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Rely on CUI from thousands of miles away!



At 5:30am, a desperate client stranded at London's airport and unable to fly to Paris due to the Paris airport strikes, called CUI for help. CUI stepped up to the plate, and within minutes, secured alternative travel via **Eurail** despite all seats being sold out. CUI also got the family of 6 with 3 children to the Paris Gare du

Nord, where a limousine picked them up and drove them leisurely through **Paris by night** to their alternative hotel, the **Plaza Athenee**, for a well-deserved rest while CUI was busy reconfirming a **Jules Verne** lunch reservation and all Paris programs for the next day in order to make it a memorable experience!



For your next trip overseas, from airlines to hotels, unique restaurants and places of interest, to fit your style and budget, CUI is well connected around the world to make your future travel enjoyable and worry free. Visit our website for "CUI Travel Tips" to Paris, London, Venice, and travel points in response to our clients' interests.

We Recommend

Sunda, 110 W. Illinois, is a go-to spot for both the adventurous and those who simply love classic, delicious sushi. The chic interior exudes a fine dining feel, while the Sunday brunch dishes and Asian specialty menu items make for an enjoyable meal. Private dining and event spaces available. Contact your CUI Concierge and make it a VIP experience!

New/News

Just open: Tre Soldi, 212 E. Ohio. Inspired by the greatness and glory of Rome, this Streeterville spot puts focus on fettucinis and rustic Roman-style pizzas while maintaining a breezy, relaxed feel with its open kitchen and tall ceilings--perfect for a cocktail at the end of the work week. Open for lunch and dinner 7 days a week.

Beatrix, 519 N. Clark, is the latest chic spot from the Lettuce Entertain You team. Set in the lobby of the Aloft Chicago City Center, Beatrix invites you to indulge in Intelligentsia coffee and pastries from Metropolis for a fresh morning start or a sip of a Blueberry Tom Collins during cocktail hour.

The Plum Market, 1233 N. Wells & Division. From Mariano's to a newly rehabbed Treasure Island on Elm & Clark, comes another new grocery store in Old Town: The Plum Market. It promises a unique inspiring artisan shop experience with its first ever location outside of Michigan.

Wine Insight

Visit www.conciergeunlimited.com for our "July Wine Insight," featuring barbecue and wine pairings from around the globe.

Arts/Museums

through

7	AfriCOBRA	South Side Art Center
21	Empire State: NY Art Now	Palazzo, Rome
8/11	David Bowie is	V&A Museum, London
8/11	Amalia Pica	MCA Chicago
8/12	Glamour Vérité	MoMA, NY
8/14	Punk: Chaos to Couture	The Met, NY
8/16	Yes Naturally: How Art Saves the World	Fotomuseum Den Hague
8/18	Manet: Ritorno a Venezia	Musée d'Orsay, Paris
8/25	Chicago 78/79	Alibi Fine Art
9/2	Abelardo Morell: The Universe Next Door	Art Institute
9/2	Michelangelo Pistoletto	The Louvre, Paris
9/22	Impressionism, Fashion, and Modernity	Art Institute
10/6	Theaster Gates: 13th Ballad	MCA Chicago
10/10	Think First, Shoot Later	MCA Chicago
12/8	Janet Cardiff: The Forty Part Motet	The Met, NY

ongoing

Ebony Fashion Flair	Chicago History Museum
Van Gogh at Work	Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam

Ballet/Dance

through

6	Inside/Out	Hubbard Street Dance
6	Romeo and Juliet	Metropolitan Opera, NY
10	Summer Dance Jamboree	International House
13	A Few Great Men	Nomi Dance Company
14	Gravity: World Premiere Production	Ruth Page Center
14	River to River Festival	Various locations, NY
14	Gravity	Aerial Dance Chicago
15	La Sylphide	Opéra National de Paris
17	Il lago dei cigni (Swan Lake)	Teatro alla Scala, Milan
31&8/13	Chicago Human Rhythm Project: JUBA!	MCA Chicago

Children/Family

through

28	Rain Room	MoMa, NY
9/2	Creatures of Light	Field Museum
9/8	Food: The Nature of Eating	Nature Museum
10/1	Family Explorer Backpack	Morton Arboretum
10/24	Dinosaurs Alive!	Brookfield Zoo

July Family Movies in the Park

2	Life of Pi	Wentworth Park
5	Ice Age: Continental Drift	Amundsen Park
10	E.T., The Extra-Terrestrial	Shabbona Park
12	Dr. Seuss' The Lorax	Haas Park
21	Despicable Me	Ellen Gates Starr Park
30	The Sandlot	Cricket Hill

Classical/Symphony

Chicago Symphony Orchestra at Ravinia Festival in Highland Park, IL

11	Beethoven 1 , C. von Dohnányi, conductor
12	Beethoven 2 , C. von Dohnányi, conductor
17	Britten Centennial & Wagner Bicentennial , J. Conlon, conductor
25	Mahler 7 , J. Conlon, conductor



Opera

upcoming at the Lyric Opera of Chicago

Oct. 5,9,13,17,21,25,29, 11/2, **Otello**, Giuseppe Verdi
at *The Opéra National de Paris*

Sep. 7,10,13,17,20,23,26,29-Oct. 1,4,6,9, **Lucia di Lammermoor**,
Gaetano Donizetti

at *Teatro alla Scala, Milan*

9,12,15,16,19,20,22,25, **Un ballo in maschera**, Giuseppe Verdi

Sep. 20,21,23,24,25,26,27,29,30, **La scala di seta**, Gioachino Rossini

Theatre

through

5	The Emigrants	The Greenhouse
13	The Pride	About Face
13	Death and the Maiden	Victory Gardens
13	Motown The Musical	Oriental Theatre
14	Moliere Festival	Court Theatre
20	Bracken Moor	Tricycle, London
21	The Explorers Club	Manhattan Theatre Club, NY
21	Uncle Bob	Mary Arrchie
29	Reasons to be Happy	Lucille Lortel, NY
8/24	Crime Scene Chicago: Let Hope Rise	Various Chicago parks
8/25	Belleville	Steppenwolf
9/1	The Trip to Bountiful	Stephen Sondheim
9/29	Murder Ballad	Union Square, NY
10/1	Million Dollar Quartet	Apollo Theatre
10/6	Book of Mormon	Bank of America
10/30	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Royal Drury Lane, London

open run

Felt	iO Theatre
Big Lake Big City	Lookingglass
Let Them Eat Chaos	Second City
Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella	The Broadway Theatre, NY
Spiderman: Turn Off the Dark	Foxwoods, NY
Matilda the Musical	Shubert, NY

Sneak Previews

8/8	A Doll's House	Young Vic, London
8/2-4	Lollapalooza	Grant Park
8/6	Flashdance	Cadillac Palace Theatre
8/9	John Mayer	First Midwest Bank Amphitheatre
8/30	Chicago Jazz Festival	Millenium Park
9/7	Festive Opening/Gala	Het Nationale Ballet, Amsterdam
9/20	La scala di seta: Premiere	Teatro alla Scala, Italy
9/20-21	Earth, Wind, and Fire	Chicago Theatre
9/21	Giovanna d'Arco	Chicago Opera Theatre
10/1	Kurt Vonnegut's Make Up Your Mind	Speakeasy Stage Co., Boston
10/5	Otello	Lyric Opera Chicago
10/6	L'altra metà del cielo	Teatro alla scala
10/9	Once	Oriental Theatre
10/12	The Wheel	Steppenwolf Theatre
10/17-20	NYC Wine & Food Festival	Midtown Manhattan, NY
10/22	Mozart's Requiem	Théâtre des Champs-Élysées, Paris
10/24	Snow Geese	Manhattan Theater Club, NY
10/24	Rod Stewart	United Center
10/30	Wicked	Oriental Theatre
11/21	The Commons of Pensacola	Manhattan Theater Club, NY

Contact your CUI Concierge for top tickets to all upcoming events!

Concert/Rock/Blues/Jazz

6	David Byrne & St. Vincent	Ravinia Pavilion
9	Barenaked Ladies/Ben Folds Five	Charter One Pavilion
12	Bob Dylan, Wilco, My Morning Jacket	Toyota Park
12	Bon Jovi	Soldier Field
13	Bruno Mars + Ellie Goulding	United Center
17	Beyoncé	United Center
19	Phish	Charter One Pavilion
19	Pearl Jam	Wrigley Field
19	Harry Connick Jr.	Symphony Center
22	Jay-Z + Justin Timberlake	Soldier Field
24	Rodrigo y Gabriela	Chicago Theatre
26	Brian Wilson	Ravinia Pavilion
8/22	Tony Bennett	Highland Park
8/1	James McCartney w/ guest Jon Sandler	City Winery
9/26	The XX	Aragon Ballroom

Grant Park Music Festival

This annual music festival nestled in the quaint yet urban setting of Grant Park features classic and contemporary artists perfect for summer night picnic blanket listening. The music continues through August!

- 5-6 **Dvořák's New World Symphony:** Eugene Tzigane conducts
- 10 **Let's Dance:** Jive and swing to Grant Park Orchestra's tunes
- 12-13 **Caminos del Inka:** Multimedia tribute to the empire of the Incas
- 17 **A Rodgers & Hammerstein Celebration:** A salute to the legendary team
- 23 **Shostakovich 5th Symphony:** Conducted by Hannu Lintu
- 31 **Kalmar Conducts Bruckner:** Carlos Kalmar returns

Sports



White Sox Tickets

The summer months are in full swing! Don't forget to contact your CUI Concierge for privileged rates on White Sox tickets! Your list of games include:



Baltimore, July 3	Kansas City, August 28
Atlanta, July 19	Detroit, September 10
Detroit, July 22	Cleveland, September 14
Kansas City, July 27	Minnesota, September 18
NY Yankees, August 5-7	Kansas City, September 27
Atlanta, August 14	
Texas, August 23	
Kansas City, August 28	

more in sports...

6/29-21	Tour de France	Various locations
14-21	Golf Open Championship	Muirfield, Scotland
26-27	US Lacrosse National Championship	Orlando, Florida

Special/Seasonal

4	Lake Forest Festival & Fireworks	Deerpath Community Park
5-7	Windy City Ribfest	Lawrence & Broadway
10-14	Taste of Chicago	Grant Park
11	Bastille Day 5k & 8k	Lincoln Park
13-14	Roscoe Village Burger Fest	Belmont & Damen
19-21	Pitchfork Music Festival	Union Park
19-20	Taste of River North	Ward Park
27-28	Taste of Lincoln Avenue	North Lincoln Avenue
27-28	Wicker Park Fest	Wicker Park



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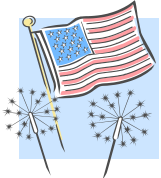


Happy Fourth of July!

Let CUI be At Your Service to make your holiday sparkle!



- Plan a weekend getaway for you and your family
- Secure preferred hotel rates for your out of town guests
- Arrange for a firework dinner cruise on the water
- Get access to top tickets for the summer's hottest shows



Make sure to see your CUI Concierge for these exciting Independence Day events and more!

July 3rd & 4th Navy Pier Fireworks Cruises aboard Seadog

Celebrate Independence day with the whole family on this open-air 60-minute cruise on Lake Michigan, providing the best views of the fireworks show against the majestic Chicago skyline. *Navy Pier 9:30pm; \$20-\$30*

July 3rd Epic Rooftop Party

Enjoy cocktails and the warm summer breeze high up above River North at the chic and stylish Epic. *112 W. Hubbard St.; 1pm-Midnight*

Downers Grove July 4th Parade

This annual parade sparkles down Main Street to Warren Avenue. After the parade, head to Fishel Park for a special concert by Hindsight while enjoying food and drink from Lemon Tree Grocers. *Parade starts at 12:45pm; fireworks show at 9:30pm*

July 4th Celebration at The Chicago History Museum

The Museum's 54th annual Fourth of July event features patriotic musical performances, a reading of the Declaration of Independence, and a children's parade led by the World's Tallest Uncle Sam. *10am-12pm Uihlein Plaza; free*

July 4-7 International Festival of Life

Celebrate America this weekend and also the rest of the world with global food, merchandise, crafts, and live music with IFOL's mission of "bringing together people of all nationalities." *Union Park; \$15*



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Suggestions to the Editor

We invite your suggestions for future issues of *Cultural Update*. Are there cultural events you would like for us to highlight? Do you have feedback about a restaurant or event that we have recommended? Let us know what you think! Please feel free to contact the editor via email at cuicommunications@conciergeunlimited.com or by phone at (312) 220-0500.