What’s Happening in West Town
A Roundup of Exciting Neighborhood News, Events & Deals in March

CHICAGO (March 2018) – The following is a sampling of neighborhood news, events and deals happening in West Town throughout the month of March 2018. For more neighborhood items, visit www.facebook.com/WestTownChicago.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Vertical Gallery
1016 North Western Avenue
https://verticalgallery.com/

LIE - “Bloom” - March 3-24
Vertical Gallery is proud to present their second solo exhibition with the LIE. "Bloom" runs March 3 - 24, with an opening reception with the artist on Saturday, March 3 from 6-10 p.m. After a sold-out exhibition at Vertical Gallery in 2015, Chicago's LIE (Jay Turner) returns to the gallery with an exciting new collection of work. The new work has a pictorial like quality that draws one into the narrative of the piece. The collection features illustrative characters expressing emotion and weaving captivating tales touching both dream and reality.

mHUB Chicago
965 West Chicago Avenue
www.mhubchicago.com

mHUB 1 Year Celebration - Friday, March 9 from 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
In March 2017, mHUB opened its doors with a vision to connect innovators with manufacturers to foster new ideas and physical products that would support Chicagoland's reign as a global manufacturing leader. After one incredible year, they are turning that mission to reality. Join them on March 9 for a day of talks, panels, company showcases and more at mHUB's 1 Year Celebration.

Ukrainian National Museum
2249 West Superior Street
http://ukrainiannationalmuseum.org/

**Jubilee Exhibition Celebration 60th Anniversary of USOM - March 9 - 31**
A Jubilee Exhibition celebrating the 60 year Anniversary of the Ukrainian Association of Visual Artists of Canada will be held on March 9 – 31 featuring paintings and sculptures from 30 different artists. The exhibit will be open Thursday- Sunday from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. with an admission fee of $5. The opening reception will be held on Friday, March 9 at 7 p.m. Admission is $10.
Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art
2320 West Chicago Avenue
http://uima-chicago.org

**UIMA Annual Art Auction - Saturday, March 17 at 6:30 p.m.**
Join the Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art on Saturday, March 17 for their 14th annual live and silent auction, including cocktails, hor d’oeuvres and dinner, for $50 per person.

Intuit: The Center For Intuitive and Outsider Art
756 North Milwaukee Avenue
www.art.org

**Black Voices from the Collection - through May 18**
Black Voices from the Collection celebrates African-American artists from the 20th century. The exhibition includes paintings, drawings and sculptures by Thornton Dial, Sr., Bessie Harvey, Lonnie Holley, Dapper Bruce Lafitte, Dr. Charles Smith, Inez Nathaniel Walker, Mr. Imagination (Gregory Warmack) and Wesley Willis.

It is Intuit’s vision to be recognized as the most accessible museum in Chicago, where each person has a transformative experience in a welcoming environment. Throughout the year, Intuit will present works by diverse artists from its collection. Join them today through March 18 as they recognize the important contributions of black artists. For more information, visit [http://www.art.org/black-voices-from-the-collection](http://www.art.org/black-voices-from-the-collection)
FOOD & BEVERAGE

On Tour Brewing
1725 West Hubbard Street
http://www.ontourbrewingco.com/

International Women's Day Celebration - Live Showing of "20 Feet From Stardom - Thursday, March 8 at 7 p.m.
On Tour Brewing is celebrating International Women's Day with a live showing of "20 Feet From Stardom" in their tasting room at 7 p.m. They will also be tapping a special Pink Grapefruit and Hibiscus Sour, so come on in and order off their pink menus as you cheers to the mothers, daughters, sisters and other special women in your life.

Food Truck: Porkchop - Saturday, March 10 from 4-9 p.m.
On Tour Brewing is excited to welcome the gourmet Southern comfort food truck Porkchop to their tasting room on Saturday, March 10. Enjoy beef brisket, pulled pork, buffalo wings, cornbread and more to pair with their award-winning On Tour beer.

St. Patrick's Day Kick Off: Live Music by Old Lazarus' Harp - Friday, March 16 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Listen to traditional Irish and Scottish tunes and songs by Chicago's own folk music group Old Lazarus' Harp from 5:30- 7:30 p.m. in On Tour Brewing's tasting room. Comprised of fiddle and banjo players and singers, Old Lazarus’ Harp will help kick off your St. Paddy’s day festivities as you sip on Irish Stout, Dropkick, and cheers green Lightning Will to the luck of the Irish. Dancing encouraged!

Forbidden Root
1746 West Chicago Avenue
http://forbiddenroot.com/

Forbidden Root 2nd Anniversary Bash - Thursday, March 8 from 5-11 p.m.
Calling all friends, family, and beer lovers! Forbidden Root is celebrating 2 years at their West Town location. Join them for a night of delicious beer and food and have the chance to meet their new Head Brewer, Nick Williams. Enjoy special guest taps, brewery tours, a Sparkling Rosé toast, raffle, and more.

Tickets will be $10 at the door. Includes:
Forbidden Root Glassware
3 drink tickets for 5oz pours of Forbidden Root Drafts
1 brewery tour ticket (until 10pm)
1 raffle ticket

For more information please contact tori@forbiddenroot.com.
RETAIL & COMMUNITY

Village EyeCare
2121 West Division Street
villageeyecare.net

**40% Off Second Pair – Month of March**
Throughout March, all patients can take advantage of the 40% off a second pair promotion at their Wicker Park location. Buy one pair, get the second pair for 40% off. Please make appointments [here](#).

Steve Quick Jeweler
1909 West Division Street
http://www.stevequickjeweler.com/

**Wedding Band & Stacker Band Trunk Show - March 9-11**
Attention to all brides to be from March 9-11, Steve Quick Jeweler will be transformed into a 'world of bridal' with hundreds of the newest wedding band and stacker band styles. Everything is on special discount for all purchases made during the show. Please contact Manager Peggy Blickhan via [emailpeggy@stevequickjeweler.com](mailto:emailpeggy@stevequickjeweler.com) and/or call at 773-342-0034 for reservations. Reservations are strongly recommended as they often exceed capacity during this show.

Columbus Elementary School
1003 North Leavitt Street
columbus.cps.edu

**Columbus Elementary Prospective Parent Open House - Thursday, March 15 at 6 p.m.**
Are you looking for an awesome neighborhood school for your children? Come see what Columbus Elementary has to offer. They are having an Open House for prospective families. Join them to learn about their close-knit school community, high quality teachers, and programs.
West Loop Soccer Club
2930 North Sheridan Road
http://www.westloopsoccerclub.com/

Winter Soccer Season - through March 25
At the West Loop Soccer Club’s training sessions, they offer a curriculum focused on the basic FUNdamentals of soccer. Their staff of US Soccer Federation nationally certified coaches ensures that each student receives technical and tactical instructions in a positive environment. They foster a culture that encourages commitment, leadership, sportsmanship and resolve. This program assumes no prior soccer experience or skill level. We welcome youth of all ages to join us and master soccer skills in a fun and family oriented environment.

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About West Town:
The West Town Chamber of Commerce fosters community and economic development by empowering businesses with information, networking opportunities, marketing, and other programming. The chamber extensively promotes the unique elements of the West Town neighborhoods and strives to engage the public through the organization of special events that highlight existing businesses and attract consumers and new businesses to the West Town area. The chamber serves as a channel through which members can cultivate a diverse, symbiotic, and growth-oriented community.