




Diversity Resource Guide

DIVERSITY

MISSION STATEMENT

Whether engaged in patient care, research or education UNMC touches the lives of millions of people. As part of a global health community, we recruit students from around the world and here at home who have an interest in serving patients from all walks of life.

UNMC strives to create an environment of inclusion for everyone – patients, visitors, employees, students. When you step foot on this campus, we hope you feel valued, respected, and connected. And we hope you feel this way beyond the confines of our campus as our students, faculty and staff reach out into the surrounding communities, the nation and the world.



About UNMC

A vital enterprise in the nation's heartland, the University of Nebraska Medical Center has its eye on improving the future of health care in Nebraska and beyond.

As Nebraska's only public academic health sciences center, UNMC is committed to the education of a 21st century health care work force, to finding cures and treatments for devastating diseases, to providing the best care for patients, and to serving our state and its communities through award-winning outreach. UNMC also is committed to embracing the richness of diversity, and is a major economic engine for the state of Nebraska.

Led by Chancellor Jeffrey P. Gold, M.D., UNMC has six colleges and two institutes, serving about 3,800 students in more than two dozen programs on five campuses. Our primary care program was recently ranked fourth in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, and our physician assistant program was ranked ninth. The university's physical therapy, pharmacy and public health programs also are ranked among the top in the country.

UNMC and its primary clinical partner, Nebraska Medicine, have a combined \$4.2 billion annual impact on Nebraska's economy. Nearly half of Nebraska's physicians, dental professionals, pharmacists, bachelor-prepared nurses and allied health professionals have graduated from UNMC.



Welcome Address

UNMC Chancellor Jeffrey P. Gold, M.D.




UNMC enjoys a solidly based reputation of integrity and excellence in teaching, research and patient care. Our mission is to lead the world in transforming lives and communities through our premier educational programs, innovative research and extraordinary patient care. We strive to do this in an environment of inclusion that embraces the richness of diversity and respects individuals for their cultures, contributions and points of view.

We understand that our future depends on health care professionals who are committed to caring for people with diverse needs and from varying backgrounds. This means recruiting the best and brightest minds in academic medicine. And in doing so reaching our goal when diversity and inclusivity is embodied in all that we do, who we are and what we represent to the communities that we are so proud to serve.

We hope you will find this resource guide useful. In it you will find an overview of the wide-array of ethnicities and people that live in the Omaha-metro area, as well as an overview of the vibrant, culturally diverse campus thriving at UNMC.

To support that campus community, we have a large number of programs that focus not only on diversity and inclusion but on



engagement of students, faculty, and staff across the entire university enterprise. From events such as the Holi Festival of Colors to faculty mentoring programs, there are opportunities for everyone to make UNMC a welcoming place, a place with long traditions of inclusivity.

This air of inclusivity extends beyond the campus as faculty, staff and students reach out to the larger Omaha-metropolitan community and the state and engage in service activities such as:

- Lending time and talent to multiple community organizations such as the North Omaha Community Care Council, the South Omaha Community Care Council and Urban League of Nebraska, to name a few;
- Providing multiple types and locations of health care for underinsured and uninsured individuals through the student-led SHARING Clinics;
- Serving at the annual comprehensive eye exam clinic for Native Americans held in collaboration with the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; and
- Providing dental care services for uninsured families through outreach programs across the state.

And this is just a small sampling of the kinds of programs that are deeply embedded in our culture, along with others, that are a part of the accreditation standards of all of the health professions colleges.

At the same time, we continue to seek a myriad of additional opportunities to increase the number and intensify the focus for new programs, to better communicate our culture and embrace the broadest principals of inclusivity.

OUR VALUES

reflect **who we are** and **why we're here**.

ITEACH



Innovation

Search for a better way. Seek and implement ideas and approaches that can change the way the world discovers, teaches and heals. Drive transformational change.



Teamwork

Respect diversity and one another. Communicate effectively and listen well. Be approachable and courteous. There is no limit to what we can achieve when we work together.



Excellence

Strive for the highest standards of safety and quality in all that you do. Work to achieve exceptional results.



Accountability

Commit. Take ownership. Be resilient, transparent and honest. Always do the right thing and continuously learn.



Courage

Make the tough decisions. Have no fear of failure in the pursuit of excellence. Admit mistakes and learn from them.



Healing

Show the empathy you feel. Be selfless in caring for patients, one another and the community.

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Messages from leadership



Dele Davies, M.D.,
Vice chancellor for academic affairs

UNMC recognizes that diversity is essential for the fulfillment of our mission as an academic health center. Our aim is to lead the world in transforming lives to create a healthy future for all individuals and communities through premier educational programs, innovative research and extraordinary care.

To achieve this end, it is imperative that we foster a multicultural campus and inclusive practices that harness the unique strengths and intellectual personality of our faculty, staff and students and that we respect, appreciate and respond appropriately to the cultural differences of the individuals we serve.



Aileen Warren,
Assistant vice chancellor
for human resources

I chose to come to UNMC as I saw it as a place to learn, grow and make a difference. After being in corporate America for most of my professional career, I wanted to work in a different environment and UNMC was just what I was looking for. The people, projects and opportunities are things that make UNMC a welcoming and engaging environment for our employees.

I truly believe a highly-trained, highly-motivated workforce is vital to UNMC's success and I personally welcome you to our campus. As an academic health care organization, we offer many courses and programs to enrich and broaden our employees' professional skills. For all positions and at all levels, UNMC has something to help employees develop, improve, grow and ultimately perform at their best!

Professional Development opportunities

FACULTY

Faculty Development: The Office of Faculty Development at UNMC aims to enhance our diverse faculty's skills in clinical and classroom teaching, research, leadership and scholarship. It is our mission to provide faculty with the tools they need to navigate a successful career at UNMC.

We offer a variety of opportunities to promote faculty success:

- Free access to our professional development seminar series — you can attend in person or online;
- Participation in a year-long leadership development program (iLEAD);
- Attendance at the annual new faculty on-boarding event; and
- Resources and training to enhance interactive e-learning.

Grand Rounds/Seminars: Grand Rounds provide continuing education presentations for faculty, residents, students, staff and guests and is an important and integral component of medical education that teaches new information and enhances clinical reasoning skills.

Promotion & Tenure: When you advance in your academic rank and/or receive tenure (continuous appointment), it is proof of your outstanding achievements and personal growth. In order to achieve these goals, you should begin preparing for advancement as soon as possible, ideally when you first start at UNMC.

To make the promotion and tenure process as easy as possible, it is a good idea to create and add to your portfolio as you go along. That way you don't have to remember — and find — all your achievements in scholarship and research, teaching, service, and patient care when you go to submit your application. Also, it's important to know your particular college/institution's guidelines and deadlines, as they can vary by area.

Step-by-Step Process

Step 1: Complete and submit all required documentation.

Step 2: Department/Unit Review.

Step 3: College/Institute Review.

Step 4: Dean/Director Review.

Step 5: Chancellor Review.

Mentoring Program – Faculty: Mentoring plays a key role in both personal and professional development — both for the mentee and for the mentor. Because we all continue to learn and grow, having a mentor is a necessity no matter where you are in your career.

At UNMC, we are dedicated to the mentoring of our faculty members. Through a formal structure of regular meetings and organized activities, our faculty mentorship program is designed to help you succeed, whether you are the one receiving or providing the guidance. We help match mentees and mentors based on common interests for career development — or provide you with the tools you need to establish your own match.

For more information visit unmc.edu/facdev or unmc.edu/academicaffairs/faculty/mentoring

LEADERSHIP

The Management Series: The UNMC Management Series is an eight-month professional development experience uniquely designed for UNMC supervisors, managers and administrators to develop the necessary tools to become highly effective leaders. Topics for the series include interviewing/hiring, inclusive leadership, performance management and navigating difficult conversations.

Progressive by design, participants must make a commitment to the entire series, with the endorsement of their immediate supervisor. Enrollment is limited to support a highly interactive format and early application is recommended. The program is sponsored by UNMC Human Resources-Employee Relations. Monthly sessions are held off campus for uninterrupted learning.

Course Objectives:

- Discover the core traits of a successful leader;
- Learn how to prepare for difficult conversations;
- Begin to appreciate and learn to capitalize on your own strengths and those of others;
- Discover best practices in writing job descriptions, interviewing, hiring, and performance evaluations;
- Gain a better understanding of UNMC's corrective and disciplinary processes; and
- Understand common obstacles to greater inclusion in the workplace.

The Manager's Forum: The Manager's Forum is offered to UNMC employees who are in a leadership or supervisory role. The series will cover relevant topics specifically targeted to managers to help them become stronger and more effective leaders.

Sessions will be one hour and have a 50/50 lecture/discussion format. Classes are capped at 30 attendees to foster lively discussion. The same topic will run for three months to give all interested managers the opportunity to attend on a date and time that is convenient.

New Manager Orientation: The UNMC Human Resources team is committed to elevating engagement for all UNMC employees. As a result of the 2015 Employee Engagement Survey, UNMC launched the "You Asked, We Listened" campaign designed to strategically put survey feedback into action. Human Resources has teamed up with Business Services to deliver current, relevant topics for newly promoted managers and managers new to UNMC. New managers will register through eServ.

EMPLOYEE

New Employee Orientation: New Employee Orientation is a half-day educational program for incoming office-service, managerial-professional, and administrative staff. It provides an overview of basic campus services, the benefits package, employee health/wellness/safety and mandatory compliance policies and focuses on the history and culture of the University.

Foundations for Success: Foundations for Success is a career development series that is open to UNMC office and service employees who have been nominated by a manager or supervisor. Nominees must have been employed at UNMC for six months, be employed full time, have excellent performance in their current job and commit to attend all four sessions.

Course objectives:

- Understand type preference using the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator assessment;
- Learn how to navigate through a difficult conversation;
- Learn how to better manage workflow;
- Understand the importance of valuing people in the workplace; and
- Learn how to navigate change easily and model it for others.

Re-Imagining the Workplace: “Re-Imagining the Workplace” is more than a training series. The new Human Resources program addresses several key themes that arose from the 2015 Engagement Survey. The workshops will showcase the voice of employees and will be the focus of action plans to improve our workplace.

Each topic is delivered twice with the same content so employees can find a date that is convenient. Topics are reflective of specific questions that were asked as part of the engagement survey.

Learn@Lunch: A series of one-hour training sessions held over the lunch hour on a variety of professional development topics. The annual fall and spring (three session) series is open to faculty, staff and students.

Technology Tutorials: ITS utilizes vendor provided tutorials, as well as ITS prepared documentation, to assist faculty, staff and students in learning desktop applications. The online tutorials enable you to learn at your own pace and participate at a time that is most convenient for you.

Tuition Remission: UNMC provides an employee and dependent scholarship program. Benefits of this program may be used at the four campuses of the University of Nebraska (UNL, UNO, UNMC, UNK).

UNO Classes (on-site): UNMC hosts UNO classes to increase accessibility for UNMC employees to start or further their undergraduate education. The classes offered can be taken to complete a Bachelor of General Studies degree (BGS), a Bachelor of Science degree (BS), a Bachelor of Arts degree (BA), or just for fun!

The BGS degree is a fully accredited 125-hour undergraduate degree program for students 21 and older. With a BGS degree, you can either choose to focus on one of over 40 areas of concentration ranging from health care administration to theater, or concentrate on three areas of emphasis. The BGS program also gives students the opportunity to complete their degree online. Another advantage to this program is that all credits previously earned at an accredited institution will count toward your degree.

For more information go to nebraska.edu/faculty-and-staff/benefits/employee-and-dependent-scholarships

UNMC EXISTING PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

Equal Employment Opportunity

unmc.edu/employment

Housing & Community Links

unmc.edu/postdoced/handbook/new-postdocs

Additional Residential Resources

unmc.edu/intmed/divisions/pulm/pccm-fellowship/recruitment

Title IX

unmc.edu/titleix

Additional Policies & Procedures

https://wiki.unmc.edu/index.php/Policies_and_Procedures

UNMC Holiday Recognition

unmc.edu/hr/Proc/Procedures1001.pdf#nameddest=Holiday_Leave

Professional Development

<https://info.unmc.edu/development/index.html>



Engaged organizations at UNMC

UNMC has a rich variety of employee, student and faculty organizations engaged in endeavors aimed at creating a welcoming and inclusive environment that embraces the richness of diversity and respects individuals for their cultures, contributions and points of view.

Those organizations include:

- The **Diversity Lecture and Cultural Arts Series** comprised of lectures, presentations and performances to educate and celebrate the rich diversity in our organization and community.
- The **Chancellor's Diversity Advisory Steering Committee** is made up of 14 individuals who represent the spectrum of colleges, divisions and departments at UNMC.
- The **International Student Association** is particularly suited for students interested in enhancing cultural competency on campus and ensuring the wellbeing of UNMC's international students. The group does this through:
 - **Student Ambassador Program** in which incoming international students are assigned current students to serve as ambassadors to help them adjust to Omaha and UNMC.
 - **Breaking Barriers** monthly forums that explore a new culture each month.
 - **English Club** in which international and domestic students gather to network and practice conversational English.
- The **Faculty Mentoring Program** provides a formal structure of regular meetings and organized activities designed to nurture professional growth. Matches are made based on common interests for career development and resources are provided to help mentors and mentees establish a successful match. Find more information at unmc.edu/academicaffairs/faculty/mentoring.
- The mission of the **Women's Mentoring Program** is to empower and inspire female professionals to achieve their career and personal goals by providing educational offerings, networking opportunities and facilitating mentoring relationships. It is open to all UNMC women. Find more information at unmc.edu/academicaffairs/faculty/mentoring.

- The UNMC chapter of the **American Medical Student Association** is one of the largest in the country, and is one of the most influential. AMSA represents student views concerning health care delivery and all current medical issues.
- The **American Medical Women's Association** is designed to support female medical students and physicians. Through peer groups, discussions and outreach, members encourage each other in the study and pursuit of medical careers.
- The **UNMC Pride Alliance** aims to educate future health care providers in the specific health care needs of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) patients, promote the health and acceptance of LGBT providers and to offer a safe atmosphere while respecting the needs of privacy and confidentiality.
- **Interdisciplinary Association of Minority Health Professionals of the Omaha Metropolitan Area (I-AM-HOME)**'s mission is to facilitate recruitment and retention of minority health professionals in the Greater Omaha Metropolitan Area, including Council Bluffs, through peer to peer mentorship of members, mentorship and support of trainees, advocacy for members' interests and promotion of excellence among members through recognition and awards.
- UNMC's social media platforms showcase the diversity of personalities at UNMC with news updates about the community, as well as visually engaging content depicting the exciting happenings and discoveries occurring every day on our campuses.

Learn more about UNMC from one of our many social media platforms including:

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Flickr
- Twitter
- YouTube

Life in the Omaha-Metropolitan Area

The landscape of Omaha has evolved into a cultural hub in the past decade. The city cherishes a few historical landmarks and prominent birth sites for historical leaders of our country including Gerald R. Ford and Malcolm X. Home to nearly half a million residents, the city can claim its diversity on the ever changing and growing dynamics of the heritage and populations living within city limits. As a major institution of the state, UNMC has made it a priority to recognize the strength of its residents by culminating a resource guide for faculty, staff and incoming personnel.

ARTS, CULTURE & ENTERTAINMENT

Omaha is not without a strong creative network and platforms to express the talent across the metropolitan area. There exists ample support from both private and public dollars to make this a reality with many of the art institutions founded in this city beginning with the philanthropic efforts of local donors and the ambitious contributions of local artists. Below is a snapshot of what this city has to offer along with the time of year to experience a few memorable events.

For more information on annual events in the Omaha-metro area go to: [**visitomaha.com/events/annual-events/**](http://visitomaha.com/events/annual-events/)

Annual Events

JANUARY

- Omaha Entertainment & Arts Awards Production

MAY

- Cinco de Mayo Parade
- Great Plains Theater Conference

JUNE

- Shakespeare on the Green

JULY

- Bank of the West Celebrates America
Fireworks show & outdoor concert
- Shakespeare on the Green
- Jazz on the Green

AUGUST

- Greek Festival
- Jazz on the Green
- Love of Art & Music Festival
- MAHA Music Festival
- Native Omahan Day Parade
oedc.info

SEPTEMBER

- Artsarben's Annual Art Festival
Aksarben Village
- Intertribal Pow wow
Metro Community College
Fort Omaha Campus

DECEMBER

- Christmas in the Village
24th & Lake Street

MULTICULTURAL ADVOCACY & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

The City of Omaha incorporates its culture and historical significance into the varying community advocacy groups to represent the interests of its residents. Home to more than 130 neighborhood associations and an exceeding 300+ non-profit organizations, these groups serve in areas ranging from health and wellness, to family enrichment, professional development, volunteer organizations and arts and education advocacy. Examples of promising efforts to strengthen communities are proven through the following organizations:

- **Anti-Defamation League**
adl.org
- **Boys & Girls Club of the Midlands**
bgcomaha.org
- **Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Omaha**
ccomaha.org
- **Charles Drew Health Center**
charlesdrew.com
- **City Sprouts**
omahasprouts.org
- **Collective for Youth**
collectiveforyouth.org
- **Girls Inc.**
girlsincomaha.org
- **Habitat for Humanity**
habitatomaha.org
- **inCOMMON Community Development**
incommoncd.org/hello
- **India Association of Nebraska**
indiaassociationofnebraska.org
- **Jewish Community Center**
jewishomaha.org
- **Justice for Our Neighbors Nebraska**
jfon-ne.org
- **Latino Center of the Midlands**
latinocenterofthemidlands.org
- **Live Well Omaha Kids**
livewellomahakids.org
- **Malcom X Foundation**
malcomxfoundation.org
- **National Coalition of 100 Black Women – Omaha Metropolitan Chapter**
nc100bwomaha.org
- **Nebraska Urban Indian Health Coalition**
nuihc.com
- **Nonprofit Association of the Midlands**
- **North Omaha Community Care Council**
northomahaccc.org
- **100 Black Men of Omaha, Inc.**
100blackmenomaha.org
- **One World**
oneworldomaha.org
- **Ponca Tribe of Nebraska**
poncatrib-ne.org

- Refugee Empowerment Center
sscaomaha.info
- South Omaha Neighborhood Alliance
sonaomaha.org
- United Way of the Midlands
unitedwaymidlands.org
- UNO Community Engagement Center - Partner Organizations
unomaha.edu/community-engagement-center
- Urban League of Nebraska
urbanleagueneb.org
- Youth Emergency Services
yesomaha.org

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Below is a sampling of the various places of worship found in the Omaha area. For a more complete listing visit the Church Angel website, churchangel.com.

Anglican

Holy Cross Anglican Church
7545 Main St | 402-573-6558
holycrossomaha.net

Assemblies of God

Glad Tidings Church
7415 Hickory St | 402-391-6515
gladtidingsomaha.com

Baha'i

Omaha Baha'i Community
5114 N 60th St | 402-934-4078
omahabahai.org

Baptist

American Baptist Churches of Nebraska
Baptist State Convention
6404 Maple St | 402-556-4730
abcnebraska.com
(view complete list of churches on the website)

Buddhist

Nebraska Zen Center
Heartland Temple
3625 Lafayette Ave
nebraskazencenter.org

Catholic

Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Omaha
100 N. 62nd St | 402-558-3100
archomaha.org
(view complete list of parishes on the website)

Eckankar

Eckankar Nebraska
Satsang Society
3618 Leavenworth St
nebraska-eckankar.org

Episcopal

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
109 N 18th St | 402-342-7010
trinityepiscopal.org

Greek Orthodox

**St. John's Greek
Orthodox Church**
602 Park Ave | 402-345-7103
stjohnsgreekorthodox.org

**All Holy Spirit Greek
Orthodox Church**
9012 Q St | 402-934-3688
allholyspirit.com

Hindu

Hindu Temple
13010 Arbor St | 402-697-8546
hindutemplenebraska.org

Interdenominational

Gospel Satellite Church
1470 S 13th St | 402-342-1694

Islamic Center

Islamic Center of Omaha
3511 N 73rd St | 402-571-0720
icomaha.org

Jehovah's Witnesses

**Kingdom Hall of
Jehovah's Witness**
4928 S 39th St | 402-734-2240
9201 Q St | 402-331-0790

5465 Fontenelle Blvd
402-453-6440

Latter-day Saints

**Omaha Nebraska
Latter Day Saints Institute**
6714 Dodge St | 402-551-6978
institute.lds.org
lds.org



Lutheran

**Divine Shepherd
Lutheran Church**
15005 Q St | 402- 895-1500

**Kountze Memorial Lutheran
Church (ELCA)**
2650 Farnam St | 402-341-7761
kmlchurch.org

**Saint Michael Lutheran Church
(ELCA)**
13232 Blondo St | 402-493-2871
saintmichaellutheran.org

Mennonite

mennonite-churches.cmac.ws

Northside Mennonite Church
omahamennos.info/northside

Methodist

First United Methodist Church
7020 Cass St | 402-556-6262
fumcomaha.org

United Methodist Churches
umc.org
(view complete list of
churches on the website)

Messianic Judaism

Hope of Zion Congregation
Adat Hatikvah Tzion
14808 Q St | 402-592-2404
adat.org

Non-Denominational

Christ Community Church
404 S 108th Ave | 402-330-3360
cccomaha.org

Lifegate Church
15555 W Dodge Rd | 402-330-5724
lifegateomaha.com

Westside Church
15050 W Dodge Rd | 402-496-7833
wchurch.tv

Pentecostal

The Church of Omaha
3715 N 104th Ave | 402-572-8904

Greater Beth-el Temple
1502 N 52nd St | 402-344-4385
gbtomaha.org

Presbyterian

**Presbytery of
Missouri River Valley**
302 S 74th St | 402-553-8300
pmrv.org
(view complete list of
churches on the website)

Synagogues

Beth El Synagogue
14506 California St | 402-492-8550
bethel-omaha.org

Temple Israel Omaha
13111 Sterling Ridge Dr
402-556-6536
templeisraelomaha.com

Ukrainian Catholic Church

**Assumption Ukrainian
Catholic Church**
1513 Martha St | 402-345-1552

ETHNIC GROCERY STORES

- **Amigo's Market**
(Salvadorean Grocery)
2101 Q St | 402-715-5919
- **Asian Family Market**
1510 NW Radial Hwy
402-905-2070
- **Asian Market**
321 N 76th St | 402-391-2606
asianmarketomaha.com
- **Daddy's Neighborhood Fresh Market**
4811 NW Radial Hwy
402-763-8543
daddysneighborhoodfreshmarket.com
- **Gurung Brothers Groceries, Restaurant, Western Union, ATM**
822 N 40th St | 402-553-7666
gurungbrothers.com
- **East Africa Grocery Store**
2555 Leavenworth St
402-345-0265
- **Jacobo's Mexican Grocery**
4621 S 24th St | 402-733-9009
jacobos.com
- **Mediterranean & European Grocery**
8601 Blondo St | 402-391-2546
- **Mekong Asian Food Market**
3068 Q St | 402-731-1204
- **Omaha Oriental**
10737 Mockingbird Dr
402-339-2671
omahaoriental.com
- **Sudanese African Food**
640 N Saddle Creek Rd



SALON SERVICES - BEAUTY/BARBER

- **A Head of the Times (Barber)**
4909 Leavenworth St | 402-556-7886
- **Arlan's Barbershop**
Midtown Crossing | 3157 Farnam St | 402-505-8767
- **Cookie's Beauty Salon**
2518 N 24th St
- **Halo Hair Studio**
5011 Underwood Ave | 402-505-6633
halostudiosomaha.com
- **Lyle Stylez & Cuts**
7118 Blondo St | 402-763-2367
lylestylez.com
- **Salon De Belleza Lily**
1612 Vinton St | 402-779-8888
- **Salon Namaste**
7810 W Dodge St | 402-672-2931
salonnamaste.com
- **Surly Chap Barbers**
(online booking only)
4005 Farnam St
surlychapbarbers.com
- **The Beard & Mane**
2235 St Marys Ave | 402-253-0640

For the most thorough and up-to-date listing of salon services in Omaha search "Salons" or "Barbers" on Yelp.com.

ENGAGE AND EXPLORE

Plenty of niche groups exist in Omaha allowing the opportunity to explore new interests and make new friends. Even if you are new to the city, it shouldn't take long to dive into a collective of networks ready to take on social challenges. If you're into critical dialogue, peer learning and being around passionate people, here are a few outlets to swing by.

- **1 Millions Cups**
Omaha/Lincoln weekly meet-up for area entrepreneurs & creative problem solvers and Big Omaha – Entrepreneurship & Tech Conference both hosted by AIM Institute
aimforbrilliance.org
- **Abide Network**
A non-profit community development organization
abideomaha.org
- **Empowerment Network**
A community transformation initiative for North Omaha
empoweromaha.com
- **Greater Omaha Young Professionals**
omahayp.org
- **Heartland Pride**
A service organization within the LGBTQ communities of Nebraska & Western Iowa
heartlandpride.org
- **Institute for Career Advancement Needs (ICAN) Women's Conference**
- **Northstar Foundation**
northstar360.org
- **Omaha Fashion Week**
omahafashionweek.com
- **Omaha Jaycees**
A leadership training organization
omahajaycees.org
- **Restore Omaha**
An educational resource focused on the preservation of historic buildings & neighborhood advocacy
restoreomaha.org
- **TedX Omaha**
An independent chapter part of the global platform connecting people through issues of cultural significance
tedxomaha.com
- **Women's Fund of Omaha**
omahawomensfund.org

Economic Vitality & Business Resources

Omaha also offers a strong climate for entrepreneurial endeavors and support.

- **The Greater Omaha Chamber**
is one resource which incorporates its services to assist all stages of business development from startup to established
omahachamber.org
- **Omaha Small Business Network**
engages small business entities by fostering business growth from catalytic offerings
2505 N 24th St
osbnbtc.org
- **Nebraska Business Development Center**
on the University of Nebraska at Omaha campus
nbdc.unomaha.edu
- **Metro Omaha Women's Business Center**
Where women entrepreneurs also have an outlet for network building and small business support
mowbcf.org
- **Omaha Startups**
Here interested persons can explore other entrepreneurship networks and niche groups across the city from the grassroots level to senior level investments groups
omahastartups.org

Existing Business Districts:

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|---|------------------------------------|
| • Benson Business Association | • Millard Business District |
| • Downtown Improvement District Association | • Old Market Business District |
| • Farnam's Blackstone District | • South Omaha Business Association |
| • Midtown Business Association | • Vinton Street Business District |

CULTURAL ENTERTAINMENT RESOURCES & PLATFORMS

- **402 Arts Collective**
Artists empowerment network & performance venue in the Benson Business District
402artscollective.org
- **Corky Canvas**
corkycanvas.com
- **HEAR Nebraska**
A multimedia hub cultivating the arts & culture of Nebraska
HearNebraska.org
- **Midtown Crossing & Aksarben Village**
Outdoor performance stages with seasonal productions
midtowncrossing.com
aksarbenvillage.com
- **Omahype**
A digital platform event calendar curated by local residents & tastemakers
omahype.com

Independent Music Recording Hubs & Performing Arts Venues

- **Blue Barn Theater**
Omaha's independent production theater
10th & Pacific St
bluebarn.org
- **Omaha Children's Museum**
500 S 20th St
ocm.org
- **El Museo Latino**
elmuseolatino.org
- **Film Streams at the Ruth Sokolof Theater**
1340 Mike Fahey St
filmstreams.org





Independent Music Recording Hubs & Performing Arts Venues

- **Loves Jazz & Arts Center**
in the Historic Jazz District
24th & Lake St
lovesjazzartcenter.org
- **Make Believe Studios**
makebelievestudio.com
- **Omaha Community Playhouse**
6915 Cass St
omahaplayhouse.com
- **Omaha Performing Arts**
1200 Douglas St
omahaperformingarts.org
- **Opera Omaha**
1850 Farnam St
operaomaha.org
- **Orpheum Theater**
409 S 16th St
orpheum-theater.com
- **Rainbow Recording Studios**
2322 S 64th Ave
- **Saddle Creek Records**
724 S 14th St
saddle-creek.com
- **The Rose Theater**
2001 Farnam St
rosetheater.org

Traditional & Contemporary Art Galleries

Including the Joslyn Museum, the Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts, Kaneko and The Durham Museum.

Live Music Venues

More than a dozen live music venues between the Old Market, North Downtown, Midtown & the Benson business district.

Find **VisitOmaha.com** online for specific details on coming events.

ATHLETICS & OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Omaha's athletic and outdoor culture is full of exciting adventures with something for everyone from the beginner enthusiast to the extreme adrenaline-seeker. The city is landscaped with walking and bike trails and 228 neighborhood parks with outlets ranging from ice skating, paddle boarding, camping and aquatic activities. If you prefer to observe, the city is busy with plenty of seasonal sporting events to attend.

Outdoor Activities

- **Eugene T. Mahoney State Park**
28500 W Park Hwy, Ashland, NE
(20 min. drive from Omaha)
outdoornebraska.gov/mahoney
- **Lauritzen Gardens**
Omaha's Botanical Center
100 Bancroft Street
lauritzengardens.org
- **Henry Doorly Zoo & Aquarium**
3701 S 10th St
omahazoo.com
- **Strategic Air Command & Aerospace Museum**
28210 W Park Hwy, Ashland, NE
(20 min. drive from Omaha)
sacmuseum.org

Sports Teams & Athletic Highlights

- **Big X Conference Nebraska Cornhuskers Football**
(45 min. drive from Omaha to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln)
huskers.com
- **Horse Racing**
Horsemen's Park
6303 Q St
horsemenspark.com
- **Creighton Bluejays Men's Soccer**
a top-ranked collegiate soccer team
gocreighton.com
- **NCAA Men's College World Series**
TD Ameritrade Park Omaha 1200 Mike Fahey St
ncaa.com/championships/baseball/d1
- **Historic boxing clubs**
and home to internationally recognized trainers & boxers including lightweight champion of the world, Bud Crawford
- **Omaha Beef Indoor Arena Football**
Ralston Arena
7300 Q St, Ralston, NE
beeffootball.com



Sports Teams & Athletic Highlights

- **Omaha Storm Chasers**
Minor League Baseball
Werner Stadium
12356 Ballpark Way, Papillion, NE
milb.com/index.jsp?sid+t541
- **Aksarben Stock Show & Rodeo**
aksarbenrodeo.com
- **Pinnacle Bank Championship**
Special Event Golf Tournament
- **Omaha Rollergirls**
Omaha's all-female roller derby league
omaharollergirls.org
- **University of Nebraska at Omaha Mavericks Hockey**
Baxter Arena – Aksarben Village
omavs.com







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