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COLUMBUS WELCOMES THE 2011 OBOA / COCOA JOINT CONFERENCE MARCH 6-8, 2011

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Downtown Districts

Downtown Columbus is filled with entertainment districts, packed with shopping, dining and other attractions. The **Arena District** is home to many restaurants and nightclubs. Restaurants and cafes line **The Cap at Union Station**, which connects downtown to the **Short North Arts District**, home to restaurants, galleries, unique shops and nightclubs. South of downtown are **German Village**, a restored historic district filled with charming homes and shops, and the **Brewery District** entertainment area.



Short North Arts District

Arts and Culture

Spend your nights at one of Columbus' performing arts events. Among your choices are **BalletMet**, **Broadway Across America-Columbus**, the **Columbus Jazz Orchestra**, **The Columbus Symphony**, the **Contemporary American Theatre Company** and **Opera Columbus**. See world-class visual art at the **Columbus Museum of Art**, the **Wexner Center for the Arts** and **The King Arts Complex**. **Franklin Park Conservatory** is the only botanical garden in the world with a permanent collection of glass artwork by Dale Chihuly.

Shopping

Central Ohio is known for shopping. At **Easton Town Center**, just 15 minutes from downtown, you'll find Macy's, Nordstrom and hundreds of specialty stores, along with one of the city's best collections of restaurants and entertainment venues. Head 30 minutes north to **Polaris Fashion Place**, which has six anchors.

Things to do

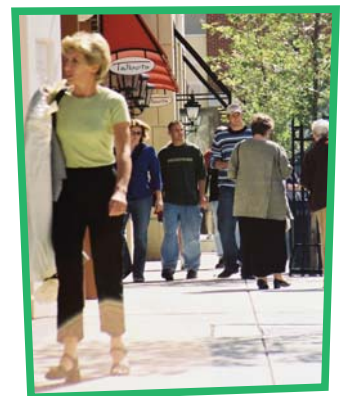
There are so many attractions in Columbus that you could visit again and again without stopping at the same place twice. Head a few miles east of downtown to **Franklin Park Conservatory**, home to a large permanent collection of glass artwork by Dale Chihuly. Also downtown is the popular **COSI Columbus** science center. See rare Siberian tigers and more at the **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium**, 30 minutes north of downtown.

Sports

The **Arnold Sports Festival** — the largest multi-sport festival in the nation — will be held March 3-6, 2011. The festival attracts more than 18,000 athletes competing in 40 sports, along with the festival's namesake Arnold Schwarzenegger. Cheer on several professional teams, including the National Hockey League's **Columbus Blue Jackets**, Major League Soccer's **Columbus Crew** and the **Columbus Clippers**, the Triple-A affiliate of the Cleveland Indians. There's also the **Ohio State Buckeyes** and the **Jack Nicklaus Museum**, a tribute to both the Columbus native and the sport of golf.

Dining

Choose from hundreds of restaurants downtown serving everything from gourmet to comfort foods and cuisines ranging from Pan-Asian to All American. Check out the **North Market**, located across from the Greater Columbus Convention Center. It offers the finest in fresh and prepared foods, along with unique gifts.



Easton Town Center

Traveling to Columbus

Columbus—Ohio's capital and the 16th largest city in the United States—is located within 550 miles of more than half of the U.S. population. Five highways run through the city and Port Columbus International Airport (CMH) is 10 minutes from downtown.