TRAVEL FILE for CHICAGO CLASS

Unless otherwise indicated the venue is located in the West Rogers Park neighborhood on the far north side of Chicago. Exact address will be given when you register.

There are two airports in Chicago: O'Hare and Midway. O'Hare is closer to the venue and most accommodations. Recommended transportation from either airport is by taxi for which the approx cost is \$35 from O'Hare and \$45-50 from Midway. Taking public transportation will be less expensive, but will take an average of 2 hours and involves changing between trains and buses, with a bit of walking. If you want to take public transportation it is suggested that you look on Google Maps with public transport option for directions.

A car will be advantageous for transportation between the venue and lodging, although there is a possibility that if you stay nearby, depending on class size, we *may* be able to provide you with transportation before and after class. Contact the organizer for more details. If you drive a car, there is easy free parking on the street at the venue.

General Notes

Prices vary according to the time of year. The prices below, checked June 2012, are for the lowest priced room and do not include tax. It pays to call several places and shop around. Most of the options will require taking a bus or taxi to the class if you do not have a car. The distance from the venue is noted in the list. Be aware better prices can usually be had by booking as far in advance as possible. You can always cancel the reservation if something better comes along unless you use the non-refundable option. Please communicate with the class organizer before booking a non-refundable rate. Most hotels have discount rates for AAA and some have discounts on the Internet. It is best to call the hotel directly before booking on the Internet to compare prices.

www.airbnb.com

An excellent resource for finding inexpensive lodging is www.airbnb.com which is a website of people who are offering available rooms or apts in their homes.

Below are hotels, motels, including hostels and B&B and YMCA:

Best Western University Plaza - \$89 1501 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, IL 2.8 mi N of venue (847) 491-6400 bwuniversityplaza.com Heart O' Chicago Motel - \$89 5990 North Ridge Ave., Chicago, IL 1.6 mi SE of venue (773) 271-9181 heartochicago.com

Super 8 Chicago - \$85 7300 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, IL 1.8 mi E of venue (773) 973-7440 super8.com

Hilton Orrington - \$127+ 1710 Orrington Avenue, Evanston, IL 3.1 mi N of venue (847) 866-8700 hilton.com

Margarita European Inn - - **\$87 shared bath with 2 twins** 1566 Oak Avenue, Evanston, IL 2.9 mi N of venue (847) 869-2273 margaritainn.com

Holiday Inn Chicago North Shore (Skokie) - \$118 5300 West Touhy Avenue, Skokie, IL 3.3 mi W of venue (847) 763-3011 · <u>holidayinn.com</u>

B&B/Hostel/Other Type Accommodations:

Janet's Place - B&B- call for rate 935 Judson Avenue, Evanston, IL 2.3 mi NE of venue (847) 328-8966

Frugal Traveler/Traveler (garden apt sleeps 3/ \$50 + 20 extra person) 1312 Madison Street, Evanston, IL 1.8 mi N of venue (847) 845-8357

Evanston YMCA (for men only) \$47/night or \$131/week 1000 Grove Street Evanston, IL 60201 3.5 N of venue 847.475.7400 http://www.mcgawymca.org/adults/mens-residence/

Chicago Getaway Hostel \$32-\$99 616 West Arlington Place, Chicago, IL 6.0 mi SE of venue (773) 929-5380 • getawayhostel.com