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TOUR HISTORIC PULLMAN & EXPERIENCE CHICAGO'S FIRST NATIONAL MONUMENT

In 1881, George M. Pullman built the nation's first planned model industrial community with housing, parks, schools, civic spaces, commercial buildings and an industrial complex all designed to provide a pleasant working and living environment for workers at his Pullman Palace Car Company. The company was transforming passenger rail travel through innovative design, manufacturing, and operations of luxury rail cars. Pullman's experiment in community planning and industrial order was declared "the World's most perfect town," attracting visitors from around the globe. But this could not prevent growing labor unrest fueled by a crushing economic recession that led to the Pullman Strike of 1894 and shaped the American labor movement. Pullman Porters, whose service epitomized luxury rail travel, left a legacy of social justice, labor rights, and Black leadership.

Pullman's stories are so reflective of the quest for a greater America that in 2015, Pullman was designated a National Monument.



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RICH LEGACY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND BLACK LEADERSHIP Pullman is an active, vibrant Chicago neighborhood where you can experience the continuing American stories illuminated by this special place.

Historic Pullman Foundation offers the following tours and programs, in addition to encouraging visitors to explore Pullman National Monument, Pullman State Historic Site, National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum, and the Pullman House Project opening in Spring 2022.

The Pullman Exhibit Hall enhances the visitor experience to Pullman National Monument and Pullman State Historic Site as a place to view exhibits, original artifacts, railroad memorabilia, audio-visual presentations, and Pullman history.

Hours: Generally 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, but may be seasonally expanded. Closed Monday.

Visitors are welcome to take a self-guided tour. Guests can pick up a copy of HPF's Pullman on Foot and Bike map from our volunteers at the Exhibit Hall.

PUBLIC GUIDED TOURS OF PULLMAN

1:30 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month, May-October.

Cost: \$15. Private tours can be scheduled year-round.

ANNUAL PULLMAN HOUSE TOUR

The second weekend in October offers visitors a view into private homes chosen to reflect a cross-section of Pullman's housing and the unique ways homeowners have adapted modern tastes to these historic homes. Advance tickets are recommended for this popular event.

ANNUAL PULLMAN CANDLELIGHT WALK

Guests visit selected Pullman homes decorated for the holiday season. Advance reservations required.

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