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Upcoming Conference News

Pittsburg Fun Facts: 10 Unique Things To Do In Pittsburgh

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Pittsburgh. Randy shares his garden, his story, and his eternal optimism with all visitors. <https://randy.land/> (1.7 miles, free)

Point State Park - A National Historic Landmark, the 36.4-acre park commemorates Pittsburgh's involvement in the French and Indian War. The park includes paved promenades for running, biking or walking with amazing views of all three rivers and a 150-foot tall fountain. The park contains the Fort Pitt Museum, preserving the frontier history of the city, the Fort Pitt Blockhouse built in 1764, is the oldest authentic building in Western PA. <https://www.heinzhistorycenter.org/fort-pitt/visit/hours-admission/> (0.6-miles, museum \$8)

Andy Warhol Museum - One of the largest museums in North America dedicated to a single artist, The Warhol contains 17 galleries of painting, prints, sculpture, photos, films and time capsules. Be sure to check out the Silver Cloud room to make your own silk-screened artwork. <https://www.warhol.org/> (0.7 miles, \$20)

City of Asylum /Alphabet City - A neighborhood that has provided refuge for exiled and other persecuted writers and offers a variety of free programs. Walk along the street where houses are painted to reflecting the dreams and work of the artists and visit the bookstore. <http://cityofasylum.org/home/> (1.3 miles, free)

Randyland - Randy Gilson grew up in extreme poverty and was at times homeless. He became a self-taught artist and community activist and has turned a run-down, decrepit house into The Happiest Place in

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Monongahela and Duquesne Inclines - Step back in time and ride one of the two remaining funiculars – an inclined railway designed to transport workers from their hilltop homes to the factories along the river. The Monongahela Incline will leave you at the eastern end of Mt. Washington, the Duquesne, the western. The distance between the two is about a mile.

<https://www.monongahelaincline.com/index.html> ;
<http://duquesneincline.org> (0.8 or 1.7 miles, 1-way fare, \$2.75)

Mount Washington/Grand View Avenue - Stroll along the mile-long sidewalk of Grand View Avenue. Stop at one of the observation pods to take in the stunning view of the city and the sweeping panorama of the rivers and valleys. Dining options run the gamut from coffee bars to fine dining. Stop in the Carnegie Library Mount Washington branch built in 1900 to see an authentic Carnegie Library. (0.8, or 1.7 miles, free)

Gateway Clipper Fleet - Get a view of the city from the river. Take in all three rivers on one of the cruises the company offers, ranging from 1-3 hour long cruises.
<https://www.gatewayclipper.com/> (1 miles, \$ varies)

Kayak Pittsburgh –If you want to see the city as the indigenous peoples of Western Pennsylvania did, get in the water. Kayak Pittsburgh will teach, then lead you on a tour along the three rivers. Rental equipment available for seasoned paddlers.
<https://www.ventureoutdoors.org/kayak-pittsburgh>
(0.9 miles, \$ varies)

Cathedral of Learning/Nationality Rooms – Located on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh, this 42-story gothic tower is the tallest educational building in the western hemisphere. The 30 themed Nationality Rooms are actual classrooms that represent the cultures of various ethnic groups that settled in Allegheny County.
<https://www.nationalityrooms.pitt.edu/> Visit the Honors College on the 35th floor for amazing views of the city and maybe catch a glimpse of the peregrine falcons that nest there. <http://www.aviary.org/PF-NestCam1> . (2.7 miles, Nationality Room tour \$4)

Kennywood Park - One of America's finest traditional amusement parks. The park is located near the site of the 1755 Battle of the Monongahela where George Washington fought alongside General Braddock. In 1898 the land became a trolley park at the end of a railway. Today the park features a mix of traditional

rides (including three wooden roller coasters) and more modern rides. The park is easily walkable; the Potato Patch Fries are a must. <https://www.kennywood.com>
(10 miles, \$ varies)