What to see in Columbus

There is plenty to see and do in Columbus, Ohio. Here are some possibilities for those who are attending the upcoming ODA meeting.

Short North Arts District

What has 27 galleries, 50 restaurants, 60 specialty shops and 25 pubs? If you guessed the Short North Arts District, then you are correct. Located only one block north of the convention center, this unique neighborhood is a must-see during your stay in Columbus. Relax after a day of continuing education courses at R.J. Snappers, voted the best seafood restaurant by Columbus Monthly, or go see contemporary paintings at the trendy Gallery V.

North Market

Calling all foodies! The North Market, located west of the Greater Columbus Convention Center (at Vine and Spruce streets), features a wide variety of specialty markets, ethnic food vendors, fresh produce, coffee shops, sweets, spirits and more to satisfy even the most particular palate.

Columbus Crew

Visit the country’s first major league stadium built specifically for soccer! The Columbus Crew website (www.thecrew.com) has more information about the Crew and how to purchase tickets.

Center of Science and Industry

The Center of Science and Industry (COSI) is a great educational adventure for the whole family during your stay in Columbus. Located just minutes from the Convention Center, it offers 10 themed exhibits, three theaters and the world’s only high-wire unicycle.

Gadgets, one of the most popular exhibits, is an interactive display of pulleys, gears, lasers and electrical circuits. While there, you can become an engineer for a day and build your own bridge or split laser beams.

Columbus Zoo & Aquarium

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Cameron Mitchell restaurants

A visit to an upscale Cameron Mitchell restaurant is a must during your education vacation in Columbus. From seafood to Italian cuisine, Cameron Mitchell’s 14 area restaurants are sure to satisfy any taste buds. Martini Italian Bistro, a Top Ten Italian eatery, is located right across from the convention center, and Mitchell’s Steakhouse is just minutes away in downtown.

The Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) will offer a special administration of the Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) examination on Saturday in conjunction with the ODA Annual Meeting.

About the ODA

The Ohio Dental Association advances and supports members and the dental profession in the delivery of quality oral health care. The association is guided by an executive committee, whose members are elected each year at the annual session. A full roster of the current executive committee, council chairs and priority projects can be found in the ODA Governance Structure section of the ODA website.

A benefit of membership is members-only access to specialized information and services of the ODA. This includes access to the online version of ODA Today, the association’s monthly newsletter. Other members-only access areas on the website include Practice Resources, Member Forum, ODA Governance Structure, Member Directory, Continuing Education and Call to Action.

There are numerous tangible benefits to membership in the ODA — professional and practice-related — that are available only to members.

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Jack Nicklaus Museum

For the true golf fan, no stop to Columbus would be complete without visiting the Jack Nicklaus Museum, located on the Ohio State University campus. Since its opening in May 2002, attendees have enjoyed thousands of artifacts and memorabilia that chronicle the Golden Bear’s accomplishments.

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