



Things to Do in Iowa City

We know the annual Homeschool Iowa Conference is a bit like a vacation for many of our attendee families. Iowa City, Coralville, and the surrounding area have many wonderful activities to offer, many with free admission, and we hope you'll take advantage of them while you're in town. We've provided a list of activities below. Explore and enjoy!

OLD CAPITOL MUSEUM

Together, Old Capitol Museum and the Museum of Natural History (next door in Macbride Hall) form the University of Iowa Pentacrest Museums. Old Capitol Museum has been in operation since 1976, when the building reopened after a major renovation. It is the only National Historic Landmark in Iowa City. Throughout its long history, the building has served as a seat of the territorial and state governments, a university building serving numerous schools and colleges, administrative offices, and finally a museum.

More Information

Location: 21 Old Capitol, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242

HERBERT HOOVER PRESIDENTIAL MUSEUM

The Herbert Hoover Presidential Library-Museum is one of thirteen presidential libraries operated by the National Archives and Records Administration. The Library-Museum sits on the grounds of the Herbert Hoover National Historic Site.

More Information

Location: 210 Parkside Drive, West Branch, Iowa, 52358

ANTIQUÉ CAR MUSEUM OF IOWA

Come visit us in the Iowa River Landing area and enjoy a great time between our Antique Car Museum, and many local shops and restaurants! We're conveniently located just off Interstate 80 at the 1st Avenue Coralville, IA exit. So whether you're just passing through the area and need to stretch your legs, or you're a long time Iowa City area resident, come soak up some rich, automotive history!

More Information

Location: 860 Quarry Rd, Coralville, IA 52241

IOWA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

The Mission of The Iowa Children's Museum is to inspire every child to imagine, create, discover and explore through the Power of Play! Our exhibits are rich with unique hands-on educational components that promote the active exploration, problem solving, and discovery that lead to learning. Most importantly, the act of play is respected and valued by museum staff and volunteers as a critical aspect of childhood that leads to healthy, happy adults.

More Information

Location: 1451 Coral Ridge Ave., Coralville, Iowa 52241

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

The Museum of Natural history was founded by order of the Iowa Legislature in 1858 and is the oldest university museum west of the Mississippi River. It combines exhibits, education resources, programming, collections, and research opportunities to support the University of Iowa and the community.

More Information

Location: 17 N. Clinton Street, Iowa City, IA 52242

CORALVILLE LAKE & DEVONIAN FOSSIL GORGE

The Devonian Fossil Gorge is a popular attraction in Coralville. This glimpse into Iowa's geologic past was first exposed during the Floods of 1993 at Coralville Lake, then again more were exposed during the Floods of 2008. It is the home of many fossils and limestone bedrock, and an excellent place to view some of Iowa's geological history.

More Information

Location: 2850 Prairie du Chien Rd. NE, Iowa City, IA 52240

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME & MUSEUM

The University of Iowa Athletics Hall of Fame is the ultimate fantasy for a Hawkeye fan. The UI Athletics Hall of Fame has three floors of Hawkeye memories; from the National Championship trophies to the Orange Bowl to Nile Kinnick's Heisman trophy. The UI Athletics Hall of Fame is a must see destination for friends and fans of the intercollegiate athletic programs at the University of Iowa. Make a day of it and visit the UI Athletics Hall of Fame the next time you visit The University of Iowa!

More Information

Location: 2425 Prairie Meadow Drive, Iowa City, Iowa