myers Associates of Los Angeles, houses a state-of-the-art, 600-seat theater, a 200-seat studio theater and a 3,500 square-foot gallery. The 17-acre lakeside art park overlooks Town Lake, with views of the Papago and Camelback mountains. TCA is home to A Ludwig Dance Theatre, Arizona Academy of the Performing Arts, Arizona Wind Symphony, ASU Public Events, Childsplay, CONDER/dance, Desert Dance Theatre, Tempe Community Chorus, Tempe Comedy Concert Series, Tempe Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Tempe Symphony Orchestra.



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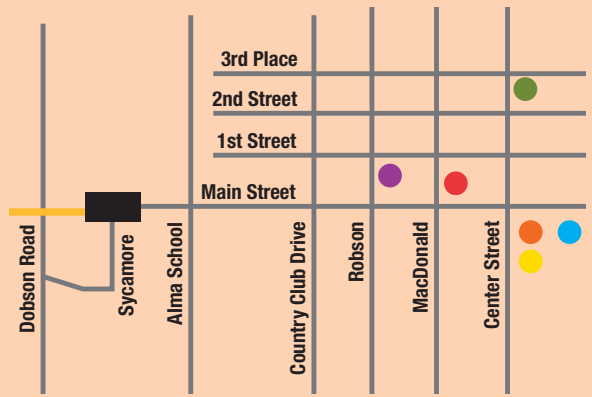
UNIVERSITY DRIVE/RURAL

- **Tempe History Museum**  
809 E. Southern Ave.  
Tempe, AZ 85282  
480.350.5100  
[tempe.gov/museum](http://tempe.gov/museum)

Connect to bus routes: 72, Orbit: Jupiter  
The Tempe History Museum comprehensively explores Tempe’s history through exhibits, activities, speakers, collections, research services and programs that captivate, connect and delight audiences throughout the community and beyond.

- **Tempe Public Library & Community Galleries**  
3500 S. Rural Rd.  
Tempe, AZ 85282  
480.350.2867  
[tempe.gov/communitygalleries](http://tempe.gov/communitygalleries)

Connect to bus routes: 72; Orbit: Jupiter  
Tempe Public Library provides unique spaces for talented professional and student artists to showcase their work. Visitors can find frequently-unveiled exhibitions in the second floor gallery, lower level gallery and Connections Café.



Destinations require bus connection

EXIT

SYCAMORE/MAIN STREET

- **Arizona Museum of Natural History**  
53 N. Macdonald  
Mesa, AZ 85201  
480.644.2230  
[azmnh.org](http://azmnh.org)

Connect to bus routes: Main St. LINK Connection to Center St.  
What could be cooler than an indoor, three-story mountain complete with a waterfall and simulated flash flood? Dinosaurs that roar. The Arizona Museum of Natural History has all this and more. Visitors will be amazed by Dinosaur Hall, tempted to seek their fortunes panning for gold in the History Courtyard and fascinated to see how early Native Americans lived.







**Mesa Arts Center**  
 One E. Main St. at Center St.  
 Mesa, AZ 85211  
 480.644.6500  
[mesaartscenter.com](http://mesaartscenter.com)

*Connect to bus route: Main St. LINK Connection to Center St.*  
 This international award-winning venue is an inviting oasis by day and a luminous beacon by night, designed to showcase a world of arts and culture - everything from art exhibitions to world-class performances to state-of-the-art studios for art education. Enhance your experience by admiring the Center's public art and outdoor features while attending one of the many free festivals and special campus events. It's a perfect way to enjoy community-oriented family fun. Join the festivities and expand your world. Mesa Arts Center is a place to discover and explore!

**i.d.e.a. Museum**  
 150 W. Pepper Pl.  
 Mesa, AZ 85201  
 480.644.2467  
[ideamuseum.org](http://ideamuseum.org)



*Connect to bus route: Main St. LINK Connection to Country Club Dr. or Center St.*  
 The i.d.e.a Museum, formerly the Arizona Museum for Youth, is a place to experience the world differently through science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics, or STEAM, and be a creative, imagination-driven destination for children, teens, parents and grandparents to be creative and have fun together while learning. "i.d.e.a." stands for Imagination, Design, Experience, Art.

**Mesa Historical Museum**  
 51 E. Main St.  
 Mesa, AZ 85201  
 480.835.2286  
[mesamuseum.org](http://mesamuseum.org)

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 Mesa Historical Museum's downtown site features the exhibition "Playball, The Cactus League Experience," which boasts a growing collection of artifacts and celebrates the history and stories of Cactus League baseball ([playballexperience.com](http://playballexperience.com)). The museum also features a rotating series of exhibitions exploring the humor and legacy of the Wallace and Ladmo Show.

**Mesa Amphitheater**  
 263 N. Center St.  
 Mesa, AZ 85201  
 480.644.2560  
[mesaamp.com](http://mesaamp.com)



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 The Mesa Amphitheatre is best known for its great location and tiered lawn - big enough for great acts and intimate enough for everyone to have a great view of the stage. This open air venue is also known for its daylong festivals.

**Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum**  
 One E. Main St. at Center St.  
 Mesa, AZ 85211  
 480.644.6500  
[mesaartscenter.com](http://mesaartscenter.com)

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 Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum (MCAM) is the exciting visual art exhibition space at Mesa Arts Center. In five stunning galleries, MCAM showcases curated and juried exhibitions of contemporary art by emerging and internationally acclaimed artists.



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**Arts, Culture & Livability**

The arts play an important role in the beauty, livability and economic development of communities. The creation and enjoyment of visual art, design, music, dance, theater, literature, natural history and cultural history enrich our lives; through them we express our humanity and communicate in ways accessible across all cultures and languages.

Arts and cultural organizations and their patrons are also economic drivers, generating state and city tax revenue and contributing to job growth in support industries such as restaurants, hotels and retail businesses. Arts and cultural activity attracts employers that rely on an educated and creative workforce.

Valley Metro and its partnering cities of Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa are proud to continue and contribute to a long history of support for the arts and cultural venues and activities that make the Valley of the Sun a great place to live and visit.

**Phoenix Office of Arts & Culture**

602.262.4637  
[phoenix.gov/arts](http://phoenix.gov/arts)

**City of Tempe Cultural Services**

480.350.5827  
[tempe.gov/arts](http://tempe.gov/arts)

**City of Mesa Arts & Culture Department**

480.644.6501  
[mesaaz.gov](http://mesaaz.gov)

**Valley Metro Rail Days & Hours of Operation**

**Weekdays**

**Hours:** The first complete trip of the day begins at 4:40 a.m. at the end-of-line stations. Monday through Thursday, the last complete trip of the day begins at 11 p.m., arriving at the opposite end of the line at midnight. On Friday night, service hours are extended: the last complete trip begins at 2 a.m., arriving at the opposite end of the line at 3 a.m. Saturday morning.

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