

Meetings Nuts and Bolts

We're more than just Chicago's most creative meeting and event venue. Our sprawling rooms, provocative décor, and trademark sense of play... It's all designed to make your experience all it can be... and more!

This is not your office. This is not a hotel boardroom. *This is Catalyst Ranch*. With one step off the elevator you step out of your comfort zone and into the most stimulating, invigorating landscape to hold a meeting. On this Ranch, creativity roams free and insight is yours for the wrangling.

Great ideas are born here: Since 2002, we've proven that a stimulating environment with room to roam helps participants think differently and gets those ideas out of their heads and into the strategy- seriously!

Your budget works here: A meeting's true value isn't measured in dollars; it's measured in time and outcomes. Attendees participate more here, their time is well spent and that's how THEY measure the cost of an offsite meeting.

Room rates are all-inclusive here: The free or low cost conference room offered by your hotel isn't really what you bargained for when you factor in the snack services, beverages, AV, tech support & meeting supplies. These are all included in our rate plus we offer a discount for large groups!

All of your boxes are checked here: We're a woman-owned green venue in Chicago's trendy West Loop.

When we're your meeting coordination partners, you have all the **space to imagine more.**



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8 Reasons Why Meetings Are More Effective at Catalyst Ranch

DISORIENT TO SHIFT THINKING:

Providing an unexpected physical environment helps clear the mind of preconceived notions & opens it to new ideas





NOSTALGIA TRIGGERS PURPOSEFUL PLAY:

Vintage furniture, furnishings & toys remind meeting attendees of their childhoods when their imaginations were boundless & allowed to run free

EMBRACE DIVERSITY OF THOUGHT:

Blending a vast array of cultural items signals that different cultures & ways of thinking are valued and encouraged





ROOM TO ROAM:

Rooms are 3-4 times larger than the norm giving meeting attendees room to wander & explore which frees up thinking

ENGAGE THE SENSES:

A physical environment which engages all the senses & tunes up the brain's receptivity of powerful new ideas & different ways of perceiving



Breakouts 2 are built right in!



WE PARTNER WITH MEETING PLANNERS:

Dedicated staff who offer ideas, tips and support before, during and after your meeting

TAILOR MADE:

Flexible space encourages new meeting formats





NO PRICING SURPRISES:

All-inclusive pricing, no catering minimums

What's included in the Room Rental?

An environment which energizes, fosters new conversations and ways of thinking, reignites the creative mindset and enables learning.



Space

- Extra legroom more square footage per meeting attendee
- Breakout space built right into your room
- Comfortable, eclectic furnishings
- Fresh potted plants
- Toys & games



Refreshments

- 2 Snack Services for full-day meetings, 1 for half-day meetings
- Unlimited hot & cold beverages
- Lots & lots of candy



Meeting supplies

- Traditional supplies like notepads, post-its, index cards, pens, sharpies, colored markers, nametags, dots
- Non-traditional supplies like Play-Doh, pipe cleaners, hats, boas, slinkies

Don't see it on the list?

We can find it for you from videographer to graphic facilitation, hotel and restaurant recommendations. And help coordinate logistics.





Staff

- Tech support
- Ranch Hands at the Ready



Technology & Equipment

- 1GB Fiber wireless and wired internet
- LCD projector & screen with an assortment of adapter cords
- * Hybrid meeting support
- Sound System
- Wireless and lavalier microphones
- Flipchart easels & pads
- Vertical and horizontal dry erase boards
- Stereo system
- XM Satellite radio
- Flat screen TVs
- Copier/Scanner/Printer
- Ideation boards for additional wall space





How Does The Pricing Work?

Example rate comparison for 25 participants for I full day with catering and parking

Catalyst Downtown Ranch Per Person \$474 \$226 Per Day All-Inclusive Venue & \$3,856 \$3,325 Parking Technology 0 1,231 Supplies 0 475 Catering 1,791 6,836 \$11,867 **Total Costs** \$5,647

\$148 per person per day

(excludes catering and parking)

Ask us about our NFP DISCOUNT



The Booking Process

Wanna book a meeting? It's simple!

Call, or use our easy website inquiry form



We'll put together a custom contract with everything you need for your meeting





Our experienced meeting coordinators will give you a personal consultation and provide you with everything you need to host the best meeting possible

Finalize Your Details Enjoy Your Meeting!

Room Options

Focus Group

Floor 4E

Capacities:

or **Cocktail Reception** Capacity: 250 (125 each floor)

Entire Floor 4E

Capacity: 60

Café in Jitterbug and breakouts in

Mambo/Foxtrot

The Entire RANCH!

> Meeting Capacity: 135

Jitterbug Room 1,400 sq. ft.

Theatre 40 35 U-shape/ Small Group 15

75

35

30

24

U-shape/ Small Group 14

50

Focus Group 25

10

10

U-shape/ Small Group

10

Mambo Room 1,100 sq. ft.

Foxtrot Room 300 sq. ft.







Theatre	75
Café	60
U-shape/ Small Group	20
Cocktail Reception	100
Focus Group	40
	10
Focus Group	10

The **Tango** 300 sq. ft. **Entire**

Floor 5E

Capacity: 75 Theater in Polka and breakouts in Tango/Cha Cha area

Theatre (chairs & coffee tables in multiple rows) Café (tables set length-wise with chairs on 3 sides) U-shape/ Small Group (comfy chairs with side tables)

Catering - Culinary delights from AM to PM

Even the most discerning palate will be pleasantly surprised by our catering menus. Catalyst Ranch has teamed up with Tri-Star, our sole partner for all catering needs for client meetings. The Tri-Star menus infuse flavor influences from all over the globe, adding creative flair to breakfast, lunch, dinner and cocktail receptions.

Special dietary needs are easy to accommodate. We can find a tasty menu selection for gluten and dairy allergies, vegan substitutions and more.

It's all about the details, and customized catering can add that extra pizzazz to your meeting. With an abundance of meal options, we can whip up ideas to fit your session's theme.

Unwind after your meeting with a celebratory cocktail party. Catalyst Ranch has Party Menus that are complete with appetizers and beverage packages. Just tell us the party atmosphere you're looking for and we will take it from there.









World Famous Snack Service

No one goes hungry at Catalyst Ranch! We have treats and brain food available throughout the day to energize meeting attendees. Salty or sweet, savory or sugary, healthy and indulgent; we have something for everyone to enjoy. Candy dishes are spread out throughout the space for a little sweet pick-me-up.



