the Void, 1949–1962. These are shocking WWII paintings brought together from important museum collections. Through 6/18 Jason Lazarus wants to disturb the idea of the museum. In his solo exhibition, the artist encourages visitors to occupy the MCA, offering replicas of Occupy Wall Street protest signs to visitors. Open Tue 10–8, Wed–Sun 10–5. Free (kids under 13) to \$12; free Tue for Ill residents. 220 E Chicago. mcachicago.org.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY PHOTOGRAPHY

**Through 6/30** Spectator Sports weaves sports and art together. The show includes works by such notables as Paul Pfeiffer, Andreas Gursky, and Cory Archangel. 600 S Michigan. mocp.org.

#### FREE RENAISSANCE SOCIETY

Through 6/23 William Pope.L: Forlesen. Pope.L

explores socially coded distinctions that define race relations in America. Rather than damning or finger-pointing, his perspective is often self-reflective, funny, and difficult. 5811 S Ellis. renaissancesociety.org.

#### FREE SMART MUSEUM

**Through 6/9** *The Sahmat Collective: Art and Activism in India Since 1989.* This is the first Midwest survey of the well-known Indian art and activist group. Open Tue–Wed 10–5, Thu 10–8, Fri–Sun 10–5. 5550 S Greenwood. smartmuseum.uchicago.edu.

#### SOUTH SIDE COMMUNITY ART CENTER

Through 7/7 The Philosophy of AfriCOBRA. Though still active today, the African Commune of Bad Relevant Artists, or AfriCOBRA, made their biggest contributions in Chicago in the 1970s. This is the first of

three retrospective shows in 2013. 3831 S Michigan. southside communityartcenter.com.

#### **SWEDISH AMERICAN MUSEUM**

Through 6/23 Entangled Routes. The Klassen brothers and their mother revel in the geography, natural materials, culture, and myths of Sweden. 5211 N Clark. swedishamericanmuseum.org.

#### **UKRAINIAN INSTITUTE OF MODERN ART**

**Through 6/2** The museum continues to uncover distinct artistic unions. Bruce Thorn, Paul Lamantia, and John Kurtz draw upon a Chicago tradition of image-making in the Ed Paschke vein. **6/7-8/4** An unsung hero of Chicago abstract painting, Thomas Kapsalis has been making art here for nearly six decades. *2320 W Chicago. uima-chicago.org.* 

# **MUSEUMS**

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#### **ART & DESIGN**

See "Art & Design: Museums."

#### **HISTORY & CULTURE**

#### CHICAGO HISTORY MUSEUM

**Through 9/2** Personal stories, rare artifacts, and multimedia storytelling illustrate the Jewish community's contribution to Chicago. **Through 9/22** The museum presents Vivian Maier's breathtaking photos. **Through 1/4/14** Ebony Fashion Fair. Dazzling designer garments were plucked from the archives of the Ebony Fashion Fair. **\$\frac{9}{2}\$14.** \$\frac{9}{2}\$12 students, seniors. Mon-Sat 9:30-4:30, Sun 12-5. 1601 N Clark. chicagohs.org.

#### **FIELD MUSEUM**

Through 6/16 Fashion and the Field Museum Collection: Maria Pinto. Pinto weaves stories about how garments from the museum's collection relate to present-day fashion. Through 9/8 Creatures of Light: Nature's Bioluminescence. This new show illuminates the many creatures that use self-produced light in nature. Open daily 9–5. General admission free (kids under 3) to \$15; all-access passes \$21-\$30. 1400 S Lake Shore. fieldmuseum.org. \*\*

# ERES UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

**6/9** The Washington D.C.-based museum presents this one-day event that features displays of artifacts from the museum's collection. *Chicago Cultural Center*, 78 E Washington St. ushmm.org

## SCIENCE, NATURE, KIDS

# MITCHELL MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN

**Through 9/8** The museum showcases a new exhibition of artifacts from its permanent collection. \$3-\$5. Open Tue-Sat 10-5, Thu 10-8, Sun 12-4. 3001 Central, Evanston. mitchellmuseum.org.

## MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY

Through 9/2 Animal Inside Out. See more than 100 specimens preserved through the process of plastination. Timed-entry tickets required, \$12−\$20, which include general admission. Open daily 9:30−4. Free (kids under 3) to \$15. 57th and Lake Shoremsichicago.org. ★

### **BEST OF THE REST**

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# **FESTIVALS**

## FREE! CHICAGO PRIDE FESTIVAL

**6/30** Last year the annual parade drew more than 800,000 revelers. *Halsted and Belmont. Full route, related events: chicagopridecalendar.org.* 

#### JUST FOR LAUGHS

6/11-16 This year, the TBS fest is stocked with comedy favorites including Bill Maher, Seth Meyers, Bob Newhart, and David Cross. Full schedule: justforlaughs.com.

