

# Monet & El Greco

## The Art Institute of Chicago

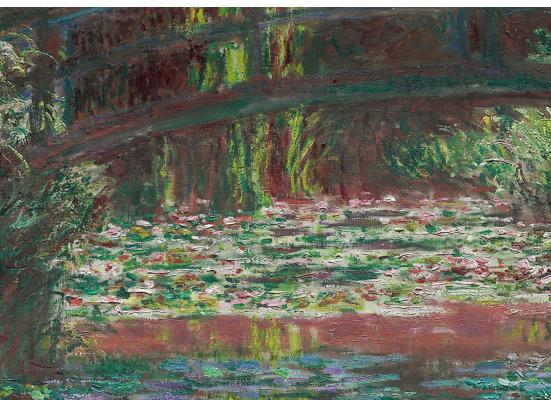
**Peoria Charter Company**

1 Day May 19, 2020 \$119\*

- The Art Institute of Chicago
- Monet and Chicago Exhibition
- El Greco: Ambition & Defiance Exhibition
- Self-guided audio tour for both exhibitions
- Snacks & beverages on the motor coach

**M**ONET AND CHICAGO—In 1903, the Art Institute of Chicago became the first American museum to purchase one of Monet's paintings. In keeping with the theme firsts, this is the first exhibition to explore Chicago's pioneering connection to the great Impressionist artist. Today, the museum's 33 paintings and 13 drawings constitute the largest collection of works by the artist outside of Paris. Among the more than 65 paintings in the exhibition—from the Art Institute's exemplary holdings and esteemed Chicago-based collections—are beloved major works as well as rarely seen still lifes, figural scenes, seascapes, and landscapes, spanning Monet's long career from early caricatures made at Le Havre to the last splendid canvases inspired by his garden and water lily pond at Giverny.

*Claude Monet, Water Lily Pond, 1900,  
The Art Institute of Chicago*



**El Greco: Ambition and Defiance**—This major exhibition charts the career of the artist known simply as El Greco. Over 57 works from across the world trace not only the development of his distinctive style but also the astounding ambition that drove him to relentlessly pursue success.



*El Greco, Assumption of the Virgin, 1579,  
The Art Institute of Chicago*

### Itinerary

#### Day 1 Tuesday: Champaign-Chicago-Champaign

Join us for an artful day at the Art Institute of Chicago for two special exhibitions—**Monet and Chicago** and **El Greco: Ambition and Defiance**. Enjoy a self-guided audio tour (included) for both exhibitions. Take time for lunch (on your own) with your friends at one of the three museum's restaurants. Choose from fine dining at Terzo Piano (reservations required) or casual dining at Museum Café or Balcony Café. Continue meandering through the Art Institute's numerous galleries until we depart for home at 3:00 P.M. Snacks & beverages (included) will be available on the motor coach. Approximate arrival back in Champaign 5:45–6:00 P.M.

Tickets are limited—reserve your seats today before they sell out!

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*Claude Monet, Cliff Walk At Pourville, 1882,  
The Art Institute of Chicago*

**Reservation Deadline**—book by Friday, May 1 to secure your admission and exhibition tickets.

**What's Included:** • Round trip motor coach transportation from Champaign to Chicago  
• Admission fee to the Art Institute  
• Exhibition fees to Monet and El Greco exhibitions  
• Audio-tour fee  
• Snacks and beverages on the motor coach  
• Driver gratuity  
• Led by Mary Beth Kurasek

**What's Not Included:** • Lunch on your own

\* All prices are per person. • Package group rate of \$119 is based on age 65+; Art Institute charges **\$6 more for those under age 65** and when booking choose that price of \$125 for any in your party under 65. If any in your party are meeting us at the museum, you can purchase the group-rate admission/audio tour only by apply a discount code of **NO-BUS** when booking that/those person(s) saving \$90 per person. • No travel insurance is included. For terms and conditions, please see [steviejaytravel.com/terms](http://steviejaytravel.com/terms).  
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