

OZ

August 3-6, 2017

the National Convention

*The wonders of the White City ...
The fun of the Midwest Oz Festival ...
Find your heart's desire in Chicago — the inspiration of Oz.*



Thursday

Kick off the weekend with a party at the home of Oz collector and convention co-chairman Walter Krueger.

Friday

From a Kansas twister to the Nome King's mines, Friday morning is filled with farm fun. Our afternoon explores animated Oz films, followed by an evening fashion show of famous Dorothis and a live Oz music program.

Saturday

Saturday emphasizes Chicago's many Oz connections with programs, speakers, films, and performances. The afternoon Oz Auction will be a highlight for collectors. And yes, there will be cake, it's the Club's 60 anniversary!

Sunday

After breakfast enjoy the final day of the Midwest Oz Fest in neighboring Tinley Park. Join Oz friends for a bring-your-box-lunch open house at Walter Krueger's. Optionally, sign up for a small-group Oz tour into Chicago, or head out to explore on your own. Regroup for dinner at the Hyde Park home of Carrie Hedges as we honor her tenure as Oz Club president.

More than fits in a flier! For news and updates, follow

OzConvention.org

Find individual presentation and presenter descriptions, opportunities representing the IWOC at the Midwest Oz Fest and more.

Optional Sunday activities:

- Convention Co-Chairman Scott Cummings leads a trolley and walking tour of Chicago for 30 people to see historic sites connected to Baum, Denslow, and the publishers of Oz.
- Visit Chicago theaters with Oz connections on a tour organized by Jamal Howard, includes tickets to *Scraps*, a new play by Anthony Whitaker.
- Find city sights on your own; head to Oz Park with friends and get tickets to *Scraps*. Or stay in the suburbs to catch a matinee in the Oz theater at the Hollywood Palms Cinema in Naperville.

Oz Club Contests - cash prizes!

Fiction and non-fiction writing contests have advance deadlines, but original artwork can be entered on site. See OzClub.org and the convention website for rules.

The Great and Terrible Oz Exchange

Bring along your duplicate Oz books, collectibles, toys and ephemera and take part in our Oz Exchange.



Housing, Transportation

Call 708-403-1100 to book into our block of 30 double rooms (\$129.99 group rate) at Georgio's Quality Inn & Suites Conference Centre in Orland Park, or claim one of 10 king suites (\$149.99). Rates include deluxe continental breakfast. Saturday activities, including the auction and evening program, will be here, as will a substantial Sunday morning breakfast for all registered attendees. Midway International Airport is nearer to our locations than Chicago O'Hare.

Oz convention activities are planned in Homer Glen, Joliet, Orland Park and Tinley Park. We expect many attendees to visit Chicago, too. To control the registration fee, we ask attendees with private cars to help with carpools throughout the weekend. We will arrange for parking Sunday near Carrie Hedges home followed by dependence on public options, such as trains, trolleys, buses and cabs. Organized tours will include walking and stairs that may prove inaccessible to those with mobility issues.

Registration

Our full-weekend registration fee of \$230/adult covers all meals and program costs from Thursday's opening party through Sunday dinner including a discounted ticket to the Midwest Oz Fest. Optional Sunday tours, and theater tickets are priced separately (see below). Our website, OzConvention.org, is now open and filled with details. Facebook users also can follow "Oz, the National Convention" for news and updates.

Please watch for our convention fundraiser; generous donors make the work and events of The Oz Club possible.

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Oz, the National Convention 2017 mail-in registration form

Please register _____ adults @ \$230 and _____ kids* @ \$130 for the full event. Registration total _____

Weekend and day rates cover programming, entertainment, exhibits and event commemoratives for the day specified. Provided meals are Friday/Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast, boxed lunch and dinner, and Thursday evening BYOB party. **Please register at day rates only:**

	Adults	Children (6-16 with registered adult)	
Thursday	_____ @ \$20	_____ @ \$10	Thursday total: _____
Friday	_____ @ \$100	_____ @ \$50	Friday total: _____
Saturday	_____ @ \$100	_____ @ \$50	Saturday total: _____
Sunday	_____ @ \$50	_____ @ \$30	Sunday total: _____

Optional Sunday tour tickets are available online only at www.eventbrite.com. Tickets cover selected transportation in the city and venue admissions. Attendees are welcome to visit Chicago independent of organized tours. Those registering for the full weekend or for Sunday may join tour groups at Carrie Hedges' home for dinner, and can purchase their own tickets to a performance of *Scraps in Oz*. Find links at OzConvention.org.

Additional Donation: \$ _____

_____ **I will have a private car and can help with carpooling.**

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: (_____)

(*Child aged 6-16 with registered adult; children 0-5 free.)

See OzConvention.Org for news and updates.

Registration questions? Contact Karen at Storylandmi@aol.com or call 734.287.2603

To contribute or consign to our IWOC fundraising auction, contact auctioneer Bill Thompson using InvisiBill1@gmail.com.

Mail completed form with check made payable to International Wizard of Oz Club to:

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