

Downtown Canyons

Come canoe the canyons on our ultimate urban canoe adventure! Experience the Chicago River's rich port history and see the modern marvels of our skyline from a human powered craft. Witness the growing corporate initiative to beautify the banks of the river downtown. This is a canoe trip you cannot get anywhere else.

Friends provides transportation, a box lunch, and all the equipment. Email Alex Duchak at aduchak@chicagoriver.org or call 312-939-0490 x10 for more details. You may register online or call Friends at the previous number.

This trip is intended for more experienced paddlers.

Start Point: 1501 N Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, IL 60622

End Point: 1501 N Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, IL 60622

Directions: From 90/94, exit 48B to North Avenue (IL-64). Turn right onto North Avenue. Turn right onto N Magnolia Avenue. From Lake Shore Drive, take the LaSalle Drive exit to North Avenue. Turn left on LaSalle Drive and right onto North Avenue. Take North Avenue to N Magnolia Avenue. We will be meeting 1 block south on N Magnolia Avenue. A bus will take us from this site to 435 East Illinois where we will put in. We will canoe down the main stem of the Chicago River to N Magnolia. The trip will end back at N Magnolia Avenue.