



Chicago aspires to be an Olympic City and is eager to welcome the world.





An Olympic city is many things. A city that promotes international harmony. A city that leads by example. A city of world-class culture, breathtaking nature and soaring architecture. A city that aspires to greatness and is committed to creating a legacy of sport. Chicago is all of these things.

Since its founding, Chicago has been characterized by bold visions. It was bold vision that inspired Chicago to welcome the world to a new American city during the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition and 1933 World's Fair. Many of the attractions that draw millions of visitors today—such as the Art Institute of Chicago, Museum of

these global events. And it was bold vision that led businessman Aaron Montgomery Ward and urban planner Daniel Burnham to call for preservation of the city's lakefront and parklands for sport and recreation. As a result of their efforts, the skyscrapers of today sprung up around a network of lush parks and scenic promenades, striking a balance between