

TOP LAS VEGAS ENTERTAINMENT



Offbeat and out-of-this-world experiences are usually an easy trip right off the Strip. Our Vegas entertainment editor picked a few experiences worth a look.

CHEAP SHOT

This swank “miniature showroom” is home to Miss Behave’s Mavericks, a jam-packed variety show featuring acrobatic, musical, comedy, and old-school striptease performers. At just \$30, it’s easily Vegas’ best entertainment value.

Cheapshotdtlv.com

NEON MUSEUM

Before every Strip casino invested in a candy-bar shaped LED sign that looks like your iPhone, this city was lit by elaborate, artful neon signs designed without the aid of computers. The Neon Museum has made a mission of rescuing these signs from destruction and collecting them in their outdoor “boneyard.” Come for the history; stay for the massive Instagram potential.

neonmuseum.org

PINBALL HALL OF FAME

Located on the Strip adjacent to the famed “Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas” sign, this no-frills, 25,000-square-foot box is packed with playable pinball and arcade machines, spanning nearly 100 years of 25-cent amusement. A bucket of quarters can buy you at least an hour’s worth of fun.

pinballmuseum.org

LOST SPIRITS

This distillery tour is the only interactive attraction in Vegas you can taste. There are visual wows aplenty—hologram-like projections, labyrinthine indoor “neighborhoods,” a simulated submarine ride, circus acts—but the frequent, generous tastes of house-distilled rum is what really gives Lost Spirits its distinctive flavor.

lostspirits.net

ARTS DISTRICT

This Downtown neighborhood, lined with restaurants, bars, microbreweries, galleries, cultural attractions and specialty retail, is a rarity among Vegas destinations: On any given night, you’re likely to find more locals than tourists enjoying what it has to offer. This is Las Vegas with its hair down. *Downtown Las Vegas, Main Street and Colorado Ave.*

AKHOB

James Turrell’s Akhob is a stunning art installation that makes you feel like you’re bathing in light and color. Inside the Louis Vuitton store at City Center’s Crystals shopping center, an advance appointment is required and spots fill up quickly, so if you want to see Akhob (and trust us, you really do), call them now. *Friday-Sunday, by appointment only. 702-730-3150.*

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