Arts & Culture Attractions

**Arizona Commemorative Air Force Museum**

2017 N. Greenfield Road  
Mesa, AZ 85215  
Phone: (480) 924-1940  
Website: [http://www.azcaf.org](http://www.azcaf.org)

The Commemorative Air Force Arizona Wing Aviation Museum displays and flies a variety of aircraft from WWI through Vietnam, including the most fully restored B-17 flying today B-17G Flying Fortress Sentimental Journey, B-25, C-45, SNJ, F4 Phantom, Migs 15 and 21 and other warbirds. Experience a flight back in time by taking a ride in the B-17, SNJ or C-45. The Arizona wing’s museum displays memorabilia from WWII and the Home Front through Vietnam and includes uniforms, leather flight jackets, medals, photographs, and other artifacts obtained through private donations. Special exhibits on display include Tuskegee Airmen, 8th Air Force, The Flying Tigers and The China Burma India Theater plus a host of other exhibits. Visit the aviation gift shop. Museum is available for events.

**Arizona Opera**

1636 N. Central Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
Phone: (602) 266-7464  
Website: [http://azopera.org](http://azopera.org)

Arizona Opera produces fully-staged operas, concerts, and collaborative programs throughout the state of Arizona each season. We are among only a handful of companies in the United States that regularly performs in more than one city. Arizona Opera elevates the transformative power of storytelling through music—cultivating community and strengthening a state and people as adventurous and diverse as the place they call home. On stage, Arizona Opera presents artists of both international stature and emerging talent, and each season balances debut artists and the return of favorite performers. Arizona’s musical talent is showcased in its acclaimed orchestra and chorus. The Arizona Opera Orchestra, established in 2000, consists of members of symphony orchestras from Flagstaff, Phoenix, and Tucson, as well as faculty from local universities, and the chorus is comprised of Phoenix and Tucson community members and students from local universities.

**Arizona Science Center**

600 E. Washington St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
Phone: (602) 716-2000  
Website: [http://www.azscience.org](http://www.azscience.org)

Arizona Science Center provides exploration, education and entertainment for all ages. Nestled in the picturesque setting of Heritage and Science Park, the Science Center is a unique landmark designed by renowned architect Antoine Predock. The combination of ramps, hallways, galleries and terraces in this 140,000-square-foot building creates an intriguing environment of investigation and discovery. The Center contains four levels of exciting “hands-on” exhibits, a state-of-the-art planetarium, and a 5-story high giant-screen theater. The exhibits and galleries are designed to educate and entertain kids of all ages – from pre-K to gray! Located in the heart of downtown Phoenix, the Science Center is within walking distance to nearby attractions such as Heritage Square, Phoenix Convention Center, the PHX Arena (formerly Talking Stick Resort Arena), Chase Field, the Arizona Center and more. The Center is located at 7th and Washington Street and is accessible from Interstates 10 and 17, as well as the Metro Valley Light Rail. Garage parking is available at 5th and Monroe streets and motorcoach parking is also available nearby. Group rates and facility rentals available.
Arizona Theatre Company
222 E. Monroe St.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 256-6899
http://www.arizonatheatre.org

Arizona Theatre Company is truly “The State Theatre.” Our company boasts the largest subscriber base of any performing arts organization in Arizona, with more than 130,000 people each year attending performances at the historic Temple of Music and Art in Tucson, and the elegant Herberger Theater Center in downtown Phoenix. Each season of carefully selected productions reflects the rich variety of world drama – from classic to contemporary plays, from musicals to new works – as audiences enjoy a rich emotional experience that can only be captured through live theatre. ATC is the preeminent professional theatre in the state of Arizona. Under the direction of Artistic Director David Ivers in partnership with Managing Director Billy Russo, ATC operates in two cities – unlike any other League of Resident Theaters (LORT) company in the country. ATC shares the passion of the theatre through a wide array of outreach programs, educational opportunities, access initiatives, and community events. Through the schools and summer programs, ATC focuses on teaching Arizona’s youth about literacy, cultural development, performing arts, specialty techniques used onstage, and opens their minds to the creative power of dramatic literature.

ASU Gammage
1200 S. Forest Ave., Arizona State University
Tempe, AZ 85287
Phone: (480) 965-3434
Website: http://www.asugammage.com

For more than 50 years, ASU Gammage has been a top cultural destination in the Valley. The Frank Lloyd Wright designed performing arts center located on the Tempe campus of Arizona State University is one of the largest university-based presenters of performing arts in the world and a top touring market for Broadway. Home to the Desert Schools Broadway Across America - Arizona and Beyond series, the mission of Connecting Communities™ goes beyond the stage and programs and impacts the community through shared experiences in the arts.

AZ Heritage Center at Papago Park
1300 N. College Ave.
Tempe, AZ 85281
Phone: (480) 929-0292
Website: http://www.azhs.gov

More Than A Museum: The AZ Heritage Center is a cultural center where visitors can participate in a variety of educational and entertaining programming and events for adults and children. Guided and self-guided tours are available for school children and adult groups, and can be customized to meet your needs. The AZ Heritage Center is also a beautiful and functional event venue, featuring a charming brick courtyard, majestic sandstone lobby, auditorium, theater, and multiple meeting spaces. Located at the edge of Papago Park in Tempe, near the Loop 101 and Scottsdale Road, our central location is convenient to the metropolitan Phoenix area.
Ballet Arizona

2835 E. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85034
Phone: (602) 381-1096
Website: http://www.balletaz.org

Ballet Arizona is an innovative and provocative professional ballet company that creates, performs, and teaches classical and contemporary ballet. The company is dedicated to preserving and celebrating classical dance while creating and commissioning new innovative works. Ballet Arizona is under the artistic direction of Ib Andersen, who was a principal dancer with the New York City Ballet for over a decade. Performances are held in downtown Phoenix at Symphony Hall and the Orpheum Theatre. For more information on all upcoming shows, please visit our website or give us a call.

Children's Museum of Phoenix

215 N. 7th St.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 253-0501
Website: http://www.childrensmuseumofphoenix.org

Our hands-on, interactive exhibits are designed to engage the minds, muscles and imaginations of children up to age 10 and the grown-ups who care about them. Climb to new heights in the Climber, navigate your way through Noodle Forest, or build a fort in Building Big. These are just a few of the adventures that await you at the Children's Museum of Phoenix. We're open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (plus Mondays in June and July). The Museum is an ideal location for your next party or corporate event. Our unique facility accommodates any type of gathering from formal sit-down dinners and cocktail shindigs to themed birthday bashes! We can put you in contact with performers to entertain your mind, caterers to scintillate your tongue and ideas to amaze you.

Frank Lloyd Wright’s Taliesin West

12345 N. Taliesin Drive, The Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation
Scottsdale, AZ 85259
Phone: (480) 627-5340
Website: http://www.franklloydwright.org

Drawn to Arizona by the beauty of the Sonoran Desert, Frank Lloyd Wright created a provocative and inspiring design for Taliesin West, the great architect’s winter camp and desert laboratory. Immerse yourself at Scottsdale’s only National Historic Landmark as you are welcomed into each room and space to experience one of the world’s most extraordinary architectural sites. Taliesin West also offers group tours for company outings and serves as a venue for corporate events. Call 888-516-0811 to book a tour, group tour or event.
**Hall of Flame Museum of Firefighting**
6101 E. Van Buren St.
Phoenix, AZ 85008
Phone: (602) 275-3473
Website: [http://www.hallofflame.org](http://www.hallofflame.org)

The world's largest museum of firefighting history offers more than a hundred fire trucks, steamers, hand pumpers and other fully restored pieces of fire apparatus, dating from 1725 to the early 2000s, as well as other artifacts and memorabilia from all corners of the globe. Most of the pieces are American, but we also have pieces from England, France, Austria, Germany, Peru and Japan. The Hall of Flame sponsors the National Firefighting Hall of Heroes, which honors firefighters who have died in the line of duty or who have been decorated for heroism. The Hall also includes a gallery dedicated to the history of wildland firefighting in the United States, and a children's play area and a real fire truck that kids can climb on, so it is an ideal destination for kids, but just as educational and inspiring for adults. The Hall of Flame is sponsored by the National Historical Fire Foundation, which was established in 1961 by George F. Getz, Jr. Admission: Adults: $12; Seniors (62 and older): $10; Ages 6-17: $10; Children 3-5: $6; children 2 and younger: FREE. Group tours are available at a discounted rate BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

**Heard Museum**

2301 N. Central Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 252-8840
Website: [http://www.heard.org](http://www.heard.org)

The internationally acclaimed Heard Museum is one of the best places to experience the myriad cultures and art of American Indians of the Southwest. Located on Central Avenue in downtown Phoenix, the museum hosts 200,000 visitors a year and "provides Indian artists with a wonderful home that will excite and inspire visitors from around the world," according to Arizona Highways. The museum's 11 spacious exhibit galleries and beautiful outdoor courtyards feature outstanding traditional and contemporary American Indian art. The Heard Museum Shop offers an array of authentic Native art, while the Berlin Gallery features outstanding contemporary fine art for purchase. The Cafe whips up tasty Southwest-inspired salads, sandwiches and soups; visit the Cantina for gourmet coffee drinks and snacks.

**Herberger Theater Center**

222 E. Monroe St.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 254-7399
Website: [http://www.herbergertheater.org](http://www.herbergertheater.org)

The Herberger Theater Center is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization whose mission is to support and foster the growth of performing arts in Phoenix as the premier performance venue, arts incubator and advocate. The Herberger Theater Center was conceived as a pivotal piece in the redevelopment and revitalization of downtown Phoenix. Built in 1989 to support and foster the growth of performing arts in Phoenix as a performance venue and arts incubator, the Herberger Theater Center has contributed to the cultural and educational development of the Valley. Each year, approximately 175,000 patrons, including 30,000 school-aged children share the unique experience of live performing arts.
Musical Instrument Museum (MIM)

4725 E. Mayo Blvd.
Phoenix, AZ 85050
Phone: (480) 478-6000
Website: http://www.mim.org

Explore the world's music and cultures at the Musical Instrument Museum (MIM). MIM takes you on a journey around the world, deep into the heart of human creativity. Rated Phoenix's #1 attraction by TripAdvisor, MIM displays more than 6,800 musical instruments and objects from every corner of the globe. MIM's five Geographic Galleries showcase global music and cultures through multimedia that allows you to hear, see, and feel the creative spirit of people as they play their instruments. In the Experience Gallery, bang a gong, strum a Peruvian harp, try your hand at the theremin, and have fun making some music on global instruments similar to ones on display throughout the museum. Visit the Artist Gallery to get a close-up look at instruments and memorabilia from influential artists, such as Elvis Presley®, Ravi Shankar, Carlos Santana, Clara Rockmore, Johnny Cash, Maroon 5, and more. The acoustically superb MIM Music Theater offers an intimate, 300-seat setting to enjoy live performances year-round by renowned and emerging artists from around the world. Plan your visit at MIM.org. And don't miss Cafeì Allegro! Open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the award-winning cafeì serves a changing menu of foods prepared from scratch, using fresh, local ingredients.

Penske Racing Museum

7191 E. Chauncey Lane
Phoenix, AZ 85054
Phone: (480) 538-4444
Website: http://www.penskeracingmuseum.com

The Penske Racing Museum showcases an amazing collection of cars, trophies and racing memorabilia chronicling the career of one of the most successful dynasties in all of sports. Penske Racing has over 40 years of racing experience and over 300 major race wins highlighted by 15 Indianapolis 500-mile race victories. On display in the museum are cars detailing the diversity of Penske Racing including a replica of the 1963 Pontiac Catalina which Roger Penske drove to victory in the 1963 Riverside 250. Additionally, a number of Indianapolis 500-mile race winners are on display including the 2009 Dallara which Helio Castroneves drove to win the 2009 Indy 500. The Museum is located in the Scottsdale 101 Auto Collection.

Phoenix Art Museum

1625 N. Central Ave., Central Avenue and McDowell Road
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 257-1222
Website: http://www.phxart.org

Since it opened in 1959, Phoenix Art Museum has become the largest art museum in the southwestern United States providing access to visual arts and educational programs in Arizona. In the last fifty years millions have visited the museum to view the over four hundred national and international exhibitions it has hosted. These are shown alongside Phoenix Art Museum's collection that has grown to over seventeen thousand objects of American, Asian, European, Latin American, Western American, modern and contemporary art, photography, and fashion design. The museum hosts photography exhibitions through its landmark partnership with The University of Arizona's Center for Creative Photography in Tucson. Visitors can also enjoy the interactive PhxArtKids gallery and the lush Dorrance Sculpture Garden.
Arts & Culture Attractions

The Phoenix Symphony
1 N. 1st St., Ste. 200
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 452-0410
Website: http://www.phoenixsymphony.org

The Phoenix Symphony has been proudly serving the citizens of the Phoenix metropolitan area and Arizona since 1947. The Phoenix Symphony presents an annual season from September through the beginning of June, featuring full-length classical and pops concerts at Symphony Hall in downtown Phoenix, as well as concerts in Scottsdale, Mesa, Prescott and throughout central Arizona. The Symphony performs for more than 125,000 students and children, helping to introduce music to new generations through a variety of education and youth-engagement programs. For more information, visit phoenixsymphony.org

The Phoenix Theatre Company
1825 N. Central Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 254-2151
Website: http://www/phoenixtheatre.com

The largest producing regional theatre company based in Phoenix, Phoenix Theatre offers more programs and experiences than any other. With over 200 performances on multiple stages and thriving education and outreach programs, we inspire more than 100,000 citizens every year. Inextricably woven into the fabric of your city, Phoenix Theatre is your theatre.

Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park
4619 E. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85034
Phone: (602) 495-0901
Website: http://www.pueblogrande.com

Pueblo Grande Museum is an archaeological site once inhabited by the Hohokam culture, just east of downtown Phoenix, next to Sky Harbor International Airport. It's a National Historic Landmark and Phoenix Point of Pride accessible by the Sky Train and the Light Rail. Part of the City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department since 1929, it's the largest preserved archaeological site in Phoenix. A fully accessible 2/3 mile trail takes you through a prehistoric Hohokam archaeological site with a platform mound, ball court, and replicated houses. Three galleries display artifacts and information on the Hohokam and village site and a hands-on children's gallery. Purchase Native American gifts, art and jewelry at the Museum Store. Open 7 days a week Oct.-Apr.; Closed Sundays & Mondays May-Sep.
Arts & Culture Attractions

Valley Youth Theatre

525 N. 1st St.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Phone: (602) 253-8188
Website: http://www.vyt.com

Established in 1989, Valley Youth Theatre is a professional quality, 501(c)(3) non-profit theatre dedicated to helping young people achieve their full potential through meaningful engagement, education and excellence in the performing arts. Winner of more than 36 National Youth Arts awards, voted 2012 Readers' Choice for "Best Live Theater" on azcentral.com, heralded as "Best Place to Take a Bow" by Phoenix Magazine and rated one of the "Top Ten Places to Become a Future Star" by The Arizona Republic, VYT produces six mainstage shows each season. For more information, visit our website