

Contemporary Art & Architecture at Crystal Bridges

Bentonville, Arkansas, October 29-November 2, 2023



Travel with the Art Center and take a deep dive into contemporary American art and architecture at **Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art** and the dynamic art scene of Northwest Arkansas. Crystal Bridges' expansive collection, housed in the 201,000-square-foot space designed by architect **Moshe Safdie**, spans over five centuries of art ranging from **Winslow Homer** to **Romare Bearden** to **Jackson Pollock**. Founded by collector **Alice Walton**, the museum has been heralded as an international destination for art lovers.

Our tour begins at our home base: the **21c Museum Hotel**. This unique luxury boutique hotel houses more than 12,000 square feet of exhibition space and features site-specific installations, sculpture, and more, which you'll learn about on a **private tour of their collection**. Following the tour, you'll get to know your fellow travelers over a **southern meal** at **The Preacher's Son**, housed in a thoughtfully restored historic church.

Next, you'll explore the museum's **permanent collection**, including special tours of temporary exhibitions. On view will be the museum's recently acquired "**Infinity Mirrored Room – My Heart is Dancing into the Universe**" by **Yayoi Kusama**. Additionally, we'll explore the museum's vast permanent collection of iconic and emerging American artists, which includes works by **Amy Sherald**, **Kehinde Wiley**, **Vik Muniz**, **Julie Mehretu**, **Hank Willis Thomas**, and many, many more.





You'll stroll through the art trails of Bentonville, where the beautiful Ozark landscape is dotted with outdoor works by artists like **Keith Haring, Deborah Butterfield and Dale Chihuly**. You'll experience **James Turrell's "Skyspace: The Way of Color,"** a meditation on color and light activated by the sky. We'll explore contemporary architecture including **Frank Lloyd Wright's Bachman-Wilson House**, originally built in New Jersey before being meticulously restored and relocated to Bentonville.

We'll also take an excursion to explore the art and design of Northwest Arkansas. We'll take a trip to **Bella Vista** and visit the serene and ethereal **Mildred B. Cooper Memorial Chapel** designed by architect **Fay Jones**, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright. Nestled in the wooded hilltop overlooking Lake Norwood, you'll have a chance to absorb the beauty of this special place and hear about its history. This year's tour also includes a special trip to **Fayetteville**, a vibrant Arkansas hub of art and culture. The city boasts a thriving arts scene, with numerous galleries, museums, and creative spaces showcasing the work of local and regional artists.

You'll spend an enchanting evening together exploring the **"Listening Forest."** Artist **Rafael Lozano-Hemmer** uses light, sound, and projections to create an interactive walk through the North Forest of Crystal Bridges. This site-specific exhibition brings together **eight immersive installations**, each one activated by you: your heart rate, your body, your voice, and your movements direct the forest's response. This project brings together art and technology in a natural setting to create poetic, shared experiences.



Traveling with you is **92NY Art Center educator Riva Blumenfeld**, who has 40 years' experience as a gallery director/owner, art advisor for collectors and arts educator at NYC's top museums. Riva will help you unpack the artists' vision and process and understand the fascinating story of this art destination. In addition, you'll meet **local experts and guides** who will give you an inside look into these collections and cultural center.

We hope you'll join us for this adventure in contemporary art and southern hospitality!

Allison Valchuis
Director, 92NY Art Center

Tour Information

Cost per Participant:

- Single Occupancy: \$4,950 per person
- Double Occupancy: \$4,050 per person

Cost of trip includes:

- 4 nights' accommodations at the luxury boutique 21c Museum Hotel in Bentonville, AR
- Welcome cocktails and dinner, farewell dinner, daily breakfast, and two lunches
- Private guides and tour facilitators
- Roundtrip private group airport transfers from Bentonville, AR airport to 21c Museum Hotel for those arriving and departing on the recommended flights
- Daily private group tours with admission fees included

Cost of trip does not include:

- Air transportation to Northwest Arkansas National Airport (XNA)
 - Recommended Flights:
Sunday, October 29, 2023 – American Airlines AA4472, Departs LGA 8:45 AM – Arrives XNA 11:19 AM
Thursday, November 2, 2023 – American Airlines AA4472, Departs XNA 12:10 PM – Arrives LGA 4:05 PM
If you are not taking the group flight, please plan to arrive at 21c by 4pm.
- Remaining meals
- Trip Insurance (highly recommended)
- Anything else not stated above

Registration:

A \$1,000 deposit is required to reserve your place. The remaining balance of your trip fees are due by August 1, 2023. To register for this program, please visit 92NY.org/arttravel to complete an application and payment information.

Tour Activity Level

You'll be on the go every day on this tour. The group will travel to sites via private shuttle or we'll be walking where you should expect uneven paths, stairs, and inclines. Participants can expect to be standing or walking for 1-2 hours at a time while on excursions. Tour start and end times will be announced at the beginning of the trip. Participants are responsible for arriving to the meeting locations on time. Your tour will begin and end with the included airport transfers.

92NY Terms and Conditions

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Trip cancellation and baggage insurance is highly recommended. Above charges do not include cancellation charges imposed by the airlines for any connecting flights to/from your point of departure.

Health and Safety Protocols

All guests must agree to understand the following health and safety protocols while participating in this tour. These protocols may change as state and local regulations evolve. We will update you as any changes arise:

- Face coverings must be worn at all times when social distancing is not possible, or in all situations where local regulations require the general public to do so. This includes times when you are traveling on the group transport, during demonstrations, lectures, tours, etc. Participants must also adhere to local business policies.
- All participants will be required to have received the COVID-19 vaccine fully before participation. You must have completed your last dose by September 29, 2023 and provide documentation.

Cancellation and Refund Policy:

The Contemporary Art and Architecture Tour: Crystal Bridges is subject to the following cancellation charges if you cancel for any reason:

If your notice is received:	You will receive:
More than 90 days before departure.....	50% of tour cost
90-60 days before departure.....	25% of tour cost
60 days or less before departure.....	No refund