



OLD JOLIET PRISON

HISTORIC SITE

Operational from 1858 until 2002, the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet - now known as Old Joliet Prison - housed some of the most feared inmates in history, including Leopold & Loeb, John Wayne Gacy, Richard Speck and Baby Face Nelson



Old Joliet Prison was home to some of the most infamous fictional convicts as well, including "Joliet" Jake (*The Blues Brothers*) and Michael Scofield (*Prison Break*).

You now have the chance to walk behind the forbidden walls of Old Joliet Prison, within an hour of Chicago.



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GUIDED TOURS

Guided walking tours of the Prison are available. Tours last approximately 90 minutes, taking you inside the limestone walls through the Prison Yard, before you reach the 'end of the line' at the Prison's solitary confinement building, home to Death Row in Illinois from 1928 - 1949, and an original 1858 jail cell.



OLD JOLIET PRISON PARK

Just south of the Prison walls, Old Joliet Prison Park features interpretive signs that tell the story of Old Joliet Prison, inmates, movies filmed at the Prison and more. Admission to the park is free.

Visit JolietPrison.org for tour schedule, important information and to purchase tour tickets.

The Old Joliet Prison tour program is primarily managed by the Joliet Area Historical Museum, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit entity, in partnership with the City of Joliet.

The proceeds from activities will be used to expand the Museum's mission to preserve and disseminate the history of Joliet, as well as to fund much needed measures to secure and stabilize the site to allow expanded activities.

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